



A bird's eye view of the three hostels, two for boys and one for girls, at National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), virtually inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday | EXPRESS



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PM MODI VIRTUALLY DEDICATES 3 HOSTELS AT NITK SURATHKAL

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PRIME Minister Narendra Modi dedicated three hostels, two for boys and one for girls, at National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal near Mangaluru virtually. These hostels, named Brahmagiri and Shiwalik (for boys) and Godavari (for girls) have been built at a cost of Rs 132 crore.

The PM inaugurated projects worth Rs 13,300 crore across

India which include dedication of the three hostels at NITK Surathkal. PM Modi said that the Union government has built a record number of educational institutions in a decade and has come up with several schemes for imparting quality education and research.

Speaking on the occasion, NITK Surathkal director Prof B Ravi said it is good to see how the country is progressing in the education sector and NITK Surathkal is also emerg-

ing as a smart and sustainable campus with focus on environment and research oriented learning.

Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel, addressing the gathering, said the Central government has released Rs 588 crore to NITK Surathkal in the last 10 years. "These new hostels will help around 1,527 students of NITK. Through the New Education Policy (NEP), there is transformation in the field of education. Rs 20 crore has been released for re-

search works at Mangalore University," he said.

Girls hostel 'Godavari' with 212 double occupancy plus 3 single for differently abled can accommodate 427 students and has been built at a cost of Rs 37.88 crore. Boys hostel 'Brahmagiri' with 500 single occupancy has been built at a cost of Rs 51.14 crore while the other boys hostel 'Shiwalik' with 200 triple occupancy accommodating 600 students has been built at a cost of Rs 43 crore.