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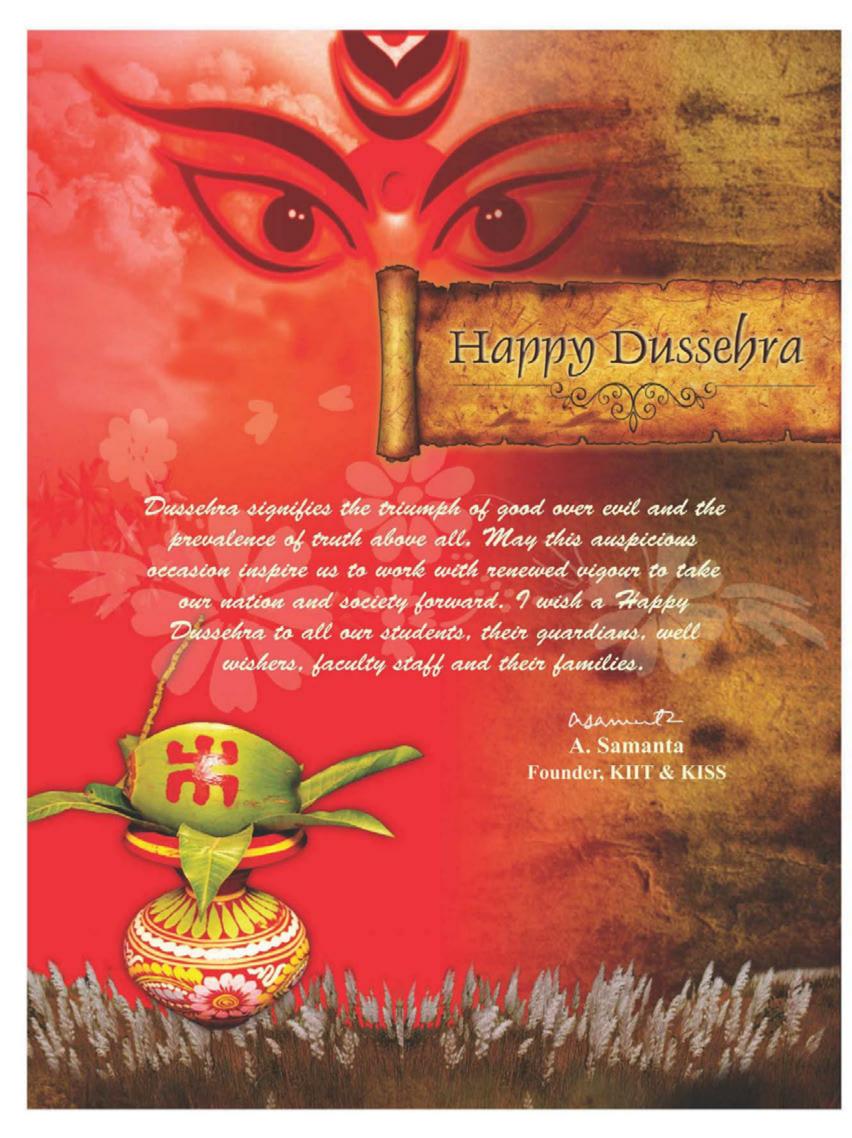


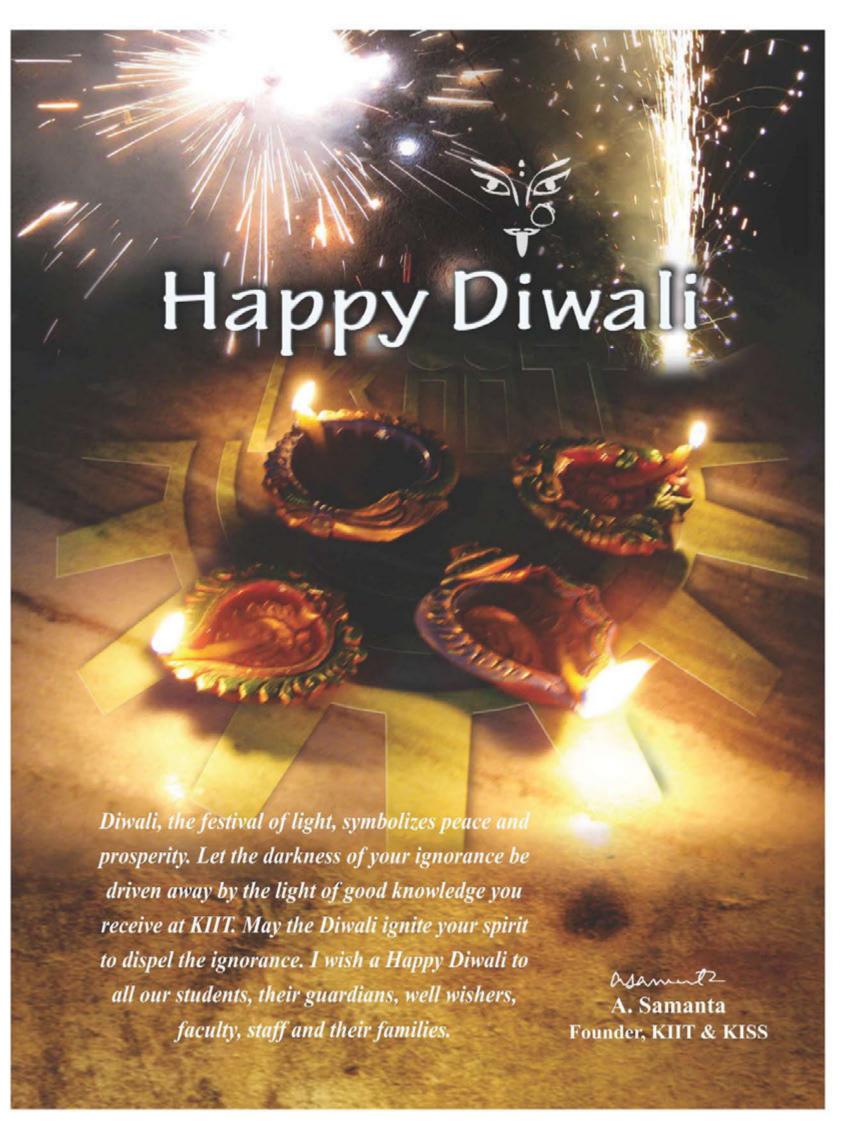
SPOTLIGHT ON ALUMNI ACHIEVERS

Bumper Placement for 2015 Passing Out Batch in Engineering Streams. KIIT Engineering Students Bag Record

2500 Job Offers on 'Day 1'







# Important Happenings in KIIT & KISS (August – September, 2014)

2014

# Milestones

Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs visited KIIT University and Kalinga

Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on July 30, 2014.

Roshdiyeh Higher Education Institute, a prominent university in Tabriz, Iran has conferred Honoris Causa on Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS in recognition to his work in the field of education and social sector.

KIIT University achieved bumper placement for 2015 passing out batch in engineering streams students bagged 2500 job offers on 'Day 1'.

The 3rd KiiT International School Model United Nations (MUN) was held from August 8 - 10, 2014.

Thirty three students belonging to Bonda tribe, one of the most primitive tribes of mainland India, from Bonda hills in Malkangiri district took admission in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) for higher education on August 12, 2014.

KIIT was conferred the Best Technical Education Institute Award at the National Odisha Education Summit 2014.

KIIT and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) celebrated 68th Independence Day with enthusiasm and festivity with Prof. Andrew Taggart, Pro Vice Chancellor, Murdoch University, Australia as the Chief Guest.

Tech Mahindra in association with KIIT University, Bhubaneswar has initiated the IMS Academy at the KIIT campus. The tie-up with KIIT is the first of its kind in the eastern part of the country.

The Department of Oral Pathology of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS), a constituent of KIIT University, conducted a two-day Seminar and Hands-on-Workshop on Immunohistochemistry (IHC-TECH 2014) from August 22 - 23, 2014.

The 5th National HR Conclave was organised by KIIT School of Management, a constituent of KIIT University,

in association with National HRD Network (NHRDN) on August 23, 2014.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ananga Kumar Patnaik, Former Judge of Supreme Court of India delivered keynote lecture on 'Independence of Judiciary: Collegium vs. National Judiciary Commission' at a seminar organized by KIIT School of Law on August 23, 2014.

School of Law, KIIT University organized the second edition of its National Moot Court Competition from September 5 – 7, 2014.

Renowned Professor in Anthropology from US & Fulbright Scholar, Prof. Christine Finnan has joined Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) for doing extensive research on the institute and its activities. She arrived in Bhubaneswar on September 18, 2014.

Czech Republic's Ambassador to India, His Excellency Mr. Miloslav Stasek visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on September 20, 2014.

Bolivia's Ambassador to India, His Excellency Mr. Jorge Cardenas Roblrs visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) boy Ranjit Naik has bagged silver medal in the archery recurve team event in the 2nd Asian Grand Prix held in August in Chinese Taipei City.

KiiT International School has been adjudged as the "Best School of India – 2014" for pedagogical innovations in the interdisciplinary ways of teaching – learning process by Engineering Watch, a leading educational magazine.

KiiT International School has been ranked 1 in the category of International Day-cum-Boarding School in the State of Odisha and eastern India as per a survey conducted by the popular human development magazine, Education World. This prestigious nation-wide ranking survey has also placed it among the Top 10 schools in the national league table.



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#### Dear Sir

I had been to KIIT twice during the meetings of the Executive Council hosted by KIIT in past and was delighted to feel the development under the extraordinary leadership of Achyuta Samanta. I receive KIIT Review issues regularly and now I am happy that letters from the readers will also be part of it. KIIT has really emerged as an international hub of professional education. The readers of the review will be happy to know that India is now accorded the permanent membership of Washington Accord (WA); thus, clearing the first step for recognition of equivalency of accredited engineering education programmes. Acceptance of our degrees by other members of WA will be easy as soon as the Association of the Indian Universities (AIU) establishes the equivalence of foreign and Indian Universities. It is learnt that the matter is on anvil.

*Dr. S. V. Vaishnav*, Honorary Fellow - ISTE, Former Principal – A. D. Patel Institute of Technology, Gujarat

Dear Sir,

We are very thankful to you for sending May 2014 Issue of KIIT Review. We appreciate your commitment towards the development of our organization, in particular, and society in general. We inform you that the journal is very useful to our students, faculty and other users for the achievements and humanity in society.

*Dinesh Patel*, Librarian, Charotarz University of Science & Technology, Gujarat

#### 'KHT Review' Invites Letters to the Editor

The 'KIIT Review' welcomes letters from our valued readers on subjects of interest relating to the publication and its content to be published in this space. Letters should be fewer than 500 words. Letters are subject to editing for clarity, brevity and taste and limited to one per writer per issue. While attempt will be to accommodate all contributions in this column, it may not be possible to do so always because of the paucity of space. Final decision in this regard rests with the Editorial Board. All letters must include the author's name, address and a phone number to verify the letter's authenticity. However, phone number and detailed address will not be published.





