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WORLD**



Greetings

Happy Dussehra

Dussehra signifies the triumph of good over evil and the prevalence of truth above all. May this auspicious occasion inspire us to work with renewed vigour to take our nation and society forward. I wish a Happy Dussehra to all our students, their guardians, well wishers, faculty, staff and their families.

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Achyuta Samanta

Founder, KIIT & KISS



Happy
Diwali



Greetings

Diwali, the festival of light, symbolizes peace and prosperity. Let the darkness of your ignorance be driven away by the light of good knowledge you receive at KIIT. May the Diwali ignite your spirit to dispel the ignorance. I wish a Happy Diwali to all our students, their guardians, well wishers, faculty, staff and their families.

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MILESTONES

In a significant development, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) was declared as a Deemed University U/S 3 of UGC Act, 1956 by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India on August 25, 2017. It has become the first tribal university in India and in the entire world.

The 71st Independence Day was celebrated in KIIT University and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) with patriotic fervour.

Completing a hat-trick, Odisha women's team emerged champion in the Senior National Rugby Sevens Championships on August 13, 2017. Total eight players in the 12 member Odisha team are KISS students.

Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN delivered KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture on 'Climate Change' at KIIT University on August 11, 2017.

KiIT International School Model United Nations Conference (KiIT-IS MUN) was inaugurated on August 11, 2017.

The 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship was inaugurated at Smart Village Kalarabanka on August 6, 2017. For the first time in the country, a national level chess tournament was played in a rural area.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS has been conferred with the prestigious 7th GOPIO (Global Organization of People of Indian Origin) International Excellence Awards in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on August 5, 2017.

A group of scientists working in KIIT Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI) have developed a medicine from turmeric which is beneficial for many diseases, including cancer.

TATA Strive has signed memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on August 2, 2017 to impart skill training to 2900 KISS students during the year 2017, as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta delivered keynote address as the Chief Guest in a seminar on 'Social Entrepreneurship' at Daffodil International University (DIU), Bangladesh on July 27, 2017. An MoU was also signed between KISS and Daffodil Institute of Social Sciences (DISS) to lay the foundation of first international branch of KISS in Dhaka.

Mohd. Faizan Sheikh, India's youngest leading motivational speaker delivered the 11th Foundation Day lecture on self confidence at KiIT International School on July 2, 2017.

Saint-Petersburg Institute of Education in the Sphere of Humanities and Social Sciences, Russia recently conferred Doctor Honoris Causa degree on Achyuta Samanta in recognition of his outstanding work in social service and his efforts to empower the poor through education.

A memorandum of understanding was signed between Achyuta Samanta and Ramon Magsaysay laureate Ms. Angela Gomes, Founder & Executive Director, Banchte Shekha to set up the residential school on the lines of KISS in Jessore, Bangladesh.

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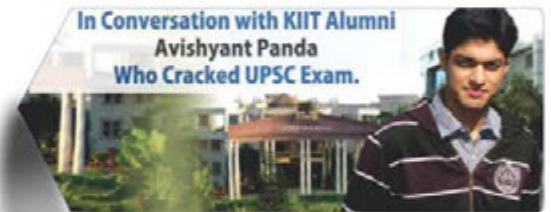
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Editorial

In a great step forward towards extending the benefits of higher education to underprivileged tribal students, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) was declared a Deemed University under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956 by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India. With this, KISS has become the first and only university exclusively for tribal students in the country; in fact, in the entire world. What was started by the visionary Founder of KIIT & KISS, Prof. Achyuta Samanta as a modest school in a rented room with only 125 students two and a half decades ago is now a unique model of empowerment of tribal people through higher education for the entire world. KISS is also the world's first university where students are getting residential education absolutely free of cost. University status to KISS is only a logical step in view of qualitative teaching-learning, superior infrastructure and achievements of its students for past several years. Teaching-learning process, infrastructure and facilities here are at par with reputed mainstream institutions. Students are high achievers – in academics, extra-curricular activities and sports – at national and international level, proving beyond doubt that given equal opportunities, tribal students are second to none. Referring to quality and character of this great institution, many years ago, noted litterateur and Ramon Magsaysay laureate Late Mahasweta Devi had remarked – “KISS is the 2nd Shantiniketan. Shantiniketan was set up by a ‘zamindar’, but KISS has been set up by a beggar like Achyuta Samanta”.

The last two months witnessed several other important developments in KIIT & KISS. KISS signed separate MoUs with Daffodil International University, Dhaka and Ramon Magsaysay laureate Ms. Angela Gomes’ ‘Banchte Sekha’, Jessore to establish two international branches of KISS in Bangladesh. Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN delivered KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture on ‘Climate Change’. KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture Series is an innovative initiative to provide students with exposure. KiiT International School celebrated its 11th Foundation Day and organized 6th KiiT-IS Model United Nations. In recognition to his contributions to the society, a reputed Russian university conferred Honorary Doctorate Degree on Prof. Samanta. He was also conferred with the prestigious GOPIO International Excellence Awards in Malaysia.

**KIIT REVIEW WISHES A
HAPPY DUSSEHRA AND DIWALI TO
ITS READERS AND PATRONS.**

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) **Declared Deemed University**

First Tribal University in the World
Exclusively for Tribal Students (Fully Free and Fully Residential)

Declared Deemed-to-be-University U/S 3 of UGC Act by Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.
KISS Tribal University Dedicated to the Tribal Communities



KISS: From School to UNIVERSITY

Facilities

KISS has created adequate infrastructure, in its three campuses, to cater to the academic, residential, cultural, sports and other needs of 27,000 tribal students. Infrastructure and facilities here are at par with any good public institute. These modern facilities are: Green Initiatives, Computer Lab, Library, Dispensary, Gym and Yoga, Wi-fi Campus, Tribal Museum, Hostel, Multipurpose Mega Dining Hall, Mega Bathing Complex, Steam based Kitchen, etc.

On the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) has been granted the University status by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India vide its Letter No. F.9-14/2011-U-3 (A) dated 25/08/2017. It has become the first tribal university in India and in the entire world. Though Indira Gandhi National Tribal University has been established before, it enrolls students of all categories. On the other hand, KISS University is exclusively for tribal students. KISS has been declared a Deemed University under De-Novo category. The University will introduce seven new innovative departments in the first phase to provide impetus to research on tribal studies and help KISS achieve a place of prominence in the entire world. Deemed University status has been granted with this hope. KISS is the world's first tribal university, where students are getting residential education absolutely free of cost.

It is supposed to be the first University in the world exclusively for tribal students and tribal studies. Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) was founded by Prof. Achyuta Samanta in 1992-93 in a rented building in Bhubaneswar with only 125 poor tribal students. This institute has undergone massive growth with gradual increase in the student strength. At present, student strength of KISS has touched 37,000 (27,000 existing students and 10,000 graduated). Sixty percent (60%) of them are girl students. In addition to formal education from Class I to Postgraduate level, a wide range of vocational skill is imparted to the

students. Besides implementing the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals in true sense, KISS has been able to bring about much needed social change in the tribal hinterland of Odisha and its neighboring states by arresting spread of Maoist and Naxalite insurgency. KISS, through its 37,000 students who come from as many families in different villages across the state, is indeed transforming tribal mindset and helping them join the mainstream society.

KISS School – KISS University

KISS had been providing formal education from KG to PG since 1992-93. Now, education from Class 1 to Class 12 will be imparted in a separate campus from KISS School. Graduate, Postgraduate, Ph.D. and other courses will be imparted under KISS Deemed University. For this, Founder Achyuta Samanta has already set up a beautiful higher education campus three years ago on 20 acre land purchased from IDCO and private parties with due approval from BDA. This will be used as the University campus. Another 14 acre of land, purchased from IDCO, has been dedicated for KISS, as given by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha.

APPRECIATIONS



"KISS is the 2nd Shantiniketan. While Shantiniketan was set up by a 'zamindar', KISS has been set up by a beggar like Samanta".--**Late Mahasweta Devi**.



Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister of Home Affairs.



Vikash' are translated into action here at KISS.--**Shri Prakash Javadekar**, Hon'ble Union Minister of Human Resource Development Javadekar.



It is a role model and inspiration for all and all states should adopt this model".--**Shri Venkaiah Naidu**, Hon'ble Vice President of India (The then Union Minister).



It is amazing that Dr. Achyuta Samanta has taken the momentous responsibility. --**Shri Suresh Prabhu**, Hon'ble Union Minister of Railways.



of Odisha.



"KISS has gained good reputation in the country. I pray for further progress and growth of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)."--**Shri Naveen Patnaik**, Hon'ble Chief Minister

"I have been to KISS on many occasions, but the more I visit KISS, I feel I am at home, Dr. Samanta is a living legend."--**Shri Jual Oram**, Hon'ble Minister for Tribal Affairs.



Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge).

"Such selfless service by one individual is unimaginable and this is the most spectacular educational initiative for the tribal children."--**Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy**, Hon'ble Minister of State Skill



"KISS is a successful model".--**Shri Dharmendra Pradhan**, Hon'ble Union Minister of Petroleum.



laboratory of sports".--**Shri Vijay Goel**, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Ind.) for Youth Affairs and Sports.

"Students of KISS are very talented in sports and they have brought glory for the country at national and international level. They are our Olympic medal hope. KISS will be developed into a



"No other organization can match the facility that KISS provides to its students."--**His Excellency Dr. S. C. Jamir**, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha.



Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN.

"KIIT and KISS are very beautiful organizations. KISS is the only organization where 27,000 students are studying in a single campus. Its Founder is our hero". --**Mr. Erik Solheim**,



Executive Director, World Food Programme.

"You, the students of KISS, are the future of India as well as the world. Dr. Samanta has given you a tremendous platform to dream. KISS is the right platform to fulfil your dreams".--**Ms. Ertharin Cousin**,



His Excellency the U.S. Ambassador to India.

I find American dream being fulfilled here. I hope this example expands across India for thousands of lives and is a promising ripple of hope for transforming Indian future."--**Mr. Timothy J. Roemer**,

A great person had established Banaras Hindu University. Another great person had established Shantiniketan. Similarly, a great man of Odisha has set up two great institutes like KIIT and KISS.--**The Then Union Minister**.



"I have never seen such an empowered institution before." --**Ms. Laxmi Puri**, Asst. Secretary of United Nations and Dy. Executive Director, UN Women.



"I congratulate Dr. Samanta for establishing institutions of character like KIIT and KISS."—
Late Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam



"KISS is realizing humanitarian dream of quality education for marginalized children."—
His Excellency Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley, Hon'ble Prime Minister, The Royal Government of Bhutan.



"KISS is a wonder. It is rare in the world."—
Professor Muhammad Yunus, Nobel Peace Prize Winner 2006.



"I have been to more than 50 countries in the world and I have spent time in some of the countries much longer, but I have not come across any institution of this kind

anywhere in the world."— *Hon'ble Dr. Justice Dalveer Bhandari*, Judge, International Court of Justice, The Hague.



"I have been to many countries in my career and met many young children, but I have not seen a place like KISS. I am humbled by Dr. Samanta's vision, ambition and commitment."— *Ms. Nisha Desai Biswal*,

Asst Secretary of State, South & Central Asian Affairs, U.S. Dept of State.

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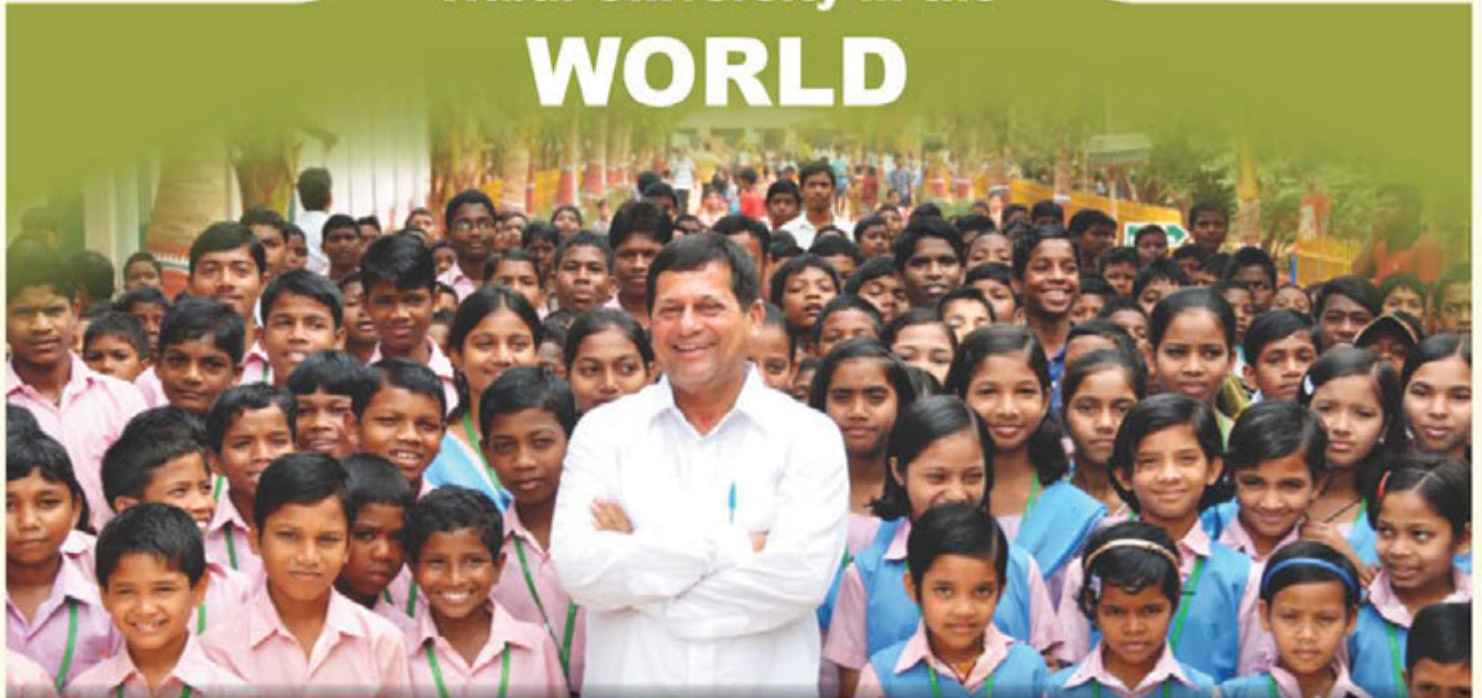
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Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS amongst tribal students of KISS.

