## Prof Amit Patra takes additional q charge as director of IIT Kharagpur

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VARANASI: Prof Amit Patra, the director of the Indian Institute of Technology (Banaras Hindu University), took the additional responsibility as the director of IIT Kharagpur on Tuesday. He will serve in this capacity until the regular incumbent assumes office or until further notice, whichever is earlier.

Prof Patra, an alumnus of IIT Kharagpur, has a long and distinguished career at the institute

He previously held several key leadership positions at IIT Kharagpur, including serving as the dean of Alumni Affairs and International Relations from 2007 to 2013, and as the deputy director from 2021 to 2024.

He received his BTech (1984),

MTech (1986), and PhD (1990) degrees from IIT Kharagpur, where he has been a faculty member in the Department of Electrical Engineering since 1987

Over the years, Prof Patra has contributed immensely to research and academia.

He has been a recipient of several academic accolades, including visiting prestigious institutions globally.