# KIIT REVIEW

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KIIT University has yet again achieved excellent placement for its engineering students who are due for graduation in June-July 2015. It has been one of the most remarkable placement seasons in the history of KIIT, which has the distinction of achieving cent percent placement year after year from its inception. Such was the response that four top corporate names participated on 'Day 1', doling out 2500 job offers for 1300 students. Evidently, almost all students bagged more than one job offer. Similar response was witnessed during 'Day Zero', at the very start of the placement season. Then seven top multinational companies had picked up 200 students. With 1500 students already placed and 30 more companies lined up. KIIT University is looking at record campus placement for its 2015 passing out batch. Talking of records, KIIT was one among only three institutes in the country which attracted four companies on 'Day 1'. It is also learnt that KIIT has one of the highest placement conversion rates in the country. 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. They are an important stakeholder of the University. Therefore, this issue focuses on the alumni body of KIIT University.

The last two months witnessed several other important developments in KIIT and its sister concern, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS). Tech Mahindra IMS Academy, the 1st of its kind in eastern India, was launched in KIIT. A host of legal luminaries, including Hon'ble Mr. Justice Altamas Kabir, former Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pinaki Ghose, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. K. Patnaik, former Judge, Supreme Court of India, delivered lectures at various academic functions organized by KIIT School of Law. Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs addressed 22,000 tribal students of KISS. KiiT International School's position among top international schools of the country was reaffirmed by separate surveys published in two popular educational magazines - Engineering Watch and Education World. These positive developments indicate that KIIT & KISS strive for excellence. A top Iranian university conferred Honorary Doctorate on the Founder, KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta, in yet another recognition to his unique contributions in the field of education and social service.

# Bumper Placement for 2015

Passing Out Batch in Engineering Streams

# KIIT Engineering Students Bag Record 2500 Job Offers on 'Day 1'

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. However, this year has been the most remarkable as KIIT University has achieved bumper placement for its 2015 passing out batch (due to graduate in June / July next year) in engineering streams. On 'Day 1' of campus placement itself, four major recruiters — Cognizant, Accenture, Infosys and Wipro - handed out over 2500 job offers. As many as 1300 students were placed with at least single offer. Almost all received multiple offers. A cluster of five schools, collectively called Schools of Engineering, impart education in various streams of engineering in the University.

Earlier, campus placement in KIIT University for 2015 passing out batch started with a bang with seven reputed multinational companies visiting the campus on 'Day Zero', in the second and third week of July this year. At the very start of the placement season, multinationals like Deloitte, TEK System, MU SIGMA, iNautix and Shapoorji & Pallonji doled out job offers to as many as 200 students. Among 'Day Zero' recruiters, the average salary package was Rs. 6 lakh p.a.



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Taking together the results of 'Day Zero' and 'Day 1' placement processes, total 1500 students have already been placed with at least single offer.

With so many students already placed on 'Day 1', KIIT University has created a record of sorts in the country and state. It is rare in any institution in India to record 2500 offers on 'Day 1' of the campus placement, said corporate experts.

In fact, KIIT is one among only three institutes in the country where four companies visited on 'Day 1', they informed, while adding that KIIT also has among the highest placement conversion rates in the country. Recruitment process of 'Day 1' companies was held between September 1 and 11, 2014.

There has not only been tremendous response from recruiters, but also salary package offered this year has broken all previous records. The highest salary package on offer was Rs. 37 lakh by a Japanese multinational company. Another global IT major offered a CTC of Rs. 20 lakh. However, the final results in these two companies are still awaited. Names of companies have been withheld on the request of the recruiters.

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Placement of the remaining students is a foregone conclusion with visits of 30 companies scheduled in the coming weeks. 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, meticulously grooming interested students for higher studies and actively supporting their efforts to secure admission in reputed institutions.

Excellent placement for the 2015 batch students once again proves that KIIT continues to be one of the most favored talent hunting destination for the corporate world. Such superlative achievement year after year is sustained because of high brand value of KIIT, quality academics and quality students. Teaching here is tuned to needs of the industry and students get an ambience, which is most conducive to academic and professional success.

Students also get wide professional exposure due to a vibrant schedule of academic conferences and seminars which are attended by top academicians, scientists and industry leaders. Excellent performance of past batch students also motivates companies for repeat visit.

Record placement this year has resulted in a wave of joy among young graduates of the University and their guardians from across the country. "I was always assured of my ward's bright future after sending him to KIIT", said an elated parent.

While congratulating the successful students, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT and KISS attributed the record placement this year to the combined effort of all. Despite locational

> disadvantage, KIIT has been able to attract so many globally reputed companies only due to its brand name and blessings of God.

Quality academics and research of KIIT University develop strong foundation for core academic competencies along with high quality IT skills, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University said, adding, this makes them more attractive to recruiters.

KIIT's focus on research, particularly students' research, gives them hands-on exposure to corporate environment, said Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar. This has made the University an important talent hunting ground in the country, she added. We are happy all recruiters had very high opinion on the quality of students here, said Prof. Saranjit Singh, who heads KIIT Placement Cell.

# STRENGTHEN ALUMNI, STRENGTHEN KIIT

# Alumni Achievers of KIIT University

KIIT University alumni network is robust, diverse and globally connected. KIIT was established as an institution imparting degree engineering programme in 1997 and the first batch of students passed out in 2001. Today, with over 17,000 alumni of different nationalities distributed across scores of countries, they are contributing to the success of many leading organizations. They are also leveraging a powerful voice on behalf of their alma matar, maintaining its history and tradition, contributing to enhance its reputation and helping to secure its bright future. KIIT alumni are not only an important stakeholder of the University, but also its brand ambassadors.

It will not be wrong to say that an institution is known by its alumni. It is a matter of pride that KIIT graduates have found notable success in all spheres they have joined, including business organizations, social enterprises, entrepreneurship, and research and academics. KIIT being a relatively young institution, a vast majority of its alumni are less than a decade into their career. However, this has not stopped them from achieving big. **Recently, international media took notice when Game Show Network (GSN) acquired Bash Gaming, a company co-founded by KIIT alumnus Lalit Patel, at an eye popping price of US \$ 165 million (estimated, approximately Rs. 990 crore).** 

While most have embarked on corporate careers, some have found success as entrepreneurs. Lalit Patel, A. K. Mohanty, Founder, Tatwa Technologies, Gautam Kumar and Kushal Nahata, Co-Founders, Roboticwares are some of the notable entrepreneurs KIIT University has produced. This apart, many students have completed or pursuing higher studies from reputed national and foreign institutions. Their success is due to the University's unique emphasis on academic placement – it meticulously grooms interested students for higher studies and actively supports their efforts to secure admission in reputed institutions. Following their dreams, many KIITians have transcended national boundary, lending KIIT alumni network a global character. USA alone accounts for more than 100 members of the network. To mention just a few: Shweta Gupta (B.Tech. 2008 pass out) works in Microsoft, Washington; Abhjinav Srivastava (B.Tech. 2008 pass out) in TCS, New York, Ranjan Mishra (B.Tech. 2007 pass out) in Infosys, Massachusetts and Nivedita Velaaleti (B.Tech. 2008 pass out) studies in University of Pennsylvania. Australia, Bangladesh, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Mexico, Netherlands, Nepal, New Zealand, Norway, Senegal, Singapore, Taiwan, UAE, UK, Canada and Denmark are some other countries where KIIT graduates have gone.

#### Some of the foreign universities where KIITians have joined for higher studies

Arizona State University, USA
Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand
Brac University, Bangladesh
Cardiff Metropolitan University, UK
Czech University of Life Sciences, Czech Republic
Edinburgh Napler University, UK
Georgia Institute of Technology, USA
Imperial College London, UK
Indiana University Bloomington, USA
Kaist University, Daejon, South Korea
Lamar University, USA
Liverpool John Moores University, UK
Lund University, Sweden
Missouri University of Science and Technology, USA

Narvik University, Norway
National Taipei University, Taiwan
North Carolina State University, USA
Oklahoma State University, USA
San Jose State University, USA
Sillicon Valley University, San Jose, USA
University of Auckland, New Zealand
University of Bergen, Nerway
University of Canterbury, New Zealand
University of Florida, USA
University of Leeds, UK
University of Manchester, UK
University of Pennsylvania, USA
Virginia Tech University, USA
and many others ...



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Extraordinary success of the alumni in all fields validates KIIT's focus and strategy on all round development of its students. "KIIT has played a very important role in shaping my career. It not only developed us academically, but also taught us the important values of life. The kind of all-round exposure which the University provides to its students is a benchmark in itself", says Varinder Singh, a 2011 B.Tech. passout, who is now Lead Associate - HR in Tata Power. Besides a high brand value, quality academics and competent faculty ensure success of the students. Teaching here is tuned to needs of the industry and students get an ambience, which is most conducive to academic and professional success. Students also get wide professional exposure due to a vibrant schedule of academic conferences and seminars which are attended by top academicians, scientists and industry leaders. In the words of another alumnus Himadri Saha, a Bangladeshi, "KIIT University has had a great impact on my career. The learning environment was just extraordinary". Himadri, a 2008 B.Tech. pass out, is presently pursuing Ph.D. in the University of Canterbury, New Zealand.

Alumni community of KIIT is active in the affairs of the University. Current students of the University benefit immensely from interaction sessions with them, which are organized regularly. It gives them a practical perspective of the industry and work setting. This kind of career guidance is very helpful as most of the fresh students do not have industry exposure. They come to know about the latest trends and technological advancements in the industry. They also know about the opportunities available in the market and get guidance to select a good field and career for themselves. The University is proud of its alumni and strives to keep close and lifelong contact with them. It has taken several initiatives to maintain a lifelong relation with them. Each alumnus is issued an Alumni Identity Card, which remains in force for all times to come. They are eligible for 20% discount on academic fees for their children, if they choose to study in KIIT University, KiiT International School, or any other wing of KIIT Group of Institutions. An Annual Alumni Meet is organized on January 26 every year, where 'Alumni of the Year' award is conferred on the best alumnus. Besides, Regional Alumni Meets are organized at different cities in India and abroad throughout the year. Alumni are regularly sent various University publications to keep them updated with happenings in their alma matar. KIIT University values its alumni and has set up KIIT Alumni Association (KIITAA) to keep vibrant relation with them. A team of highly motivated students manage its activities under the supervision of a senior KIIT functionary. KIITAA functions with an objective to build lifelong relationships with alumni. It facilitates two-way communication between the institution and alumni. An elaborate website and a strong online social networking support the activities of the Association.

# Tête-à-tête

KIIT alumni have distinguished themselves by their success in almost all fields. KIIT Review team talked to a few random former students to know about their works and achievements. They offered valuable career advice to KIIT students, while unequivocally crediting their own success to quality inputs and achievement-oriented ambience they got at KIIT.

#### **VARINDER SINGH**



I am currently serving as Lead Associate – HR in The Tata Power Company Ltd. I completed my B.Tech. in Mechanical Engineering from KIIT University, Bhubaneswar. After completing my graduation, I became a fresh engineer who opted for Human Resource out of my own interest. I have also worked as a Soft Skills and Behavioral trainer where I have been training the officers at corporate level and also the IIM / XLRI and Top B-School call getter for their Group

Discussion and Personal Interview Rounds. I am a winner of several National Level Awards including twice All India Rank # 1 in National Level Oratory Competitions. I am also a professional anchor who has hosted more than 140 professional shows for many national and international companies.

