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Milestones

December 25, 2016 to March 25, 2016

Noted educationist, social entrepreneur and Founder of KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta has been elected as President of Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA).

Shri Vishnu Deo Sai, Hon'ble Minister of Mines and Steel, Govt. of India addressed tribal students of KISS on March 21, 2016.

Shri Sudarshan Bhagat, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Govt. of India attended the National Integration Camp organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan at KIIT University as Chief Guest, on March 18, 2016.

Achyuta Samanta delivered 4th GRIPMER Oration on "Inclusive and Sustainable Development - KISS as an Example" at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi on March 10, 2016.

KIIT Fest, the mega annual students' festival of KIIT University, was held from March 4 – 6, 2016.

'Kilkari', an event on the lines of the popular Raahgiri Day, made its debut in KIIT on March 6, 2016.

The 7th Indian Youth Science Congress organized by KIIT University in association with M S Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF), Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development and SRM University was inaugurated at KIIT on February 26, 2016.

KIIT School of Management (KSOM) organized its 9th National Management Convention on 19th February, 2016.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology (IT) under the Chairmanship of Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (L.S.)

visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on February 10, 2016.

Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Ind.) and Parliamentary Affairs visited KISS on January 29, 2016.

The 67th Republic Day was celebrated in KIIT University and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) with patriotic fervor.

His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India, Mr. Richard R. Verma visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on January 22, 2016 and interacted with 25,000 tribal students of the institute.

Her Excellency Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, World Food Programme visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) on January 13, 2016.

Dibrugarh University (DU) of Assam conferred D.Litt. Honoris Causa on eminent educationist and social entrepreneur Achyuta Samanta of Odisha in its 15th convocation held on 2nd January 2016.

Grand finale of KIIT Nanhipari-Little Miss India 2015 contest was held in KIIT International School on 29th December, 2015.

The 41st All India Sociological Conference was organized by Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and KIIT University in association of the Indian Sociological Society from December 27 – 29, 2015.



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KIIT University has once again posted excellent placement record in all its Schools for its students who would be graduating in June-July 2016. With 4566 job offers for 3214 students by 210 companies so far, the ongoing placement season promises to be one of the most successful in the history of KIIT, which has the distinction of achieving cent percent placement year after year since its inception. In Schools of Engineering, 90% students were placed on 'Day 1' itself. Such was the response that four top multinational companies gave away 3406 job offers at the very beginning of the placement process. With many companies still lined up in various Schools, KIIT University is looking at record campus placement for its 2016 passing out batch. Continuing its good show in academic placement also, many students from School of Biotechnology have been selected to pursue higher education in top universities of Switzerland, France, Norway, Canada, Poland and Germany. Across the Schools, most students bagged more than one job offer. While successful placement of yet another batch is certainly a matter of great satisfaction, KIIT's engagement with them does not end at their placement and graduation. The University follows a policy of active and lifelong engagement with its alumni. It is proud of its alumni, who are not only very successful in their chosen fields, but also scattered across the world.

The last two months witnessed several other important developments in KIIT and its sister concern, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS). The 41st Indian Sociological Conference, 7th Indian Youth Science Congress, 9th National Management Convention and Nanhipari Little Miss India 2015 contest were the important event. A host of dignitaries, including Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs; His Excellency Mr. Richard R. Verma, U.S. Ambassador to India; Her Excellency Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, WFP; Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, MSSRF; and Ms. Medha Patkar, Noted social activist, delivered lectures and interacted with students at various academic functions organized by KIIT. These positive developments indicate that KIIT & KISS strive for excellence.

In yet another recognition to his unique contributions in the field of education and social service, Founder, KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta was elected President of the Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) for 2017-18. In past, eminent personalities like renowned educationist, Sir Asutosh Mookerjee, former Prime Ministers Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. Manmohan Singh have held this office.

KIIT Poised to Achieve Cent Percent Placement Again

Campus Placement - 2016

Highlights (As on 30th March 2016)

- ❑ 91% of total 3214 registered & eligible students already placed in six schools of KIIT University.
- ❑ As many as 210 companies participated in campus placement programme in different Schools generating 4566 offers. Many students received multiple offers.
- ❑ Placement in different schools: Schools of Engineering – 92%, School of Rural

Management 100%, School of Biotechnology 98%, School of Law 85%, School of Management 83%, and School of Computer Application 84%.

- ❑ Highest salary of Rs. 33 lakh p.a. was offered by Japanese MNC, Work Applications to two students of Schools of Engineering.
- ❑ Average salary this season was Rs. 4.6 lakh p.a.

Like every year, KIIT University has posted excellent record in the ongoing campus placement processes for 2016 passing out batch in its all Schools. It is again on the threshold of achieving cent percent placement with 91% of the total of 3214 registered and eligible students of 2016 passing-out batch already placed.

Schools of Engineering (B.Tech. programme) recorded 92% placement. School of Rural Management and School of Management achieved 100% and 83% placement respectively. Similarly, School of Law and School of Biotechnology registered 85% and 98% placement respectively. School of Computer Application achieved 84% placement for its MCA students. Placement processes are still continuing in full swing and all Schools are poised to achieve cent percent placement in the coming weeks.

Campus placement process in these six Schools generated 4566 jobs from 210 companies so far – many students have received multiple job offers. Salary package offered this year is higher compared to previous years. While the highest package is Rs. 33 lakh, average salary this season is Rs. 4.6 lakh.

KIIT University uniquely places equal emphasis on academic placement, meticulously grooming interested students for higher studies and actively supporting their efforts to secure admission in reputed institutions. This year also, many students have been selected in reputed national and international institutions / Universities for higher studies. Students have got confirmed offers from top universities in Switzerland, France, Norway, Canada, Poland and Germany for Ph.D. and other higher studies courses.

KIIT was established as an institution imparting degree engineering programme in 1997. First batch of students passed out in 2001. Ever since, it has

been achieving very successful campus placement for its graduates. The University has been able to achieve consistently excellent placement record due to its innovative teaching-learning system, driven by a highly qualified and competent team of faculty, which brings out the best in its students. Numerous academic conferences, seminars and workshops are organized here round the year, which are attended by eminent academicians, legal luminaries, corporate leaders, policy makers and scientists, including Nobel Laureates. Students get unmatched exposure from their interactions with them. Apart from these, KIIT has created enormous infrastructure and facilities, which are most conducive to academic pursuit.

Record placement this year has resulted in a wave of joy among young passing-out graduates of the University, who come from across the country, and their guardians. "I was always sure of my ward's bright future when I sent him to KIIT", said an elated parent. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS personally congratulated the students and praised their high learning rigor and enthusiasm for the placement training organized by KIIT's Training and Placement Cell. He also encouraged the students to go for academic placement in foreign universities for their higher studies and take advantage of the tie-ups the University has made with over 140 reputed universities across the world. Samanta attributed this year's remarkable placement to the combined effort Training & Placement Cell, academic staff and intelligentsia of KIIT, the students.

All Schools of KIIT University had recorded excellent campus placement in 2015 too. Last year, as many as 320 companies and organizations had participated in the campus placement process in six Schools generating 3627 offers for 2848 registered and eligible students.





School	Regd. eligible Students	No. of Companies	Placed	Placed %	Job Offers
Schools of Engineering	2636	82	2425	92	4030
School of Computer Application	76	25	64	84	78
School of Biotechnology	97	11	95*	98	65
School of Law	113	20	96	85	98
School of Management	259	52	215	83	233
School of Rural Management	33	20	33	100	62
Total	3214	210	2928	91	4566

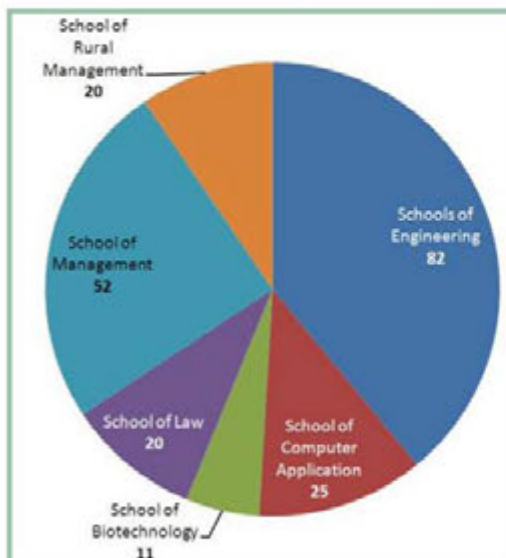
* Includes academic placement of 50 students.

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Record Placement in Schools of Engineering of KIIT for 2016 Passing-Out Batch

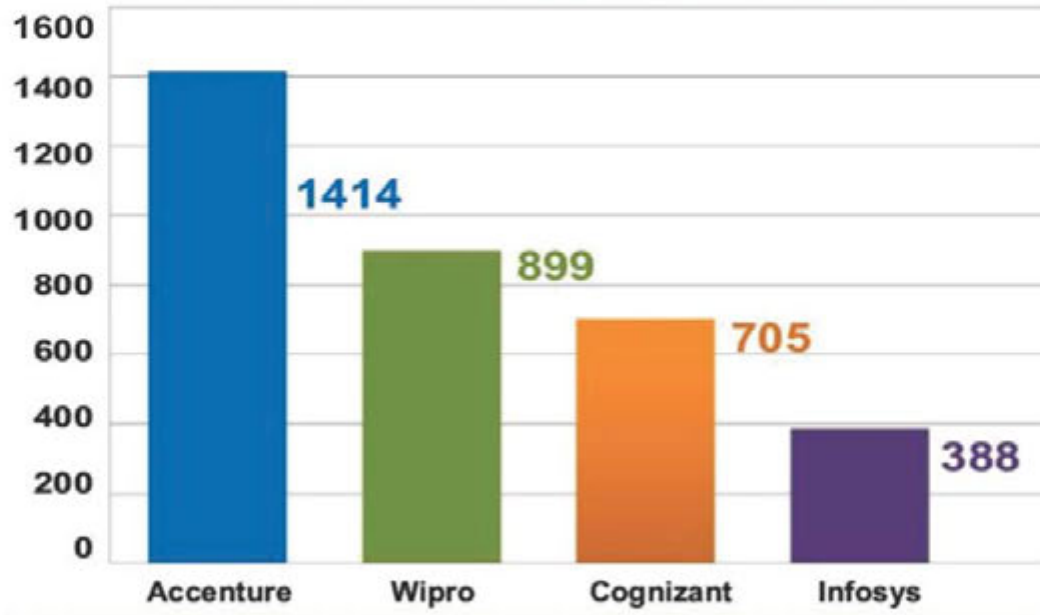
4030 jobs from 82 companies; Students bag multiple offers

- ❑ Over 92% students of Schools of Engineering have already bagged job offers
- ❑ 4030 jobs generated in campus so far, most students bag multiple offers. As many as 82 companies have visited the campus.
- ❑ Massive 3800 offers on Day 1 by top companies and multinationals
- ❑ It is rare for any institution of the country to generate so many job offers on Day 1 in ratio to the number of students appearing.
- ❑ Accenture top recruiter with 1414 offers, followed by Wipro (899), Cognizant (705) and Infosys (388)



KIIT University
Placement -
2016: No. of
Companies in
Different
Schools
Total companies
= 210

Schools of Engineering Placement - 2016 : Job Offers by Day 1 Companies



In the most remarkable ever performance in campus placement, Schools of Engineering (B.Tech programme) of KIIT University created record 3800 jobs for 2015-16 pass-out batch on Day 1. The four major head-hunting companies - Accenture, Wipro, Cognizant and Infosys - that visited the campus came up with a total 3406 job offers. While Accenture led the list with 1414 job offers, Wipro, Cognizant and Infosys followed with 899, 705 and 388 job offers respectively.

