Guinness lists Adiyogi bust as world's largest

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THE ‘Adiyogi — the Source of Yoga’ statue installed by the Isha Foundation in its premises near Coimbatore has been listed as the world’s largest bust sculpture by Guinness World Records.

“The largest bust sculpture is 34.24 m (112ft 4.0 in) high, 24.99 m (81ft 11.8 in) wide and 44.90 m (147 ft 3.7 in) long, achieved by Isha Foundation (India), in Tamil Nadu, India, as verified on March 11,” says Guinness World Records about the Adiyogi sculpture.

This is the second time that Isha Foundation is achieving a Guinness record. It already has a Guinness certificate for planting 8,52,587 saplings on October 17, 2006. Though it took about 2.5 years to design it, dedicated volunteers were able to actually make it in just eight months, Isha founder Sadhguru had said when the mammoth sculpture was unveiled on February 24 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

There are plans to install three more 112-foot Adiyogi sculptures in three corners of the country.

What it inspires

The statue’s 112 feet stand for the 112 ways of self-transformation that the Adiyogi, or the first yogi, offered. Adiyogi is the originator of yoga. According to yogic culture, he was the one who first put this seed into the human mind that one can evolve, if one is willing to strive...