## IIT-K, Malaysian varsity to explore new horizons

## MOU SIGNED for setting up a Centre of Engineering Excellence at Penang

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KANPUR: The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-K) has signed a unique Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Universiti Sains Malaysia (University of Science Malaysia) here on Saturday.

Under the MoU, the IIT-K would get an opportunity to develop a Centre of Engineering Excellence (CEE) at Penang City, the hub of electronics industries and would also get a platform for carrying out researches with the funds to be made available by the industries, government and other funding agencies of Malaysia.

The director of IIT-K Dr Sanjay G Dhande and the Vice-Chancellor of the Malaysian University Dzulkifli Abdul Razak signed the memorandum on behalf the two institutions, in presence of a sevenmember Malaysian delegation which included Deputy Vice-Chancellor Ahmad Shukri Mustapa Kamal, Mohammad Zaid Abdullaha, Dr Khoo Bee Ee, Zainal Arifin Mohammad Ishak, Hamdan Abdul Mazeed and K Goplan (Khazana)

Talking to newsmen, Dr Dhande said, "The object of the MoU is to take up research in developing new technologies in the field of electronics, science and technologies. We will

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KANPUR: Good news for engineering students, especially those of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-K) -- The institute has been selected for setting up a Centre for Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) under the ambitious Indo-Brazil-South Africa (IBSA) axis plan. Talking to newsmen, the Director of the IIT-K Dr Sanjay G Dhande said, "Though we have not received any official notification in this regard, government sources have revealed that the Union Government has agreed, in principle, to set up the centre at

IIT-K." He said the object of the centre, to be developed under IBSA, was to promote and share academic, research and technological developments jointly made by the participant coun-

The countries also intended to develop health care services, rural and other social uplift programmes jointly, in a manner that best suited their resources. He said that IIT-K had sent a high-level delegation to Brazil to attend the IBSA summit last month. The Institute represented the academic sector. HTC

extend our technical excellence under the MoU and not the funds for research projects. There would be five partners in the research development. programme including the IIT-K, Universiti Sains, the Industries of Penang, funding agencies like "Khazana' and other global industries."

He further said that the patent rights of any newly developed technology or the product would be jointly shared as per the rules of Intellectual Property Rights. The MoU also provides for exchange of faculties and students of the two institutions. The MoU is for a period of five years but it would be subject to yearly review.



Delegates holding discussions at IIT-K.

## **Ouiz contest at IIT-K**

KANPUR: Kanpur Chapter of Indian Institute of Metals (IIM) and Department of Metallurgical Engineering at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-K) would jointly organise a quiz competition on August 23 at IIT-K.Dr K Mondal secretary IIM said the winner and the runnerup teams would represent Kanpur Region at the Professor Brham Prakash Memorial Materials Quiz to be held at Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam in Tamilnadu on September 19. HTC