# You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly trace your career progression after passing out from KIIT University.

After passing out from KIIT, I joined Tata Power as a Graduate Engineer Trainee. But looking at my skills and interest, I was placed in the Human Resources Department where I was incharge of Campus Recruitment for all the Engineering, MBA and Diploma Colleges in Eastern and Northern part of the country. I am also a regular visitor to KIIT as a Recruiter. I have also been rated as a consistent 'Outstanding' performer at Tata Power for the last three years, due to which I am now made responsible for handling HR for all the International locations, JVs and Subsidiaries of Tata Power.

# What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career/entrepreneurship?

I believe that at Corporate Level, any professional who has the following three attributes will reach the zenith of success:

T-Talent, T-Team Spirit, T-Time

An individual needs to have talent and dedication to work for the organization and should also have the intent to contribute towards the growth of the organization till the last level. One needs to believe that it's the team which wins matches and not the individual. Also, as a professional, we should understand that if we are wasting time, we are wasting ourselves.

#### How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

KIIT has been a strong force behind my success. Whatever I have achieved, I owe it to KIIT and my mentors at KIIT. KIIT has played a very important role in shaping my career and for which today I can call myself as a human-being. KIIT has not only developed us academically but also taught us the important values of life. The kind of all-round exposure which it provides to its students is a benchmark in itself. Today, I can proudly say that I had and will always have my mentors, motivators and guides at KIIT, who have set high standards as a successful human being, the factor for which we all are striving hard.

#### What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University?

My advice to my young friends (the future of India) is that every student coming out of KIIT is a slave of higher achievements. I am certain that the students at KIIT are more mature, talented and skillful than any other students. Have faith in yourself. You will get ample of opportunities. What you need to do is just make the best use of them and this would help you to accomplish your goals and at the same time reach the pinnacle of success. Our role is to keep on doing our best - The rewards will come.



# lête-à-tête

## **AY. THOMAS LOUIES**



I am basically a Mechanical Engineer with an MBA in Marketing & Finance. I have founded my own HR consultancy and training firm, known by the name 'Morpho Thinkers', caters to training in corporate and educational institutions. I am also a guest faculty at the IIM, Bangalore for certain modules, for which they specifically call me. We have also set up our branch in London and conducted

programs in Sri Lanka. We do programs Pan India and we can be reached at www.morphothinkers.com.

#### You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly trace your career progression after passing out from KIIT University?

I do not call it extraordinary success. Success is very relative to each person. I can trace my path to where I am standing today in my life. After completing my MBA, I worked in various companies and industries, like Usha Telehoist (Elevator Industry), MICO Bosch (Automobile Industry), Monalisa & Teekays (Construction & Interior Industry), etc. and subsequently founded my own company - Morpho Thinkers.

#### What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career / entrepreneurship?

From my experience, I can say that the spirit of 'never giving up' is the most important. Some other attributes for success are:

Personal Discipline, Seeing an opportunity in everything one comes across, Adaptability to changing conditions of life, Praying and meditating, Positive Attitude

Ultimately, the outcome or what one calls success is not dependent on the above; however, the above increases your probability of journeying through life happily.

#### How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

Everyone you come across in your life contributes to your journey of life; and so has KIIT. Its syllabus, my teachers, my friends, my hostel mates, the ambience, the environment – all had profound influence on me. Thanks to all.

#### What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University?

Take life as it comes, because after a point in time nothing matters. Wish you all the best.

#### You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly trace your career progression after passing out from KIIT University.

I just stayed focused on what I was doing, while always remembering to enjoy my work thoroughly. I pursued my interests relentlessly. The secret is to keep calm and persevere. Initially the road might be curvy, but with hard work nothing is impossible.

#### What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career / entrepreneurship?

Some of the important attributes are:

Focus on what you do, Enjoy what you do. If not then you are at the wrong place, Hard work plus sincerity is a must to go up the ladder, Don't keep anything pending for the last moment, Stay calm and take some time to relax, Don't get too much stressed. Reaching the workplace early, Balance your What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT personal life and professional life.

#### How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

KIIT University built the foundation of my technical knowledge and skills very effectively. What I learnt in the Red Hat Linux training, RDBMS classes and Unix, are still useful. The placement classes were really helpful.

#### **RUBYSMITA SETH**



I have done B. Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering and presently employed as Sr. Net Developer in TCS Americas, San Francisco, CA.

## **University?**

Don't count too much on the CGPA you score in KIIT. While a good GPA helps you start off, a '9 pointer' may not always become the CEO of a Fortune 500 company, whereas a drop out may. The bookish approach and the practical approach are completely different. In corporate world bookish approach might help to some extent, but not always. You need to use your creativity, hard work and reasoning.

# **Tête-à-tête**

## **UTKARSH ROY**



I have done B.Tech. from KIIT University (2007 – 2011) and then M.Sc. from University of Toronto. Along with strong technical research opportunities during the program, I

had the chance of representing the university at the Festival of Thinkers, a global thinkers' initiative in Abu Dhabi organized by United Arab Emirates' Ministry of Higher Education. After completing my education, I joined Cisco Systems' Research & Development wing as it provided the best growth opportunities.

## You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly trace your profile after graduating from KIIT University.

I was received multiple job offers and university admits for higher education after passing out from KIIT in 2010. I joined University of Toronto for Master's degree on scholarship. Here I was selected for the university's student leadership award, the Cressy Award, and was also listed among the 'Five Entrepreneurs to Watch'. After post-graduation, I joined Cisco Systems' Research & Development wing.

What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career/entrepreneurship? (3-4 lines)

Working hard, prioritizing and Continuous growth & adaption are the key.

## How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success? (3-4 lines)

For me, four years at KIIT have been incredible, insightful and inspiring! Along with strong technical knowledge, the institution has provided me with a platform to understand, grow and develop myself. It had been a transformational experience of self-discovery, self-awareness and continuous learning. I look forward to working towards giving back to the KIIT community!

#### What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University? (3-4 lines)

I would like to focus briefly on some practical aspects and wish current and future students take heed on: Attend all classes; avoid blaming others; stop copying & start creating; participate in extracurricular & leadership activities; collaborate.

#### **HIMADRI SAHA**



Himadri Saha is a Bangladeshi national who passed out from KIIT University in 2008 (B.Tech.)

Continuing PhD in the University of Canterbury, New Zealand: University of Canterbury Doctoral Scholarship Holder, (Research area: Wireless Communication). Year: Oct, 2014 to Continuing

## You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly traceyour career progression after passing out from KIIT University.

After passing out from KIIT University, I started working as an Assistant Project Manager in a Data Processing Company in Bangladesh. As I was planning for higher studies, so I left my job and got admitted in a Masters program in Telecommunication Engineering in East West University Bangladesh. Then I got scholarship from National Taipei University, Taiwan to continue my Master studies. After graduating from NTPU, I joined a Taiwanese company as an Embedded Software Engineer. My goal was to complete my higher studies, so I joined Ph.D. on scholarship in the University of Canterbury.

What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate academic career.

Hard work, hard work and hard work!

#### How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

KIIT University has had a great impact on my career. I believe that when it is about career, it is not only about getting high scores in the exams. The learning environment which was provided by KIIT University was just extraordinary. I got opportunity to build many skills, while I was a student of KIIT.

What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University? (3-4 lines)

Do not believe in your luck, because you define your own luck by your hard work!

# Tête-à-tête

#### **SAMRAT BASU**



I am B.Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering from KIIT University (2004-2008), MBA (Marketing) from Lancaster University, U.K. and M.Sc. in Strategic Project Management from Heriot Watt University, Scotland, U.K. I am working as Lobby Manager & Manager, Department of Hospital Compliance at Pradyumna Bal Memorial Hospital, KIMS, Bhubaneswar. I am managing an operational team of about 50 members and charged with

ensuring day-to-day operations of the Hospital smoothly, as well as quality control and compliance related issues of the entire hospital.

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After passing out from KIIT, I was selected by Capgemini Consulting India in campus placement. I left this job to pursue my MBA from Lancaster University, U.K. After that, I worked in Kajaria Ceramics in marketing. Subsequently, I did M.Sc. in Strategic Project Management from Heriot Watt University, U.K. and then worked in Dubai for almost two years before joining KIMS as Manager.

# What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career / entrepreneurship?

In my opinion these are:

Belongingness to the organisation, Feeling proud about your work place, Diligence to your assigned duties and responsibilities, Maintaining Coordination and Cooperation among your colleagues, Discipline, Exploring innovative ways of doing work.

## How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

Today whatever I have achieved in my professional life is all because of the immense contribution from KIIT in all aspects. Learning in KIIT has taught me how to mingle with people from different cultural and regional backgrounds, how to work effectively in teams, how to also struggle in life and achieve an aim and most importantly how to be a compassionate human being.

#### What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University?

Have faith in yourselves and never be disappointed by small failures, Be compassionate towards each and every human being, Try to adopt good practices wherever you find them, Respect each and every human being as we are all part of the civil society, Don't indulge in fightings and spread love, not war, Always aim for long time benefits and never be carried away by short-term success.

#### **SOURYA SIDHHARTHA DASH**



I hold an MBA degree in Human Resources Management and am currently associated with Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. as Regional Manager, HR. In this capacity, I work closely with Business Leaders to establish HR foothold. I am also a winner of 'Top 25 Emerging HR Leader's Award' given by People Matters and Development Dimensions International. I have also been inducted into M & M Auto Sector Shadow Board to work with the

Senior Management on path breaking projects.

You have achieved extraordinary success within a short time. Briefly trace your career progression after passing out from KIIT University.

I started my career with Spencer's Retail Ltd. as a Management Trainee. After getting a good exposure of all aspects of business, I moved into Human Resources role. I begun by handling a regional portfolio before moving into corporate —HR profile. In 2011, I joined M & M as Regional Manager-HR

What, according to you, are some of the most important attributes for success in corporate career / entrepreneurship?

In depth knowledge and understanding of business, Continuous learning, being ahead of time, Courage & conviction to 'do the right'

How do you see the contribution of KIIT University in your success?

A strong pedagogy and academic rigor made my basics

strong. State-of-the-art infrastructure is most conducive to learning.

#### What advice you have to offer the students of KIIT University?

Be strong in basic concepts, Keep yourself updated with the happenings in industry through newspapers and journals, Dream big, plan long-term, work hard, accept challenges and don't forget to enjoy student life

# **Entrepreneurial Success Stories**



Ama Radio
http://amaradio.com/



Founder: Biraj Kant, B. Tech. (ETC), 1999 - 2003

Ama Radio started with its earlier brand "Drona IT Services" on 16th Dec 2010 in Bhubaneswar. After working for 6 long years in MNCs as a Network and Server Specialist, the founder of Ama Radio, started Drona to provide specialised IT services and education in Odisha. And then he moved to work with 104 FM, the most reputed FM station, with his all time blockbuster show #RatiraRomeo and that was the time when it was felt that, people staying away from home really miss Odisha a lot and Radio being a non-distracting medium of entertainment, AmaRadio Started as an Internet Radio Station based out of Odisha and in all major languages i.e. Odia, Hindi and English. AmaRadio (Internet Radio Station) started public broadcast on 10th June 2013, the auspicious day of Rath Yatra of Lord Jagannath, Puri.



