

# Prez asks students to have balanced approach to life

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Bhubaneswar: President Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday advised students to maintain humility and a spirit of inquiry, while advising them to regard their knowledge as a social enterprise aimed at societal and national development. Speaking at the 13th graduation day of National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER) here, the president gave emphasis on the dual-edged nature of scientific progress where the benefits of new technological developments are often accompanied by significant ethical and social challenges. Murmu, who is on the last day of her four-day visit to the state, also asked the students to follow a cautious and balanced approach in life.

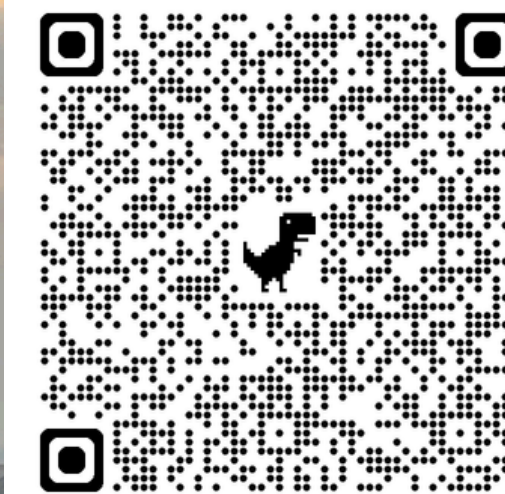
“Along with the boon of science, there is always the danger of its curse. Today, very rapid changes are taking place in the field of science and technology. New technological developments are providing capabilities to human society, but at the same time, they are also creating new challenges for humanity,” she said expressing confidence that NISER graduates would excel in their respective fields while fulfilling their social responsibilities with accountability.

Drawing from Mahatma Gandhi’s philosophy, she highlighted one of the seven social sins, merciless science, emphasizing that scientific advancements devoid of human sensitivity are detrimental. She urged the students to internalize this message and incorporate it into their professional and personal lives.



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