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First engineering ethics prog by Texas A&M University, USA, held at BITS, Goa

Panaji, Jan 20 (UNI) Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS) Pilani KK Birla Goa campus recently hosted the first two-week engineering ethics programme organized for 17 students of Texas A&M University, USA.

According to a statement from the institute on Saturday, the professors of Texas A&M University, Professor Paul Mario Koola and Professor John Curry O'Day, jointly conducted this course for their students at BITS Pilani Goa Campus.

The Programme was jointly coordinated by Professor N N Ghosh (Department of Chemistry), Associate Dean, International Programmes and Collaboration Division (IPCD), and Professor M Srikanth (Department of Biological Sciences) the former Associate Dean, IPCD.

The aim of this course was to educate students in Engineering Ethics in a new cultural environment augmenting their social and global skill sets to compete in a tightly integrated world.

The material covered in this course is the development of techniques of moral analysis and their application to ethical problems encountered by engineers, such as professional employee rights and whistle blowing; environmental issues; ethical aspects of safety, risk and liability, and public welfare; conflicts of interest; emphasis on developing the capacity for independent ethical analysis of real and hypothetical cases.

Apart from intense class room teaching, the visiting students were exposed to the culture of Goa by visiting various prominent places of Goa, the statement.

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