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NDR 2015: SIT to get a new centralised campus

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The Singapore Institute of Technology's new centralised campus in Punggol will be integrated with a JTC-built creative industry cluster said Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong.

SINGAPORE: The Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) will get a new centralised campus located in Punggol, announced Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong at the National Day Rally on Sunday (Aug 23).

Currently, SIT - Singapore's fifth autonomous university which provides applied-learning pathways for students - has a main campus at Dover Road, with branch campuses in all the polytechnics. "We will bring all the branch campuses together," said Mr Lee.

Across the road from the new campus, JTC will build a creative industry cluster which SIT will be integrated with. Students will be able to "easily go from classroom to workplace and apply what they learn", said Mr Lee. At the same time companies can cross the road to approach SIT with any problems that need solving.

SIT will also be integrated into Punggol Downtown and HDB's upcoming Northshore District - the first new public housing estate to test-bed smart technologies. The community will share SIT's facilities, such as its classrooms, workshops and multi-purpose hall.

"So we have Punggol 21 plus, and with SIT it will now be Punggol 21 A-Plus!" Mr Lee said.

SIT was established in 2009. It awards its own degrees as well as degrees in collaboration with overseas partners such as the Culinary Institute of America and DigiPen Institute of Technology. It is expanding its intakes, to 2,000 students this year and 3,500 by 2020.



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