Important Collaborations

KISS has achieved much prominence globally during the last 10 years. It has collaborated with important international agencies and top universities of the world: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Volunteers (UNV), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), US Department of States, Bernard van Leer Foundation, Ashoka Foundation, Neeti Foundation, Education Development Centre of Cambridge University and British Council.

KISS has tie-ups with 50 universities, including Hanseo University, South Korea; University of Tubingen, Germany; College of Charleston, U.S.; Cambridge University, U.K.; Kingston University, U.K.; Northumbria University, U.K.; University of Central Lancashire, U.K.; Leeds University, U.K.; University of Milan, Italy; and Helsinki Espana – University Network, Spain.

Achievements

KISS is not only a tribal institute, it is a laboratory where its students have always achieved success in different spheres everywhere. Everyone is aware of it



On December 10, 2015, on the occasion of International Human Rights Day, 15,225 tribal students of KISS formed the 'Largest Human Sentence' (We Urge for World Peace), a new Guinness World Record. The tribal students also made a second world record – for the 'Longest Human Chain (High Five)', in which 25,151 students participated.

through media. For example, KISS made two **Guinness World Records in a single day**. On the occasion of International Human Rights Day on December 10, 2015, total 15,225 indigenous boys and girls of KISS made 'The Largest Human Sentence' (We urge for world peace) creating a new world record. Students also formed 'The Longest Human Chain (High Five)' covering 30 kms in Bhubaneswar, making the second world record.

KISS has been consistently achieving cent percent success in Class 10th and Class 12th examinations. Its students have received Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Ignite Awards. Students have also achieved success in prestigious entrance examinations of national-level reputed institutes like IIT and IIM as well as Civil Services.

KISS Delhi



One branch of KISS has been set up since 2013 in Delhi in the name and style of KISS-Delhi and has been running with the help and support of Delhi Govt. for the poor children of Delhi territory. KISS is acclaimed as a successful model of human development and as a result various State Governments are interested to start a branch of KISS in their respective States. Work is in progress to start two international branches in Bangladesh as well as branches in various districts of Odisha.

KISS students set milestone in sporting arena

22 students from the tribal institute have participated in international competitions this year

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), the world's largest tribal residential school, is not only a unique institute which imparts quality education for the poorest of the poor, but has of late, also carved a niche as a new sporting destination. KISS has been creating milestones in several arenas and has recently made a mark in the sporting world. **Setting a milestone, this academic year alone, 22 students from the institute have participated in various international competitions.**

From football, archery to even international sports like baseball and

rugby, the students of KISS have brought immense laurels to the institute with their extraordinary performance.

In rugby, a foreign sport, the tribal students have proven their mettle and travelled to various countries including France, Hong Kong and Sri Lanka to participate in international matches. Their success was hailed by many including senior officials from World Rugby, Asia Rugby and India Rugby, who even visited KISS and appreciated the institute.

Not just rugby, KISS students have also excelled in sports like baseball and

archery. Their exceptional performance can be credited to the world class sports facilities and the hard work of the coaching staff who work day and night to identify the talent of the students and train them. KISS students are provided with handball, basketball, softball, baseball, football ground, archery complex and several other infrastructure facilities to hone their skill.

Over the years, several dignitaries including Union Sports Minister Shri Vijay Goel have visited the tribal school and appreciated its endeavors to bring children from remote areas to mainstream society.



Basketball Championship



Paris World Games Rugby



World Children Baseball Fair, Japan



World Children Baseball Fair, Japan



World Children Baseball Fair, Japan



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Societe General Senior National Rugby Sevens Championship Men



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THE EVENT KIIT NANHIPARI

A thing of beauty is a joy forever. This event "KIIT Nanhipari" is a spectacular parade of teen beauties and a friendly contest among them. It is also involves giving them a common platform and opportunity to showcase their intelligence, body language, glamour and taste of attires. As there is a dearth of organization or regulatory bodies, which could nurture and provide a proper platform to these young budding talents, there emerged an idea of hosting a talent show "KIIT Nanhipari" exclusively for the young girls every year. From a humble start in the year 2001 in a remote and small tribal town of Keonjhar District of Odisha, the event has progressively taken rapid strides and has now become a national event of repute. Patronized by the great visionary, social activist, educationalist, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT (www.kiit.ac.in) & KISS (www.kiss.ac.in), the event has become a national event since 2004 till date.

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Miss Rapunzel
Girl with most beautiful hair



Miss Photogenic
Girl with best pose in
photoshoot round



Miss Selfie
Maximum likes on
facebook page



Miss Fashion
Girl with best costume
in both rounds



Miss Whizkid
Girl with highest
marks in quiz round



Miss Cinderella
Girl having best personality



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KISS Celebrates International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples



"Can young people change the world? Yes. Who Else?", Mr. Erik Solheim, UN Under Secretary-General and Executive Director of UNEP writes on the Wall of Experience at KISS.

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is commemorated annually on August 9, in recognition of the first meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations, held in Geneva in 1982. The International Day was established by the General Assembly in December 1994. There are an estimated 370 million

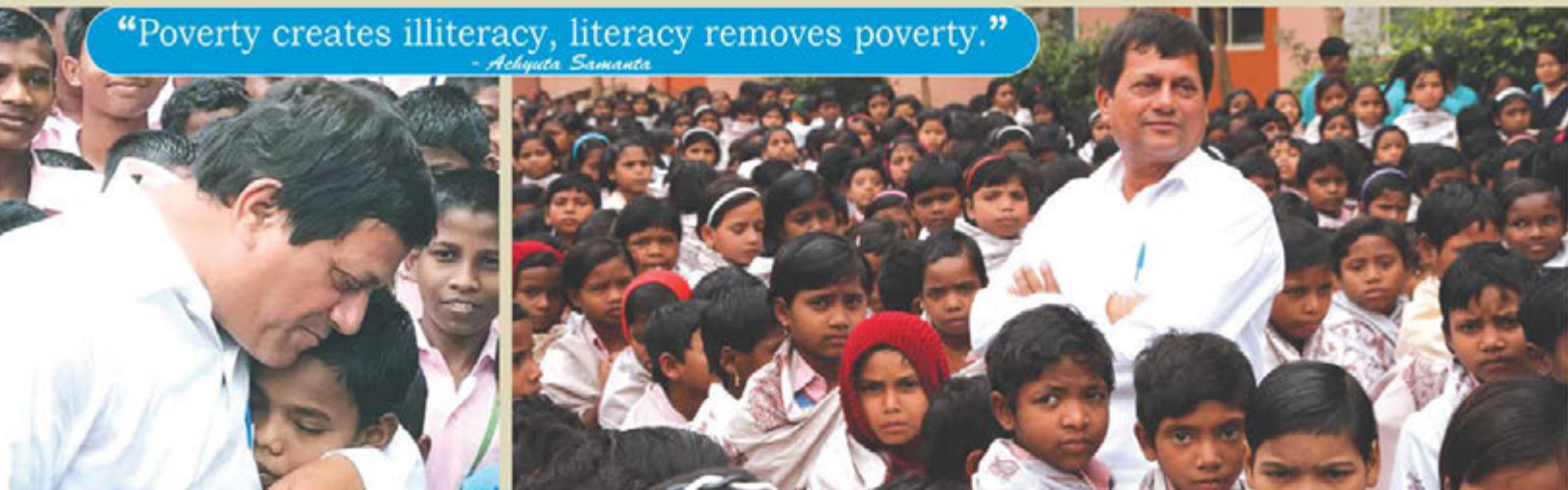
indigenous people in some 90 countries around the world. Practicing unique traditions, they retain social, cultural, economic and political characteristics that are distinct from those of the dominant societies in which they live.

This important occasion was observed in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS),

the largest free residential tribal institute in the world, from August 9 - 11, 2017. Remarkably, all the 30 districts of Odisha as well as some neighbouring states and all the 62 indigenous communities of the State are represented in KISS. The occasion was marked by deliberations, expressions of indigenous culture, speech by eminent persons, etc. ■

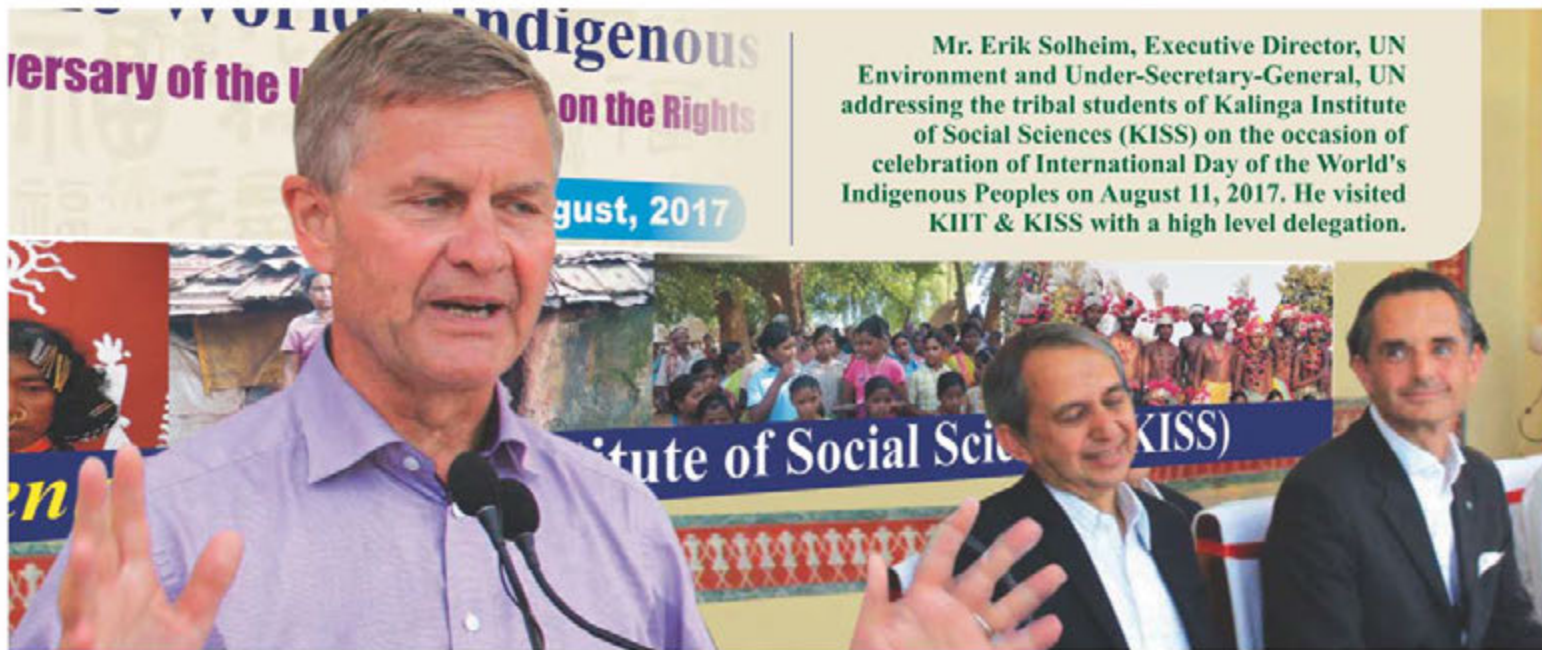
"Poverty creates illiteracy, literacy removes poverty."

- Acharya Samanta



KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture

Poverty and climate change are key challenges for mankind today: Mr. Erik Solheim



Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN addressing the tribal students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on the occasion of celebration of International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples on August 11, 2017. He visited KIIT & KISS with a high level delegation.

“We are living in a lucky time in human history. We are better off than our previous generations. But more than 800 million people are still living in extreme poverty globally”, said Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN at KIIT University on August 11, 2017. Climate change is another big problem and the coastal State of Odisha is particularly vulnerable to the adverse impacts, he elaborated.