As on March end, as many as 82 companies have visited the campus offering total 4030 jobs and recruiting 92% of the total registered and eligible students. This means many students have got more than one job offers in their hands. **The salary package offered was also higher than the previous years. The highest salary package offered (two students) was Rs. 33 lakh by a Japanese MNC, Work Applications. The average salary in the batch was Rs. 4.5 lakh.**

Many early-bird head-hunting companies like Ericsson, Deloitte, iNautix, MU Sigma and Robert Bosch visited the campus even before the start of the current Campus Placement Season.

A senior official of the Training and Placement Cell expressed confidence that a few hundred remaining students of 2016 pass-out batch shall also be placed as visits by many national, international and multi-national companies have

been lined up for the up-coming days. Total job offers have already topped 4000, which is an all time high, he added. Placement activities will continue till May 2016 with another 75 companies scheduled to visit. This apart, many students are likely to join reputed national and foreign institutions for higher studies. KIIT University uniquely places equal emphasis on such academic placement.

It is rare for any institution of the country to generate so many job offers on Day 1 in ratio to the number of students appearing, opined corporate experts. "Though Schools of Engineering has broken all previous records in placement this season, it is not surprising as KIIT has been posting among the highest placement conversion rates in the country", said Prof. Saranjit Singh, Head of KIIT Placement Cell who have had reasons enough to be pleased with the placement accomplishments. He added, "It is satisfying that all recruiters had very high opinion on the quality of students here."

School of Computer Application

School of Computer Application recorded 84% placement with 64 of total 76 registered and eligible MCA students bagging job offers from reputed IT companies. As many as 25 companies visited this school for recruitment. Some of the companies which visited School of Computer Application for campus placement



are Deloitte, Wipro, Cognizant, Infosys, Accenture, Capgemini, GyanSys Infotech, etc.

School of Biotechnology

Out of 97 eligible students of School of Biotechnology, 95 have so far been offered. Leading biotech companies such as Godrej, Agilent, Nestle, Siemens, VINS Biotech, Syngenta, Intertek, Bionivid Technologies, Scigen Biopharma, Evolva Biotech, BioEra Life Sciences, Britania, etc. participated in the campus placement process. Companies like Lupin Pharma, Zydus Cadila, Lal Path Lab, Mankind Pharma, etc. have confirmed their visit in coming weeks for placement activities. **The highest salary in the batch was Rs. 25 lacs (under academic placement in International Laboratories), while the average was Rs. 3.6 lacs.** More than 50 students have been selected in reputed national and international institutions / Universities for higher studies. **Students have got confirmed offers from top universities in Switzerland, France, Norway, Canada, Poland and Germany for Ph.D. and other higher studies courses.**

School of Law

In School of Law, 96 out of 113 eligible and active students registered for Campus Placement process have already been placed in prominent law firms, companies and LPOs. Students are in receipt of offers from nationally renowned law firms like Cyril Amarchand, J Sagar Associates, Khaitan & Co., Wadia Ghandy & Co., etc. **This season the highest salary offered was Rs. 8.4 lacs, while average salary in the batch was Rs. 4 lacs.** At the time of going to press, more than 10 processes were still continuing, making the placement of remaining students a foregone conclusion.

School of Rural Management

KIIT School of Rural Management (KSRM) has the unique distinction of cent percent placement from the very first batch (2007-09). **With all 33 students of 2014-16 batch of MBA(RM) Programme already placed, this record is set to continue.** With 62 job offers from 20 organizations, these 33 students received multiple offers, but are set to join 14 organizations of their preference. Students will be joining in all the prominent sectors of economy - development, semi-government cooperative and corporate sector. **The highest salary in the batch was Rs. 7 lacs, while the average salary was Rs. 4.4**

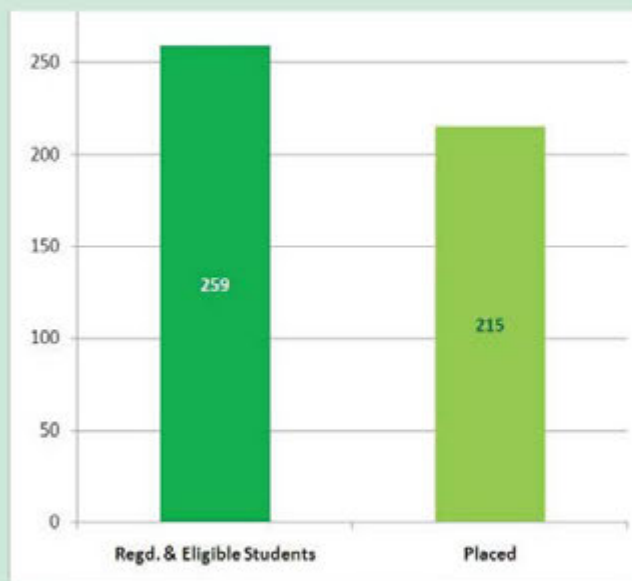
lacs. Some of these organizations which visited KSRM are: Techno Serve (TNS, India), GCMMF (Amul); Bihar and Jharkhand Livelihood Promotion Societies; DCB Bank; Annapurna Micro Finance Pvt. Ltd; Satin Creditcare Network Limited (SCNL) and E-Commerce company, GoCoop.

School of Management

School of Management has secured 83% placement for all those who registered for the campus recruitment process this year. As many as 215 out of 259 registered students (2014-16 batch) have already secured jobs. **The highest package is Rs. 14.8 lacs, offered by Khimji Ramdas LLC, while average salary across the batch happens to be Rs. 5.08 lacs.**

More than 52 globally reputed recruiters have so far visited the campus for placement, such as Khimji Ramdas LLC, TCS, TCS BPS, Dabur, Mahindra & Mahindra, Tech Mahindra, Yes Bank, ICICI Bank, Axis Bank, Futurestep, Spencer Retail, Exide Industries, Vodafone, ITC Limited, Blue Star, Manipal, Karvy Financials, Waare Energies Limited, Saint Gobain, Asain Paints, Berger Paints, Mahindra Finance, NPCI, ZEE Entertainment, XL Dynamics, etc. Placement process is still on – some results are awaited, while more companies have confirmed their visit in the near future.

School of Management Placement - 2016: Total Students & Placed Students





Mr. Richard R. Verma, His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India and Achyuta Samanta amongst tribal students of KISS.

I Have Never Seen an Institute Like KISS:

H.E. Mr. Richard R. Verma, U.S. Ambassador to India

His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India, Mr. Richard R. Verma visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on January 22, 2016 and interacted with 25,000 tribal students of the institute. "It is amazing to see 25,000 children at one place. I have visited more than 70 countries, but I have never seen an institute like KISS", he said in his address to the students.

"My parents and grandparents were from India. My father and my mother were teachers. My grandmother was also a teacher. However, my grandfather did not get scope for education", Ambassador Verma said, referring to his Indian roots. Condition of India at that time was bad, but now the country is emerging as a global power, he observed.

"I am standing before you as US Ambassador due to my parent's hard work and the education that I received", he stated. Education is the most important factor that opens floodgates of opportunities, he stressed, while telling the students to be proud of the education they are getting at KISS. **Many children of the world do not have opportunity for education, he said, adding that Achyuta Samanta has been doing a tremendous work in the area of education through the two institutes.**

"You are the future mirror of India as well as the world. I am looking forward to see our young Indians to lead the country and world", he

told the students. Ambassador Verma also inaugurated the new class of Access English Microscholarship Program of the U.S. Government and distributed certificates to 16 students of the previous Access class.

In his welcome address, Samanta informed that two U.S. Ambassador to India have visited KISS before Ambassador Verma. However, visit of Ambassador Verma is very special because of his Indian roots, he added.

Among others, senior officials from U.S. Consulate Hyderabad including Mr. Michael Mullins, Consul General; Mr. Gabriel Hons-Olivier, Public Affairs Officer; Mr. Peter McSharry, Political and Economic Officer; Mr. Salil Kader, Cultural Affairs Advisor and Mr. Bradley Horn, Regional English Language Officer, U.S. Embassy, New Delhi accompanied Ambassador Richard R. Verma.

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— Mr. Richard R. Verma, His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India



Speech of Mr. Richard R. Verma, His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)

Namaskar! Thank you so much. Thank you everyone for being here. Dr. Samanta, thank you for all you have done here. I want to thank all of you for such an incredible gathering. Guests from Korea, from Indonesia, distinguished guests from the Government, from the police force, everyone who is gathered here today. I am so privileged and honoured to be here and to see all of you. I heard so much about this great place and it is so amazing for me to be here and to see this place first hand. **I have the great pleasure and fortune to travel all over the world, travelling 70 different countries, but I have never seen any institution like this anywhere in the world.** Congratulations to one and everyone here. My parents and grandparents are from India. My mother was a school teacher, my grandmother was a school teacher, my father was a teacher. For them, education was the most important thing. There was nothing more important than education. My father was the first person to be educated in this family. His parents could not read and write. My mother and grandmother were the only ones to be educated in their families. They had nothing besides their education. They grew up in India in a very difficult time. It was a time of great conflict and they didn't know what their future would hold. But they worked very hard and they were able to do what they did and I am able to stand here today as the U.S. Ambassador because of the work that they did and because of the education that they received. **You are in this school in very different time for India because India is now a global power in the world.** You now have the opportunities that

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they never had. You will be the future leaders, and doctors, and scientists, and teachers, and farmers, and so much more. You will be the leaders of not only this country but you will be the leaders of so many others across the world. I look forward to learning from all of you because you have a lot to teach me and to teach all of us. I know what a great role you are going to play in Indian society and the world. **We are very proud of our partnership with KISS through the English Access Scholarship Program. We are proud to partner again for another two years.** New batches have begun recently and some of you in this audience have involved or will involve in the program. Some batches have already graduated. I learnt about the achievements of two of the alumni of the program - Laxman Hembrum, who went to the United Nations for Malala Day, and Seema Hansda, who is training to be a doctor and wants to set up her own clinic in her village. We are proud to be a part of your journey towards your success. Thank you. **So let me just say, on behalf of President Obama, that you have our commitment to continue to be equal partner with you. You are very lucky to be staying at an institution like KISS. Many children of your age do not get a chance to go to school.** We are your friends, we are your partners. We will be back regularly to help you in your journey, you can count on us. I am so grateful and proud to meet all of you and to see you. On behalf of our Consular Chief, Hyderabad and all others, again congratulations to all of you. Thank you for being a partner to us. You can count on us to be your friends well in the future. Thank you so much!

