## A. Silver Jubilee Celebration for the Batch of 1997

The Class of 1997, NIT Rourkela, kicked off the first of their three-day reunion - "Rewind" on 23rd December 2022. Adding to the event was a magnifying sand art, "Rengcoe'97", dedicated to the sad adieu of four of their Batch Mates and two Ex-Principals of the 97 batch. Graced the event as their Guest of Honour was Prof. S. K. Sarangi, the former Director of NIT Rourkela. In his short but impactful Video Meet, he shared a message on the impact of an Alumni Association and how it's NIT Rourkela's turn to showcase its power. The Felicitation of Professors followed the Dignitaries' address. Furthermore, it was time for the "Payback to Alma Mater". Later, the Director of NIT Rourkela and the event's Chief Guest, Prof. K. Umamaheshwar Rao, addressed the event. He spoke of his vision towards NIT Rourkela in his speech and emphasised the NIRF rankings. Ending his talk, he invited the batch for a reunion after two years to come and visit the campus and experience the change. Dean (AIIR) Prof. Kishanjit Kumar Khatua also addressed the batch of 1997. He narrated the importance of Alumni & Alma mater and their interdependency for development of the Institute and the Society.



## PHOTO: INAUGURAL FUNCTION OF BATCH OF 1997 AT DTS



PHOTO: GROUP PHOTO OF SAMBALPURI DANCE AT DTS



PHOTO: Prof. K. K. Khatua (DEAN AIIR) along with BATCH of 1997 at DTS

## **Contribution / commitments**

Silver Jubilee celebration occurred during December 23-25, 2022. The following are the commitments/contributions:

1. Total financial support of Rs. 7.50 Lakhs for commissioning of following Projects in NIT, Rourkela.

a. Revival of "Waste Water Treatment Plant", which is found to be lying incomplete near Satish Dhawan Hall of Residence, NIT, Rourkela.



PHOTO: REWIND LOGO OF BATCH OF 1997 at DTS



PHOTO: GROUP PHOTO OF SILVER JUBILEE BATCH OF 1997 at DTSs

b. There will be complete installation of Roof Top Solar Panel in one of the Hall of Residences in NIT, Rourkela.





2. Donations under the water management programme, and a solar power plant was promised to be taken care of by Mr Sumit Gupta, Founder, Mentor and CEO of assetplus Consulting, by his company Pragya Solar.