#### **Tatwa Technologies**

http://www.tatwa.com/



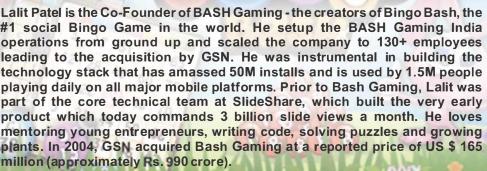


Founded in the year 2002, TATWA is now among the most distinguished IT icon in the State of Odisha. What started off as an IT services company, has now ventured out into the green pastures of Business Technology Services, Mobility & mCommerce Solutions, Infrastructure development, BPO Services, IT & BPO Training and HR Services. It is now a 3500+ member strong organization serving over 100 clients within India and also abroad. The Founder of the company has been conferred "The Indian Leadership Award for IT" by IEDRS in 2012, and has been felicitated as Odisha Icon 2011 jury award in the Best Entrepreneur category. He has also featured in TIMES OF INDIA coffee Table book LIVE WIRE.



#### Bash Gaming (Acquired by GSN in 2014)

Co-Founder: Lalit Patel







**Dream Diaries** http://dreamdiaries.in/

Founder: Kartik Bhagat, B.Tech. (Mech.), 2009-2013

Dream Diaries is a team of artistic photographers and cinematographers, primarily based in Mumbai, India. They aim to change the way photography is pursued. The Dream Team came together in their Engineering days after they realized their passion and love for photography and they decided to take it to whole new level of contemporary photography. They dreamt of and woke up to establish a team that would work to deliver perfection at weddings that people have always fantasized of. Mixed with cultures, colours, creativity and modern-day styles, their work depicts that particular couple's dreams and this is how Dream Diaries was founded. They boast of a reputed client history.



#### Roboticwares

http://www.roboticwares.com

Co-founders: Gautam Kumar & Kushal Nahata, B. Tech. (ETC), 2005-2009

The technology business at RoboticWares Pvt. Ltd. is a combination of such fields which rarely coexist. It is researching in Embedded Domains and Robotics, at the same time developing professional Web Apps and Software Solutions. It was registered as a company in April 2009 and operates from its headquarters in Bhubaneswar. Awards and recognitions have flowed to the startup since its launch. Some of these are: ISO 9001:2008 certification; Social Innovator of the Year award by MIT, USA for 'Suraksha', a LPG safety devise; and Entrepreneurs of tomorrow award by Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Roboticwares also features in the list of top 75 startups published in DARE, the leading Entrepreneur magazine in India.



#### **Sadyogi Technology Services Private Limited**

Managing Director: Avijit Behera, B. Tech., 2006-2010 CEO: Prakash Ku. Sahoo, B. Tech., 2009-2013

Sadyogi Technology Services Private Limited is a leading provider of business process, technology, consulting as well as products and solutions that help the businesses create, manage, use and distribute digital information, software solution and web application. It has developed a client base that includes many of the world's prominent business organisation and information services companies, as well as leading enterprises in information-intensive industries such as aerospace, defense, financial services, government, healthcare, high technology, insurance, intelligence, manufacturing, etc.



Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS and senior officials of KIIT at an Alumni Meet in New Delhi



Alumni Meet in Kolkata in November 22, 2013



Alumni Meet in Bangalore in November, 2013



Alumni Meet in Dhaka, Bangladesh on March 5, 2014



Alumni Meet in Mumbai on November 24, 2013



Mr. D. D. Padhi (MBA: 2005-2007), Dy. Manager, XL Dynamics being given Best Alumnus Award-2013.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

## KIMS Student Selected for ICMR Project

Govind Pratap Singh, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS student who had sent a proposal for ICMR-STS (Short term studentship) project under the guidance of Dr. Jyotirmayee Bahinipati, Assistant Professor and Dr. Viyatprajna Acharya, Associate Professor, Dept. of Biochemistry, was selected for the academic session of 2014-15.

He is now working on the project 'A Comparative analysis of effect of physical factors on oxidation of edible oils commonly used in India'. The team of young scientists hope to contribute some scientific information regarding choice of edible oil, method of use, storage and transport.



## Research Paper by MBBS Student Bags 1st Prize

Karan Khandelwal, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS student, presented a research paper on 'Effect of flax seed consumption on lipid profile of dyslipidaemic patients' at the Regional Science Congress at KIIT University and won a first prize in the category of 'Biological Sciences'. He was guided by Dr. Kavita Aggarwal, Asst. Prof., Biochemistry and Dr. Viyatprajna Acharya, Associate Professor.

The team intends to carry an interventional study to observe the beneficial effect of Flax seeds in human beings in Eastern Indian region. Karan Khandelwal was also the topper of 1<sup>st</sup> MBBS examination in batch 2012-13. In the same event, Mr. Govind Pratap Singh, 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS



student presented a poster on the compatibility of PUFA – rich oil in Indian cooking under the title of 'PUFA rich oil-Is it compatible with Indian cooking???' under the guidance of Dr. Viyatprajna Acharya, Associate Professor and Dr. Jyotirmayee Bahinipati, Assistant Professor.

#### **Poster Presentation**

Mrs. Banashree Swain, 3rd year postgraduate student of Department of Biochemistry, KIMS won the first prize in poster presentation at National Science Day observed by KIIT University.

She presented the poster on her ongoing research on 'Neuron specific enolase in IHE in newborns' under the able guidance of Prof & HOD, Dr. Ashok Das and Dr. Tapaswini Pradhan, Associate Professor and received high acclamation for her work.



KIMS Student Selected for **ICMR** Project

**Research Paper by MBBS** Student Bags 1st Prize

**Poster Presentation** 

KIIT Arihant Shine at SAE **Aero Design EAST/WEST** 

KIIT Team Among Top 20 in **International Go-Kart Championship** 

> **Aircraft by KIIT Team Secures** 6th Rank in Aero 360

> > **Human Powered Vehicle Designed by KIIT Students**

KIIT Team Shortlisted in **Prestigious AIAA Event** 

YUVA- The Solar Car

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All Set for BAJA SAE INDIA

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# **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

# **KIIT Arihant Shine at SAE Aero Design EAST/WEST**

SAE Aero Design East/West competition takes place either on the east coast or the west coast of The United States. KIIT Arihant, the official team representing KIIT University, has been participating in this prestigious event for last two years. This time the competition was organized in Atlanta, Georgia and KIIT Arihant secured the 20th rank among several international participants — maintaining their rank from last year when the competition was held in Van Nuys, California.

#### **Quick Facts**

❖ Empty weight: 7.85lb

Payload Capacity: 18.2lb

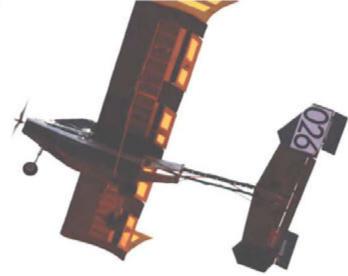
Fuselage Length: 53.17"

Fuselage Breadth: 6.04"

Wing Span: 94.3"

Wing Area: 1234.26 sq.in

The aircraft was rebuild in 6 hrs after it crashed in the 3rd round and it had secured a top 10 position with respect to the design report.



# KIIT Team Among Top 20 in International Go-Kart Championship

International Go-Kart Championship was organized by LPU SAE Collegiate Club. The team representing KIIT UNIVERSITY, 'Road Chazor', was selected in the top 20 teams clearing virtuals and all the dynamic tests in the first attempt itself. The main objective of the team was to build a light weight and aerodynamic vehicle which can be used by motor vehicle enthusiasts.



# Aircraft by KIIT Team Secures 6th Rank in Aero 360

Aero 360, a national level aeronautics competition, was to be held in Hyderabad, but had to be cancelled at the last moment. Participants were required to design and fabricate a vehicle which would be capable of lifting the maximum payload possible. However, the craft could not be heavier than 4 kilograms. KIIT team designed the craft during the last semester and fabrication was completed at the beginning of August. The design report of the craft, which had been sent in advance, scored 95 out of 100 and the team was placed 6th from among 75 teams from all over India. The craft is now being used for experimental activities.



## **Human Powered Vehicle Designed by KIIT Students**



The American Society of Mechanical Engineers conducted a competition at IIT Delhi with an aim to make an eco-friendly, human powered vehicle with the minimum cost. KIIT Team, 'Ketav', designed a three wheeled entirely covered all weather single passenger vehicle. The vehicle made by KIIT team secured 3<sup>rd</sup> rank in Design and overall 9<sup>th</sup> rank. The team aims to fabricate a vehicle that will be eco-friendly and, at the same time, replace the IC engine run vehicles which, in the coming years, will be difficult to own due to rising price of fossil fuels.

#### **Quick Facts**

- The team claims it can adapt to any road condition and can give an average of 35 kmpl.
- \* All this in the shoe-string budget of just Rs. 9000.
- It was 3rd in the Design Category.
- ❖ It secured overall 9th rank.

## KIIT Team Shortlisted in Prestigious AIAA Event

A competition to design a Remote Control Aircraft was hosted by Cessna and Raytheon Missiles Systems and organized by American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. The aircraft had to be optimized to accomplish four variable missions.

Mission 1: Taxi Mission (over corrugated sheet)

Mission 2: Ferry Flight

Mission 3: Carrying Maximum number of boxes of 6x6x6 inches

Mission 4: Special mission, to carry 2 set of patient and an attendant dummy simulated by pine wood.

KIIT Team was among 87 teams shortlisted to proceed to further rounds.

#### **Quick Facts**

- Propulsion System
- Motor name- Emax 5335-10 200kV
- ❖ Wing Type-Multi-tapered
- Airfoil -MH 114
- ❖ Wing Span- 2.21 m
- Wing Area 0.63 m2
- ❖ Aspect Ratio 7.75
- ❖ Root Chord-0.351 m
- Secured 48th position all over the world



# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

#### YUVA- The Solar Car

KIIT students have made a solar car, 'Yuva', which runs on 2 hub motors of 250W each synchronized by a controller of 250 W 48 V rating. It has 4 cells of 12V each and 4 solar panels to charge the battery of 80 W 12V cells. This vehicle is primarily charged by the rays of the sun but as an alternative, when the sky is cloudy, it can also be charged by an external port.



#### **Quick Fact**

 Tata Power, when they saw this design, were very impressed and even asked for the same concept for their intra campus transport vehicle. 20 vehicles are planned.

#### KIIT Team Clear SAE EFFI-CYCLE Virtuals

SAE Effi-cycle competition requires the participants to design and fabricate a vehicle which would be able to run on human power as well as electric power. KIIT Team cleared the virtuals for the third time in a row.