Mr. Erik Solheim was delivering a talk on climate change at KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture Series. It is remarkable that 52,000

“ **Education is incredibly important - it is about liberation. All these have been possible because of efforts of its Founder, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, who despite coming from a very poor background, has single-handedly made it a leading institution of the country.** ”

students are getting education here, he said referring to KIIT University, which has 27,000 students pursuing a wide range of professional courses, and its sister concern Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), where 25,000 underprivileged indigenous boys and girls are getting education in a residential setting absolutely free.

“Education is incredibly important - it is about liberation. All these have been possible because of efforts of its Founder, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, who despite coming from a very poor background,

has single-handedly made it a leading institution of the country”, he said. This innovative lecture series hosts eminent scholars, leaders, public servants, celebrities, etc. on regular basis with an aim to provide exposure to the students of KIIT University beyond textbooks, classrooms and libraries.

“We have only one planet to live and we need to protect it”. Striking an optimistic note, the man tasked with protecting Planet Earth said, “It is a big



Prof. Achyuta Samanta presenting a letter of appreciation to Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN.



challenge but for the first time in history we know how to do it”. The UN Environment chief narrated the example of Mumbai's Afroz Shah who initiated a volunteer driven campaign to clean Versova's filth-laden shores. His initiative snowballed into a movement, becoming the biggest beach cleaning campaign in the world. Now the Government has adopted his model to clean many other beaches of the country.

“We are dumping too much plastic into the sea. It is dangerous for marine animals, bad for tourism and harmful for our health as we consume fish. There is a need to mobilize global community to clean plastic from

beaches and to persuade industries against dumping plastic wastes into the sea”, he said.

Energy, forest and transportation are important considerations with respect to climate change, Mr. Solheim stressed. **“Energy is a key condition for prosperity but it is also responsible for climate change. We have to produce greener energy. Solar energy is now as affordable as coal. Hydropower, bio-fuel and wind are other green energy options. India has done remarkably well in the field of solar power. Andhra Pradesh is leading by example”**, he said.

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Expanding forest cover is important to protect earth, reverse climate change and maintain biodiversity. It is encouraging that rate of deforestation has come down by 70% particularly due to efforts of DISHA in collaboration with UNEP, he informed.

He blamed the rickety transportation system for alarming air pollution level in Indian cities. According to a

World Health Organization (WHO) report, as many as seven million people die prematurely due to air pollution. Citing examples from China, he suggested high speed trains for public transport and metro revolution to overcome the problem.

Broaching upon the contentious issue of US withdrawing from the Paris agreement, which seeks to regulate greenhouse gas emissions, he said, the decision will have little impact. US private sector is interested in going green, irrespective of US Govt. decision, the recipient of UNEP's "Champion of the Earth" award asserted. Earlier,

“ According to a World Health Organization (WHO) report, as many as seven million people die prematurely due to air pollution. He suggested high speed trains for public transport and metro revolution to overcome the problem. ”

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on the occasion of celebration of International Day of World Indigenous Peoples. He was accompanied by Mr. Pawan Sukhdev, UNEP Goodwill Ambassador, Mr. Joris Dierckx, CEO, BNP Paribas, India and Mr. Satya S. Tripathi, Senior Advisor on 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development. At the end of the programme, Harsha Mishra, a KIIT student and member 'Kreativ Eye', a students' society promoting art and photography, made a live painting on climate change theme to the audience's delight.

“ We are living in a lucky time in human history. We are better off than our previous generations. But more than 800 million people are still living in extreme poverty globally. ”



hailing Mr. Erik Solheim as a multifaceted genius and champion of the Earth, Prof. Achyuta Samanta said, "There could not have been a better person than Mr. Solheim to deliver KIIT Knowledge Tree Lecture". He praised Mr. Solheim for his successful mission in UNEP. Prof. Samanta also felicitated him with a citation of appreciation.

Mr. Solheim also addressed 25,000 indigenous students of

Profile

Mr. Erik Solheim is the Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations. Mr. Solheim was Chair of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, a post he held since 2013, and served as UNEP's Special Envoy for environment, conflict and disaster. Known in Norway as the "green" politician, he held the combined portfolio of Minister for the Environment and International Development between 2007 and 2012, later serving as Minister for International Development from 2005 to 2007. The holder of an undergraduate degree in history and social studies from the University of Oslo, Mr. Solheim has received several awards for his work on climate and environment, including UNEP's "Champion of the Earth" award. He has contributed to a number of peace and reconciliation efforts, most notably as chief negotiator of the peace process in Sri Lanka.





KIIT KNOWLEDGE TREE

LISTEN AND LEARN FROM THE LEADERS

Lecture By

Mr. Erik Solheim,

Executive Director, UN Environment and Under-Secretary-General, UN



Good evening here to everybody!

I am so incredibly happy to be in KIIT and also in KISS. Both the institutions are remarkable. Let's start with something little bit personal. My mother passed away earlier this year. She was 93 and I was speaking in her funeral. I felt that I needed to speak a lot about education because education meant so much to my mother. Education not just about getting a job and learning something, but it was

about liberation – getting out into a new and better society. I think I have learnt that from my mother. The focus on education is so incredibly important.

It is remarkable that KIIT and KISS have 52,000 young people. KIIT is one of the most remarkable and prestigious universities in India. All thanks to one man, Dr. Achyuta Samanta. It is the result of power, belief and strength of one individual, who himself came from a very poor background. He wanted to do

something for the society and education is the way to prosperity. Let me start by celebrating another Indian hero - a young man in Mumbai. His name is Afroz Shah. A young lawyer practising in the court of Mumbai one day stood in his apartment at the 10th floor overlooking the beaches of Mumbai. He looked down at the beach. And he saw the most horrible pollution that one can think of. Almost half a meter thick of plastic, piled up there over tens of years and nobody has done anything with it.



Afroz said to himself - I need to do something. This cannot continue; this is my beach, this is my city and this is my ocean. He started talking to his neighbour, who was 85 years old, and they started the beach clean up by picking plastic. Soon tens of people were involved in this and after sometimes it became hundreds. After some more time it became more than thousand people contributing their time in beach clean up on weekends. So parallel to what we are seeing here, one person starting it and then mobilizing enormous power of the people.

Then something very interesting happened. Mayor of Mumbai came, State Ministers, Chief Ministers, private sector and businesses also came. Finally, Prime Minister Modi, the strongest Prime Minister of India in many many years, came forward. Now this model is being replicated in many other States.

We are now at a point in human history when we are pushing too much plastic into the oceans. **At this rate, by 2050 the weight of plastic in the oceans will be same as the weight of fish. This is very dangerous.** This is dangerous to animals. Whales are eating the plastic. Sea birds are diving down and eating the plastic. Destroying the beaches is huge problem for tourism - people don't want to come to polluted beaches.

And at the end of the day, it is huge problem for us humans also.

We have two huge challenges still facing humanity. First, still 800 million humans, quite a few of them Indians, are living in extreme poverty. Second, we have only one planet. We need to protect this planet.

Because fish eats fragments of plastic from big plastic bags that we throw, we eat fish and the plastic gets into our body.

We need to change. Everyone should understand this. No one is supposed to be doing it. You won't believe it, there is enormous amount of plastic in parts of the world where there are no humans. Up in the Arctic, close to the North Pole, no one is living there but still 'n' amount of plastic coming maybe from India, maybe from China, maybe from United States or maybe from Norway. No one knows. We need to change.

I take this plastic issue as one issue to illustrate the point that there is absolute need for humankind to find better ways for promoting prosperity, not destroying the nature and for us to work together -

governments, citizens and industries - for finding solutions.

We are at a lucky time in human history. All of you are much better off than your parents. All your parents are much better off than the grandparents. Life expectancy is much better now. An average person born in India can expect to live upto 70. There has been tremendous, enormous progress. We have achieved fantastic progress in many areas.

But we have two huge challenges still facing humanity, which we need to resolve together. One is: Still 800 million humans, quite a few of them Indians, are living in extreme poverty and many more are living in poverty. That is one challenge, to bring everyone on board. Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations aims to bring every living human being out of extreme poverty by 2030. Is it possible? China are doing it. Korea have done it. Singapore have done it. Malaysia have done it. Vietnam will do it. I am absolutely confident that India can do this.

Another big challenge for humanity is: We have only one planet. There is no planet 'B'. We are stuck with this planet. Fortunately, this is a fantastic, beautiful planet - blue in the oceans, green in the forests, red in the deserts. We all know the enormous beauty of this planet that God gave us. **We need to protect this planet.** We as a generation should bring this planet in a better condition to the



next generation. And there are problems.

Climate change is a big problem and Odisha is at the centre of that. Odisha is prone to cyclones. Odisha has long coastline vulnerable to sea level rise. Odisha is an agricultural State which faces both droughts and flooding. Odisha is very vulnerable to climate change. There is a very clear mandate that we need to act on climate change. At the same time, we need to protect the forests, all the beauties of the land, all the species, all the vulnerable animals.

So these two great commandments - bring everyone out of poverty and protect the planet - that's the challenge for all of you, that's the challenge for our generation. Can it be done?

Bad news is that the challenges are big. And the good news is that for the first time in human history we know how to do it. We know how to develop. China has developed at a very fast speed. Before that Korea, Singapore, many other Asian nations have developed. China has put hundreds and millions of people out of poverty - 600 millions - in the last two decades. We also know what policies help when it comes to combine prosperity and development. What are these policies?

Let me focus on three areas. Energy is key for prosperity and key for environment. More than 50% of climate change comes from energy. Providing electricity, but doing it in an environment friendly way is the need. The good news is that for the first time in human history, it can be done. The price of solar energy has come down at a speed never thought of before. Thanks to India and thanks to China, now solar energy is available everywhere at a price cheaper than coal. The airport in Kochi in Kerala is fuelled by solar, States of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha are rapidly moving into solar energy. **So we can do it by solar, by wind, by hydro, by biofuels and many other renewable energies. So we can prosper and protect the environment at the same time.**

Second is forest. Twenty percent of climate conditions come from forest

degradation. Forest is the key if you want to protect the living planet. Protecting forests is the key for climate change, key for biodiversity and key for checking pollution. So let's take care of the forests. Good news is, of course, that it happens. Brazil has reduced the deforestation rate by 70%. Odisha is greening. Costa Rica has excellent tree cover. There are 'n' number of success stories on protecting the forests and re-planting where there have been destruction of forests.

Third, transportation. Indian cities are very polluted. Some of the biggest Indian cities are among the most polluted on the planet. That's dangerous. Because, pollution is one of the biggest killer of humans - 7 million people are killed by pollution. We need to reduce pollution. Good news is that we know how to do it. **India can learn from China in providing more efficient and faster public transport system through metro revolution.**

People are curious of the consequences about United States of America withdrawing from Paris agreement. The good news is that the consequences are much much less than you tend to think. No nation in the world has followed the United States. In all likelihood, the United States will abide by the Paris agreement - not because of the President, but because of the private sector business. Leadership will be provided by India and China and, in United States, leadership will be provided by the private sector.

Thank you!



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In Conversation with KIIT Alumni Avishyant Panda Who Cracked UPSC Exam.

KIIT alumnus **Suman Saurav Mohanty** secured **9th Rank** in the prestigious **Civil Services Exam of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)**, results of which were declared in May. He was not the only KIIT alumnus to crack this highly competitive examination. **Two other alumni, Avishyant Panda and Haris Bin Zaman, secured 91st and 646th rank respectively – a remarkable achievement of three students from one institution clearing the Civil Services Exam in the same year.** Their success not only made KIIT proud, but also triggered a wave of happiness in the State of Odisha.

As a student-focused university, KIIT provides the best of exposure and opportunities to its students – in academics as well as in other areas of students'

interests. Going beyond earning degrees and getting placed in top multinationals, KIIT students have expressed themselves and excelled in myriad fields. Besides high achievers in academics, who bag coveted jobs through campus placement, KIIT has produced successful entrepreneurs, Olympians, Chess Grandmasters, actors and even beauty queens.

In the previous issue of KIIT Review, we had published our conversation with Suman Saurav Mohanty. **Satyabrata Das** and **Rajesh Verma** of KIIT REVIEW also talked to Avishyant Panda to know the secrets of his success. We are confident that his success story will be a source of inspiration for thousands of IAS aspirants from the State and KIIT University, in particular.



Interview with Avishyant Panda



Tell us something about yourself? Where have you done your schooling and graduation and in which field/discipline?

A part of my childhood (4 years) was spent in the United States of America (Los Angeles, California) where I did my middle school education. I completed my Class X from DAV Chandrasekharapur in 2005 and finished my +2 from BJB College in 2007. My graduation was in the field of Electronics and Communication. I passed out in 2011 from KIIT University



What was your aim behind appearing for the IAS exam? Was becoming an IAS your childhood dream or did you wish to appear for it after you became aware of the importance of an IAS?

The broad canvas that the IAS provides to bring a change in the lives of people - at the local, state and national level - greatly influenced me during my school days, especially after returning from the United States of America. However, with time the dream gradually took a backseat and the desire to understand the working of the corporate sector made me go for the campus placement. Working in the corporate sector for 2.5 years, gave me a very good perspective of the private sector and also gave me a more matured understanding of what the Civil Services in general and the IAS in particular entails. Thus, I set forth with preparing for the exam with a renewed clarity of thought. It was time to work towards the childhood dream that had extinguished with time



There was a wave of pride and happiness in KIIT as the result was published. Were you expecting to be so high on the Merit List and how did you feel after you knew your result?