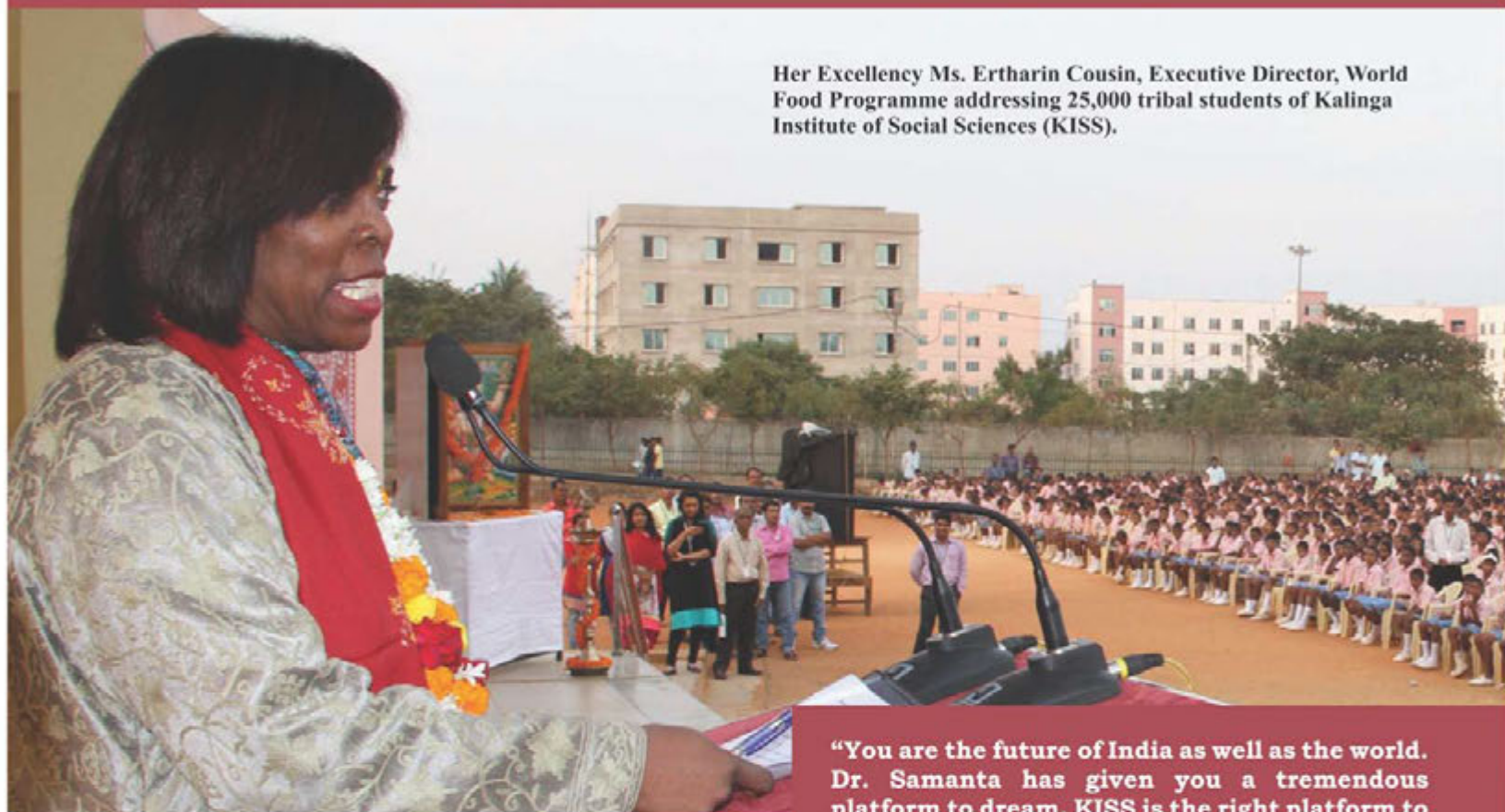
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(From L) Dr. P. K. Routray, CEO, KISS; Mr. Bradley Horn, Regional English Language Officer, U.S. Embassy New Delhi; Mr. Gabriel Hons-Olivier, Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Consulate Hyderabad; Mr. Michael Mullins, Consul General; Achyuta Samanta; Mr. Richard R. Verma, His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India; Mr. Peter McSharry, Political and Economic Officer, U.S. Consulate Hyderabad; Mr. Salil Kader, Cultural Affairs Advisor and Mr. R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS during their visit to KISS.

World Food Programme Executive Director Visits KISS

Her Excellency Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, World Food Programme addressing 25,000 tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).



Her Excellency Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, World Food Programme visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) on January 13, 2016. Achyuta Samanta had requested her to visit the institution six months back. Her visit was in response to the invitation.

She went around various departments and units of KISS and interacted with 25,000 tribal students. **"You are the future of India as well as the world. Dr. Samanta has given you a tremendous platform to dream. KISS is the right platform to fulfill your dreams"**, she told the students.

"We can achieve hunger-free, poverty free, peaceful and prosperous world with your support. You can achieve a hunger free and poverty free India by fulfilling your dreams. Peace can be achieved all over the world if we can make it poverty free and hunger free", Ms. Cousin said. **Expressing satisfaction over the success of students of KISS in various fields, she told them that they are now the member of UN family.**

Among others, important dignitaries including Mr. Manoj Juneja, Assistant Executive Director, WFP; Mr. David Kaatrud, Regional Director for Asia; Dr. Hameed Nuru, Representative & Country Director, WFP India; and Mr. Jan Delbaere, Deputy Country Director accompanied Ms. Cousin.

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– H.E. Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, WFP to students of KISS

Renowned social worker Padmashree Jokin Arputham; Dr. David Satterthwaite, Nobel Peace Prize, 2007, IPCC Team, Senior Fellow, International Institute for Environment and Development; and Prof. Dave Harris, Dean, Herberger Business School, St. Cloud State University, USA also visited KISS.



H.E. Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, WFP unveiling a stone plaque in her honour in KISS.





Padmashree Jokin Arputham



Dr. David Satterthwaite, Nobel Peace Laureate, IPCC Team 2007

Speech of Her Excellency Ms. Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, World Food Programme at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)

Dr. Samanta, Dr. Routray, Dr. Satterthwaite, Mr. Jokin, Prof. Dave Harris, all my colleagues, ladies & gentlemen,

Our future is sitting in front of us. You please join me in giving them all a round of applause. **Dr. Samanta, I stand now before you. I stand before you awed and amazed and humbled. It was Nelson Mandela who said - It always seems impossible until it's done. You are the man who has done it. You have educated millions of children. You have provided dreams, where dreams did not exist before. Dr. Samanta, your blessings, your grace is guaranteed. Your selflessness is to be admired.**

I must say to you now that, as you know this, in addition to serving as Executive Director of the World Food Programme, I also serve as Under Secretary General of the United Nations. So, now you are part of our family. I want to welcome all of you to the family of United Nations. I am sure you recognise that this was a prestigious honour for you to go through a very rigorous process that resulted in you becoming a part of the United Nations. But it is also a great

honour for us to have you with all of our future that you represent. The wisdom and support that you have here in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences will bring to all of us in your role as the Special Advisor to the Secretary-General. It would ensure that we have the opportunity of repeating the miracle that you have created here in Odisha for so many children around the world.

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You know that Dr. Satterthwaite is a Nobel Prize laureate. Dr. Jokin is the President of the National Slum Dwellers Federation. But I know they would join me if you had given them the opportunity to speak in recognising that, because of you - because of these young people sitting in front of us today - the world is a safer place, the world is a better place. I often say I have more my career behind me than in front of me, but when I look out at these 25,000 young people, the future of India, the future of so many who now have a possibility to dream, I am proud. I am proud of each and every one of you because Dr. Samanta told me you don't drop out, you don't fail,

you do succeed. **This is my third visit to India and I have told the Government that the reason I have visited India three times is not because India is like Syria, Lebanon, Yemen or other places where I quite often visit, but I have visited India three times because of the possibility that India represents for us achieving more peaceful and prosperous world. And you, all 25,000 of you, are the example of why that statement is true. Because if we can achieve the end of hunger, if we can achieve the end of poverty in India, in Odisha, we can achieve in any place in the world. What you now have is the opportunity.**

Let me tell you a story that will help you understand why you are so blessed by this opportunity. About a month ago, I was there in Lebanon. How many of you know where Lebanon is located? Lebanon is in the Middle East, but closer to you than you think. I met a 10-year old boy. How many of you here are 10-year olds? I met a 10-year old boy named Mohammed. Mohammed had six brothers and sisters. He lived in one room with his mother. His father was no longer alive. He had left school because they had left their home in Syria. When he was living in Syria, he told me, he went to school every day and he dreamed of being a pilot. And now because of the war, he had to leave his home. He could no longer attend school. In order for his family to survive, he worked in a bakery.

I asked him - What do you dream about? He told me, after thinking about it for a long time, that since he came to Lebanon, he no longer dreams. That if he dreams, he dreams about the bag of flowers that he carries in a bakery. When he was in Syria, he told me, that his dreams included one day becoming a pilot, or maybe an engineer or maybe a doctor. But now he no longer dreams or he dreams about the flowers in the bakery.

What you have is now the possibility of dream. So I ask you as you sit here today, how many of you dream about being doctors? How many of you dream about being teachers? How many of you dream about being nurses? How many of you dream about being engineers? **As I look at you, I see that your dreams are big dreams. We have the leadership of this institution to thank for giving you those dreams, for giving you the ambience so that you can study every day, so that you can make those dreams reality.**

I spend time everyday dreaming about how we achieve zero hunger, how we provide opportunity for every young person, no matter where they were born in the world, no matter what language they

speak, no matter what colour they are or how much money they have. I am dreaming about each one of them, having the access to the food they need, to grow up and live life to full potential, to dream the dream that you dream.

It always seems impossible, until it's done. You - the engineers, the doctors, the lawyers, the nurses, the teachers - will provide that hope for all of India for the future and India will provide the example for all of the world for tomorrow. **I look forward to the day when I**

come back here to this school to celebrate that Dr. Samanta you have eliminated poverty; that you have provided an opportunity for every child to dream. We can celebrate that day. It is possible.

I don't take pictures with starving babies. The world has seen too many starving babies. I take pictures with young people who look like you. Because the world

needs to see what is possible. The engineers would build the bridges, buildings and structures. The teachers would carry forward the knowledge. The doctors would heal the sick and the nurses would care for all those who require comfort. And because of you, we will achieve a world without hunger, we will achieve a world without poverty, we will achieve the opportunity for peace and prosperity.

Ladies and gentlemen, students; to close if you allow me, **I would like to paraphrase the inspiration of a true global giant Mahatma Gandhi, who once said, men often becomes what he believes himself to be. If I keep on saying to myself that I can do a certain thing, it is possible that I may end up really becoming capable of doing it.** And the contrary - if I have the belief that I can do it, I shall surely acquire the capacity to do it, even if I may not have the capacity at the beginning.

Keep on dreaming. Keep on going. Thank you for who you are, for what you will do, the world is waiting for you. Don't disappoint. You have been given an opportunity, seize it. Become everything that the possibility provides. Thank you!





Achyuta Samanta being felicitated by Dr. S. C. Jamir, His Excellency the Governor of Odisha and Dr. P. K. Patasani, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Bhubaneswar for being elected as the General President of the 105th Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA), 2017-18, at Rabindra Mandap, Bhubaneswar.

Achyuta Samanta Elected President of ISCA

Achyuta Samanta is only the second person from Odisha to be elected President of the prestigious scientific body in its 102 years history, after a gap of 55 years. Many eminent personalities, including former Prime Ministers Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. Manmohan Singh, have held this office in the past.

Noted educationist, social entrepreneur and Founder of KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta has been elected as President of Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA). He is the President Elect for the year 2016-17 and will assume office for the year 2017-18. **Samanta is only the second person from Odisha to be elected President of the prestigious scientific body in its 102 years history, after a gap of 55 years.** On last occasion, Prof. Prana Krushna Parija, the eminent Odia scientist, had officiated as President of the 47th Session of the ISCA in 1960 held in Bombay. Renowned educationist, leader and institution-builder, Sir Asutosh Mookerjee was the President of the inaugural session of the Indian Science Congress in 1914. **Many eminent personalities, including former Prime Ministers Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. Manmohan Singh, have held this office in the past.**

Samanta is well known in the country as a dedicated educationist and social activist. He has achieved this success due to his personal efforts and struggle since his childhood. He has been the member of Executive Council of ISCA since 2011. He set an example by organizing the 99th Session of the Indian Science Congress, held in KIIT University, in grandest ever

manner in 2012. He has also been the member of many other prestigious national level apex educational bodies, including UGC (2008-2014), AICTE, National Coir Board, CAPART, NCTE and academic councils of two Central Universities. He was the only person from Odisha to be the member of both UGC and AICTE.

