

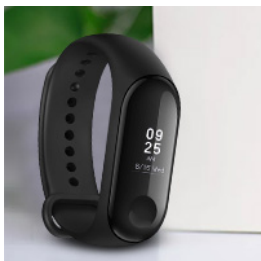


# IIT Gandhinagar Launches Centre For Interdisciplinary Research

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## New Delhi:

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Gandhinagar aims to become the principal resource centre for sustainable development in India with the launch of Dr Kiran C Patel Centre for

Sustainable Development, which will advance local and global solutions through cutting-edge interdisciplinary research.

According to the Institute the Centre will also develop a national and global network of leading experts and researchers on sustainability and undertake research on water, pollution, waste management, energy, natural resources and climate change.

The Centre will research sustainability and related challenges of high societal importance and promote cost-effective and sustainable solutions through its strong outreach and technology-transfer programmes, an official statement said.

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The Centre will undertake technology transfer of sustainable solutions to NGOs, local governments and industry and collaborate with policy makers and industry to identify and solve sustainability challenges. It will also promote startups on sustainability with IITGN's Entrepreneurship Cell by providing Seed Grants.

Speaking about this centre, Prof Sudhir K Jain, Director, IIT Gandhinagar, said, "Dr. Patel's exceptional generosity for an institution with which he has no earlier connection touches us deeply and inspires us greatly. The gift will enable our faculty and students to work on developing practical solutions to major sustainability challenges through an integration of advanced research, traditional knowledge and field understanding."

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