



Bidding adieu to college life

BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus hosted the 80th and 81st Award Convocation 2017 at its campus at Zuarinagar recently. The top three students from the Bachelor's degree programs received their medals at the hands of chief guest, historian, scholar and columnist, Dr. Ramachandra Guha. Dr. Guha awarded the gold medal to Talluri Varsheeth, silver medal to Ayush Sharma and bronze medal to Sudeep Mishra. This year, 625 students received their degrees, of which 21 were PhDs.

Prof. Souvik Bhattacharyya, Vice-Chancellor, BITS Pilani; Prof. G. Raghurama, Director of BITS Goa campus; Prof. S C Sivasubramanian, Registrar, BITS Pilani; members of the Senate, faculty members of Goa, along with the graduating students and their family members were present.

Guha also presented one of the five Distinguished Alumnus Awards of 2017 to Hari Menon (CEO, BigBasket.Com). The other four awardees who received their awards at other BITS campuses include Prof. Govindan Rangarajan (Prof. Dept. of Mathematics, IISC Bangalore), Prof. Narayana R. Alluru (Kritzer Prof. Dept. of Mechanical Science and Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Harish Bhat (Chairman, Tata Coffee Ltd.) and Raghu Rajagopal (Co-Founder and CEO of DATRI, Head – Global Strategy - Ivy Mobility, Co-Founder and Director - The Green Peppers).

In his address, Dr. Guha highlighted the cultural, linguistic and religious diversity as the hallmark of our nation. He also pointed out that the greatness of India has emanated from our civilizational depth and the rich tradition of democracy.

