

# NITK Surathkal convocation will now be held in October

## So That Graduands Are Able To Attend The Ceremony

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**Mangaluru:** NITK Surathkal, which usually holds its annual convocation in the second week of November, has advanced it to October, for the convenience of fresh graduates. The idea was mooted by the director additional charge, and director of NIT Calicut, Prasad Krishna. This will help fresh graduates, those who are placed in various companies, and those candidates, who continue their higher studies in India and abroad, to receive their graduation certificates in person.

This year, the 20th annual convocation of the institute was initially scheduled for September 24. However, it had to be postponed to October, as the chief guest



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Dharmendra Pradhan, minister of education, was not available to attend it.

Ravindranath, registrar, NITK Surathkal, said that according to Krishna, the convocation in most of the NITs across the country is held either in August or September. It is done so that all fresh graduates who finish their course in July, can attend. However, NITK Surathkal did not adopt

this due to heavy rain in the region, till the end of September. "The convocation involves a procession and other procedures. Therefore, it is not possible when it rains, and the convocation was fixed for the second week of November, for the convenience of the graduating students. We are holding the convocation in October this year," he said.

Sources from NITK Surathkal informed that Krishna had mooted that the annual convocation from next year, will be held the day after the institution's Foundation Day. The Foundation Day is on August 6. The decision to shift the convocation permanently to a particular date has to be taken at the NITK senate. "This is the plan of the current additional charge di-

rector. However, the convocation dates for next year may change, as a new director is likely to take over the institution in December or January," a source added.

### 20th convocation on October 15

The 20th annual convocation of NITK Surathkal will be held on October 15. It will start at 10.30 am. At the convocation, degrees will be awarded to all BTech., MTech, MTech (research), MCA, MBA and MSc students and PhD scholars, who graduated during the academic year 2021-22. All the graduands who wish to attend the convocation, and receive their degree in person, are requested to register online before October 13, and register in person on October 14.