## **PM inaugurates NITK hostels**

Mangaluru: Prime Minister Narendra Modi, officially inaugurated three new hostels of National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK) Surathkal virtually on Tuesday. The hostels, named Brahmagiri and Shiwalik are for boys and Godavari is for girls.

The three hostels have come up for Rs 132 crore and can accommodate 1.530 students. Brahmagiri and Shiwalik can accommodate 600 and 500 boys respectively. Godavari can accommodate 430 girls. Addressing the gathering, PM Modi said that India is progressing in the field of education and skills. The country has seen the start of several schools and universities in the recent past for quality education, technology development, and research. He also announced that Rs 20 crore has been sanctioned to the Research Centre of Mangalore University.

B Ravi, director of NITK said that the institution offers development, knowledge, and



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quality education. "NITK, Surathkal, is in the second place among technical institutions in the country with good campus infrastructure. The campus stresses on education with an aim for development, new research, and eco-friendly initiatives," he said.

Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel thanked PM Modi for various infrastructure development works in the district, especially at NITK. Union minister of education and skill development and entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan, governor Thaawar Chand Gehlot, and CM Siddaramaiah were present virtually. TNN