

Trust your institutions on entrance exams, IITs tell students

New Delhi, Aug. 28: Further delay in conducting medical and engineering entrance exams NEET and JEE will lead to a 'zero academic year' and any quick alternative to the crucial exams will dilute the quality of education and have cascading effects, according to directors of several Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

Amid the chorus for postponement of the two exams in view of the rising COVID-19 cases, the IIT Directors appealed to students to trust the institutions conducting the exam.

"The pandemic has already disrupted the academic plans of many students and institutions and we don't see the virus going away anytime soon. We should not let this be a zero academic year as it might have consequences on the bright future of several students," Ajit K. Chaturvedi, Director, IIT Roorkee, told PTI.

He also said students and their parents need to have faith in the system.

"The decision to conduct these exams has been taken after considering every aspect of the current situation. The

17 lakh NEET-JEE admit cards downloaded

New Delhi, Aug. 28: The government on Thursday defended its move to go ahead with NEET and JEE exams despite mounting pressure to defer them, saying over two-thirds of candidates have downloaded the admit cards which shows that students want these exams to be conducted at any cost, and asserted that it won't let the Congress party 'spoil' students' future to find relevance.

Noting that over 17 lakh out of nearly 25 lakh candidates have already

downloaded admit cards for the medical and engineering entrance exams, Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' said his ministry has been receiving e-mails from students and parents that these exams should not be further postponed.

The minister's remarks came a day after seven chief ministers of non-BJP ruled states agreed to the need for filing a review petition urging the Supreme Court to reconsider its recent order rejecting the postponement of the com-

petition in the world. A quick alternative to these tests will certainly not be as gratifying as competing for this examination by all fair means". He said an alternative could be misused as a precedent to dilute the entire admission process to the IIT system which may prove to be harmful for the quality of undergraduate education at the IITs. "I urge the aspirants to take it up as a challenge and show their mettle and sincerity to the world," he said.

Sarit Kumar Das, Director, IIT Ropar, who

government has been ensuring that all necessary arrangements are made to safeguard the health and safety of the students. Delaying the exams would have a cascading effect so we should come together in understanding its importance and support the system in conducting it seamlessly," he added.

According to Virendra Tewari, Director, IIT Kharagpur, "The exams have a global reputation for seeking excellence and are considered one of the toughest and prestigious examinations

petitive exams. Congress and various opposition parties have demanded that NEET and JEE examinations be deferred due to the COVID-19 pandemic and floods in parts of the country, even as the Union government has made it clear that they will be held as per schedule with due precautions.

On Thursday, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik also spoke to Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the phone and requested him to postpone

is also a member of the Joint Admission Board (JAB) of IITs, said the decision to conduct the exams in September has not been taken overnight but after due consideration. Das said the public may not be aware that a lot of effort has gone into preparing to conduct the entrance exams amid the pandemic and after that experts have taken a technical decision to hold the exams in September with appropriate security measures, health norms and the same has been endorsed by the govern-

ment. "Does anyone have an idea how the situation is going to be after three months or five months? Even if the exam is held in September, we won't be able to start classes before the middle of November at the earliest. That itself means almost a loss of a semester. Further delay will do nothing other than loss of a year and then next year you will have two first year batches. Are our institutions ready with the infrastructure to handle such a situation?" he asked.

This will further deepen India's strategic partnership and boost its role of being a net security provider in the Indian Ocean region," Modi said.

PM woos defence firms

New Delhi, Aug. 28: Wooing foreign players to join his push for defense manufacturing in India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Thursday that producing defense equipment in the country is the best option for them considering the big size of its market and underscored his government's commitment to

creating a robust ecosystem for all manufacturers.

Addressing a seminar on 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' in defense manufacturing, Modi said his government has ushered in a "win-win" situation for all players, from public sector to private and foreign manufacturers, and asserted that the concept

of a self-reliant India is not "inward-looking".

The goal of this mission is to make India work towards larger global peace, and also to help the world economy become more resilient and stable, he said.

The defense sector having self confidence is necessary for making a modern and self-reli-

ant India, the prime minister said, asserting that a new mindset has emerged on his government's watch.

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5% of Accenture employees to lose job

Bengaluru, Aug 28: Global professional services leader Accenture which has over 5 lakh employees worldwide is to cut at least 5% of its 'low-performing' workforce and thousands of Indians are set to lose jobs owing to sluggish business during pandemic.

This will be big blow for 'low-performing' workforce and thousands of Indians who are set to lose jobs owing to the sluggish business the company is witnessing in the recent times.

Australian Financial Review (AFR)

first reported this, citing an internal staff meeting by Accenture CEO Julie Sweet in mid-August."She said that despite cutting subcontractors and halting fresh recruitment, the company still needed to reduce numbers," the report said.India, which has the largest Accenture employee base of nearly 2 lakh employees, could see thousands of workers being affected by the move.

Accenture currently has 513,000 people serving clients in more than 120 countries.

Storms in US, Australia leave 7 dead; cause big damage

Melbourne/Houston, Aug. 28: A wild storm that hit Australia's second-largest city knocked out power to 56,000 homes, contaminated the water supply and felled trees that killed three people, authorities said on Friday. A 4-year-old boy was struck by a tree Thursday evening and died later in hospital, police said, as Melbourne was lashed by wind speeds up to 158 kph (98 mph).

Meanwhile, hurricane Laura made landfall near Cameron in Louisiana on Thursday, bringing "catastrophic storm surge, extreme winds and flash flooding" that killed at least four people, caused extensive damage to property and snapped electricity supply.

In Australia, a 59-year-old man was killed when a falling tree crushed the car he was driving. And another tree struck a pickup truck on a highway, killing a 36-year-old woman passen-

ger. The 24-year-old male driver was taken to hospital with minor injuries, officials said.

Around 56,000 homes lost power, Victoria state Premier Daniel Andrews said. Power was expected to be restored to all by Friday afternoon.

The power failure caused disruptions at a water purification plant. Residents in 88 of Melbourne's 523 suburbs were advised to boil their drinking water until further notice. Laura, a category 4 hurricane with a maximum wind speed of 150 miles per hour and one of the strongest to hit the US, slammed the Gulf Coast early on Thursday and roared through Louisiana. The bulk of the damage was reported in Louisiana. The storm barreled over Lake Charles, Louisiana, an industrial and casino city of 80,000 people.

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