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## IIT-Kanpur, IIM-Kozhikode tie up with Yale

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NEW DELHI: In a step towards enhancing educational links with the US, the Indian Institute of Management-Kozhikode and the Indian Institute of Technology-Kanpur are tying up with the Yale University for collaboration in higher education.

The three institutes signed a memorandum of understanding Thursday for cooperation in higher education through research, a statement from the human resource development (HRD) ministry said.

Under the 'Yale-India Leadership Initiative', the partnership will begin with a term of five years and can be renewed after that. A six-member committee with equal participation from the three partnering institutes will determine the norms/qualifications for participating in these leadership programmes.

"This tie-up will expose university and academic leaders in India at the levels of vice-chancellor, director, and deans to the best practices of academic administration and institutional management in the United States," HRD Minister Kapil Sibal said after the MoU was signed.

The MoU would also engage in joint faculty research on higher education and collaborate to organise workshops and seminars on relevant areas of academic administration and leadership. The first programmes under the agreement would take place in 2011 in New Haven, Connecticut.

"Yale is pleased to undertake this important and much needed effort on higher education with IIM -Kozhikode and IIT-Kanpur . We look forward to working with them to advance the cause of higher education in India by sharing what we have learned over three centuries as an institution and we similarly look forward to learning from our partners in India in this age of global education," Yale president Richard Levin said.

The partnership will take effect from January 2011.

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