

Amrita varsity's e-learning programme launched

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COIMBATORE: The Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham has developed a state-of-the-art e-learning system which will be launched at the institution's Ettimadai campus on Tuesday.

Dr Shankar Sastry, Dean of Engineering at University of California, Berkeley, will inaugurate the e-learning system.

The innovative e-learning system is a cutting edge video conferencing software customised exclusively for universities.

The varsity has entered into tie-ups with other leading institutions across the country. Dr Sastry's lecture at inaugural function will be made available at IIT-Mumbai through the new system.

Plans are afoot to make this the most preferred system for the Central Government's national e-learning initiative - NPTEL.

The uniqueness of the new system is that there are various kinds of interactions possible between the teacher-node and the student-node through video/audio, live document sharing, chat and white board.

As for Dr Shankar Sastry, he is a member of the US National Academy of Engineering and one of the highest-ranked Indian academicians in the US. The Berkeley's School of engineering, which Dr Sastry heads, is ranked first among all the engineering colleges across the globe that has produced over 20 Nobel laureates.



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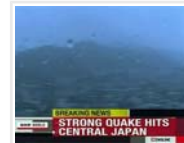
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