#### **Quick Facts**

- Last year it was held at Chandigarh.
- Team secured 37th position in the finals held at UIET, Chandigarh.
- Last three years this team has been qualifying virtuals.



#### All Set for BAJA SAE INDIA

The prestigious automobile competition BAJA SAE INDIA requires participants to design and fabricate all terrain vehicles (ATV). Team from KIIT University shall be participating for the 4th consecutive year this time. They have always qualified the virtuals with flying colors. Every year they have incorporated some innovations in the vehicle. The students have been awarded for their innovations in the past.



#### **Quick Facts**

- Engine: Briggs & Stratton 10HP
- ❖ R/C Kill Switch
- The CAD model and Drafted image of the vehicle by this team has been featured on Wikipedia.
- This team has a reputation of having really talented students who have been ultimately placed at companies like GM Motors, Endurance Engineering Ltd., Tractors India, iCAT, etc.

## **KIIT Team Among Top 10 in SAE SUPRA**



After securing the first rank in the virtual round of SAE Supra, KIIT Team, 'Hermes Racing', had immense pressure to perform in the competition. And they lived upto the expectation.

Out of 100 teams shortlisted from the virtuals, only six teams were able to complete the endurance test. KIIT's 'Hermes Racing' was one of them. This placed them among the top 10 teams in SAE Supra, from all

#### **Quick Facts**

Top speed: 120kmph Fuel economy: 18kmpl **Engine: Thunderbird 500cc** Team was placed first in virtuals Finally placed in the top 10

## **KIDS Students Selected by ICMR to Conduct Short Research Projects**



Two final year BDS students of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS) - Pallabi Biswas and Imon Paul - have been selected by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) under the Short-term Studentship Program (STS-2014) to conduct two short research studies. They will submit the research report by October 15, 2014. Pallabi's topic of study is 'Role of Ergonomics in Dentistry – A study to evaluate working posture in dental students using rapid upper limb assessment (RULA)', while Imon's topic is 'Prevalence of Dental Caries among institutionalized intellectually disabled individuals in Bhubaneswar city – A Cross-sectional study'. On completion of the



study and submission of the reports, the students will be awarded stipend of Rs. 10,000/- and a certificate each. ICMR initiated the Short-term Studentship Program in 1979 to promote interest and aptitude for research among medical and dental undergraduates.



## **KIDS Student Presents Paper at FDI World Dental Congress**

Dr. Sauvik Singha, an Intern of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS), KIIT University, presented a scientific paper titled 'Sanguinarine - a plant extract can be a safe alternative than Triclosan, as an antiplaque agent' at the prestigious FDI World Dental Congress 2014 at New Delhi held from September 11 – 14, 2014. The paper was prepared under the guidance of Dr. Shyam Sundar Behura, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology, KIDS. It was the one of the few undergraduate papers selected to be presented at the congress.

# NEWS & Events

US Fulbright Scholar Joins KISS

Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jual Oram Visits KIIT & KISS

The English Access
Micro-scholarship
Programme is being
run in KISS for the last
5 years by the US
Government. As a
result of the success of
the Programme, the US
Government has
delegated Prof. Finnan
to KISS for research.

## **US Fulbright Scholar Joins KISS**



Prof. Christine Finnan, Renowned Anthropologist and husband, Mr. George with Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS after their arrival in KISS.

Renowned Professor in Anthropology, Christine Finnan has joined Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) for doing extensive research on the institute and its activities. She arrived in Bhubaneswar for this purpose with her lawyer husband George. Prof. Finnan has passed Anthropology from Stanford University of USA and is a Fulbright Scholar.

She will be here in KISS for more than one year to complete her research work. As the US Government has acknowledged KISS as a successful model school, it has been possible on the part of Prof. Finnan to come here. This is the first time an American Fulbright Scholar will be working in any Indian institution.

The English Access Micro-scholarship Programme is being run in KISS for the last 5 years by the US Government. With respect to this programme, the US Government invites at least 5 to 6 students and teachers to visit America every year. Putting confidence on the success of English Access Micro Scholarship Programme, the US Govt. has delegated Prof. Finnanto KISS for research. Expressing his happiness on this, Founder of KIIT and KISS, Achyuta Samanta said, US accreditation to KISS and delegating a Fullbright scholar here for research is a matter of great pride for Odisha.

The Fulbright Program is highly competitive, merit-based grants for international educational exchange for students, scholars, teachers, professionals, scientists and

artists, founded by United States Senator J. William Fulbright in 1946. Under the Fulbright Program, competitively selected U.S. citizens may become eligible for scholarships to study, conduct research, or exercise their talents abroad; and citizens of other countries may qualify to do the same in the United States. The Fulbright Program is one of the most prestigious awards programs worldwide, operating in over 155 countries. Fifty-three Fulbright alumni have won Nobel Prizes.

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#### Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jual Oram Visits KIIT & KISS



Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs addressing the teachers, staff and tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

Shri Jual Oram, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs visited KIIT University and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on **July 30, 2014.** The Minister was greeted by 22,000 tribal students of KISS on his arrival in the institute. KISS also organized a welcome ceremony for Union Minister in the campus. Education remains the most important issue for tribal development, Shri Oram stated. They are deprived of useful information and guidance due to their educational backwardness, he said, adding that they also remain deprived of many facilities for this. The Minister informed about different schemes for tribals implemented recently for their higher education and self employment.

Appreciating the institute's work for tribal empowerment through education and efforts to preserve the tribal culture and heritage, he thanked its Founder, Achyuta Samanta for the initiative. Expressing gratitude to the Union Minister for visiting the institute, Samanta said that it would remain as a great source of inspiration and encouragement for the students and staff.

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Affairs in KISS campus. Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS looks on.



# NEWS & Events

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Academy at the KIIT campus. The tie-up with KIIT is the first of its kind in the eastern part of the country

## Tech Mahindra IMS Academy @ KIIT



Mr. Raju Wadalkar, CTO (Telecom) and Mr. Duraivel A Gopal, Vice President – Global Delivery, Infrastructure Services, Tech Mahindra inaugurating Tech Mahindra IMS Academy at KIIT in the presence of Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT.

The global IT Infrastructure Management Services (IMS) segment has shown enormous growth and is expected to grow significantly over the decade. This growth also needs to commensurate with availability of skilled resources and as a step in this direction, Tech Mahindra's IMS Academy is supporting Universities in the country by providing training material, faculty from the industry and simulation labs since 2011.

Tech Mahindra in association with KIIT University, Bhubaneswar has initiated the IMS Academy at the KIIT campus. The tie-up with KIIT is the first of its kind in the eastern part of the country and would help students to be fully prepared to meet industry requirements with the right level of skills and aptitude. The IMS Academy will provide a range of training facilities in various domains of Infrastructure services to meet the growing needs of the industry. Students can receive training in IMS skills, while pursuing their respective courses at their College / University.

Dr. Mr. Raju Wadalkar, CTO (Telecom), Mr. Duraivel A. Gopal, VP-IMS, Mr. Jothiganesh N., VP-IMS, Mr. JVS Prasad, Group Practice Head-IMS and Ms. Sita Manukumar, Practice Head-Academic Relations were present from Tech Mahindra during the Inaugural Function. KIIT University, Bhubaneswar was represented by A. Samanta, Founder (KIIT & KISS), Prof. P.P.Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University and Dr. SasmitaSamanta, Registrar along with Deans, Directors and seniorfaculty members.

The academy is the 1st of its kind in Eastern India and has capacity to train over 400 students annually. Students from other institutions of the region will also be eligible.

Students from other institutions in the region apart from KIIT University can also be a part of this program if they meet the eligibility criteria. The IMS Academy is expected to bridge the growing talent supply gap in the area of IT Infrastructure Management Services (IMS).

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# Iranian University Confers Honorary Ph.D. to Achyuta Samanta

In yet another recognition from abroad, Roshdiyeh Higher Education, a prominent university in Tabriz, Iran has conferred Honoris Causa on Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS in recognition to his work in the field of education and social sector. Impressed by the work done by Samanta, the highest committee of the university passed a resolution to honour him on its Annual Convocation held in Tabriz on 12th September, 2014. As it is a government university, all syndicate members and important delegates were present on the occasion. The distinguished delegates expressed rich appreciations for the work done by KIIT & KISS in Odisha in a public meeting here in afternoon.



## **National Odisha Education Summit 2014** KIIT Bags Best Technical Education Institute Award

KIIT was conferred the Best Technical Education Institute Award at the National Odisha Education Summit 2014. Dr. Pradeep Ku. Panigrahi, Hon'ble Minister (S), Higher Education, Information & Technology and Rural Drinking Water Supply, Govt. of Odisha: Mr. N. K. Goel, President, Communication and Multimedia Infrastructure (CMAI) Association of India; Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS; Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University and Mr. Amit Das of Data Mind graced the summit and presentation ceremony organized at KIIT University. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Panigrahi said, the goal of education is not merely to get job, but also to be able to contribute to the society, state and country. Odisha will be the educational hub of the country by 2020, he added.

He presented the Best Technical Education Institute, Best Innovative University and Best Director award to KIIT. The awards were received by Dr. Sasmita National Odisha Education Summit & Awards 2014™ IIT Unive

Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University receiving the 'Best Technical Education Institute Award 2014' on behalf of KIIT University from Dr. Pradeep Ku. Panigrahi, Hon'ble Minister (S), Higher Education, IT & Rural Drinking Water Supply, Govt. of Odisha at the National Odisha Education Summit and Award 2014 in the presence of Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, Mr. N. K. Goel, President, Communication and Multimedia Infrastructure (CMAI) Association of India and Mr. Amit Das, Data Mind.

Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University on behalf of the institute. Similarly, IIT, Bhubaneswar got Best Engineering Institute award. Some other educational institutions of the state were also awarded on the occasion. Two students from KIIT - Asambhab Subha and Sipun Mishra - KIIT got the first and second prize respectively in a debate competition on 'Is alternative energy important for education and industry'. Dipanita Goshal of Silicon Engineering College and Shreya Mishra of GIET got the first and second prize respectively in another debate competition on topic – 'Is electronic system and design manufacturing important for Indian Economy'. Sabhya Soni of Silicon College got the stylish speaker prize.

# NEWS & Events

3<sup>rd</sup> KiiT International School Model United Nations

Judiciary's Independence and Competence must be Maintained: Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. K. Patnaik

More than 450 delegates from nearly 30 Schools from all over India and abroad attended the meet. It was one of the largest MUNs in the country.

# **3<sup>rd</sup> KiiT International School Model United Nations**



Shri Manicka Raj (IAS), State Representative, Jammu & Kashmir United Nations Development Program speaking at the KiiT International School Model United Nations 2014 in the presence of Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS, Dr. S. Suar, Principal and Dr. Monalisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School.

