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BHUBANESWAR

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Dear Prime Minister Ji,

This is regarding establishment of National Institute of Sciences at Bhubaneswar. In this connection it may be mentioned that Chairman, University Grants Commission had communicated to Vice Chancellor, Utkal University about establishment of one of the centres at Bhubaneswar vide his D.O. No. F-1-74/2003(CM) dated 23.07.2003. Steps have been taken by my Government to identify necessary land for the purpose.

News Paper reports have appeared stating that the Institute is now getting shifted to Kolkata. If these reports are correct, I would like to point out that this will be a reversal of the decision of NDA Government. Orissa has neither an IIT nor IIM or even an IIT nor a Central University. I, therefore, urge you to kindly sanction establishment of National Institute of Science under Government of India at the earliest for which State Government have already completed preliminary works like identification of land as per the advice of U.G.C.

With Regards,

Yours sincerely,


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DR. MANMOHAN SINGH,
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