Expressing happiness over his election, Samanta said, it is a good news for Odisha and he will work to highlight the state's achievements in the fields of science and technology in India and abroad. "There is a misconception that people of other states are in the topmost positions of various apex educational bodies. Now this misconception will change as Odisha has got a chance, said Samanta, who is working for the development of the country and Odisha through education and social service. It has become possible only because of God's blessings and good wishes from the people of the State, he added. During the 103rd Session of the Indian Science Congress in Mysuru, Samanta was the Chief Guest of National Children's Science Congress. Former President of India Late Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam used to grace the occasion as the Chief Guest for past many years.

In a related development, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University has been elected as the General Secretary of ISCA for the year 2016-19. It is rare for two persons from a single University to be elected as president and secretary of ISCA, which is the oldest association of science academicians and scientists of India. It has more than 60,000 members till today. Many educationist, scientist and intellectuals congratulated Samanta for this new assignment. Establishing institute is not a big achievement, but if the fame of the institute could reach everywhere across the globe, then it is a pride for the entire country, they opined.

M S Swaminathan Research Chair for KISS

M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) has decided to establish a Research Chair in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), Bhubaneswar. A Memorandum of Understanding to this effect was signed between Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, MSSRF and Achyuta Samanta on 28th February 2016. This is the first ever initiative of MSSRF to establish Research Chair in any private institute. As per the MoU, both organizations will work jointly for promotion of knowledge and skill empowerment for less privileged children in India. They will develop a resource centre for imparting knowledge on biodiversity and climate change to the children. Further, MSSRF and KISS will engage in food and nutrition security based on community based intervention and research. Expressing his happiness, Prof. Swaminathan said, both the organizations have decided to promote knowledge, talent and experience in helping the underprivileged. **"KISS is a transformative agent and has gone a long way in changing the lives of tribal children for the better. We hope to continue these efforts jointly in Koraput district",** he said, adding that Samanta is a great visionary who has established a great institution like KISS single handedly.



Achyuta Samanta exchanging MoU with Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, MSSRF.

"I salute this great man for his remarkable contribution to the society by establishing KISS and KIIT", said Prof. Swaminathan, who is considered as 'Father of Green Revolution in India'. **Hunger is a great enemy of our country and we need to pull our knowledge and resources together to help poor, he emphasized.** Among others, Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS; Shri Suryakant Mohanty, COO, KISS; Dr. P. K. Routray, CEO; Dr. Sasmitarani Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University and other officials from KISS, KIIT and MSSRF were present at the MoU signing ceremony.

Dibrugarh University Confers Honorary D.Litt. on KIIT & KISS Founder

Dibrugarh University (DU) of Assam conferred D.Litt. Honoris Causa on eminent educationist and social entrepreneur Achyuta Samanta in its 15th convocation held on 2nd January 2016. His Excellency the Governor of Assam and Chancellor of DU, Shri Padmanabha Balakrishna Acharya presided over the convocation ceremony. Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam Shri Tarun Gogoi, Chancellor of Lal Bahadur Shastri Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, New Delhi, Hon'ble Shri Justice Mukundakam Sharma; DU Vice-Chancellor Dr. Alak Kumar Buragohain, and other eminent guests were also present. The University conferred the honorary D.Litt on Samanta in absentia, as he was in Mysuru to attend 103rd session of the Indian Science Congress. The name of Samanta for the honour was approved six months ago by the Chancellor and Governor of Assam following recommendation of Syndicate and Senate of the DU. **Samanta was awarded the honorary D.Litt for his outstanding contribution in the field of education and social work.** A noted litterateur, scholar of eminence and social worker of Assam was also conferred the honorary D.Litt along with Samanta. In his welcome address, Vice Chancellor Dr. Buragohain said, the University is highly pleased and feels privileged to confer the Degree of D. Litt honoris causa on Samanta, who has served for the promotion of education among the poor and the downtrodden. Governor and Chancellor Shri Acharya, Chief Minister Shri Tarun Gogoi and Justice Sharma also praised Samanta for his continuous effort towards eradication of poverty through education and social work. Shri Gogoi said, conferring the honour on an eminent personality like Samanta is a matter of pride for the State of Assam. Shri Acharya thanked the VC of DU for selecting Samanta, while Chief Guest Justice Sharma appreciated the University authorities for selecting Samanta. Expressing his satisfaction, Samanta expressed gratitude to DU for the honour. Dibrugarh University, the easternmost University of India was set up in 1965 under the provisions of the Dibrugarh University Act, 1965 enacted by the Assam Legislative Assembly. The University has around 200 affiliated and permitted colleges and institutes to achieve its goal of dissemination of knowledge and generation of human resource.

Kazakh Varsity Confers Honorary Doctorate on Samanta

Achyuta Samanta was conferred Degree of Doctorate, Honoris Causa by Kainar University, Kazakhstan recently. The honour, given in absentia, was received on his behalf by Dr. Satyendra Patnaik, Advisor to the Founder, KIIT & KISS from Prof. Omar, Rector of Kainar University. With this honour, Samanta has received 32 Degrees of Doctorate/Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) from different Universities in India and abroad. Kainar University, established in 1991, is a prominent institution of higher education in Kazakhstan. The University has seven academic departments that offer a variety of degrees at both the graduate and undergraduate level.



First Edition of 'Kilkari' Organised

'Kilkari', an event on the lines of the popular Raahgiri Day, made its debut in KIIT on March 6, 2016. Yet another innovative initiative of Founder of KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta, the event provides an opportunity for in-campus amusement for the students' community, staff and their family members. 'Kilkari' will be held on second Saturday of every month from 6 am to 8 am. The first edition of the event attracted enthusiastic participation. From sports to singing, yoga to painting, there was something in store for everyone. Participants also indulged in recreational activities like music, dancing, games, street play, catwalk, skipping, cooking, laughing club, etc. While increasing engagement with important stakeholders of KIIT, 'Kilkari' also had a positive impact on important aspects like eco-friendly campus, cleanliness and physical activity.



Achyuta Samanta speaking at the inaugural function of 'Kilkari'.



KISS an Eye Opener for All: Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy



Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Ind.) and Parliamentary Affairs interacting with tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) is an eye opener for all, said Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Ind.) and Parliamentary Affairs. Shri Rudy visited KISS on January 29, 2016. He visited various departments and units of KISS and interacted with 25,000 tribal students of the institute. Expressing his happiness after visiting KISS, he said, **"We all, including politicians, social workers, industrialists and entrepreneurs, should learn from Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KISS. It is really an eye opener for all of us as to how a simple man single handedly has made a huge institution and is providing free education, healthcare facility and accommodation to thousands of poor tribal students. Dr. Samanta is a role**

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model for all. I am humbled after seeing KISS. I have visited many places and institutions, but they seem not as significant as this institution, which is indeed a massive work". Calling KISS the most spectacular educational initiative for the tribal poor, he stated, **"Such selfless service by an individual is unimaginable. I am sure that Shri Narendra Modi, our beloved Prime Minister, will also come here"**. He assured to extend all support to KISS for its initiative to "Skill India" and "Make in India" from his Ministry.



Achyuta Samanta explaining Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Ind.) and Parliamentary Affairs about mission and activities of KISS.

KISS Students in Banega Swachha INDIA Campaign

Aiming to get students community and common people to join the clean-up drives across India throughout the year, 25000 students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) assembled to make largest Human Sentence on 'Banega Swachha India' in KISS Campus on January 17, 2016. As a part of the NDTV campaign, students cleaned nearby slums, villages, hospitals and roads during the occasion. Encouraging the students, Achyuta Samanta said, students of KISS devote two hours every Sunday for cleanliness of KISS campus and its surroundings, It is a regular habit of the students from many years.



Achyuta Samanta discussing with Shri Amitabh Bachchan, campaign ambassador of 'Banega Swachha India' in NDTV studio. Shri Ravish Kumar, Senior Executive Editor of NDTV India looks on.



41st Indian Sociological Conference



(From L) Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University; Prof. R. Indira, Secretary, Indian Sociological Society (ISS); Prof. A. Kumar, President; Shri. B. C. Parida, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (R.S.); Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs; Prof. Bibek Debroy, Hon'ble Member, NITI Aayog, Govt. of India; Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University and Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) at the valedictory ceremony of 41st All-India Sociological Conference in KIIT.

The 41st All India Sociological Conference was organized from December 27 - 29, 2015 by Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and KIIT University in association with the Indian Sociological Society. The conference deliberated on the theme - 'Development, marginalization and people's movements'.

Inaugurating the conference, noted social activist Ms. Medha Patkar said, true development is the one in which there is participation of each and everyone, equal distribution of natural resources and its utilization in a sustainable manner.

Each and every person, whether from rural or urban area, should have participation in development, she stressed, lamenting that the so-called development being claimed today is not the real development. Benefits of development, food, shelter, health services and livelihood, should be available to everyone. In the name of development, natural resources of the country should not be given away to a few individuals, she cautioned.

Citing the example of KIIT and KISS, she said, KIIT is financially supporting KISS, which provides free education, boarding, health services, etc. to 25,000 tribal students from KG to PG with professional and technical education. This is a unique model, not followed by any other institute of the country, Ms. Patkar added.

Presiding over the inaugural session, Prof. Anand

Sharma, renowned sociologist & activist and President, Indian Sociological Society said, even though the world has developed in many sectors, millions of people are still marginalized and devoid of the fruits of development. One percent of the richest people of the world have cornered more than 40 percent of the total wealth, he informed, adding that 3.5 billion people have less than 50 percent of wealth. Marginalization cannot go hand in hand with development, Prof. Sharma said, while calling for equality in every sphere.

In his welcome address, Achyuta Samanta said, it is a great privilege for KIIT and KISS to organize such kind of national and international conferences, seminars and symposiums. Prof. R. Indira, Secretary, Indian Sociological Society presented the annual report of the body, while Dr. Iswar Nayak, Organizing Secretary proposed the vote of thanks. More than 1500 delegates, including many from foreign countries, attended the conference.

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(From L) Achyuta Samanta; Prof. Anand Kumar, President, Indian Sociological Society (ISS); Renowned Social Activist & Social Reformer Ms. Medha Patkar; Prof. R. Indira, Secretary, ISS and Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik of KISS at the inaugural ceremony of 41st All-India Sociological Conference.

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS



Shri Jual Oram,
Hon'ble Union Minister,
Tribal Affairs, Govt of India



Shri Baishnab Charan Parida
Hon'ble Member of
Rajya Sabha



Prof. Bibek Debroy,
Hon'ble Member,
NITI Aayog, Govt of India

The main objective of the conference was to enable the discussion of current research results from different perspectives and representing sociology as a discipline that builds upon micro studies on development and marginalization leading to people's movements. It also aimed to provide a platform for discussing methodological and conceptual questions of relevance for development, marginalization and people's movements in the light of ongoing processes of change, diversification and mobilization.



Ms. Medha Patkar,
Noted social activist



Prof. Anand Sharma
Renowned sociologist &
activist



Prof. R. Indira
Secretary,
Indian Sociological Society

Further, the meet aimed to facilitate the development of new trans-disciplinary research and new inter-sector networks that will provide an opportunity for theoretical and applied knowledge relocate across different sectors in society – academic, public policy, civil society, etc. and to develop a contemporary vision of social progress and social development; issues related to livelihood and development of marginalized sections in the context of globalization, liberalization and privatization.