The 3rd KiiT International School Model United Nations (MUN) Submit concluded on August 10, 2014. Students from various schools of the country and abroad represented the member countries of United Nations and deliberated on a wide range of subjects, including humanitarian intervention, human rights, FIFA, drug trafficking, cyber crime and cyber warfare in Interpol, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and international press during the three-day submit. It was one of the largest MUNs in the country. KIIT Society President Smt. Saswati Bal graced the closing ceremony as the chief guest and distributed prizes to the students. Best Delegate award was given to Abinash Das Chaudhury of Indian Cabinet, Best Delegate Award in UNGA DISEC to Mugdha Mohapatra, Chahat Gupta in Interpol, Saswat Mohan Dash in CIA. While Taniya Mohanty bagged the Best Journalist Award, Arpana James and Satwik Garnaik won the Best Photographer and Best Cartoonist awards respectively. Best News Agency Award went to Soham Bhattacharya, Anita Gomango, Barsha Priyadarshini Kar and Anupam Mohapatra. Similarly, the Best High Commendation Award was given to Lovisha Darad and Alief Hossien, Sarthak Panda and Priyasha Sai Ukil in Interpol, Janavi Mohanty and Saurav Mishra in UNGA DISEC, Gourav Kumar Aich and Ansuman Panigrahi in Indian Cabinet, Rohan Singh and Ankit Prasad in FIFA and Akshat Praneet in CIA. The 3<sup>rd</sup> KiiT International School MUN was inaugurated on August 8, 2014. More than 450 delegates from nearly 30 Schools from all over India and abroad attended the meet. The inaugural session was graced by the Chief Guest, Mr. Manickaraj Kannan, UNDP Representative from Jammu and Kashmir, Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS and Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson of the School. A distinguished officer from the Indian Administrative Service, Mr. Kannan connected with the audience as he emphasized on the importance of debate in society. He highlighted the fact that it wasn't merely enough to be a powerful orator and a confident speaker, but to have the ability to listen to an alternative point of view and to respect it. The success of a delegation should be determined on how well they attune themselves to voices of dissent and arrive at a consensus, in order to take society forward, he said. He struck a chord of connection with his snippets of experience and vignettes of life, which set the tone for the submit. Samanta addressed the delegates, highlighting the role of policy makers in order to create a balanced harmonious world order. He felt that heightened parental expectation, ambitious faculty and a rather critical peer group was responsible for the lack of patience and often cosmetic involvement of young people in the world issues around them. His inspiring words and optimism helped boost confidence of the delegation. Earlier, Dr. Bal welcomed the dignitaries and the delegates.



## Judiciary's Independence and Competence must be Maintained: Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. K. Patnaik



Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. K. Patnaik, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India delivering keynote lecture at a seminar on 'Independence of Judiciary: Collegium vs. National Judiciary Commission' organized by KIIT School of Law.

Independence and competence in judiciary must be maintained, said Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ananga Kumar Patnaik, Former Judge of Supreme Court of India. Delivering lecture on 'Independence of Judiciary: Collegium vs. National Judiciary Commission' organized by KIIT School of Law, a constituent of KIIT University, Justice Patnaik said, at the time of framing our Constitution, the Constituent Assembly under the leadership of late Dr. B. R. Ambedker had given importance to independence and competence in both judiciary and legislature and made relevant provisions in the Constitution.

On one hand the Constitution has given power to legislature to make laws, while on the other it has given power to judiciary to uphold its basic

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ananga Kumar Patnaik, Former Judge of Supreme Court of India delivered a lecture on 'Independence of Judiciary: Collegium vs. National Judiciary Commission' at KIIT School of Law, a constituent of KIIT University.

structure, he said. Since its adoption in 1950, Parliament has made so many laws, including several amendments to the Constitution. But whenever the legislature has tried to dilute the basic structure of our Constitution, the judiciary has interfered and maintained its basic structure. Justice Patnaik explained this by citing some examples. From abolition of Zamindari system to emergency, whenever the judiciary felt that the decision of government is against the basic structure of the Constitution, it has interfered, he said.

Constitution of India has given power to President to appoint Chief Justice and Judges of Supreme Court and High Courts in consultation with the Chief Justice and Judges of Supreme Court and High Courts (in case of appointment of High Court Judges) with advice of Council of Ministers headed by the Prime Minister and Chief Minister.

In collegium system, five members - Supreme Court Judges - under the Chairmanship of the Chief Justice of Supreme Court select the names for the post of Supreme Court Judge and Chief Justice and Judge of High Court and recommend the name to the President. The selection of judges by collegium may be wrong in some cases, because the judges are also human beings – they also have their likes and dislikes. But, in general, the judges know other judges' competence by evaluating their judgments in various cases. So it is not right to say that the entire collegium system was faulty and there was no transparency, he argued.

Now in place of collegium, there will be a judiciary appointment committee. In this regard, a law has already been passed in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. In this committee, the Prime Minister, Chief Justice of Supreme Court, two Judges of Supreme Court, two eminent persons and Law Minister will be members. In this new law there is provision that, if any two of the members of the committee object one person for judgeship, his name will be discarded. If the Law Minister can motivate one other member in his favor, together they can reject a particular candidate, Justice Patnaik pointed out. We should hope for the better working of the new law, he added.

#### NEWS & Events

KIIT University 2<sup>nd</sup> National Moot Court Competition 2014

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(From L) Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS, Prof N. K. Chakraborty, Director, KIIT School of Law, Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor, KIIT University, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Altamas Kabir, Former Chief Justice of India and Prof. P. P. Mathur at the valedictory function of 2nd KIIT University National Moot Court competition.

School of Law, KIIT University organized the second edition of its National Moot Court Competition from September 5 – 7, 2014. Hidayatullah National Law University, Raipur won the competition bagging Rs. 1 lakh cash prize. Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala was the other finalist.

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Altamas Kabir, Former Chief Justice of India speaking at the valedictory function of KIIT University 2nd National Moot Court competition.





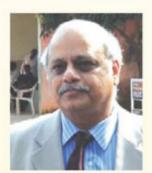
In the final round, Hidayatullah National Law University was pleading on behalf of the petitioner, while Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law for the respondent. Each team presented their case with equal enthusiasm and spirit. In the end, Hidayatullah National Law University won the champion's trophy and Rs. 1 lakh cash prize, while Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law got the first runners up trophy and Rs. 50,000 cash prize.

NLU, Odisha became the 2nd runners up winning cash prize of Rs. 25,000 and a trophy. Aman Dwivedi of Hidayatullah National Law University won the Best Student Advocate Prize and Rs. 10,000 cash prize. Similarly, Best Memorial Prize went to NLU, Odisha and the team won trophy with Rs. 10,000 cash prize.

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Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor, KIIT University said, Moot Court is one of the dialectic forms of legal education. It is a process of learning, so the participating students from various law universities should not confine themselves to win prizes, rather they should come with full preparation, he added Achyuta Samanta, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University, Prof N. K. Chakraborty, Director, KIIT School of Law; Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University were also present.

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Team from Hidayatullah National Law University receiving the Champion's trophy and cheque of Rs. 1 lakh.



Team from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law receiving the Runners up trophy and cheque of Rs. 50,000.



# NEWS & Events

5th National HR Conclave

The conclave was a part of the three annual national-level events in the areas of HR, Marketing and Finance conducted by KSOM, to bring the industry closer to the academia and create exchange of ideas and practices.

## 5th National HR Conclave



Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University, Ms. P. Mohapatra, President, NHRDN - Bhubaneswar Chapter, Mr. A. Dasgupta, Partner National Management Consulting Leader, KPMG, Prof. N. L. Mitra, Cahncellor, KIIT University, Dr. S.Chowdhary, President, Reliance Jio, Dr. S. Muthal, Executive Director, RGF Consulting and Prof. A. Bajpai, Director, School of Management releasing a book at the 5th National HR Conclave on 'Psychological Contract A competitive Advantage' held in KIIT School of Management in association with National HRD Network.

The 5th National HR Conclave was organised by KIIT School of Management, a constituent of KIIT University, in association with National HRD Network (NHRDN) on August 23, 2014. The theme was 'Psychological Contract - A Competitive Advantage'. The conclave was inaugurated by Mr. Ambarish Dasgupta, Partner and Head of Management Consulting, KPMG; Dr. Sumit Chowdhary, President, Reliance Jio, Dr. Sanjay Muthal, Executive Director, RGF Management Search and Ms. Paramita Mohapatra, President, NHRDN Bhubaneswar Chapter.

The theme is important from an employer-employee relationship perspective in today's dynamic market conditions. Given the rapidly evolving employment conditions, the 'psychological contract' deals with the unwritten and undefined understanding between an employer and the employee, which forms a key part of their relationship. Ms. Mohapatra introduced the conclave theme to the audience, underlining relevance of 'psychological contract' in organizations, while, in his keynote address, Mr. Dasgupta threw light on the importance of unadulterated honesty, sincerity to objectives and complete dispassion towards oneself. 'Psychological contract' is an oxymoron and one should compete only with one's dishonesty, he opined.

Speaking on the subject of success and career, Dr. Chowdhary said that a 'leadership stance' and being a 'possibletarian' – someone who is optimistic and is willing to take on seemingly impossible challenges - is the way forward. Dr. Muthal spoke about the uniqueness of KIIT & KISS as an organization for serving the society. He suggested that students have an "abundant" mindset and respect themselves. In respect to the theme, he emphasised on the point that instead of having exit interviews, companies should rather conduct 'stay-in' interviews, asking people what makes them continue with their organizations.



The inaugural ceremony was graced by Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor, KIIT University, Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Anil Bajpai, Director, KIIT School of Management (KSOM). On the occasion, a souvenir was released containing articles and messages by corporate leaders, academicians and students. A Panel Discussion on the theme was held with renowned panelists like Mr. Rajeshwar Tripathi, Chief People Officer, Automotive & Farm Equipment Sector, Mahindra & Mahindra; Mr. Satyadeep Mishra, Head of HR -Logistics & Control at RBS; Mr. Rohit Kapoor, Geo HR Director and Academia Program Director, Dassault Systemes and Dr. Sanjay Muthal.

It was a diversified discussion with respect to geography, market and industry. The core of 'psychological contract' is the unexpressed obligations of the employer and the employees which should be reciprocated and should be worked on in line with their passion and strengths, without expecting anything tangible in return, opined the panelists. There were more than



5th National HR Conclave: Distinguished delegates and participants.

10 workshops conducted during the conclave on topics like 'Proactive alignment of the employee / employer perspective', 'Business ethics theory of whistle blowing and organization social responsibility', covering several aspects of Human Resource Management. The conclave was a part of the three annual national-level events in the areas of HR, Marketing and Finance conducted by KSOM, to bring the industry closer to the academia and create exchange of ideas and practices.

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# NEWS & Events

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Dr. A. Banerjee, Organising Chairman, Prof. (Dr.) B. C. Das, Director, KIMS, Prof. P.P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University, Prof. (Dr.) R. C. Das, Principal, KIDS and Dr. Harish Kumar, Organising Secretary at the Seminar and Workshop on Imunohistochemistry.

The Department of Oral Pathology of Kalinga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS), a constituent of KIIT University, conducted a two-day Seminar and Hands-on-Workshop on Immunohistochemistry (IHC-TECH 2014) on August 22 - 23 2014. **The event is the first of its kind in the state of Odisha to be conducted by any dental college.** It was inaugurated by Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University in the presence of Prof. (Dr.) B. C. Das, Director, Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), Prof. (Dr.) R. C. Das, Principal, KIDS, Prof. (Dr.) A. Banerjee, Organizing Chairman and Dr. Harish Kumar, Organizing Secretary.

