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I-Day at IIM-R: 'Youth will usher in dvpt'

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Raipur: Honouring the heroes of India's freedom struggle, IIM Raipur celebrated 71st Independence Day on August 15. The celebrations were witnessed by the director, students, teachers and the non-teaching staff on the institute premises.

IIM Raipur director, Dr Bharat Bhasker, inaugurated the events of the day with the inspection of the guard of honour, which was followed by flag hoisting and national anthem. Addressing those present, Dr Bhasker recollected the significance of the efforts and sacrifices made by freedom fighters. Highlighting the contributions of revolutionaries like Rani Laxmi-bai, Bhagat Singh, Azad, Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru, he said that in order to progress, it is important to eradicate corruption of any form. He added that the eradication must begin by "removing corruption from our minds". He also stressed on the importance of a positive mindset in the younger generations to succeed.

Dr Bhasker also acknowledged the efforts of the nation's first PM, Jawaharlal Nehru, and that of other visionaries who played their parts in bringing institutions like IITs and IIMs to life. He also urged students to become the "flagbearers of the hard-earned independence".