The period right after the results has been truly overwhelming and humbling at the same time. It is a good reminder of the future responsibilities and duties towards the spirit of public service that I shall carry. Though my exams had gone off really well and I was expecting to see

my name in the final list, a top 100 rank was not something that I was fully sure of.



Which optional paper did you choose in the Mains exam?

My optional paper was Public Administration. It is extremely relevant to the service and future work that the IAS entails. At the same time it gives a glimpse of the working conditions and policy implementation of the government to provide optimal service delivery to the people.



What parameters should the candidates, especially graduates of professional courses, keep in mind while choosing the Optional paper?

Graduates of professional courses should keep interest as the top most priority while selecting an optional subject. Analysis of syllabus of various subjects and subsequent reading of previous years' questions will give an idea about what subject a person likes. Since an optional subject requires years of studying, it is very important that a person enjoys the subject and does not feel burdened reading additional books or web sources relating to the subject.



More than 4,59,000 candidates appeared the exam and only a little over 1000 got through. This makes it one of the toughest exams of the world. What are your secrets of success, what contributed to your success?

The Civil Service Exam tests a person's mental agility, patience, studying and writing skills to an extreme level. It is very important to enter the game only when one is absolutely sure of what he/she wants and that is what helps in going through the grind and dealing with the difficult times. The decision to give the exam should be one's own only. It is important not to get bogged down by the numbers and to instead focus on improving oneself by following a regular routine and staying honest to one's goal. Success shall follow.



How did you start your preparation? Should one prepare first for the Prelims and then the Mains?

I started my preparation by reading the basic NCERT textbooks and going through the syllabus and previous year questions. Gradually I moved on to advanced books and reports/magazines that provided an insight into the subject material.

Prelims and Mains are interlinked. While Prelims requires extensive reading and MCQ based practice, Mains requires more intensive studying and rigorous answer writing practice. The subject matter however remains the same. I tried to balance the two.



How much time is ideal to prepare for the Civil Services exam? What was your strategy for this exam? How much time did you dedicate to your preparation?

IAS Preparation requires a minimum of 2 years. One should ideally give the prelims exam after 1-1.5 years of preparation and considering the exam process lasts for 1 year, it can take 2-2.5 years at a bare minimum.

My strategy was to read, revise and apply. Further answer writing helped in both improving retention and enhancing creativity. I dedicated 3 years to the preparation.



Did you take any coaching to crack the exam? Is it possible to crack without any coaching? If yes, please elaborate on how one can achieve this?

I did not take any coaching. With the rise in online resources and guidance, coaching is not as important as it was 5-10 years back. Further, UPSC questions are testing a candidate's own stand and thought process which can come with self introspection and self study. However, test series offered by coaching institutions are valuable and they certainly helped me. Reading basic textbooks, analysis of tests and self study and confidence in one's ability can do away the need of coaching.



How much did you study for this exam?

I used to study 7 hours a day for the exam and used to take breaks whenever I was not enjoying studying. Further, hobbies like a game of table tennis and music help a lot. My hours before the exam increased significantly. One week prior to the exam I did study for 12-14 hours. Intensive revision before the exam certainly helps.



What kinds of questions are asked in the Personal Interview?

The personal interview is a test of personality and not of knowledge. A wide variety of questions ranging from one's subject of graduation to international issues and optional subject are asked. Further, questions to test a candidate's honesty, stress handling capabilities, intellectual integrity are also asked.



What according to you is the success mantra for the Civil Services Exam?

Success mantra for IAS - Discipline, dedication and honesty to the goal.



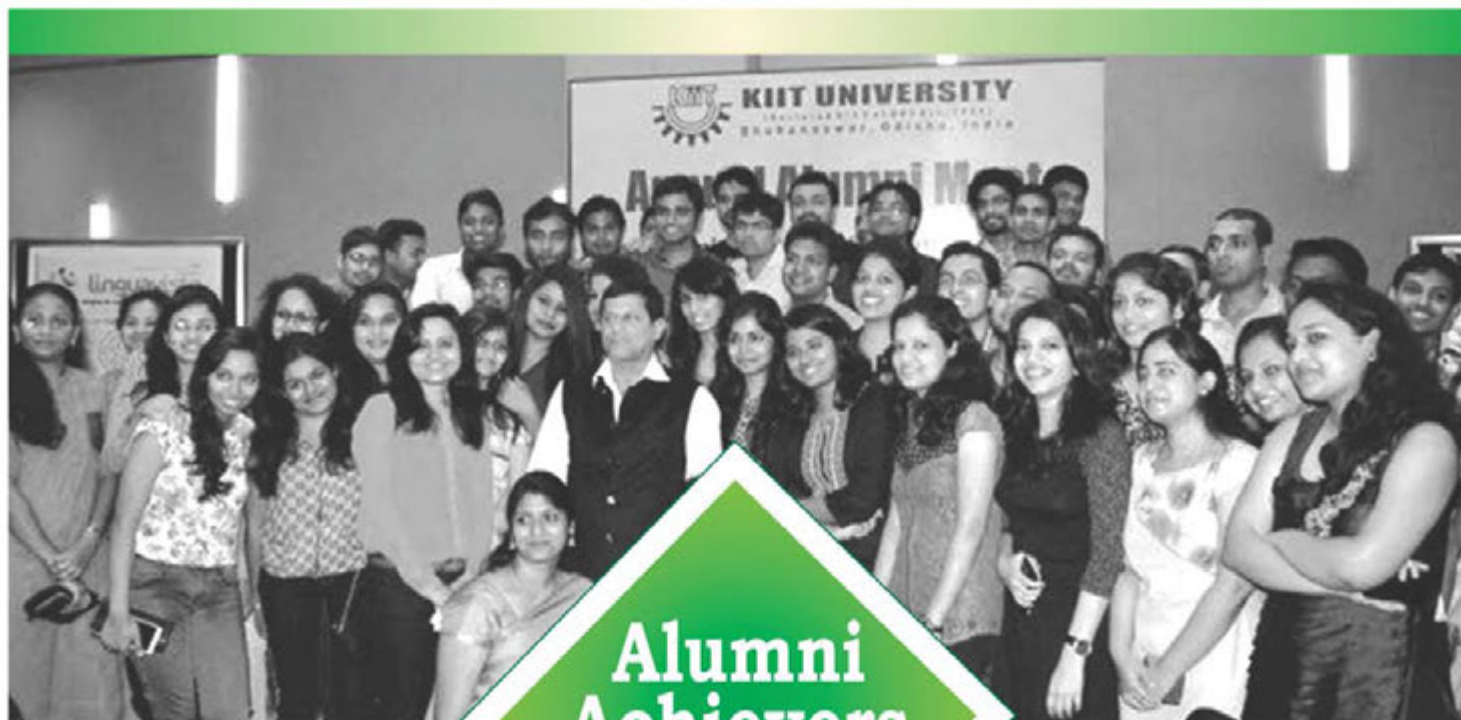
How has KIIT contributed to your success?

KIIT has always provided a free atmosphere to its students to pursue their goals and at the same time to shun insecurities that act as a barrier to students. Such an ambience is always helpful.



What is your advice and suggestions to the future aspirants, especially from KIIT University?

A. Take adequate time to narrow down on what you want from your life. If it's civil services, then it is important to understand the demands of the exams, the risks involved and the level of hard work required. However, after deciding on giving the exam, it is important to not look back and rather to give the exam with full commitment and dedication.



Lalitendu Paikray

Film Personality

Lalitendu Paikray, a KIIT Alumnus, joined the film fraternity in 2008 as a villain in 'Impossible Murder'. He got more inclined into the business and started producing commercial ads, 'Lucky Kabootar' as an Associate Producer and 'Muthi Bhar Sapne' as a Co-Producer. In 2014, he started working on the script and finances of 'Udta Punjab' as a Co-Producer which finally got appreciated in 2015. He has launched Daniel Weber (Husband of Sunny Leone) as a lead actor for a thriller film.

From 2016, he started working on different genres under his banner, Binnis Hotel Cinema, to create unique production houses which are capable of producing Viable Projects & Mafia, a subject which he was always inclined to work upon. He started the scripting of Syndicate Queen, biopic of Jenabai Daruwali, in collaboration with the

Hollywood Production House, called Bregman Production. Lalitendu has been actively promoting 'Art of Giving', a philosophy of life propounded by KIIT & KISS Founder Achyuta Samanta.



Soumak Palit

Author

Soumak Palit, a KIIT Alumnus, has

authored a book titled "Management Dynamics of the 21st Century". His book explains subtle dynamics of management in a lucid manner and provides another way of looking at issues and stimulates the reader to explore the unexplored harsh reality of preparing for 2022.



Satya Ranjan Swain

Law Professional

Satya Ranjan Swain is a Delhi-based advocate and a first batch student of School of Law, KIIT University. He has been appointed as the 'Government Pleader' by the Govt. of India in the Delhi High Court. In addition, the

Govt. has also appointed him as 'Central Govt. Counsel' (CGC) in the Armed Forces Tribunal (Principal Bench), New Delhi. He is the youngest person in the country to hold such a prestigious and responsible position.

Recently, he led an Indian delegation to Japan, New Zealand and Fiji for the Next Generational Global Leaders Programme, 2017 as the 'National Leader of India', where he had the unique opportunity to meet the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Japan, the Crown Prince of Japan, the Governor of Hiroshima and many other dignitaries. He has published many legal research papers in both national and international law journals. He has been invited by prestigious universities like Delhi University and Amity University to deliver lectures and judge moot courts. He is the recipient of the Best Alumni Award, 2015 from the KIIT University, Bhubaneswar. As a duty towards the society, he offers pro bono legal aid to the poor and needy persons. He is also a Panel Counsel for the Delhi State Legal Services Authority, New Delhi. He has been recently appointed as the Convener (Legal) for the J&K Study Centre (Delhi Chapter) -dealing with the legal and social issues pertaining to the State of Jammu & Kashmir.



Kanad Bagchi

Academics

Kanad Bagchi completed his B.B.A. LL.B. from KIIT University in 2013 and works as a Doctoral Research Fellow in Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law. He did his M.Sc. in Law and Finance from Faculty of Law, University of Oxford, England. He has written several papers in acclaimed journals and addressed many International Conferences. He has been a DAAD Scholarship awardee.

At KIIT, he was awarded Founder's Gold Medal Award at the 9th Annual Convocation for outstanding all round performance in the whole University across all streams. He also received Student Achiever Award for raising the "Issue of right of self-identification for the transgenders and eunuchs" during the interactive session with Mr. Navin B. Chawla, the then Chief Election Commissioner of India, which resulted in the official decision of assigning distinct identity to the transgender community.



Kartik Bhagat

Photographer, Entrepreneur

Dreams are a reflection of what you wish and Kartik Bhagat, Founder of Dream Diaries, believes in capturing

the dreams in his own style. Kartik completed his B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering from KIIT University in 2013. His company, Dream Diaries provides services like Luxury Wedding Photography and Travel Photography. Kartik has captured the marriages of leading Bollywood stars, models and cricketers over the past 4 years. He has captured over 200 weddings all across the world and is an inspiration to many photography enthusiasts at our KIIT campus.



Sonal More

Entrepreneur

KIIT Alumnus, Mrs. Sonal More is a successful entrepreneur. Sonal owns AGMO Super Center in Bhubaneswar.



Sunaram Kisku

Professional

Sunaram Kisku, an alumnus of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), has got appointment as a trainee in Indian Space Research Organisation after rigorous skill tests. He joined KISS way

back in 2007 in Intermediate and completed his MCA from KIIT University.



Dhaneswar Hansdah

Armed Forces

Dhaneswar Hansdah, a KISS alumnus from the batch of 2009 +2 Arts, works as an officer in Border Security Force. He is yet another example of the fact that the students of KISS have succeeded in myriad fields and have broken the chains of intergenerational poverty.



Sougat Jena

Professional

Sougat Jena from the batch of 2010, B. Tech in Civil Engineering working with Mumbai Metro as a Assistant General Manager (Civil). He is one of the youngest AGM in all Metro Corporations across India. He has previously worked with Delhi Metro and Chennai Metro.



Archita Sahu

Actor, model

KIIT alumnus Archita Sahu has made her mark as an outstanding actress, famous model and the most popular Ollywood name. She is the only actress in Odia film industry to bag State Award as the best actress three times, awarded by the Govt. of Odisha. She is Odisha State Ambassador of UNICEF, Govt. of Odisha for Eradication of Child Labour and Indian Red Cross. She was the first runner up in Femina Miss India and has represented Odisha in Miss India beauty pageant.



Payal Bangar

Author

Payal Bangar, a B.Tech Computer Science graduate from KIIT University, is a celebrated author and a brand Manager. After completing her academic stint, she worked for United Spirits Ltd. for two years, where she was the Brand Manager for McDowell's No.1, which is India's largest FMCG brand. Along with work,

she pursued her passion of writing. So, she penned down a fiction novel named World Wide Web Trap which highlights the various "manipulations" by Marketing and Marketers. Given the current scenario, marketing now has access to loads of information about every individual, most of it without the person's knowledge. The novel portrays these elements in a gripping manner in the backdrop of a story.