Immunohistochemistry is the process of detecting antigens in cells of a tissue section by exploiting the principle of antibodies binding specifically to antigens in biological tissues. Immunohistochemical staining is widely used in the diagnosis of abnormal cells such as those found in cancerous tumors. The first day of the seminar included lecture sessions and case discussions by two eminent Oral Pathologists - Dr. Rudrayya Shivanand Puranik from PMNM Dental College and Hospital, Bagalkot, Karnataka and Dr. Jyoti Dilip Bhavtankar from Govt. Dental College, Aurangabad. A total of 150 delegates consisting of postgraduate students, faculties and interns from different dental colleges of Odisha as well as other places such as Kolkata, Visakhapatnam, Puducherry and Bagalkot attended the seminar. The entire second day was dedicated for the Hands-on-Workshop on Immunohistochemistry Techniques, where all participants performed the complete procedure of IHC supervised by Dr. Abikshyeet Panda, Dr. Shyam Sundar Behura, Dr. Sujatha R. and Dr. Kiran Kumar Mishra, the faculty of Department of Oral Pathology, KIDS and technical professionals from Biogenex. Moreover, KIDS became the first dental college of Odisha to set up an Immunohistochemistry Laboratory under the Department of Oral Pathology.



## 33 Bonda Students Join KISS for Higher Education

Thirty three students belonging to Bonda primitive tribal group from Bonda hills in Malkangiri district took admission in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) for higher education. Bonda tribe is regarded as one of the, most primitive and educationally most lagging in mainland India.

The students belong to Khairiput, Bodaghati, Bilasanipada, Padeiguda and Mudulipada of Bondaghati area. In the first phase, out of 33 students, who have all passed Matric exams, 16 boys and five girls reached KISS campus on August 12, 2014. Remaining students would reach soon. The admitted students would study +2 course in Arts. Science or Commerce.

KISS, the largest free residential tribal institute of the world exclusively for

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tribal students, granted them admission on the request of the State Government, under the supervision of Malkanagiri district administration. Before their arrival in KISS campus, the students met Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha at his Secretariat chamber. Shri Patnaik congratulated the students and praised KISS for giving them the opportunity for higher education

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Expressing their happiness and gratitude, the students thanked Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KISS and the State Government for providing them chance to pursue their higher education in an institution like KISS. They expressed confidence that the institute would provide them platform to achieve their dreams, as well as develop their community. KISS, a brainchild of noted social and educational entrepreneur Achyuta Samanta, provides free education in a fully residential setting to 22,000 poorest of the poor tribal students.

Because of illustrious achievements of its students in academics and sports at national and international level, the institute is acclaimed worldwide as an effective model of tribal empowerment through education. Given proper opportunity and grooming, tribal students perform at par with mainstream students, said Dr. Samanta, while welcoming the Bonda students to KISS campus.

#### Chief Minister Felicitates KISS Tribal Girl

Ketakilata Patra, a Class X student of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), was awarded by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik for securing first position in Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) School-level Education Competition. The Chief Minister handed over Ketakilata with a certificate and Rs. 2,000 Cash Prize at a function held at Odisha Legislative Assembly premises to commemorate 130th Birth Anniversary of Pandit Nilakantha Dash.

An Education Competition was held on Pandit Nilakantha Dash's life on 25th July 2014 and about 200 students from more than 50 English and Odia Medium schools (both Govt. and private) participated. Political Science Professor of Revenshaw University and two Odia Department Readers of BJB Autonomous College were present to judge the participant. Although she is a tribal girl, Ketakilata proved her command over Odia language by standing first in the Education competition.



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KIIT School of Biotechnolgy



## **KSBT Director Selected in American Society of Microbiology Panel**

Dr. Mrutyunjay Suar, Director of School of Biotechnology, KIIT University has been appointed as a member of the Indo-US Professorship Program Review Committee of American Society of Microbiology (ASM) to select the Indian research and teaching professors to visit USA and vice versa. He has also been appointed as the members of Taskforce Committee of Infectious Disease Biology of Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India.



#### **Establishment of Indo-US Joint Centre**

A virtual joint centre on Nanostructure Genomics: Designing Functionality of 2-Dimensional Nanostructures and Nano-Bio Interfaces has been established by partner organizations from India (IIT, KIIT & IOP Bhubaneswar) and USA (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy and Wadsworth Center, NY State Department of Health, Albany). The Centre is supported by Indo-US Science and Technology Forum (IUSSTF). Several exchanges of faculty and research scholars are planned for next two years to facilitate joint collaboration. From School of Biotechnology, KIIT University, **Dr. Sasmita Nayak** (MBBS, PhD) is leading the team.



# **New Research Projects KIIT School of Biotechnology**

School of Biotechnology, KIIT University is marching towards excellence by developing innovation and translation platforms. Faculty are involved in diversified research areas and currently 41 research projects are running with support from various funding agencies such as Melinda Gates Foundation, DBT, DST, CSIR, ICMR, DAE, World Bank and Hindustan Unilever Limited.







Dr. Shrikant Mishra, Head of Technology Translational Research Laboratory (TTRL) at School of biotechnology received a grant from BIRAC, DBT, Govt of India on "Recombinant Enabled MDR Platform". His laboratory is developing several platform technologies for unmet needs. His group is developing novel formulations



Dr. Gargi Dey, Associate Professor at School of Biotechnology has received a grant from DST, Govt. of India on "Novel Formulation and Technology Optimization for Synbiotic fruit beverages" and one SPARSH grant from BIRAC, DBT, Govt. of India on "Low-Cost Technology for probiotic products for the Women and Children"



Dr. Luna Goswami, Assistant Professor has received a grant from ICMR, Govt. of India on "Synthesis and characterization of novel hydrogel suitable for bone tissue engineering". Currently, she is running two more research projects from DST, Govt. of India.



Dr. Archana Ghatak, Assistant Professor at School of Biotechnology received two grants from DST, Government of India on "Purification and Biochemical Characterization of the Non Structural Protein 3(nsP3) of Chikungunya virus" and Isolation of adhesive mucus from snails collected from Eastern India and studies on their adhesive properties

#### DBT Bio-CARe award for Women Scientists

Department of Biotechnology, Government of India has awarded three scientists - Dr. Tithi Parija, Dr. Amrita Mishra, Dr. Ratna Kumari and Dr. Srilekha Mishra - at School of Biotechnology, KIIT University with Biotechnology Career Advancement and Re-Orientation Programme for Women Scientists (Bio-CARe) award. Under this program they will receive their salary from DBT and will also receive funding to run their research project.



Dr. Tithi Parija



Dr. Amrita Mishra



Dr. Ratna Kumari



Dr. Srilekha Mishra

## **SPARSH Fellowships**

KIIT-TBI Bioincubator, supported by BIRAC, DBT, Govt. of India, is now funded under Social Innovation Programme for Products Affordable & Relevant to Societal Health (SPARSH) for the project entitled "Maternal and child health social immersion program". Under this program, four fellows will be selected and will be nurtured and mentored to translate their innovative ideas to product development. During this timeline of 18 months they will receive an innovation fellowship of Rs. 45000 per month and a kick start grant amount of 5.0 lakh. They will be further incubated at KIIT-TBI Bioincubator and a grant of around 50.0 lakh may be made available to develop the enterprises. Such innovation program support will bring lot of motivation among students and as a result, entrepreneurial culture will be intensified.

## **KIIT-Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI)**

KIIT-TBI received a grant amount of 1.0 crore from National Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Board (NSTEDB) of DST, Govt. of India to support the young entrepreneurs by providing soft loans. Some of the entrepreneurs promoted by KIIT-TBI are: Mr. Sruti Kanta Mishra, Dr. Birendranath Banerjee, Dr. Vishakha Raina and Mr. Rahul Chatterjee.

# NEWS & Events

68th Independence Day celebrated at KIIT & KISS

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Prof. Andrew Taggart, Pro Vice Chancellor, Murdoch University, Australia hoisting the National Flag on the occasion of 68th Independence Day celebration in KISS in the presence of Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS & other senior officials.

KIIT and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) celebrated 68th Independence Day with enthusiasm and festivity. Patriotic fervor marked flag hoisting ceremonies organized at 15 different places covering all major campuses of KIIT and KISS. Smt. Saswati Bal, President KIIT & KISS hoisted the tricolor in KISS campus in the august presence of the Chief Guest, Prof. Andrew Taggart, Pro Vice Chancellor, Murdoch University, Australia and Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS. India and Australia share many core values, including a strong democratic tradition, said Prof. Taggart in his address to the students and staff. It was overwhelming to witness so much enthusiasm among boys and airls of KISS, he said, adding that his University looks forward to increased cooperation between the two institutions. Addressing 22,000 tribal students of the institute, Smt. Bal advised every student to strive to become a perfect human being. Students presented an impressive march past and cultural programme on the occasion. Conveying good wishes to students, staff, all stakeholders and well wishers of KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta motivated the students to work tirelessly and take our country to a higher level of greatness. Tricolor was hoisted at Campus 3 by Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University and at Campus 4 by Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar. In KiiT International School, there was an interesting international flavor to the celebrations, as the Korean students also joined in to celebrate the Independence Day of Korea, and shared how countries all over the world have come into their own through similar struggles, and have provided the future generations with the onus of a free country. Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson of the School, Mr. P. K. Das, Academic Director and Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal addressed the students.

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Dr. Sasmita Samanta, Registrar hoisting the tricolor in Campus 4.



Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor hoisting the tricolor in Campus 3.



Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS hoisting the tricolor in Campus 9 in the presence of Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School and other officials.



68<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebration in Campus 7.



Shri A. P. Roy, Principal, KIIT ITI hoisting the tricolor in Campus 14.



Dr. Mrutyunjay Suar, Director, KIIT School of Biotechnology hoisting the tricolor in Campus 11.



Students participating in 2nd KIIT Cyclothon on the occasion of 68th Independence Day celebration in KIIT.



March past in KISS.

# NEWS & Events

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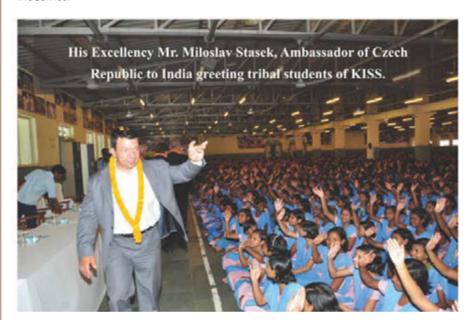
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His Excellency Mr. Miloslav Stasek, Ambassador of Czech Republic to India, Mr. Jiri Janicek, Commercial Counsellor, Embassy of the Czech Republic, New Delhi, Mr. Jaroslav Ira, Managing Director, Doosan Skoda Power and Mr. Jaromir Ivanek, Chairman and MD, Hutni Projekt Frydek-Mistek with Achyuta Samanta during their visit to KISS.