7th Indian Youth Science Congress



(From L) Dr. V. Selvam, Executive Director, MSSRF; Achyuta Samanta; Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, MSSRF; Dr. P. K. Panigrahy, Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education and Science & Technology, Govt. of Odisha; Mr. S. B. Khadka, FAO Representative in India; Dr. S. Rajalakshmi, Principal Coordinator, Biotechnology, MSSRF and Mr. A. Mukherjee, Senior Programme Manager, Wireless rich, Qualcomm at the inaugural ceremony of 7th Indian Youth Science Congress.

The 7th Indian Youth Science Congress organized by KIIT University in association with M S Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF), Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development and SRM University was inaugurated at KIIT on February 26, 2016.

The theme of the three-day conference was 'Young Scientists and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals'.

"Future of our country lies in youth. Dedicated and intelligent young scientists should work to achieve sustainable development goals. The young scientists would get chance to exchange their ideas with experienced and senior scientists during the congress.

The young scientists should come out with concrete solution and ideas to overcome the problems to achieve sustainable goals," said Shri Pradeep Panigrahi, Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education and Science & Technology, Govt. of Odisha, who attended the event as Chief Guest.

"There is scientific temper and scientific curiosity among children. Scientific research is not an individual wisdom. It is inter-disciplinary work and collective wisdom. Sustainability has three wings such as economic sustainability, social sustainability and environmental

sustainability. We should work for this sustainability. Poverty is reduced by fifty percent, but hunger still continues.

We have to achieve hunger free and give food security to all," said Professor M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) in his speech.

"We are the first country that has legal access to food security. Agriculture is job led growth. So we have to give importance on agriculture. More and more youths should take interest on agriculture. As much as 97 percent of our total water resource is sea water. Marine resource has enormous opportunities. We should work for utilizing marine resources with maintaining our bio diversity," he added.

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--Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Founder, M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF)

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS

Speaking on the occasion, Achyuta Samanta said that the topics that have been selected for the youth science congress are similar with the ones practiced both in KISS & KIIT and thanked Prof. Swaminathan and MSSRF for organizing the youth science congress in KIIT.

The congress aimed to provide a platform for young students and researchers to present their research work and discuss priority issues in enabling science and technology applications for human welfare. The young students got an opportunity to interact with a galaxy of eminent scientists and policy experts in the field of Science and Technology. Young research scholars and students from B.Tech, M.Sc., M.Tech, Research Fellows, and Post Doctoral students participated in the Indian Youth Science Congress.



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Mr. S. B. Khadka, FAO
Representative in India.



Mr. A. Mukherjee, Senior
Programme Manager,
Wireless rich, Qualcomm.



Dr. S. Rajalakshmi,
Principal Coordinator,
Biotechnology, MSSRF.



Dr. V. Selvam, Executive
Director, MSSRF.



Distinguished dignitaries at the valedictory ceremony of 7th Youth Science Congress.

9th National Management Convention



(From L) Prof. A. K. Sar, Dean, School of Management; Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University; Prof. P. G. Chengappa, Former VC, National Professor of ICAR & Member, RAB, WNRF; Prof. A. Janaiah, Head, School of Agribusiness Management, Dr. K. J. S. Agricultural University, Hyderabad and Prof. A. Bajpai, Director, School of Management at the 9th National Management Convention KIIT School of Management.

KIIT School of Management (KSOM) organized its 9th National Management Convention on 19th February, 2016. The theme of this year's convention was **"Sustainable Agribusiness in India"**. The convention was inaugurated by the keynote speakers Prof. P.G. Chengappa, Former Vice Chancellor, Bangalore University; Prof. Aldas Janaiah, Associate Dean, Agricultural College, Hyderabad; Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University; Prof. Anil Bajpai, Director, KIIT School of Management and Dr. Ashok K. Sar, Dean, KIIT School of Management. The inauguration was followed by the release of the Book of Abstracts "Parikalpana".

The convention was started by a welcome note by Prof. Bajpai. He stressed upon the importance of farming in India. He mentioned that the agricultural sector has a lot of interesting facts about how the growth has happened in the agricultural sector over the years. Stating the importance of agriculture, he also suggested to introduce a new curriculum on Agribusiness in KIIT School of Management. Prof. A. K. Sar introduced the theme of the convention by highlighting the importance of creating such forums for sharing and utilizing knowledge that is helpful for understanding the importance of emerging agribusiness. He sighted that this topic can be categorized into two areas - Productivity and Growth in Agriculture, and Redefining Productivity in Value Chain of Agriculture.

Prof. P.G. Chengappa highlighted that it is essential to make agriculture economic and viable. He gave an overview on the changing context of Indian agriculture, components and schemes of the agribusiness, linking farmers to agribusiness and constraints of agribusiness. He stated that agriculture has evolved from subsistence to semi-commercial and commercial mode. He highlighted that the declining share of agriculture in GDP is a leading issue. He highlighted that various threats like indebtedness, climatic changes, uncertain global environment lead to farmer deaths which pose a fallback on the agricultural sector and agribusiness in India.

Hence reforms in agribusiness is necessary, most importantly emphasis has to be given on empowering the producers i.e. the farmers with knowledge, information and capability, enhancing organized retailing, evaluating the option of working closely with the private sector and attracting large scale investments.

Prof. Aldas Janaiah outlined his discussion on the growth and potential, size and strength, policy environment and constraints of agribusiness. He mentioned that technology has played an important role in the growth of agricultural sector over the years. He mentioned a few revolutions like the Green Revolution, White Revolution, etc. that have paved the path towards significant growth of food production and increase in the per capita food production of India. He stated facts and figures on the size and strength of the agricultural economy - where he highlighted that the total size of agribusiness is 47 lakh crore owing to around one-third of the National GDP of India. He ended his discussion by emphasizing on the fact that urbanization, fertilization, globalization and increase in the consumer income have been forces of growth in the agricultural sector.

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS



Mr. Sushant K Khutia
MD,
Progressive agribusiness



Mr. Subrat Prusti
Founder,
MGM Agri-ventures.



Mr. Ravi Nawal
Author of best seller
"India Can"



Mr. Basant Nayak
Head-Business Development,
Adani Agrifresh Ltd.



Prof. Aldas Janaiah
Associate Dean,
Agricultural College, Hyderabad



Prof. P.G. Chengappa
Former Vice Chancellor,
Bangalore University



Prof. P. P. Mathur
Vice Chancellor
KIIT University



Prof. Anil Bajpai
Director, KSOM
KIIT University

The inauguration session was closed with the vote of thanks of the NMC Convener. The convention also had a panel discussion moderated by Prof. Anil Bajpai and the panel speakers included Mr. Basant Nayak, Head-Business Development, Adani Agrifresh Ltd., Mr. Ravi Nawal, Author of best seller "India Can", Mr. Sushant K Khutia, MD Progressive agribusiness and Mr. Subrat Prusti, Founder MGM Agri-ventures. The discussion stressed upon various aspects of Sustainable Agribusiness in India. Mr. Basant Nayak stressed upon redefining the Customer Value Proposition to enable growth and productivity.

Mr. Ravi Nawal being an author focused on the future scope and entrepreneurship in Agribusiness by highlighting the role of urban farming. Mr. K K Khutia brought out the importance of sustainability of people involved in agriculture and discussed the important role corporates, small business houses, real farmers and urban gardeners can play in making agribusiness more sustainable. Mr. Subrat Prusti being a practitioner in this industry shared his field experiences of setting up VeggieKart. The panel discussion gave important take away to all the industry practitioners, faculty members and management students present in the convention. The panel discussion was then followed by two technical sessions with research papers presented on the different aspects of agribusiness and its future scope. The convention saw a huge amalgamation of different industry practitioners, academicians, faculty members and students from different B-schools.



Parliamentary IT Standing Committee Visit KISS

“Founder of KISS, Achyuta Samanta is one among very few successful persons who could make their dreams into reality. We all should learn from him.”

- Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Hon'ble Chairman, Parliamentary Standing Committee on IT

Parliamentary IT Standing Committee Visit KISS



Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (L.S.), Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology and other members during their visit to KISS.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology (IT) under the Chairmanship of Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (L.S.) visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on February 10, 2016. Hon'ble Members of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Dr. K. C. Patel, Shri Virender Kashyap, Shri Keshav Prasad Maurya, Dr. Anupam Hazra and Shri Ramdas C. Tadas and Hon'ble Members of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Shri Meghraj Jain and Shri Salim Ansari were among the dignitaries of the visiting delegation. The committee visited various departments of KISS & KIIT and interacted with 25,000 tribal students. Addressing the students, Shri Thakur said, KISS is the wonder of the country.

Expressing satisfaction he said, everybody dreams, but very few are able to make it reality. Founder of KISS, Achyuta Samanta is one among very few successful persons who could make their dreams into reality, he said, adding, “We all should learn from him”. “We, the parliamentarian, talk in House about the development and upliftment of downtrodden sections of the society, especially Schedule Tribes. Although many schemes and policies have been formulated and implemented for the development of tribal, even today most of the tribal population are languishing in poverty, illiteracy and poor health conditions even today”, he stated. Addressing the KISS students, he said, “Education is the key to your self-development as well as development of society, state and nation. I hope hundreds of 'Achyuta Samanta' will be groomed among you, so that our country will develop much more”. While Samanta delivered the welcome address, Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS delivered presidential address and Dr. P. K. Routaray, CEO, KISS proposed vote of thanks.



Shri Anurag Singh Thakur amidst tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

Speech of Shri Anurag Singh Thakur

Hon'ble Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)

When you read or hear about Dr. Samanta and this institute in newspapers, television, magazines and on internet, you probably can't imagine and fathom what he has done. Only feeling that comes to me after coming here is - amazing, amazing, amazing!

It is indeed beyond imagination of a small personality like me. Anyone and everyone can dream. But one person has translated his dreams into reality. He is no one but Dr. Samanta. In Parliament, we discuss what needs to be done in tribal areas, policies for development of tribals, ways to eliminate poverty. But there is a big difference between saying and doing. Discussions are made there, but Dr. Samanta has done it on the ground.

Before coming here, I was taken around various buildings of KIIT and KISS located in over 400 acre of land. It is a city in itself. It is difficult to imagine how it has been made possible. All these have been possible only due to the leadership of Dr. Samanta. My respect and congratulations to Dr. Samanta and his team.

Many people do not understand the difference between literacy and education. Government has been working in the field of literacy for very long time. But we also have to think about how to increase the level of education and how to reform educational system. In this context, "Let them fail in life, but not let them fail in class" is not a good policy. Probably this is the reason 70% youths do not get employment even after completing education. In spite of getting A+ grade, they are not getting employment.

Why is it so? In the race for marks, we have forgotten to impart values and skills. It is important that focus of our institutions be on producing educated youths as well as good human beings. It is important to impart good values. From the sight of so many students sitting here in discipline, it is clear that in this institute both education and values are being

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Achyuta Samanta with Shri Anurag Singh Thakur.

imparted. I don't know what you will become in your life. You should listen to your heart and follow your dreams. But remember one thing – even if only 100 out of many thousands students here become like Dr. Samanta, India will never look back and Swami Vivekananda's dream will be fulfilled. If we have only 100 persons like Dr. Samanta, who will follow his thoughts and dreams, there will be no one in the country left without education.