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26th January 2017
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Fill up and send to -
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alumni@kiit.ac.in**

A movement from DARKNESS TO LIGHT



“My sister and I will appear for 10th Board Examinations. We are confident that we will come out with flying colours. Both of us want to join Indian Police Services. I am sure it is not impossible. I have seen many examples of students coming from more dismal past making it big”, said Kapuri Marndi beaming with confidence.

Kapuri Marndi born amidst crusading poverty in a remote village in Mayurbhanj District of Odisha lost her mother when she was eight and her sister, Payomani was barely a year younger and the youngest sibling was just one year old. To add to the miseries of the disheartened family, their father got married within one month of mother’s death and never returned.

“We were all alone. Being the eldest in the family, the burden of my family fell on my shoulders. The only support I had was my old grandmother.” reminisces Kapuri teary eyed.

The family hardly got two square meal a day. They survived on the meagre

income from the only asset they possessed, a cow. She started working as domestic help. The younger sister would assist her in grazing cow. The grandmother was old enough to take any burden and the brother was just an infant. The sisters could not

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continue to go to school, keeping in mind the compulsion of hunger, more urgent a need than Education.

“Our struggle was for a bowl of Pakhada (Rice soaked in water). Every night I was engulfed in the worry about food.” recollected Kapuri.

Miracles happen and they happen

when you least expect. She heard about an Institute called KISS in Bhubaneswar, that provides free education, food, clothing, health care facilities and skill empowerment from a friend from a distant relative who was moved by the pathos of the family. It gave a ray of hope to Kapuri. The desire to become stable to look after the family was enlightened. She convinced her grandmother and both the sisters came to KISS with the relative to take admission at KISS.

“I was not interested in studies that time. The only thing that attracted me towards KISS was food and a safe living. I wanted to make sure that both of us get the benefit of the benevolence of some Samaritan who has found such an institution.” recalled Kapuri most vividly.

Kapuri and Payomani took admission in the fifth standard. They regained the zest to study and make themselves independent. They saw several successful students of KISS. The students were excelling in Sports, academics and other Extra Curricular

activities. It inspired them to study well. They also enrolled the younger brother in the village school as they realised the importance of Education. They send the money they earn as a part of "Earn while you learn" policy at KISS. At KISS, the students choose a vocational trait and pursue that in non-academic hours. The produce earns them a pocket money, which is deposited in their respective bank accounts.

KISS student Saunri Hansdah clears NEET PG 2017 Examination

"I will serve my community and village by providing healthcare to all and by trying to bring my fellow men out from the clutches of superstition. I could think about it because of KISS"; said ecstatic Saunri Hansdah after clearing NEET – PG Level and soon going to specialize in Gynecology from SCB College, Cuttack, Odisha.

Born in a family, where acute poverty is written in the wall, Saunri due to her strong conviction studied in the village school for sometime. Being the second amongst the four children in the family, Saunri in all purpose had to become the bread earner of the family, because her elder brother suffers from acute arthritis. She came to KISS in 2007.

"I am extremely happy at KISS. Only when I see parents of my friends visiting, I feel a little low. But then, I smile. KISS is my father, mother and a guardian. Our mother left us when we were too young and father has not seen us ever after. Had I not been in KISS, I would have been grazing cows and Payomani as a maid. Our little brother would have worked as a menial labour in the hills. We would

have still struggled for food. KISS has guided our movement from darkness to brighter side of life" Kapuri said regaining her voice despite a choked throat.

Kapuri and Payomani walk with a gait of police and confidence of an achiever like several other tribal brethren who get bliss of KISS.



Saunri with good result in +2 Science opted to become a Doctor. From amongst thousands, she got selected to study MBBS in KIMS Medical college, a constituent of KIIT University. She has completed her MBBS from KIMS and shall be soon joining SCB Medical College, one of the best medical colleges of Odisha. Her life in KISS influenced her brother and sister to come to KISS where they are studying with a hope to shine like their sister, Saunri.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KIIT and KISS wished her good luck for

her future endeavors and her journey towards becoming a community doctor.

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Prof. Achyuta Samanta Conferred with GOPIO International Excellence Award 2017

Prof. Achyuta Samanta receiving the 7th GOPIO International Excellence Awards in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on August 5, 2017.



“ The award seeks to recognize his business successes as an ethical entrepreneur and a leader and to encourage new entrants to the competitive world of enterprises.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta has been conferred with the prestigious 7th GOPIO (Global Organization of People of Indian Origin) International Excellence Awards in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on August 5, 2017.

GOPIO is a non partisan, secular global organization engaged in promoting the well being of People of Indian Origin (PIO), enhancing the cooperation and communication between Indians living in Malaysia and in other countries.

Prof. Samanta was awarded in a grand event that was marked with glamour, glitter and grandeur. **The award seeks to recognize his business successes as an ethical entrepreneur and a leader and to encourage new entrants to the competitive world of enterprises.**

The GOPIO International Excellence Awardees are from all sectors of the PIO Community. They are the individuals who have professionally developed their passion for success in their own field. They are lions in their own field of service.

Arjunan, President of GOPIO Malaysia and Mr. Selvarajoo Sundram, the Chairman of GOPIO International.

It culminated in signing of MoU between GOPIO International and KIIT & KISS for collaboration relating to student and staff exchange programme, thereby strengthening the relationship between the two.

Past biennial GOPIO International Excellence Awards were held in 2006, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2015 to recognize Role Model PIOs both from Malaysia and Overseas.

His Excellency, T.S. Tirumurti, High Commissioner of India to Malaysia gave away the award along with Mr. A Ravinderan



Prof. Achyuta Samanta interacting with Odia diaspora in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

KIIT & KISS Founder Delivers Keynote Address at Daffodil International University, Dhaka



Prof. Achyuta Samanta with Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, DIU and other senior functionaries of the university.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS delivered keynote address as the Chief Guest in a seminar on 'Social Entrepreneurship' at Daffodil International University (DIU), Dhaka, Bangladesh on July 27, 2017. Mr. J. P. Mukharjee, First Secretary of Indian High Commission in Dhaka was present as the special guest. Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Daffodil International University presided over the seminar, which was also addressed among others by Prof. S. M. Mahabub Ul Haque Majumder, Pro Vice Chancellor, Mr. Alhaz Sufi Mizanur Rahman, Chairman, PHP Group and Mr.

Abu Taher Khan, Director, Career Development Center. A large number of Govt. officials, civil society members, journalists, business community, faculties, officials and students of DIU attended the seminar.

MoU with DISS, Bangladesh

Prof. Samanta and Mr. Md. Sabur Khan signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and Daffodil Institute of Social Science (DISS) to lay the foundation of first international branch of KISS in Dhaka. It shall be

based on the same model (fully free and fully residential) as KISS, Bhubaneswar. As a part of the MoU, KISS, India will provide strategic partnership and technical knowhow for its branch in Bangladesh.

During his visit to Bangladesh, Prof. Samanta also met Mr. Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Hon'ble Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh and discuss the scope of collaboration for strengthening the academic ties between India and Bangladesh. Mr. Shringla was encouraged by the collaboration between KISS and Daffodil International University.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta presenting a tribal art to Mr. Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Hon'ble Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh in the presence of Mr. J. P. Mukharjee, First Secretary of Indian High Commission in Dhaka and Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, DIU.

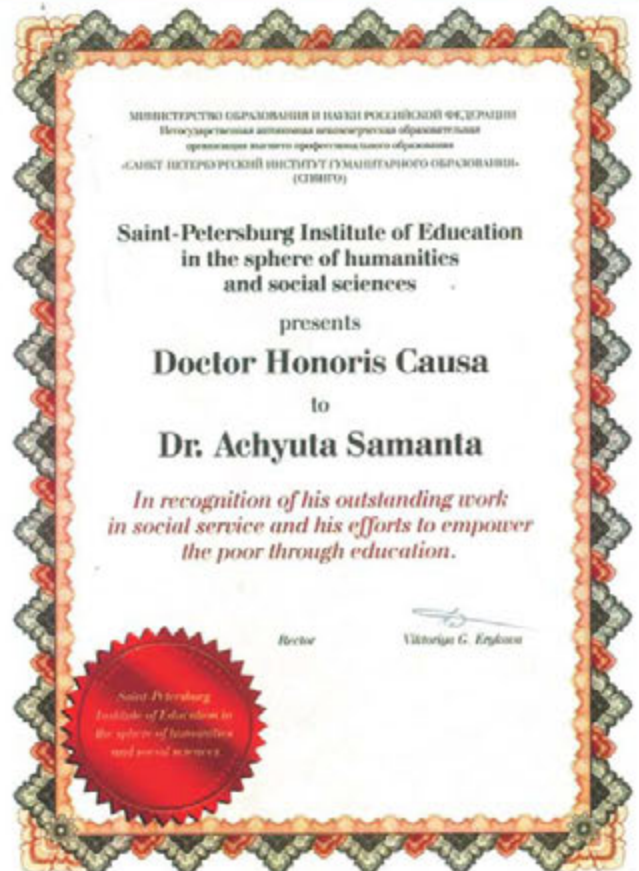


Prof. Achyuta Samanta exchanging MoU with Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, DIU.

Russian Varsity Confers Hon. Doctorate Degree on Prof. Samanta

Renowned educationist & social worker and Founder of KIIT & KISS, Prof. Achyuta Samanta got yet another honorary doctorate degree for outstanding work in social service and education. Saint-Petersburg Institute of Education in the Sphere of Humanities and Social Sciences, Russia recently conferred Doctor Honoris Causa degree on him in recognition of his outstanding work in social service and his efforts to empower the poor through education.

With this, Prof. Samanta, who is also a member of many national and international bodies, has got more than 34 Honorary Doctorates from different prestigious universities of the world. He is also a recipient of innumerable awards.



MoU with 'Banchte Sekha' for KISS Branch in Bangladesh

An international branch of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), an iconic model of empowerment through education, will be established in Jessore, Bangladesh from 2018 - 19 academic session. A memorandum of understanding was signed between Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS and Ramon Magsaysay laureate Ms. Angela Gomes, Founder & Executive Director, Banchte Shekha to set up the residential school on the lines of KISS. The school will be exclusively for 350 poor girl children of Bangladesh and teach from Class I through Class XII to begin with.

Banchte Shekha, a leading NGO in Bangladesh since 1976 working to improve the socio-economic condition of women and children, will provide land for school building, hostel and other facilities, as per the provisions of the agreement. KISS Foundation will provide financial support and expertise to run the school. KISS is the largest residential tribal institute in the world providing free education from KG to PG to 35,000 underprivileged children (25,000 existing and 10,000 graduated). It is acclaimed globally as a replicable model of empowerment through education.

Ms. Angela Gomes, who won the Magsaysay Award in 1999 for community leadership, shares a close tie with KISS. After her several visits to the institute and discussions with Prof. Samanta, she had expressed interest to set up a similar school in Jessore with his support.



MARCHING AHEAD TO THE VILLAGES

By Prof. Achyuta Samanta

The borderless and boundary-less world is shrinking into a global village. India, a developing country in the course of seventy years of Independence also adapted to the International phenomenon of Globalization and Internationalization. This brings a stark contrast between India, one which adheres and strengthens International norms and Bharat that lies in the villages.

The marriage of Global and local was most ably done by one University in Odisha, India in its small attempt to bridge between India and Bharat. KIIT University has a distinction being the first University in India that has promoted the concept of Model Village to contribute to Rural Development as early as 2000, just after three years of its inception as a University.

KIIT University transformed an obscure village in Odisha from negligence to the position of prominence. **I was raised with my seven siblings in Kalarabanka, a remote village in Cuttack district of Odisha in abject poverty after the death of my father.** My mother, Late Smt. Neelima Rani Samanta had a herculean task to raise her young children all by herself. We have studied in the village school, accompanied her to collect wild spinach and drank gruel of husked broken rice. **It was her strong hope and determination that all her children could be well-placed in the society, despite facing hardships one can't even imagine. Her inspiration made me the medium to create Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences. It was her dream to work for her village that provided me a driving force to bring city amenities to the village, after achieving tremendous success for both the institutions, which have become the pride of the world.**

My mother's continuous insistence made me develop a Kalarabanka with the help of KIIT and its well-wishers. The school primary school was transformed into Residential High School and residential English Medium School. 15 Temples, Community Halls, Post Office, Police outpost, connecting roads, Nationalized banks with ATMs and locker facilities, drinking water, streetlights were installed to bring city comforts to the village. With the help of KIIT University, the village got Wi-Fi, a 100 bedded dispensary, a knowledge center and Self-help groups for women to get sustenance and providing employment to more than 1000 people.

In 2006, the then Governor of Odisha, Late Rameshwar Thakur inaugurated and declared it as

Model Village. The journey did not stop there. After making Kalarabanka as a model village, the entire gram Panchayat of Manpur, in Cuttack district of Odisha, consisting of 6 villages has been made the model Panchayat by extending common facilities and amenities. This is the first Panchayat in the country to be developed as a model Panchayat. **In 2016, the model village was transformed into smart village - fully WiFi, Eco Friendly and Solar.** Amenities surpass the facilities in the modern-day city. Digital Literacy, sanitation, solid and liquid waste management, upgraded health and school infrastructure, public transport have been the cardinal features of the village.