Czech Republic's Ambassador to India, His Excellency Mr. Miloslav Stasek visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on September 20, 2014. He was leading an eight member business delegation. Mr. Stasek expressed happiness over the effort KISS is making to help indigenous children join social mainstream by providing them advanced, yet free education with wholesome development.

Members of the delegation: Mr. Jiri Janicek, Commercial Counsellor, Embassy of the Czech Republic, New Delhi; Mr. Jaroslav Ira, Managing Director, Doosan Skoda Power; Mr. Jaromír Ivánek, Chairman and Managing Director, Hutní Projekt Frýdek-Místek; Mr. R.N. Singh, VH Services Plzen and Mrs. Milena Boranova, Aircraft Industries.





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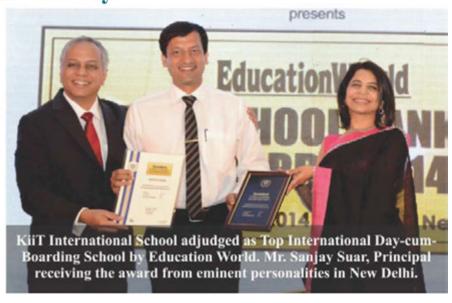
KiiT International School has been adjudged as the "Best School of India - 2014" for pedagogical innovations in the interdisciplinary ways of teaching - learning process by Engineering Watch, a leading educational magazine. The School's special emphasis on inclusive education, creative laboratory -'Renaissance', innovative synthesis of curriculum and balanced integration of scholastic and co-scholastic areas attracted the jury members for the award. Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal, KiiT International School received the award from Prof. Thomas Magnanti, President of Singapore University of Technology and Design in presence of Mrs. Vijay Thakur Singh, Hon'ble High Commissioner of India at Singapore and Mr. Ram Madhav, famous Indian Nationalist at a grand function organized at Furoma City Centre Convention Hall, Singapore on the occasion of Engineer's Day on 15th September 2014. Expressing his satisfaction, Dr. A. Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS congratulated Chairperson of the School, Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Mr. Suar and all its students, teachers and staffforthis prestigious recognition.



Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal, KiiT International School receiving the 'Best School of India - 2014' award from Prof. Thomas Magnanti, President, Singapore University of Technology and Design in Singapore.

## KiiT International School Top International **Day-cum-Boarding School: Survey**

KiiT International School, Bhubaneswar has been ranked 1 in the category of International Day-cum-Boarding School in the State of Odisha and eastern India as per a survey conducted by the popular human development magazine, Education World. In a significant achievement, this prestigious nation-wide ranking survey has also placed KiiT International School among the Top 10 schools in the national league table. The survey has been published in September 2014 issue of the magazine. The ranking was decided on the basis of 14 parameters, including competence of faculty, academic reputation, sports education, leadership quality, infrastructure provision, special needs education, community service, etc. Top ranking schools were awarded at the Education World India School Awards ceremony. On behalf of KiiT International School, Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal received the award from eminent personalities in New Delhi on September 20, 2014.



KiiT International School is the only international school offering IGCSE (Cambridge) and International Baccalaureate Diploma Progamme (IBDP) in the state. Expressing his satisfaction, Dr. A. Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS thanked Education World magazine group for conducting this survey and awarding KiiT International School as a best International Day-cum-Boarding School in the state of Odisha as well as in eastern region of India. Students and guardians of the KiiT International School thanked Dr. Monalisa Bal, Chairperson for her effort towards getting the school a prominent position at national level in Education World magazine survey. Dr. Bal thanked the Principal, teachers, staff and students of the school for their valued contribution in this achievement.

# **SPORTS & GAMES**

#### Table Tennis Cheers Resound in KiiT International School

Lalatendu Patra, a student of Grade 6, has done it once again for KiiT International School. Lalatendu participated in the Young Generation Table Tennis Association event held in Sachin Tendulkar Indoor Stadium in Cuttack from August 22 – 24, 2014 and won the final match defeating Sahil Sundar Bhuyan (3-1, 11-8, 11-7, 5-11, 11-7) in a hard fought 5-setter.

His perseverance and determination under the guidance of his coach, Mr. M. Ravana ensured that he emerged as the Champion.



## KISS Boy Ranjit Nayak Claims Silver Medal in Asian Archery Grand Prix



Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) boy Ranjit Naik has bagged silver medal in the archery recurve team event in the 2nd Asian Grand Prix held in August in Chinese Taipei City. The 2nd Asian Archery Grand Prix was an important event for nations preparing for the Asian Games in Korea later this season. A number of top Asian archery powerhouse nations, including India, Japan, Korea and host nation Chinese Taipei, participated. Ranjit was selected to represent in India team following his excellent performance in the 4th National Ranking Archery Tournament at SAAP Sports Complex, Hyderabad.

Upon his arrival after podium finish in this prestigious international tournament, Ranjit was given a rousing welcome by the students of KIIT, KISS and city's sports enthusiasts. In a recognition to his spectacular achievement in archery at national and international level, Ranjit Nayak, along with some other top sportspersons of the state, was conferred Kalinga Krida Samman on National Sports Day.

## State Judo Meet: Medal Haul by KISS Judokas

Judokas from Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) cornered as many as 50 medals in the State Judo Championship 2014-15 held at Nuagam, Aska (Ganjam) from August 30 - 31, 2014. KISS contingent, consisting of 29 girls & 19 boys, bagged 20 Gold, 12 Sliver and 18 Bronze medals. Competition was held in Sub-junior, Junior, Youth & Senior categories and KISS won Champions' Trophy in Sub-junior & Youth categories. On the basis of performance in this tournament, 13 Sub-junior players have been selected to participate in the National Sub-Junior Judo Championship scheduled to be held at Chennai, Tamil Nadu from October 5 – 10, 2014. Similarly, six Youth & Junior players have been selected to participate in the National Youth & Junior Judo Championship to be held in Meghalaya. One KISS girl has been selected to participate in the National Senior Judo Championship to be held in Chandigarh.



## KISS Retains Odisha KMBM Inter School **Football Championship**

Defending champions Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) retained the champions trophy in the 25th Kalinga Marine-Bibekananda Memorial Inter-School Football Tournament, defeating Delhi Public School (DPS), Kalinga, 2-1 in the exciting final at Unit-VI Boys' High School ground in Bhubaneswar on September 16, 2014. Underdogs DPS went ahead only two minutes into the match as their forward Dhyanendra Bhanideo found the net with a powerful free kick from near the centre line. However, KISS asserted their dominance for the rest of the match. Hindurai Soren scored the equaliser in the 15th minute, booting home off a cross from the right wing and Sana Kumar Marandi struck the match-winner with a booming right-footer in the 40th

But for DPS goalie Suvankar Das, who fended off many attacks by menacing KISS boys, margin of defeat would have been much bigger. His spirited performance fetched him the prize as the Man of the Final Match. DPS striker Dhyanendra Bhanjadeo, the top scorer of the tournament with 11 goals, including two hat-tricks, bagged the Man of the Tournament award. Raison Marandi, Hindurai Soren, Sana Kumar Marandi (all KISS) claimed the prizes as Best Goalkeeper, Best Mid-fielder and Best Forward respectively, while the Best Defender prize went to Saranjit Mishra (DPS).

The final match and the closing function of the silver jubilee edition assumed significance with the presence of Shyam Thapa, one of the legends of Indian football. Former East Bengal and Mohun Bagan star Thapa was all praise for the school footballers for showing excellent skills and for Unit-VI Athletic Association for promoting football at the grassroots level.

"Make hard work the mantra of your life, whether playing football or pursuing academics," Thapa, who helped India win a bronze medal in 1970 Asian Games and scored a goal for Bagan's 2-2 draw against legendary Pele's New York Cosmos side in an exhibition match, told the upcoming footballers. Thapa handed over the winners' trophy to KISS Team and released the souvenir of the tournament. Odisha Olympic Association (OOA) secretary Mr. Asirbad Behera, RBI Regional Director Mr. Pradipta Kumar Jena, Tata Steel's Chief Residential Executive Mr. Manikanta Nayak, Angul-Sukinda Railway MD Mr. Dilip Kumar Samantray, sponsors Kalinga Marine MD Ms. Maina Mishra and other dignitaries gave away the prizes.

Among others, former Assistant Sports Director Mr. Ashok Mohanty, former OSAP Commandant Mr. Arabinda Mitra, Unit-VI Athletic Association president Mr. Tapan Mohanty, vice-president Mr. Prafulla Mishra and secretary Mr. Dilip Das were present on the occasion.



# Panorama



His Excellency Mr. Jorge Cardenas Robles, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Bolivia, New Delhi with Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS during his visitto Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).



Achyuta Samanta with Dr. C. Nageswara Rao, MS, FRCSC, FACS, Diplomate in American Board of Urology, VP & DG, Siddhartha Academy of General & Technical Education, Vijayawada and Dr. Sudha Rao during their visit to KISS.



Achyuta Samanta speaking at a function to celebrate 'Hindi Diwas' in KIIT.



Shri Shyam Jaju, National Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party and Madam Jaju with Achyuta Samanta and students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) during their visit to the institute.



Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University speaking at the Teachers Day Celebration in the presence of Dr. S. Mishra, Dean, School of Computer Engineering, Dr. S. Priyabadini, Director, Student Services, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, Prof. A. K. Sen, Chairman, UG Programme, Schools of Engineering and Prof. D. K. Tripathy, Pro VC, KIIT.



(From L) Dr. S. Priyabadini, Director, Student Services, KIIT University, Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor, Achyuta Samanta, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, Prof. N. K. Chakraborty, Director, KIIT School of Law and Prof. C. K. Panigrahi, Dean, School of Electrical Engineering at the inaugural function of International Literacy Week at KIIT School of Law.





Prof. P. P. Mathur, Vice Chancellor, KIIT University and Dr. S. Patnaik, Rector with Dr. Jana Mazancová, Vice Dean for Development, Czech University of Life Sciences (CULS), Prague, Czech Republic and students of CULS at the Induction Programme.



(From L) Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University, Prof. P. P. Mathur, VC, KIIT University, Prof. Andrew Taggart, Pro Vice Chancellor, Murdoch University, Australia and Prof. D. K. Tripathy, Pro VC, KIIT at the MoU Signing ceremony between Murdoch University, Australia and KIIT University.



(From L) Mr. T. Mohanty, Principal, KIIT Polytechnic, Dr. S. Samanta, Registrar, KIIT University, Mr. S. Khatua, Chief Engineer, NHPC, Govt. of India, Dr. S. M. Ali, Secretary IE, Odisha State Chapter and Mr. P. R. Tripathy, Member IE at the Celebration of Engineers' Day in KIIT.



Mr. Niranjan Sahoo, Collector, Khurdha felicitating Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) women teams representing Hockey, Kho-Kho, Kabaddi and Volleyball at Rajiv Bhawan in Bhubaneswar.



Achyuta Samanta presenting memento to Ms. Januki Pradhan, Special Secretary to the Govt. of Sikkim.



Dr. Chris Pierret, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Mayo Clinic, USA, Ms. Joanna Yang, Ph.D. student and Mr. David Argue, Analyst Programmer at KiiT International School.

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