A good society is an educated society. If we have to have a knowledge-based economy, then we have to promote literacy and knowledge. 'Sustainable Development Goals' places high priority on education, health and environment. When I came to the institute, I saw here that food for thousands of students is cooked using biomass. I also saw solar panels on many buildings. This shows that this institute cares for environment. It is not true that we have to halt development to save environment. Experiences from many countries show that development and environment can go hand in hand. IT sector plays a big role in country's economy. In last 20 years, IT sector has provided employment to lakhs of youths. Many Indian companies like TCS, Infosys and Wipro are doing very good work. In the present age, more intelligent minds are required by industry. Going by the people and teachers available in this institute, I am sure it will produce students who will perform in all fields. Country is proud of this institute. This model should be replicated in other parts of the country also.

Thank you!

IAS Probationers Visit KISS as a Part of 'Bharat Darshan'



IAS Probationers during their visit to KISS

A team of 18 Indian Administrative Service (IAS) probationers, along with two Deputy Directors of Lal Bahadur Sashtri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), Mussoorie, visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on February 2, 2016. KISS was recently included as the only NGO in Odisha in the list of places in the winter study tour-cum-Bharat Darshan of LBSNAA's annual training programme for IAS probationers. It is an important component of the phase-I training programme for IAS probationers. KISS has been included from the current year. Hence, IAS probationers will come on a visit to KISS every year to get firsthand knowledge about various activities of KISS from the current year. During the three-day KISS visit as a part of their Bharat Darshan, the IAS probationers will involve themselves in various organizations and establishments of central as well as state government and rural civil society organizations (NGO). They will get a chance to receive firsthand knowledge about how KISS, the largest free residential institute for the tribal students in the world, is taking care of more than 25,000 tribal children in one campus in a systematic manner. They will also get a chance to visit rural areas to receive a systematic exposure to the work being done by the civil society organizations. In 2014, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS was invited by LBSNAA to deliver lecture to IAS probationers on poverty eradication, rural development and UN's Millennium Development Goals. The authority of Academy, inspired by Dr. Samanta's lecture, decided to include KISS in its annual training programme for IAS probationers.



IAS probationers among the tribal students of KISS during their visit to the institute.

Prestigious Asutosh Mookerjee Memorial Award to KIIT VC



Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) has conferred the Asutosh Mookerjee Memorial Award on Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University. He received the honour at the hands of Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India at the inaugural session of the 103rd Indian Science Congress in Mysuru on January 3, 2016. The Award carries a gold medal. It is the most

prestigious award of ISCA to honour distinguished scientists of the country. Prof. Mathur was given the award for his key role in the development of science and technology, specifically in the area of biochemistry and molecular biology. The honour is given in memory of Sir Asutosh Mookerjee, who was the first General President of ISCA and a great educationist of the country.

KIIT Faculty Presents Paper at International Conference



Dr. Deepanjali Mishra, Assistant Professor, School of Humanities has presented a paper on **EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE: an Aspect of Corporate leadership with reference to SPIRITUALISM** on 6th January 2016 at the International Conference on Spirituality and Management: Indigenous Models of Sustainability, Good

Governance and Spiritual Transformation, 2016 organized by the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Bangalore. Eminent professors from Briston University, USA, Kingston University, UK and Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi among others presented their talks at the conference.



Oollywood Stars Shine at Holi Celebrations at KISS

The festival of colours, Holi, was celebrated with traditional fervor in the campus of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), a sister concern of KIIT. Stars of Oollywood, actors, directors, singers and others, joined 25,000 tribal children of the institute in the festivity. Among others Laxmikant Palit, Shantilata Barik, Subhas Das, Sangeeta Gosain, Punam Mishra, Kuna Tripathy, Sabyasachi, Hadu, Debu Brahma, Banamali Pandia, Gungun, Jhilki Chakrabarty, Linkan Subuddhi, Valina Valentina, Anuradha Biswal, Akankhya, Aryan, Gudu, Priyanshi, Ankit, Dr. Rajani Ranjan, Pradosh Patnaik, Dillip Hali, Dillip Shrichandan, Mahendra Gupta, Bijay Khandelwal, Om Prakash Agrawal, Kishanlal Bharatia, Ajay Agrawal, Dr. Akshya Khandelwal of Cuttack and Bhubaneswar Marwari Socitey were present. The cine artists and the singers performed cultural programmes and entertained the students of KISS.



1300 KISS students to appear 10th Board Exam: Highest in India

As many as 1300 students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) will appear the 10th Board examination-2016 of Odisha Board of Secondary Education. It is a record in India for the highest number of students from a single school appearing the 10th Board Exam. It is also highest in world as record number schedule tribe students of a single school appearing this exam.

Among these students seven hundred are boys and six hundred girls. Many students belong to primitive tribal groups. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS distributed pens to the students and wished them success in the forthcoming exam. It is the fifteenth batch of KISS appearing 10th exam. KISS has been achieving cent percent result in board exam since its first batch. The board exam will start from 22nd February and end on 4th March.



Achyuta Samanta distributing pens to the students of KISS appearing 10th Board examination.

Workshop on Autocad for KISS Students

A two-day workshop on Autocad Software was conducted for the students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) studying in +2 Science, 1st year. The special workshop, a CSR initiative of Twintech, was conducted on December 17 – 18, 2015 with an objective to expose the students to Autocad and 3D design. Total 113 students participated in the workshop, out of whom 75 were girls. There was a post workshop evaluation and 12 best performers in theory and 3 best performers in practical were chosen. All of them were given a specially designed memento. Moreover, all the participants were awarded Autodesk Global Participation Certificate. Mementos and certificates were distributed by Achyuta Samanta.



Successful participants of the workshop with Achyuta Samanta and senior officials of KIIT, KISS and Twintech.

Seminar on “International Marketing on Fashion Garments” at KIIT

An International Seminar on “International Marketing on Fashion Garments” was held recently at School of Fashion Technology, KIIT University in association with Indian National Office of Textile Institute, UK. The Seminar was inaugurated by Dr. D. K. Tripathy, Pro-Vice Chancellor, KIIT University. Dr. S. P. Mishra, Director, School of Fashion Technology welcomed the guests.



Dignitaries releasing the seminar souvenir

Dr. S. Choudhury, Section Chairman, Indian Office, Textile Institute discussed the scope of fashion in international market. Mr. D. Gianchandani, Hon'ble Secretary spoke on on-line activities of fiber to fashion. Mr. Arun Chattopadhyay, Chief Executive, Aar Geet Select, Kolkata spoke on fashion business and its advantages and disadvantages. Mr. Alok Ray, Secretary, East India Section, Textile Institute highlighted the scope of fashion garments. Mr. B. Raula, Asso. Professor, School of Fashion Technology, KIIT University proposed the vote of thanks. All the students, staff and faculty of NIFT attended the Seminar. A souvenir was also released on this occasion.



South Asian Games KIIT, KISS Athletes Win Medals for Country



Mandakini Majhi, a student of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), has made the country proud by winning Gold Medal in Kho kho (team event) in the 12th South Asian Games (SAG) which was held recently in Guwahati. Mandakini, a +3 First Year Commerce student, was first ever Odia girl to get selected in Indian National Women Kho-Kho Team. But this did not deter her from putting up her best performance and winning Gold Medal for the country. Mandakini, daughter of Rajiv and Rama Majhi, comes from a poor Kondh tribal family of a remote village of Ludhipada in Bolangir district of Odisha.



Dutee Chand, ace sprinter from KIIT School of Law, won Bronze Medal in 100 m race clocking 11.71 seconds, adding to the country's medal tally. Following up on her success in South Asian Games, Dutee set a new national record while winning the 60m dash heats at the 7th Asian Indoor Athletics Championships in Doha. She clocked 7.28 secs, the best by an Indian to date, that also bettered the Asian Indoor Athletics Championships record.

T20 Cricket: Delhi University wins KIIT Premier League

Teams from 12 universities from all parts of India participated in the ninth KIIT Premier League (KPL) All India (D&N) T-20 Cricket Tournament, which was held from February 18 to 28, 2016. All matches were played as per T-20 Format on turf wicket on league basis in floodlight in the cricket stadium of KIIT. Delhi University won the Champions Trophy defeating Al-Falah University in the final match. At the closing ceremony, former Indian cricketer & selector Mr. Chetan Sharma distributed the prizes in the presence of Achyuta Samanta and Mr. Santosh Ku. Mall, Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalyay Sangathan, New Delhi. Delhi University bagged the Champions Trophy and Rs. 2 lakh cash prize. The runners up Al-Falah University got Rs. 1.5 lakh cash prize and Runners up Trophy. KIIT University, 3rd place, and Utkal University, 4th place, got Rs. 50,000 and Rs. 25,000 cash prize respectively.

Teams were divided into four groups –

Group-A: University of Mumbai; Al-Falah University, Faridabad; Ravenshaw University, Cuttack.

Group-B: Jamia Millia Islamia University; Utkal University, Bhubaneswar; SRM University, Chennai.

Group-C: KIIT University; Daffodil University, Bangladesh; DAV Sports University and

Group-D: Goutam Buddha University, Noida; Delhi University; Andhra University, Hyderabad

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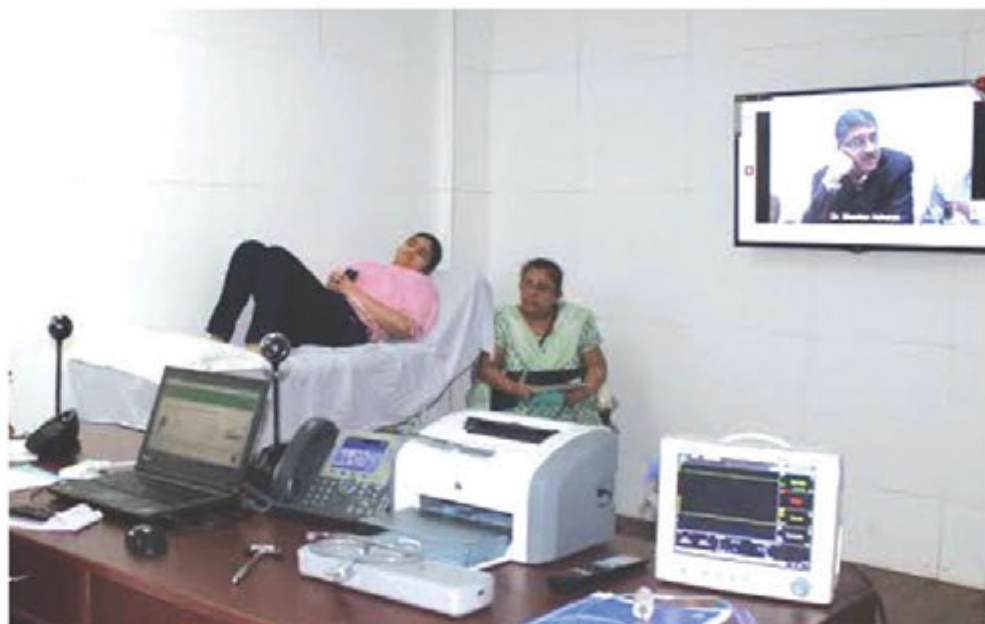
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Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), Pradyumna Bal Memorial Hospital has started smart consultation through Telemedicine recently. Dr. Shankar Acharya, eminent spine surgeon from Sir Ganga Ram Hospital (SGRH), New Delhi gave consultation through ultra modern telemedicine link established by KIMS and SGRH. Dr. Acharya gave consultancy through video conference in the presence of patients and doctors in KIMS for better treatment. This facility is the first of its kind in Odisha.

Telemedicine service will be provided once in a week for the time being. It will be provided daily later on. In the near future, it will be extended to all other departments and linked to all districts of Odisha. A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between KIMS and SGRH, New Delhi to provide Telemedicine service recently.

