



Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot hands over a degree certificate of a student of St Joseph's University on Saturday

2,747 students get degrees at St Joseph's convocation

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ST Joseph's University conducted its second convocation on Saturday, with 2,747 students graduating this year. The event began with a procession of rank holders and awardees and was presided over by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot. Higher Education Minister M C Sudhakar and IISER Thiruvananthapuram Director J N Moorthy were the chief guests.

Of the graduating students, 2,009 were undergraduates and 738 postgraduates. The university recognised 143 rank holders -- 99 from undergraduate and 44 from postgraduate programmes. Forty special prizes were also given to achievers in academics, sports, NCC and co-curricular activities. Minister Sudhakar said, "Opportunities don't come to our doorsteps. We need to run behind the opportunities, make the best possible chances and see how we can progress in this competitive world."

In his presidential remarks, the governor reminded students of their civic responsibilities. "Respect your teachers and parents -- they have shaped your success. Always remain grateful to them and contribute to building a developed nation," he said.

The convocation also marked the university's 143rd year since its establishment in 1882.