If KIIT transformed an obscure village to model and smart village, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, a home for 30000 indigenous children who are provided fully free education from Kindergarten to Post Graduation championed the cause of "Move to the villages" campaign with the slogan "New Mind, new dreams".

It is a unique initiative to impact the tribal people. The students, staff and teachers of KIIT and KISS travel to the villages during the summer vacation of all the 30 districts of Odisha to engage in plantation and adult education drive. They motivate the children to join Schools through life skill Education. Besides, these programs, they engage in Swachh Bharat Abhiyan initiative to clean the villages. This way they interact with the guardians and the community in the rural pockets. Thus, it seeks to fulfill the objective of reaching the unreached.

Another milestone for giving importance to villages is to make them dynamic and comfortable enough to attract people. Kalarabanka leads the way, as the 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship was organized there. 150 chess players from 30 cities across India participated in the championship. Many sports and extracurricular events are scheduled to be held at Kalarabanka to give a different experience of a real smart village.

Villages have to be smart to make cities smarter. Development should have soul of the village and facilities of an urban city. By moving people and businesses to smart villages, revenues, resources and job opportunities will increase in rural India and cities can decongest. The RURBAN mission which has become the buzzword now was initiated by KIIT and KISS almost a decade and a half ago, as a passion of a selfless individual who has learned to give back to the society and always wanted to act as a medium of achieving good for the community and society at large.

KiiT International School - A Unique Initiative in School Education

By *Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS*

KiiT International School, a unique initiative in school education, was born in 2007 out of my passion to find an institution of international standard in the state of Odisha. When KIIT was 10 years old, I visited various places across India. I felt there was no school of international standard in Odisha, even though the State had made much progress in educational and industrial sectors during last 10 to 15 years. There was a need for an international standard public school. I wanted not only to set up such school, but also to ensure that its quality and standard is maintained.

To think of a global school at par with the international standard was itself a challenge, but it started with some courage and conviction and today, the school stands at equal footing with the existing great institutions of India. **While the sprawling lush green campus, the architecture and the infrastructure can be compared to any luxurious star hotel, the education and training imparted here are no less than the best public schools of India. Indeed, teaching-learning process here is comparable to British schools, quality of teachers is as**

good as Doon School and educational ambiance and discipline are comparable to Lawrence School of Ooty.

The international character of the school is clearly visible, for many students from nearly 20 countries clamour to have admission here. It is the only institution in this part of the world to have been affiliated to three recognized Boards like IB World Board, IGCSE by Cambridge and CBSE. The students have the choice to opt for any of these boards, the students and their guardians have all pleasures for the care taken in this school. From 7 O'clock in the morning till the 7 O'clock in the evening, the students remain attached to the teachers who not only give education but also take care of them.

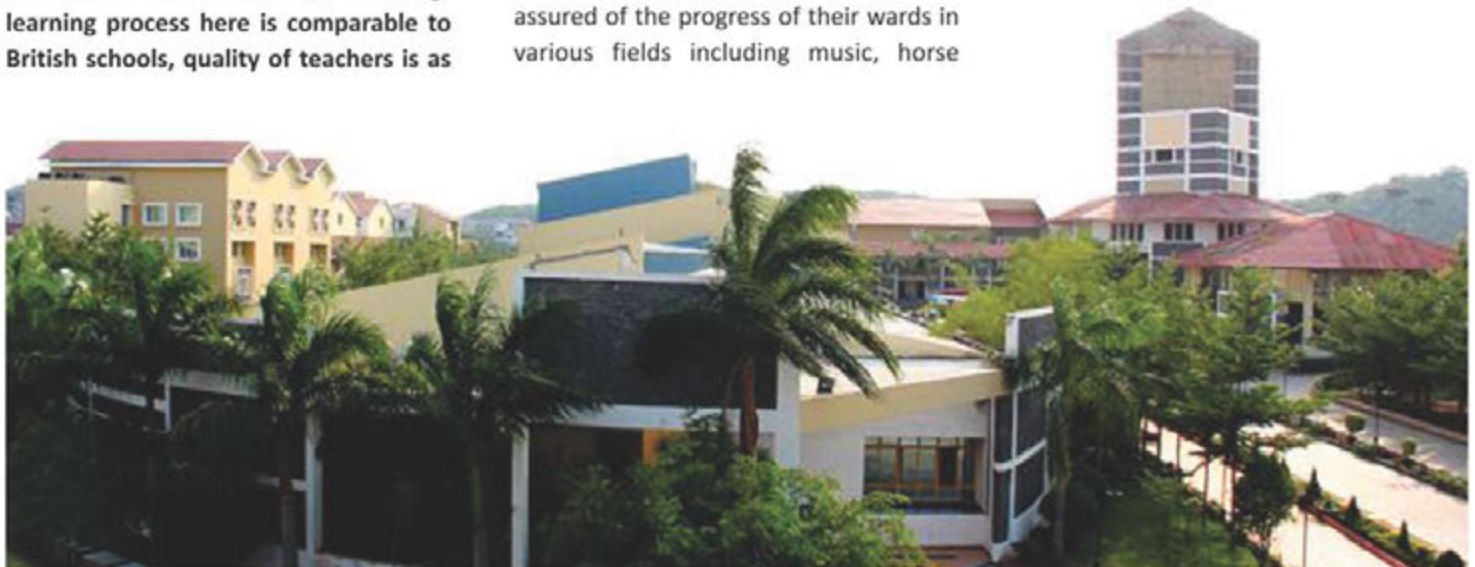
The unique feature of the school is perhaps the provision of both residential and day boarding facilities. During the hours when the students stay in the school, they are trained in various games and sports, dance, music, etc. The parents and the guardians who leave their children in KiiT international school are assured of the progress of their wards in various fields including music, horse



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Founder, KIIT & KISS

riding, painting, etc. The school has appointed trained coach for every trade to nurture the talent of the students.

The noted novelist Padma Bhusan Ruskin Bond, recognised for his role in the growth of children's literature in India, is the Brand Ambassador of KiiT International School. As an advisor to the school he has been encouraging and helping in the growth of the literary talent of the students studying in the school.



The English Monthly 'Kloud 9' published from the school stands testimony to the creative ideas of the children guided by the Chief Editor Ruskin Bond. The students of the School get the unique opportunity of interacting with reputed literary figures of India and abroad during the Annual Children Literary Festival organized here.

Every year the school organizes International KiiT Model United Nations (MUN), through which the students acquire knowledge about matters of national and international importance, both political and social. In both the festivals students of KiiT International School get the scopes to mingle with students from various institutions of India coming to attend those.

It's a matter of great satisfaction that, KiiT international school not only has held its standard, but also forging ahead because of the efforts of its Chairperson, Principal, teachers and the employees. I have visited more than 50 countries, but never ever I found a principal as dedicated as the one in KiiT International School. He works for more than 16 hours in the school and interacts with every student to know his/her problems both academic



and personal, in order to find solutions to that. The teacher-student ratio in the school is 1:8, which is unique itself.

It is because of the care taken, the KiiT International School has been recognized as one of the best institution of the country. Besides, KiiT International School has received awards and accolades from various corners. NDTV Education Award, Quality School Governance Award from NABET and QCI are cases in point. Besides, it has been placed among the 20 best international schools of India by 'Education World', the largest selling English periodical on education and A+++ by Pioneer, the most popular English daily. By the specialized training given to the students here in the school lot of students

get selected to study in Medical, Engineering and Management in various IITs, NITs, IIMs and other institutions. Baishali Mohanty, a student from this school is now in Oxford as ALC Global Fellow, while Roshan Mohanty in Kings George College and many others are now studying in University of British Columbia.

To sum up it can be said, KiiT international school synergizes formal education, games and sports with moral and ethical value based education. It is the moral education which would help the students to develop their personality and in KiiT International School the students are imbued with the socio cultural and moral values.



Students singing the school anthem.

11th Foundation Day of KiiT International School



(From L) Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS, Mr. Faizan Sheikh, India's youngest leading motivational speaker, Achyuta Samanta and Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal, KiiT International School at the 11th Foundation Day celebration.

Mohd. Faizan Sheikh, India's youngest leading motivational speaker delivered the 11th Foundation Day lecture on self confidence at KiiT International School on July 2, 2017. "Four things are very important in everyone's life to excel. The four things are: Energy, self- confidence, happiness and good health", he said. Addressing the students of the school, he said, one should have sufficient energy and self-confidence to achieve the highest level of success in one's life.



India's youngest leading motivational speaker Mr. Faizan Sheikh addressing the students.

Addressing the gathering, Achyuta Samanta said, while the sprawling lush green campus, the architecture and the infrastructure of KiiT International School can be compared to any luxurious star hotel, the education and training imparted here are no less than the best public schools of India. Teaching- learning process in this School is comparable to British schools, quality of teachers is as good as Doon School and educational ambiance and discipline are comparable to Lawrence School of Ooty, he stated. Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS advised student to be good

in life, while Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson of the school gave welcome address. Dr. Sanjay Suar, Principal read the report of the school. Student Cabinet of the School for the year 2017 took oath, while students excelling in different fields were awarded on the occasion.

mb every mountain. Scale every peak. Look back only to take stock of your journey.



Leaders of various houses at the 11th Foundation Day celebration.

KiiT International School Model United Nations



Mrs. Nandita Mishra, Teacher Coordinator, KiiT-IS MUN, Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS, Achyuta Samanta and Mr. Sanjay Suar, Principal at the opening ceremony of KiiT International School Model United Nations (KiiT-IS MUN).

With 400 delegates from 28 different schools all across India, the 6th edition of the Odisha's most coveted KiiT International School Model United Nations Conference (KiiT-IS MUN) was inaugurated by Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS and Achyuta Samanta on August 11, 2017.

Inaugurating the conference, Samanta welcomed the bright students of KIIT, KISS as well as the participants from other institutions. He addressed about the dire state of instability and conflict that loom large over nations and the significance of deliberation to make the world a better place to live. He reminded the students about the consequences of wars throughout history and mentioned how healthy relationships and fair diplomacy can avoid conflicts around the world. Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School introduced Sustainable Development Goal 4: Inclusive and Quality Education as the theme of the conference expounding on the necessity of quality education to build a truly democratic society. Her deliberation was followed by some words of encouragement by Smt. Saswati Bal.

The Secretary-General of the conference, Vaivab Das opined on how no world treaties, conventions or charters can bring in peace which an open mind can, following which he declared the conference open. The Teacher Coordinator for the MUN, Mrs. Nandita Mishra appealed to the students to make the most of the opportunity and asked the delegates to focus on quality debates and resolutions with integrity and passion. Principal of KiiT International School, Mr. Sanjay Suar thanked the dignitaries on dais for their support and encouragement. He expressed his gratitude to the Executive Body members and the Organizing Committee for their tireless efforts to make the MUN a success. He encouraged the delegates to give their best to make the MUN memorable and worthwhile.



Student-delegates participating in a session.



Stand-up comedian Mr. Kanan Gill performing live.



More than 400 student-delegates from all parts of the country participated.

Perfect Result by KiiT International School in IGCSE Exam *90% students pass with highest grade*

Setting a new record, 90% of the students from KiiT International School (KiiT-IS), Bhubaneswar achieved the highest grade and passed with distinction in the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) examination. On August 10, 2017, KiiT International School celebrated the phenomenal success of all its pupils who have been pursuing the IGCSE, the most popular international curriculum today.

Among 10,000 schools across 160 countries, KiiT International School stands out as the only school in Odisha which offers Cambridge qualifications to students with high ambition and great potential. Every year, the school provides a foundation to IGCSE students so that they are able to go on to pursue the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) and consistently stand a better chance of entering the Ivy League universities around the world.

Expressing satisfaction over the achievement, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS said, high standard of teaching-learning process and focus on value education have contributed to the



phenomenal success of the school's students. He thanked Chairperson of the School, Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Principal, Dr. Sanjay Suar and students of KiiT international School,

KiiT International School has been recognized as one of the best institution of the country due to its student-focused policy. It has been receiving awards and accolades from various corners. NDTV Education Award, Quality School Governance Award from NABET and QCI are cases in point. Besides, it has been placed among the 20 best international schools of India by 'Education World', the

largest selling English periodical on education and A+++ by Pioneer, the most popular English daily. **Many students of KiiT International School get selected to study Medical, Engineering and Management in various IITs, NITs, IIMs and other institutions due to the specialized training given to the students.** Baishali Mohanty, a student from this school, is now in Oxford as ALC Global Fellow, while Roshan Mohanty in Kings George College and many others are studying in University of British Columbia.

TATA Strive to Impart Skill Training to KISS Students

In a significant development that can be considered as a milestone en-route KIIT Skill Initiative, TATA Strive has signed memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on August 2, 2017 to impart skill training to 2900 KISS students during the year 2017, as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility. In the context, Ms. Anita Rajan, C.O.O. of TATA Strive expressed her pleasure on being connected with KIIT Group of Institutions. On this occasion, Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS, Dr. P. K. Routray, C.E.O., KISS; Shri Suryakanta Mohanty, C.O.O., KISS and Dr. Mihir Ranjan Nayak, Director, Planning & Skill Development,



Ms. Anita Rajan, COO of TATA Strive with the senior functionaries of KISS and KIIT University during the MoU Signing Ceremony.

