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358 students graduate at IIT-Hyderabad convocation

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HYDERABAD: As many as 358 students graduated on the annual convocation of the Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad (IIT-H) on Saturday. Out of the total 358 students, 127 graduated in BTech, 151 in MTech, 36 in MSc, 34 in PhD and 3 in MPhil. This year, there was a 35% jump in the number of students graduating with 100 additional students as compared to last year.

Niti Aayog member Bibek Debroy graced the occasion as the chief guest. The convocation this year also marked the graduation of the first batch of BTech (chemical engineering) students.

Congratulating the students on their success, UB Desai, IIT-H director, said, "It is indeed a very special convocation, since this year we started our operations from the permanent campus of IIT-H. The fact that we are graduating a large number of PhDs, a significant jump from 5 last year to 34 this year, amply corroborates our thrust on invention and innovations. This establishes our commitment to excel further in academics and research."

Applauding the number of research scholars graduating from the institute this year, the chairman, Board of Governors, IIT-H, BVR Mohan Reddy said, "IIT-H is contributing substantially to research as 53% of the 358 students graduating are post-graduates and PhDs. This is a reflection of the emphasis that is being put on research by the institute. The under-graduate programs and research are a great contribution to nation building. Research in application of technology to socio-economic challenges is going a long way in providing solutions to sustained economic development of our nation."

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