Youth Undergoes Rare Heart Surgery at KIMS

A final year degree student of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) in Odisha capital got a new lease of life after undergoing a successful rare heart surgery on February 23, 2016. Narasinghadev Kuanr underwent a rare heart surgery in KIMS, Pradyumna Bal Memorial Hospital on February 23 as he suffered a heart attack. After primary investigation, it was found that, there was a complete blockage in his right coronary artery, which needed an angioplasty. Subsequently angioplasty was done successfully by Dr. Panchanan Sahoo, Head of the Department, Cardiology, KIMS and his team.

For this they used a special thrombus suction catheter to clear the blockage and an imported stent was placed. After angioplasty, the condition of Narasinghdev is stable now. It is a rare case as this kind of blockage is usually not seen in persons below 25 years. In fact the total expenditure of this heart operation is about four lakhs and all the cost has been borne by KISS. Narasingh's father Gopal thanked KISS, doctors of KIMS and Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS for getting a new life of his son.

"It is almost impossible on our part to bear such a huge amount towards the treatment of my son, as I maintain my family as a daily labourer. Narasingh got all the treatment free of cost as he is studying in KISS," Gopal Kuanr said.

JCM Shastry Memorial Oration Award to KIMS Director

Dr. S. C. Dash, Director, KIMS & Pradyumna Bal Memorial Hospital has been awarded with prestigious 'JCM Shastry Memorial Oration' at the 46th Annual Conference of Indian Society of Nephrology (ISN). The Conference was held recently in Bengaluru, where he spoke on 'Fight against Chronic Kidney Diseases in Indian Context'.

Dr. Dash is currently one of the senior most nephrologists of India. He has many laurels to his credit. He had been the Professor & HOD of Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplant Medicine at AIIMS, New Delhi for 31 years. He has more than 250 scientific publications, 100 of which are in international journals. He was the past president of ISN & Founder President of Nephrology-Urology & Transplant Society of SAARC Nations (NUTS of SAARC) in 1995. He is the Founder of Northern Chapter of ISN & Current Founder President of Indian Academy of Nephrology. He is the recipient of several prestigious orations including RN Tagore Oration from Association of Physicians of India. He has been invited by several universities in UK, USA, Japan to deliver guest lectures. In another achievement, he has also been elected as the 'International Educational Ambassador in the Field of Nephrology' by the International Educational Program Committee (EAP) in Johannesburg, South Africa recently.



Dr. S. C. Dash, Director, KIMS & Pradyumna Bal Memorial Hospital receiving the prestigious 'JCM Shastry Memorial Oration' at the 46th Annual Conference of Indian Society of Nephrology (ISN).

Odisha's first successful redo heart valve surgery in KIMS

Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS) has conducted successful redo heart valve surgery on a 60 year old woman recently. This is the first time this advanced procedure has been done in Odisha. The patient, from Burla in Sambalpur, was operated for heart valve problems 12 years ago at AIIMS, New Delhi. She had a bioprosthetic or tissue valve for her aortic valve problems. The tissue valve degenerates over period of time, requiring second surgery. However, the adhesions of first surgery, distorted anatomy, advanced age and advanced disease make redo surgery more risky. Further, specialized instruments and techniques are required for better outcome.

Morbidity in cardiac re-intervention is higher than the first operation because of cardio-pericardial adhesions and more advanced cardiac pathology. Re-sternotomy carries a high risk of cardiac injury and subsequent catastrophic bleeding. More advanced cardiac pathology is associated with increased operative and postoperative morbidity and mortality. Longer ICU stay is associated with heart valve re-operations. Redo operations are identified as risks factors for blood transfusion requirements, sternal wound infections and mediastinitis. A team of doctors from KIMS - Dr Bana Bihari Mishra, Dr Nimai Charan Behera, Dr Ashok Kumar Badamali, Dr Jyoti Ranjan Parida and Perfusionist Mr Saumya Kanta Satpathy & Subishna Bal - accomplished this risky operation.

KINS Seminar on 'Zika Virus Awareness'

Kalinga Institute of Nursing Sciences (KINS) organized a seminar on 'Zika Virus Awareness' on February 29, 2016, in view of the global public health risk posed by the virus. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Mrs. Amrita Lenka, Principal, KINS. Scientific sessions were held on Introduction of Zika virus, virology & current scenario; Mode of transmission, reproduction of Virus acquired vectors, signs & symptoms and complication; Diagnosis, treatment & prevention; Risk of Zika virus in paediatrics groups; and India's readiness to meet Zika challenge.

These sessions were conducted by Ms Sujata Mohapatra, Mrs Pramila Baxla, Mrs Nibedita Mohanty, Mrs Sadhna Priyadarshini and Ms Anusaya Behera respectively. Mr. Chandan Pradhan, Lecturer (CON) delivered the welcome address, while Ms Sukriti Biswas proposed vote of thanks. Students of B.Sc. and M.Sc. Nursing courses benefitted from the seminar.

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CDE Program & Slide Seminar on Diagnostic Oral Pathology



CDE Programme and Slide Seminar on "Diagnostic Oral Pathology - Know the Unknown" in progress.

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KIMS Doc Elected VP of APSI

Dr. K. K. Samantary, Asso. Prof of Department of ENT, KIMS has been elected as Vice President of Phono Surgeons of India (APSI). He has been elected for three years from 2016 to 2018. Phono Surgery is a super specialty branch of ENT, which deals with voice disorders. Dr. Samantary successfully completed his term as Honorary Secretary of the Association for three years. He is the first Odia to be the vice president of APSI. He has conducted national conference two times in Bhubaneswar successfully and workshops to treat patients with hoarseness of voice of any age.



KIDS Faculty Invited as Panel Speaker in CLEFTCON 2015

Dr. Pritam Mohanty was invited as a panel speaker in National Cleft and Craniofacial Conference (CLEFTCON 2015). He participated in the debate session as the youngest faculty and gave a presentation on "Surgery First Approach in Orthognathic Treatment Protocol".



KIDS Faculty Bags Best Paper Award

Dr. Vinay S., Reader, Dept of Public Health Dentistry, Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS), KIIT University bagged the Best Scientific Paper award at the scientific session of the 20th National Conference of IAPHD held recently at Manipal College of Dental Sciences. His paper was titled "Assessment of Oral Health Status and Treatment Needs and Oral Health Services Provision for the Children Residing in Various Orphanages of Bhubaneswar city, Odisha."



Best Scientific Paper Award to KIDS Student

Dr. Diptajit Das, a 2nd year PG student from Dept of Public Health Dentistry, KIDS won the best paper award for his presentation titled "Students' perceptions of the educational environment measured using the DREEM inventory in a dental school of KIIT university, Bhubaneswar, Odisha" in scientific session of the 20th National Conference of IAPHD held recently at Manipal College of Dental Sciences.



KIDS Faculty Nominated for Famdent Excellence in Dentistry Award

In recognition to his outstanding contribution in field of Dentistry as specialist Periodontist, Dr. Rajeev Ranjan, Senior Lecturer, Department of Periodontics and Oral Implantology has been nominated for prestigious '**Famdent Excellence Award for Best Periodontist of the Year 2015**'. This award is India's most coveted Dentistry award and is hailed as 'the Indian Dental Oscars'. This Dentistry award recognizes the highest standards of excellence in the Dental profession, honouring individuals in respective fields for their outstanding achievements. Nomination and judging of awards are two stage rigorous processes, which is judged by an independent jury that consists of distinguished and experienced professionals in the field of Dentistry. On his achievement, Principal Prof.(Dr) Ramesh C Das, Administrative Officer Dr.Jugajyoti Pathi and faculties of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences congratulated him and wished him a bright future ahead.



Smile Torch Campaign



The Smile Torch campaign was organized in recently. It is an Olympic torch inspired campaign to raise awareness about Orthodontics to the general public and patients in KIDS, KIMS and KISS. It was organized by the Department of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics, Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences.

KIDS students perform on Raahgiri Day



The students of Khwaab Team of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS) were invited to perform a Nukkadnatak at Janpath, Bhubaneswar on Raahgiri Day (17.1.2016) as a part of the Smart City Campaign organized by Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation. The programme was covered LIVE by many National and Local news channels.

67th REPUBLIC DAY

Celebrated at KIIT & KISS

The 67th Republic Day was celebrated in KIIT University and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) with patriotic fervor. On the occasion, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS hoisted the National Flag and took salute of the parade as Chief Guest. Addressing the gathering, she said, students should work towards nation building and all should think about betterment of our country.

Speaking on the occasion, Achyuta Samanta said, everybody should be aware of one's duties towards motherland. He advised students to do something positive for the nation, apart from their study. Among others, Prof. Abdyldaev Kurmanbek, Rector, ISU, Kyrgyz Republic; Ms. Omuralieva Damira, Rector, NSU, Kyrgyz Republic; Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS; Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University, Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar; student delegates from Hanseo University, South Korea and officials & students of KIIT & KISS were present. As every year, best staff awards and best alumnus award of KIIT Group of Institutions for the year 2015 were also given away on the occasion. Students of various schools of KIIT Group of Institutions and KISS performed colourful cultural programme.



Achyuta Samanta saluting the Tricolour in the presence of Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University, Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar and distinguished guests from Kyrgyz Republic, Prof. Abdyldaev Kurmanbek, Rector, ISU and Ms. Omuralieva Damira, Rector, NSU.





Achyuta Samanta and Prof. Abdyl daev Kurmanbek, Rector, ISU, Kyrgyz Republic inspecting the parade.



March past by NCC contingent of KIIT.



Cavalry contingent from KIIT International School taking part in the parade.



March past by students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)



Students of KIIT Group of Institutions presenting colourful cultural programme



Achyuta Samanta conferring the 'Best Alumnus Award' to Mr. Satya Ranjan Swain B.A. LL.B, KLS (2007 - 2012 Batch)



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67th REPUBLIC DAY at KIIT & KISS

Best Teaching Staff AWARD-2015



Dr. Rabi N. Subudhi
Professor, School of Management



Dr. Prakash Chandra Mishra
Associate Professor (II),
School of Mechanical Engineering



Dr. Nirmal Kumar Rout
Associate Professor (II),
School of Electronics Engineering



Dr. Jay Prakash Mishra
Associate Professor, Psychiatry, KIMS



Dr. Luna Goswami
Associate Professor (I), School of Biotechnology



Dr. Jagadish Chandra Mishra
Associate Professor, Anaesthesiology, KIMS



Mr. Sarat Kumar Sabut
Assistant Head Master, KISS



Mrs. Shreya Chatterjee
Assistant Professor(II), KLS



Mrs. Sanjukta Sahoo
Sr. Lecturer (Civil), KIIT Polytechnic



67th REPUBLIC DAY at KIIT & KISS

Best Non-Teaching Staff AWARD-2015



Ms. Kirthika Koul
Dy. Director, Corporate Relations



Mr. Smruti Ranjan Nayak
Creative Head, Publication Cell



Ms. Jayanti Nath
A.O, Girls' Hostel



Mr. Tripathi Prasad Bakshi
Placement Officer, Training & Placement



Mr. Chitta Ranjan Panda
Liaison Officer



Mr. Bani Datta Champatiray
Accounts Officer, KIIT-IS



Mr. Keshab Chandra Mahanta
Executive Assistant, Examination Department



Ms. Surekha Mohapatra
Nursing Supervisor, KIMS



Mr. Haraprasad Rath
Support Assistant, ICT Cell



Mr. Manas Kumar Moharana
Senior Carpenter, Development Wing



Mr. Bishnu Charan Sahoo
Supervisor, Sports Department

Bengaluru Girl Bags KIIT Nanhipari-Little Miss India 2015 Title



Winners of Nanhipari Little Miss India 2016 Eshaani Mitra from Bangalore with 1st runners-up Swapna Priyadarshini of Hyderabad and 2nd runner up Bhoomika Dash of Odisha.