KIIT University were present among others. Tata STRIVE, an initiative of Tata Community Initiatives Trust, and the first Group CSR programme, addresses the

pressing need of skilling India's youth for employment, entrepreneurship and community enterprise.



BIRAC 3rd BIG Conclave



BIRAC 3rd BIG Conclave was organized by KIIT School of Biotechnology in partnership with KIIT-TBI on August 4 – 5, 2017. The focus of 3rd BIG Conclave has been peer to peer knowledge sharing, interaction with experts and other networking opportunities in creating the innovation ecosystem. The Conclave was

inaugurated by Dr. Renu Swarup, Senior Advisor, Scientist H, Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India and Managing Director, BIRAC on August 4. Shri Subrato Bagchi, Chairman, Odisha Skill Development Authority delivered a plenary talk. Biotechnology Ignition Grant (BIG) is a flagship early stage

funding scheme of BIRAC. It is perhaps India's largest early stage funding with 50-60 startups being funded each year. BIRAC organizes a BIG Conclave every year that serves as a platform for interaction of the innovators with technical and business mentors as well as amongst themselves.

22 Senior IAS Officers Visit KIIT & KISS

Belonging to the 119th Batch of Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, 22 Senior IAS Officers visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on August 2, 2017. The elite officers were delighted to have a glance of the exquisite beauty of KISS and its uniqueness in many respects. They heartily appreciated the unparalleled philanthropic work of Achyuta Samanta in empowering thousands of underprivileged children through provision of free and holistic education.



KIIT Faculty's Paper Features in Prestigious Journal



A research paper by **Dr. Tapas Ranjan Sahoo**, Assistant Professor, Chemistry, School of Applied Sciences, KIIT University featured in the prestigious journal 'Applied Catalysis B: Environmental' having Impact Factor-9.446. The paper titled 'Pure and Fe-doped CeO₂ nanoparticles obtained by microwave-assisted combustion synthesis: Physico-chemical properties ruling their catalytic activities towards, CO oxidation and soot combustion' appeared in the issue number '211 (2017), pp 31-45' of 'Applied Catalysis B: Environmental', which is one of the best journals of international repute in Catalytic elimination of environmental pollutants, from the Elsevier. It highlights the joint research results from School of Applied Sciences, KIIT University and Politecnico di Torino, Italy. Dr. Sahoo is the main author of this paper with Dr. Marco Armandi, Dr. Barbara Bonelli and others. He has three other international publications this year in Current Environmental Engineering, IOP Conf. Series: Materials Science and Engineering, American Institute of Physics Conf. Proc. and a book chapter by Springer, to his credit. Dr. Sahoo, was selected by Erasmus Mundus Fellowship, with European Commission funding, for advanced postdoctoral research at Politecnico di Torino, Italy in 2014 – 15. Earlier, he was also invited as Visiting Professor to Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Indore, to take a series of sessions on the course "Introductory Chemistry".

KIIT-TBI researchers develop anti-cancer drug from turmeric

A group of scientists working in KIIT Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI) have developed a medicine from turmeric which is beneficial for many diseases, including cancer. Produced from nano curcumin, it can be used as anti-cancer, anti-TB and anti-malaria medicine. Lead researcher, Prof. Santosh Kumar Kar of KIIT University said, though the medicine has not been applied on humans, it worked wonder on animals, including rats and dogs. "Turmeric (Haldi) has been traditionally used in our food for centuries not only because it spices up our curries but because curcumin, the bioactive polyphenolic compound, provides some therapeutic benefits. Researches show that curcumin is not only non-toxic, it can give us relief from pain and help in wound healing, reduce inflammation and tissue damage," he claimed. As curcumin is very poorly soluble in water and whatever people eat in food goes into blood and shows very little effect, the scientists converted into a bio-available form and developed the nanotised form of pure curcumin to be taken orally for its therapeutic effectiveness. According to the researchers, the nano curcumin showed

about five times better bio-availability than the natural curcumin. Its therapeutic efficacy has been tested in mice for various human disease conditions like malaria, cancer and tuberculosis. "The bio-available curcumin, when fed to mice infected with the rodent malaria parasite Plasmodium yoelii, the untreated mice died in a few days while the nano curcumin fed mice controlled the infection and survived," Prof. Kar said.

Encouraged by the observation, the nano curcumin was tested in a mouse model of breast cancer in collaboration with Prof. Gaurisankar Sa of Bose Institute at Kolkata. It was found to modulate T regulatory cell responses and was effective in controlling tumour growth in the mouse. Prof. Gobardhan Das of Centre of Molecular Medicine in Jawaharlal Nehru University at New Delhi, who researched on a mouse affected with TB, said the use of nano curcumin in the mouse along with isoniasid not only reduced the time for cure by 50 per cent but the liver at the end of treatment remains intact, the mycobacteria does not show much latency and the immune system of the mice remains intact. A



Prof. Santosh Kumar Kar
Professor, School of Biotechnology
KIIT University

similar research done under their supervision at the Department of Veterinary Surgery and Radiology, College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, OUAT by a team, led by Prof Jayakrishna Das, also showed remarkable effect on healing of critical wounds of dogs. Prof. Kar said efforts are on to apply it on humans and introduce in the market as a food supplement if not possible as medicine immediately since it involves various administrative works.

Regional Conclave of Bank of India at KIIT



Mr. Dinabandhu Mohapatra, MD and CEO, Bank of India, Mr. Atanu Kumar Das, Executive Director and other senior officials at The Bank of India (BOI) Regional Conclave in KIIT University.

The Bank of India (BOI) organized a unique regional conclave for Area Managers, Client Relationship Executives and Prime Branch Heads of Odisha, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh at KIIT University recently. Mr. Dinabandhu Mohapatra, MD and CEO, Bank of India and Mr. Atanu Kumar Das, Executive Director addressed the conclave. Speaking at the conclave, Shri Mohapatra expressed his utmost

satisfaction with KIIT University and complemented the academicians undertaking research work in different dimensions which will be a leading factor in the field of education in the state. He complemented all the faculty, staff and above all the dedication and sacrifice of Prof. Achyuta Samanata, Founder, KIIT & KISS. "He is the heart and soul of this great institution", he remarked, while offering

his good wishes for overall growth of the University. He assured to provide all possible support to the institution for its future mission. Mr. Mohapatra is the second Odia officer to head a public sector bank in 100 years. He is the creator of two new concepts like "Ghar Ghar Dastak" and "Mission Samadhan". Mr. Das also hails from Odisha.

KIIT-TBI, 99 Leap Organize Hackathon and Start-up Pitch in Ranchi

KIIT Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI) under KIIT University in partnership with 99 LEAP organized a Hackathon and Startup Pitch under the aegis of their Social Incubation Program – INVENT, a joint initiative of the Department for International Development (DFID), UK and Technology Development Board (TDB), Department of Science and Technology (DST) supported by Villgro, in Ranchi on July 8 – 9, 2017. More than 70 enterprising participants chipped in in the programme, named Sociovation 2.0, which sought to identify solutions to the problem through intense brainstorming (hackathon) and discover social impact ideas with sustainable model through startup pitches.

The Director of IT, Govt. of Jharkhand, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The jury comprising eminent academicians from XLRI and IIM Ranchi as well as representatives from Angel Investors heard the pitches. Winners of the start-up pitch were awarded with cash prizes of Rs. 50,000/-, Rs. 25,000/- and Rs. 10,000/- respectively. Representatives



from different industry bodies, Govt. Departments, important leaders of Jharkhand, early stage entrepreneurs, academicians and policy framers were seen mingling with the participants. KIIT set up KIIT-TBI in 2008 to promote innovation and startup entrepreneurship among students as well as in wider society. One of its kind initiative in Odisha and among only 60-odd in the country, KIIT-TBI is supported by Department of Science & Technology (DST), National

Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB), and scores of other agencies. It has so far incubated over 37 business entities out of which eight have graduated out to set up full-scale commercial enterprises. KIIT-TBI's formal entry in Jharkhand envisages a commitment to provide a strong ecosystem for those impact ideas realizing into value proposition through its different incubation programs.

Voice of Biotechnology Competition

Voice of Biotechnology Eastern Zone competition was conducted by Novozyme at KIIT University on August 11, 2017. Ms. Atrayee Chatterjee of the School of Biotechnology, KIIT University won the competition, while Ms. Abantika Sharma from Bengal Institute of Technology and

Mr. Swapnil Gupta from AMITY University, Kolkata were the 1st and 2nd runners-up respectively. Total 16 institutions of East Zone participated. All of them received cash prizes and six months paid internship at Novozyme Bangalore. Seven member delegation of Novozyme headed by Mr.

Krishnan, Regional President visited with Mr. Suresh Narayanan, COO of ABLE India. Dr. Amrita Mishra, Mr. Prabir Kumar and Mr. Ajay Satpathy of KIIT School of Biotechnology coordinated the event. The national-level final competition will be held in Bengaluru.



The winners of the competition: Mr. Swapnil Gupta, Ms. Atrayee Chatterjee and Ms. Abantika Sharma.



Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS hoisting the National Flag.

Independence Day Celebrated

The 71st Independence Day was celebrated in KIIT University and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) with patriotic fervour. Prof. Sudarshan Nanda, Vice Chancellor (In-charge), KIIT University hoisted the National Flag in KIIT, while Dr. B. N. Nanda, Senior Economic Adviser, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India was the Chief Guest at the function in KISS. Addressing the gathering, he remembered the role of great tribal freedom fighters from Odisha, like Birsa Munda and Laxman Nayak. Everybody should cooperate and support in the development of our country, he added. "You should respect your parents,

teachers and elders and you should develop a sacrificing mentality", he advised the students. Smt. Saswati Bal,

President, KIIT & KISS and Achyuta Samanta also greeted the students on the occasion.



Dr. B. N. Nanda, Senior Economic Adviser, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India participating in the festivity at KISS.





Senior officials of Rugby Asia, Rugby India and 'Get into Rugby' attended the Independence Day celebration.



Achyuta Samanta distributing sweets to the students.



Students presenting march past.



Students performed colourful cultural programme.



First Cochlear Implant Surgery Done Successfully at KIMS

Cochlear Implant Surgery was done at Department of ENT, KIMS on a 3 years old girl child on 31st July 2017. In fact, the child was deaf and dumb since her birth. The patient was shown to Prof. (Dr.) Kabikanta Samantaray by 'Neoteric Well Being', a hearing consulting organization of Bhubaneswar.

The patient was evaluated and diagnosed to have severe degree of sensory neural hearing loss. It was decided to put Cochlear Implant in one ear of the patient which would stimulate the auditory nerve to improve hearing.

The surgery was done by a team of Doctors of the Department of ENT, KIMS and Dr. A. K. Lahiri, Senior Consultant, from Sir Gangaram Hospital, New Delhi. Post surgery period, the child is doing well. This rare surgery has been done at KIMS for the first time, while Anaesthesia was given by Dr. Aditya Ranjan Das, Associate Professor of KIMS.

According to Professor (Dr.) K. K. Samantaray, Cochlear Implant is costly and if it can be procured the surgery can be done at KIMS, Bhubaneswar with an affordable cost.

Dr. P. K. Patnaik Medical Superintendent, PBM Hospital (KIMS) congratulated Prof. & HOD, Dr. R. N. Biswal, Prof (Dr.) K. K. Samantaray, the ENT Team and all ENT OT staffs of KIMS for this rare achievement. He also thanked Dr. A. K. Lahiri for his technical expertise and support.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder KIIT & KISS, congratulated to All Doctors of the Department of ENT, KIMS for this rare achievement and their continuous effort to serve the people of Odisha at an affordable cost.

Oral Hygiene Day

Oral Hygiene Day was observed by Department of Periodontology and Oral Implantology, KIDS, KIIT University on August 1, 2017. The function was graced by eminent social activist Shri Sujit Mahapatra from Bakul Foundation and the Director and Principal of KIDS. The Oral Hygiene Day was celebrated by conducting dental quiz, scientific presentation by Dr. Dharendra K. Singh and essay competition along with visit to Bakul Foundation, Satyanagar with the whole team for spreading oral hygiene awareness by distributing oral hygiene aids among the school students. The organizing team consisted of Dr. Md. Jalaluddin, Dr. Dharendra K Singh, Dr. Ipsita Jayanti and other faculties, postgraduate students and interns from Dept. of Periodontology and Oral Implantology, KIDS.



Central Monitoring System Installed in Main ICU

An advanced Central Monitoring System has been installed at Main ICU located on the 5th Floor of Main Building of KIMS. All the 32 beds (Neuro ICU with Main ICU) have been configured and connected to this monitoring server located near the Nursing Station.

There will be 24X7 monitoring and recording of patient data and trends on this device. Trends will be auto saved for 240 hours (10 days) for each monitor.



KIMS Heart Centre Gets Premium Performance Compact Ultrasound (ECHO) Machine

Premium Performance Compact Ultrasound (ECHO) Machine (Philips CX50 x Matrix) was installed at KIMS Heart Centre (Department of Cardiology). This advanced machine will further enhance the diagnostic excellence of the Centre.

