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## Leaders, academics come together to demand NIS in Orissa

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A number of academics, lawyers, medical practitioners, industrialists, MPs, retired bureaucrats, students and social activists organised a rally to voice their demand for setting up of the National Institute of Science (NIS) in the State. The rally, organised under the banner of Agamee Odisha, marched towards the Governor's house to press their demands.

More than a hundred and fifty people, who gathered at AG Square, later submitted a memorandum to Governor Rameshwar Thakur, urging him to intervene in the matter.

A delegation of five -- Padmashree Debi Prasanna Pattanaik, Mr DK Roy (Chairman, Kalinga Hospital & ex-DG Income Tax), Professor Digambar Mishra of the State University of Alabama USA, Mr LM Pattanaik (President, Nalco Employees' Union) and Prof SK Tripathy of Utkal University -- submitted the memorandum to the Governor.

Students had submitted a memorandum to Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on December 8 for the same cause, after Agamee Odisha's Mashaal Samavesh at the PMG Square near the State Assembly. The Samavesh had a participation of nearly 200 students.

The movement for NIS in Orissa has been gaining momentum with huge participation from people. Those who have come out in active support of the movement announced that the next event in this regard would be a demonstration at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on December 16.

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