

# A GRAND DURGOTSAV ON CAMPUS



**B** ITS Pilani Goa celebrated Durgotsav 2018 from Oct 15 – 19 on their campus in a grand way this year, with pujas and cultural events lined up for every day of the week.

The celebrations began with the invocation of the Goddess Devi Durga, followed by a *dandiya* night. The next day saw four hundred people from the campus come together for the '*mahabhog*'.

Wednesday was the day of the Mahashtami Puja, when hundreds of people offered *pushpanjali*, and shared delicious *prasad*.

The culmination of

Ashtami and the beginning of Mahanavami was marked by a Sandhi Puja, which was a glittering ceremony, where the devi was offered 108 lotus flowers and lamps.

The idol of the devi was immersed on October 19, with a long procession in her honour.

The celebrations were rounded off with Dussehra celebrations, where the students and staff burnt an effigy of Ravana.

