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Microsoft set to launch three data centres in India

- Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella told Prime Minister Narendra Modi at their meeting in Silicon Valley on Sunday that the company would soon announce data centres in India that would focus on offering cloud services.The company is planning three data centres in the country, two in the west and one in the south, Bhaskar Pramanik, chairman of Microsoft India, told TOI in an exclusive interaction. "India is one of the first countries outside the US where we have made such big investments in data centres. It will be one of the largest footprints in terms of data centre capacity in India. It will have the highest levels of security and privacy. In terms of scale, scope and capability, we are going to change the way computing will happen here," he said Some 125 companies have already signed up for trials on these data centres since July when Microsoft opened up the centres for private previews. The public launch is expected over the next few days.

- For Microsoft, the move is particularly significant because they have traditionally depended on selling proprietary software such as the Windows operating system and the Office suite. With data centres, it will also get to play in the hardware and services segments. "We can now address more than 80% of the $52 billion Indian IT industry (hardware, software and services). With only software, we were playing in a $4 billion market (Microsoft has a 30% share of that)," Pramanik said.

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E-Gag: If it weren't for C, we'd all be programming in BASI and OBOL.

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Google to Expand India's Internet Access With Free Wi-Fi at Train Stations

- Google CEO Sundar Pichai on Sunday announced a plan to provide high-speed public WiFi in 400 train stations across India. The announcement coincided with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the company's headquarters in Mountain View, California.

- Google will work closely with Indian Railways and with RailTel, which provides Internet service along the railway lines. The first stations are expected to come online in the next few months, and 100 stations will be connected by the end of next year, Pichai said.

- The undertaking is India's largest public WiFi project, he added. With 100 stations online, the project will make WiFi available to more than 10 million people who travel through the stations each day

First 100 Indian railway stations to get high-speed Wi-Fi

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Microsoft releases Office 2016

Office 2016
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- Microsoft Corp. recently began the worldwide release of Office 2016. The apps are the latest addition to Office 365, Microsoft's cloud-based subscription service that helps people do their best work, together. The company also announced new and enhanced Office 365 services built for team productivity.

- "The way people work has changed dramatically, and that's why Microsoft is focused on reinventing productivity and business processes for the mobile-first, cloud-first world," said Satya Nadella, chief executive officer of Microsoft.

- Office 2016 delivers new versions of the Office desktop apps for Windows, including Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, OneNote, Project, Visio and Access. By subscribing to Office 365, customers can get always-up-to-date, fully installed apps for use across their devices, combined with a continually evolving set of consumer and commercial services.

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Tech Trivia: Motorola's original name was Galvin Manufacturing Corporation.

Academic and Placement

Teacher's Day Activity

More than 500 students from 75 centres all across India participated in the Teacher's Day activity. Students took selfies with their faculty and posted them on FB along with messages to the faculty. The centres also conducted various activities on this day to motivate faculty members and acknowledge their efforts.

E-Gag: Man is the best computer that can be mass produced with unskilled labour.

I.T. Awareness Quiz competition

A total of 1352 students from 70 centres all across India participated in the I.T. Awareness Quiz competition conducted on the ONLINEVARSITY PLATFORM.

Placement Preparation Program

Placement Preparation Programs were organised as a part of placement activities to help students prepare for their interviews. A total of 98 students took part in these sessions organised in various centres across north, west and south India.

Placements

Seven students secured the best placements in companies across India with a candidate from Noida who was placed with Company Computer Science Corporation getting the highest salary of ₹ 3.36 lacs Two candidates were placed with L&T Infotech at salaries of 2 lacs and 4 with TCS at salaries of 3 lacs.

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Tech Trivia: Since 2012, on average, Google has acquired more than 1 company every week.

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Placement Details

A total of 188 students were placed in centres all across the country and 9 students were placed with TCS which was the highest number for any company.

List of Placement Companies

Tata Consultancy Services	Infosys Ltd.	Union Grant Commission
Wipro	HDFC Life	Serco
L & T Infotech	NBHC Pvt. Ltd.	S. Chand Groups
Flipkart	IBM	Paytm
Axis Bank	TANISHQ	
Pantaloons	Rayan International School	
Selvam Store	Sriram Finance Limited	

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