IIT-Gandhinagar hosts Amalthea '15 at new campus

Two-day annual festival began on Saturday

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Like every year, Amalthea, the annual technical summit of IIT-Gandhinagar, kicked off amidst much fanfare on Saturday. The fifth edition this year, the event is being organised in the new campus being built in Gandhingar in Palaj village.

Bringing together the best minds from the industrial and academic worlds, Amalthea promises to satisfy every enthusiast through beneficial interaction and imparting scientific

and technical knowledge.

Unlike the previous editions, this year there is only one exhibition dome and students feel that since the venue is removed from the city, it will have poor participation. The new campus of IIT Gandhinagar is situated in Palaj village of Gandhinagar with the closest bus stop at about 5km from the institute.

Students travelling from Ahmedabad may end up driv-



Participants at the annual festival at IIT-Gandhinagar

ing over 35km to reach the venue. The two-day event boasts a conclave, symposium, events and exhibition.

In one of the events – Innovent, a team of school children from Ahmedabad created

home automation using Twitter to give commands. The project bagged the third prize. Similarly, stu-

dents of IIT Gandhinagar displayed an indigenously developed water purifier.

A team of about eight students of IIT-Gandhinagar had put a device that works on capacitive deionization for water purification. "What we have developed is more effective, long-lasting and wastes less water compared to ROs available in the market," said Vidyanand Wagh, one of the team members.