Style, compassion, talent, intelligence and elegance were at its best as teenage models took the ramp in the 15th Nanhipari- Little Miss India talent beauty pageant, which concluded at KIIT International School in Bhubaneswar on 29th December, 2015. Thirty young girls between 13-16 years shortlisted for semifinal round from eight regional auditions from Guwahati, Kolkata, Patna, Bhubaneswar, Mumbai, Delhi, Bengaluru and Hyderabad faced several competitions during the three-day event. In the Grand Finale on December 29, Eshaani Mitra from Bengaluru was crowned KIIT Nanhipari- Little Miss India 2015. Swapna Priyadarshini of Hyderabad and Bhoomika Dash of Odisha were crowned first runner-up and 2nd runner up respectively. The top three also received a cash award of Rs. 3 lakh, Rs. 1 lakh and Rs. 50,000 respectively, along with silver crown, trophy and certificates.

Many other titles were decided in the final round such as, Miss Rapunzel - girl with most beautiful hair, Miss Photogenic - girl with best pose in photoshoot round, Miss Selfie - Maximum likes on facebook page, Miss Fashion girl with best costume in both rounds, Miss Whizkid girl with highest marks in quiz round, Miss Cinderella girl having best personality, Miss Urvasi girl with Best Talent, Miss Catwalk girl with best ramp walk, Miss Monalisa most beautiful girl with most beautiful smile and Miss Active - most active girl in sports round. Renowned Odissi dancer Guru Sanchita Bhattacharya, Television actor and anchor Karan Oberoi; Indian Models Natasha Assadi, Aarushi Sharma, Sushree Shreya Mishra;

Kannad cine artist Udayan Aparajit, Indian Idol junior 2015 Ananya Sritam Nanda, Samaresh Routray and Dr. Iti Samanta, Editor, Kadambini were the judges and guests for the event. Among others, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Chief Patron of KIIT Nanhipari; Shri Malay Mohapatra, Patron were also present on the occasion.

"Nanhipari" is a talent show for teenage girls between the age group of 13-16 years. It had a modest start in 2001 in a remote and small tribal town of Keonjhar District of Odisha. In a short time-span of just 15 years, it has become a national event of repute, regarded as the 'Little Miss India' competition, the only one of its kind. Patronized by noted visionary, social activist, educationist, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS, the purpose of KIIT Nanhipari Little Miss India is to build an institution and a tradition dedicated for spotting and nurturing the talented young girls to become successful women subsequently in their adulthood. Other talented girls who participated were awarded 10 different titles along with cash awards of Rs. 10000 each for their excellence in different segments. Swapna Priyadarshini awarded for Little Miss Active, while Kasturi Rarhi for Little Miss Monalisa, Anmol Jain for Little Miss Catwalk, Maitri Monali Pradhan for Little Miss Cinderella, P. Mahathi Saaveri for Little Miss Whizkid, Swayamprabha Dalbehera for Little Miss Fashion, Amrit Kaur for Little Miss Selfie, Ananya Acharya for Little Miss Photogenic, Niya Shameer for Little Miss Rapunzel and Ishani Mitra for Little Miss Urvasi.

About KIIT Nanhipari Talent Show

"Nanhi Pari", a talent show for the young girls, owes its origin to a group of entrepreneurs - Mr. Sandip Behera, Mr. Malaya Mohapatra and Mr. Pragyan Dash. It had a humble start in the year 2001 in a remote and small tribal town of Keonjhar District of Odisha. The contest became a national event since 2004 after it was patronized by social activist & educationist, Achyuta Samanta. From 2015 edition, the event is entirely managed by KIIT Group of Institutions and KIIT University. It provides a platform for the young women to showcase their skills, confidence and persona so as to guide them into being a valid candidate for beauty pageants held for adult age groups.



Amrit Kaur (Bhubaneswar)
Little Miss Selfie



Ananya Acharya (Bhubaneswar)
Little Miss Photogenic



Anmol Jain (Guwahati)
Little Miss Catwalk



Ishani Mitra (Bengaluru)
Little Miss Urvasi



Kasturi Rarhi (Kolkata)
Little Miss Monalisha



Maitri Monali Pradhan (Bhubaneswar)
Little Miss Cinderella



Niya Shameer (Bengaluru)
Little Miss Rapunzel



P. Mahathi Saaveri (Hyderabad)
Little Miss Whizkid



Swapna Priyadarshini (Hyderabad)
Little Miss Active



Swayamprabha Dalbehera (Mumbai)
Little Miss Fashion

Panorama



Achyuta Samanta showing a short presentation on Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), the world's largest free residential tribal institute, to Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Home Affairs, Govt. of India during his visit to Bhubaneswar on February 19, 2016.



Achyuta Samanta explaining initiatives and achievements of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) to Shri Ramvilas Paswan, Hon'ble Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Govt. of India during his visit to Bhubaneswar on February 14, 2016.



Achyuta Samanta in discussion with Shri Sudarshan Bhagat, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Govt. of India. He attended the National Integration Camp organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan at KIIT University as Chief Guest, on March 18, 2016.



Shri Vishnu Deo Sai, Hon'ble Minister of Mines and Steel, Govt. of India addressing tribal students of KISS on March 21, 2016.



Achyuta Samanta delivering 4th GRIPMER Oration on "Inclusive and Sustainable Development - KISS as an Example" at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi on March 10, 2016.



Achyuta Samanta presenting a memento to Mr. Anil Kumar Jha, Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. on March 14, 2016.



Ms. Deborah D'Souza of the Women's, Infants' and Children's Program from the Baltimore County Health Department, Maryland, USA amidst students of KISS on March 5, 2016.



Achyuta Samanta in discussion with Mr. Diptiman Das, Chairman and Managing Director, EdCIL (India) Ltd. during his visit to KISS on February 29, 2016.

Panorama



(From L) Prof. S. S. Singh, KIIT University, Prof. A. K. Ray, Dean, School of Electronics Engineering, Dr. Debasish Datta, Professor, E & ECE Dept., IIT Kharagpur, Prof. S. Nanda, Professor of Eminence & Research Chair, KIIT and Prof. M. Mitra at the International Conference on Communication, Circuits & Systems (ic3S-2016) organized by School of Electronics Engineering, KIIT University on February 6, 2016.



Mr. Avijit Saha, Retail Business Head, ICICI Bank inaugurating the 'KIIT Cashless Campus' in the presence of Mr. R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS and Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar on February 5, 2016.



Inaugural ceremony of International Conference on Solar Energy and Smart Grid at KIIT University on February 5, 2016.



Inaugural ceremony of the 1st KIIT University National Conference on Law and Technology organized by KIIT Society of Law and Technology at School of Law, KIIT University on January 30, 2016.



(From L) Dr. Kim Seung-Jae, Dean of Academic affairs, Hanseo University, Achyuta Samanta, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University and Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar at the Campus Felicitation of student-delegates from Hanseo University, South Korea, at KIIT on January 29, 2016.



All India Seminar on Nano Material and Nano Composite (NMNC-2016) in progress at KIIT University on January 29, 2016.



(From L) Prof. (Dr.) B. C. Das, Director, School of Medicine, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University, Dr. Rajal Shah, Miraca Life Sciences, USA, Achyuta Samanta, Dr. L. N. Lanjewar, Dr. B. D. Radotra, Dr. (Prof.) Francisco Couto and Dr. Urmila Senapati at the 21st AIPNA - ICP International CME in Pathology 2016 at KIMS on January 29, 2016.



Dr. Pierret Christopher Kyle, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Mayo Clinic inaugurating the Science and Teaching Centre, School of Biotechnology in the presence of Achyuta Samanta, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University, Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar and Prof. M. Suar, Director, School of Biotechnology on January 28, 2016.



Dr. Soo-II KIM, President, Daegu University of Foreign Studies, South Korea exchanging MoU with Achyuta Samanta on January 22, 2016.



(From L) Prof. S. Mishra, Dean, School of Computer Engineering, KIIT, Achyuta Samanta, Dr. L. Parida, IBM Research, USA, Prof. H. Mohanty, UoH, Prof. N. Björner, Microsoft Research, USA, Prof. S. Prasad, IIT Delhi, Prof. R. Natarajan, TIFR, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University and Prof. A. A. Acharya, Publication Chair, ICDCIT, KIIT at the Inaugural Ceremony 12th ICDCIT-2016 at KIIT University on January 17, 2016.



Inaugural ceremony of the 1st KIIT National Conference on International Law Symposium on International Law at KIIT University on January 17, 2016.



Launch of Baja n Supra vehicles developed by School of Mechanical Engineering, KIIT University on January 12, 2016.

Panorama



(From L) Dr. M. Roy, KIIT University, Prof. S. Mitra, ISI Kolkata, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT and Prof. S. Mishra, Dean, School of Computer Engineering at the 2nd International Conference on Computational Intelligence & Networks (CINE-2016) organised by School of Computer Engineering, KIIT University on January 11, 2016.



All India Seminar on Recent Trends in Mechanical Engineering (RTME-2016) under the aegis of Mechanical Engineering Division, Institution of Engineers (India), Odisha State Center in progress in KIIT on January 9, 2016.



International Programme on 'Financial Inclusion' organised by CICTAB - KSRM - NABARD in progress at KIIT on January 7, 2016.



Her Excellency Mrs. Marie Leontine Razanadrasoa, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., Head of Mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Madagascar to India and Mr. Razanadrasoa with tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on February 6, 2016.



His Excellency Mr. Ton Sinh Thanh, Ambassador of Vietnam to India, Nepal and Bhutan and His Excellency Mr. Syed Muazzem Ali, High Commissioner, High Commission for the People's Republic of Bangladesh with tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on January 9, 2016.



MoU signing between NAHDA University, Beni Suef, Egypt and KIIT in the presence of Dr. Mohamed Ewiss, Counsellor, International & Inter-cultural Affairs, Cairo University, Egypt, Dr. Sherien Fouda, Dean, Dental School, Nahda University, Achyuta Samanta, Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University, Prof. Anil Bajpai, Director, School of Management and Prof. L. K. Vaswani, Director, School of Rural Management on March 17, 2016.

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The first Gala Staff Family Get-together of KIIT Group of Institutions was held on January 31, 2016. Conceived as an annual event, it is a staff welfare initiative by Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KIIT Group of Institutions, which seeks to strengthen inter-personal relationship and bring harmony among the staff members and their families. A slew of events suitable for different age groups were held during the day-long programme. While children below the age of six participated in Painting, Fancy dress and Rhyme competitions, staff and spouse showcased their talents in Needle & Thread Race, Rangoli, Mehndi, Dance, Singing, Instrumental, Musical Chair and Tug of War. There were competitive events also for children in the age group of 7 - 12 years and above 13 years. Outstanding performers were awarded at the closing ceremony, which was graced by Dr. P. K. Patasani, Hon'ble MP, Bhubaneswar, Shri Priyadarshi Mishra, Hon'ble MLA, Bhubaneswar (Uttar), Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS, Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary among others.



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KISS IN GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ (Two Records in a Single Day)



On December 10, 2015, on the occasion of International Human Rights Day, 15225 indigenous (tribal) students of KISS formed the **LARGEST HUMAN SENTENCE (We Urge for World Peace)**, a new Guinness World Record. The tribal students also made a second world record – for **THE LONGEST HUMAN CHAIN (HIGH FIVE)** covering 30 kilometers in Bhubaneswar, in which 25151 students participated.



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