Benefits

- Ready for a variety of environments – bedside, CCU, NICU & anywhere portable premium performance is needed.
- Designed specifically for diagnostic, interventional, surgical and paediatric echocardiography applications.
- Adult Echo and Live x Plane Clinical options
- Tissue specific imaging software for adult cardiac ultrasound applications.
- ISCAN intelligent one-button optimization for adaptive gain compensation in 2D, Doppler, Tissue Doppler Imaging and LVO contrast functions.
- Incorporates neonatal and paediatric echo imaging presets for S12-4 and S8-3 paediatric TTE transducers, as well as paediatric presets for S5-1 TTE and X7-2t TEE.
- Provides default protocols for 2, 3 and 4 stage pharmacological, customizable protocols up to 8 stages, 8 views and options for single, quad and multi cycle acquisition.
- When used in conjunction with L12-3 or L12-5/50 linear transducers, Needle Visualization utilizes advanced electronic beam-steering technology to enhance viewing of the needle to assist the user in guiding the needle to the target anatomy.
- Next-generation capability providing true volume rendered Live 3D, Live x Plane and multi plane 2D imaging using Compact X7-2t x MATRIX TEE transducer. Includes 3D ISCAN to enhance 3D imaging.
- Includes Cardiac Motion / Mechanics Quantification (CMQ), Strain Quantification (SQ), Region of Interest (ROI) and Intimae Media Thickness (IMT) Plug ins.
- The Mitral Valve Navigator uses Anatomic Intelligence and is designed to take a Live 3D volume of the Mitral Valve and turning it into an easy to interpret model in 6 guided steps—providing access to a comprehensive list of MV measurements and calculations.



Successful Implantation of CRT-D at KIMS

Successful implantation of CRT-D (cardiac resynchronization therapy with internal defibrillator) in case of severe LV dysfunction (EF=25%) and recurrent VT was done at KIMS on July 12, 2017. This is for the first time such procedure was done at KIMS.

For the first time in the country

National level Chess brought to a village!



Shri Prafulla Samal, Hon'ble Minister, Women and Child Development, Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, and MSME, Govt. of Odisha and other dignitaries at the inaugural ceremony of 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship at Kalarabank Smart Village on August 6, 2017.

For the first time in the country, a national level chess tournament was played in a rural area. The 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship was inaugurated at Smart Village Kalarabanka on August 6, 2017. This tournament was jointly organized by KIIT University and Jagatsinghpur district Chess Association. Shri Prafulla Samal, Hon'ble Minister, Women and Child Development, Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, and MSME, Govt. of Odisha; Dr. B. N. Nanda, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and senior most Economic Advisor, Govt of India; Ms. Yamini Sarangi, Collector and District Magistrate, Jagatsinghpur; Mr. Sekhar Ch. Sahoo, President, AOCA; Mr. K. K. Sharma, Honorary Secretary, AOCA; Mr. Antaryami Samanta, President NMCT, Kalarabank and Achyuta Samanta joined the inaugural ceremony.

Such kind of National level Chess tournament held in a village for the first time is pride for Jagatsinghpur district and Odisha, opined the guests. As many as 32 cities teams including Odisha, Haryana, West Bengal, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Telangana participated in the tournament. More than 150 chess players including chess stars of Odisha Swanshu Mishra, Aparajita Gochhikar, Saina Salonika and Kiran Manisha Mohanty participated. The tournament was played in 7 rounds. Through this tournament 4 best teams were selected for the Asian Cities Chess Championship to be held at KIIT from 26th August to 1st September 2017.



Dr. B. N. Nanda, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and senior most Economic Advisor, Govt. of India; Ms. Yamini Sarangi, Collector and District Magistrate, Jagatsinghpur, Achyuta Samanta and other dignitaries at the inaugural ceremony.



A game in progress.

National Cities Chess Championship: KIIT Team Steals Show



Dignitaries at the closing ceremony of 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship at Kalarabank Smart Village on August 9, 2017.

With a fantastic display of brilliant imagination and flawless calculation, the Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) team won the 18th National Cities Chess Championship Title, which concluded at Smart Village Kalarabank in Odisha on August 9, 2017. The tournament was jointly organised by the KIIT University and Jagatsinghpur District Chess Association. It is for the first time in the country that a national level chess event was held in a rural area.

Puri Senior (Odisha), Kolkata-2 and KISS (Odisha) secured second, third and fourth positions respectively in the tournament. The champion team got the trophy and a cash prize of Rs 25,000, while the runners up team received a trophy and Rs. 15,000, the third placed team got Rs. 10,000 and the fourth Rs.5,000. All these four teams automatically qualified for the Asian Cities Chess Championship, which will be held at KIIT campus in Bhubaneswar from August 26 to September 1, 2017.

Total of 32 National City Teams consisting of over 200 players from various states, including Odisha, Haryana, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana, participated. Saina Sonalika, Kiran Manisha



Mohanty, Swanshu Mishra, Sekhar Sahu and Utkal Ranjan Sahu represented the champion KIIT team. Shri Ananta Das, Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha, Shri Chandra Sarathi Behera, Hon'ble Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs, Achyuta Samanta, Brigadier L. C. Patnaik, Member, OPSC, Mr. Sekhar Sahu, Odisha Chess Association President and other dignitaries were present at the valedictory function and distributed prize to the winners. Mr. Antaryami Samanta, President, NMCT presided over the valedictory function.



KIIT Team with the champion's trophy.



Players, officials and guests at the closing ceremony.

National Rugby Sevens Championships Odisha eves emerge champion

Completing a hat-trick, Odisha women's team emerged champion in the Senior National Rugby Sevens Championships after beating West Bengal 15-5 in the final in Patna on August 13, 2017. Total eight players in the 12 member Odisha team are Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) students: Bhagalaxmi Barik, Meerarani Hembram, Hupi Majhi,



Moment of pride and glory -
KISS girls showing the champion's trophy to Achyuta Samanta.

Sanjukta Munda, Sumitra Naik, Basanti Pangi, Manjulata Pradhan and Rajani Sabar. Odisha dominated the match completely. Earlier, in the first semi-final Odisha had thrashed Bihar 26-0. They have again made the institute and State proud with their unstoppable energy, said Achyuta Samanta, congratulating the Odisha team for the victory.



Mr. Ridzal Saat, Rugby Service Manager, Asia, Mr. Benjamin Van Rooyen, Get into Rugby Coordinator, Mr. Saurav Chatterjee, Treasurer, Rugby India, Mr. Aga Hussain, Vice President Rugby India and Rugby Asia and Mr. Mahesh Mathius, Secretary General, Rugby India with Dr. B. N. Nanda, Senior Economic Advisor, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India and Achyuta Samanta at the Independence Day Celebration at KISS on August 15, 2017.

KIIT officials, athlete represent India in World University Games

For the first time in history, two officials and one athlete from Odisha represented the country in World University Games held in Taipei from August 19 – 30, 2017 and they all belong to KIIT University. Dr. Gaganendu Dash, Director-Sports of KIIT officiated as Manager of Indian Archery Contingent, while Mr. Rajesh Hasdak was the coach. Olympian and student of KIIT School of Law, Ms. Dutee Chand participated as an athlete. Indian Team participated in the games like Archery, Athletics, Weightlifting, Judo, Badminton. World University Games is a prestigious and biggest sports event, next only to Olympics, in which 126 countries and 11,000 athletes and officials participated.



Ms Binu Sahu and Ms Gitanjali Bhuyan from KISS have been selected to represent India in the Asian Baseball Championship at Hong Kong from September 2 to 7, 2017.

World Athletics Meet: Two KISS Girls in Indian Contingent

Dutee Chand and Jauna Murmu, sprinters from Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), were among 25 Indian athletes who took part in the World Athletics Meet in London from August 4 - 14, 2017. Dutee competed in 100 metre, 200 metre and 100X4 relay race, while Jauna took part in the women's 400 metre hurdles in the Championships. Both Dutee and Jauna had won medals in the recently concluded 22nd Asian Athletics Championships in Bhubaneswar.

Three KISS Girls In National Rugby Team

Keeping with the trend of women sportspersons bringing laurels for Odisha, three girls from Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) represented the country at the Asia Under 20 Girls Rugby 7s tournament held at King's Park in Hong Kong from August 4 – 5, 2017.

The KISS girls selected for the tournament were Basanti Pangi, Manjulata Pradhan and Rajani Sabar – all pursuing their graduation courses. The selected trio also participated in the recently concluded Paris World Games (PWG) Rugby 7s 2017 event.





Panorama



Achyuta Samanta felicitating student coordinators from various student societies of KIIT University on August 7, 2017. Over 25 student societies are functioning in KIIT for all round development of students.



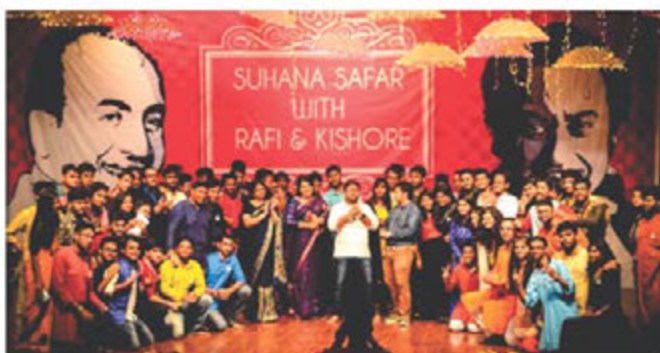
Achyuta Samanta presenting a tribal art to Shri Nikhilesh Chandra Giri, Deputy High Commissioner of India to Malaysia during his visit to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on August 5, 2017. He also interacted with Odisa diaspora in Malaysia.



Medal Haul by KISS Students: KISS students have won 58 medals (Gold - 17, Silver- 12, Bronze- 29) in the State Judo Championship 2017-18 held at Sambalpur, Odisha. KISS was also awarded as Champion in Sub Junior and CADET category.



Rourkela Steel Plant Sponsors 58 KISS Students for Studying at KIIT-ITI: Ms. Anindita Mohapatra, Senior Official of RSP, Dr. Mihir Ranjan Nayak, Director, Planning & Skill Development, KIIT University and Shri Pramoda Kumar Patra, Dy. C.E.O., KISS with some sponsored students.



Tribute was paid to legendary singers Mohammed Rafi and Kishore Kumar with musical programme 'Suhana Safar with Rafi & Kishore' organised by KIIT Students Activity Centre (KSAC) on August 5, 2017.



Students of Hanseo University, South Korea arrived on a seven-day visit to KIIT & KISS as part of a student exchange program between Hanseo University & KIIT on July 18, 2017.

Media Potpourri



Puri, KIIT share chess trophy

Puri Senior team and KIIT team jointly shared the top place by the end of fifth rounds by scoring nine points each in the 18th National Cities Chess Championships at Kalarabank village in Jagatsinghpur on Tuesday.



Three KIIT alumni crack Civil Services Exam 2016

BHUBANESWAR, JUNE 2 -- Three KIIT Alumni Suman Saurav Mohanty and Avishyant Panda from Odisha and Haris Bin Zaman from Bihar cracked the prestigious Civil Services Examination 2016, result of which was declared by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) on May 31. Suman, a student of B Tech Mechanical Engineering 2008 batch, secured 9th rank, while Avishyant and Haris were placed in 91st and 646th rank respectively. Avishyant passed out in 2011 and Haris in 2012 in B. Tech Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering. After getting the news, Dr Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT and KISS congratulated them for their success over telephone. "It is remarkable that three students of



Rathayatra celebrated Shrivani Khetra, KISS

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The world famous auspicious occasion of Rath Yatra was celebrated at Shrivani Khetra of KISS on 25 June with tribal students, staff and others participating with religious fervor and gaiety. More than 30 thousand devotees participated in pulling the three decorated chariots of Lord Jagannath, Balabhadra and Devi. Subhadra being carried on three colorful wooden chariots, festooned with flowers, applique



the holy ritual of Chera-pahara, the ceremonial sweeping of the Chariots. The special feature of Ghosayatra here is that, Pundarikaksha, the chariot of

During this nine-day festival there will be bhajan samaroh in every evening near Garudahat temple. Devotees from nearby localities teleand Lords



BBSR solo leader in national chess

BHUBANESWAR: Bhubaneswar team defeated Patna-A and gathered six points by the end

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18th National Cities Team Chess Championship concludes: KIIT (Odisha) Team Bags Champion Trophy
August 9, 2017



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NEWS Odisha

Two KISS students qualify NEET-2017



Bhubaneswar: Two students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) have qualified National Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET) 2017 conducted by CBSE, results of which were declared on Thursday.

The successful students are, Nabhi Meena and Shradhanjali Kapadia. While the qualifying marks in NEET 2017 was 107, Nabhi and Shradhanjali scored 150 and 129 marks respectively.

Congratulating the two students, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS said, tribal students can excel in any field if they are provided proper care and guidance. KISS has provided such kind of care and guidance to its students to excel in various national level entrance examinations. Earlier students of KISS have got success in national level entrance examinations and pursuing their education in various prestigious national level institutions like IITs, NITs and IIMs.

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) conducted the National Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET) 2017 on May 7. The All India medical entrance exam was conducted for UG admissions to around 90,000 seats (65,000 MBBS & 25,000 BDS) in all Government Medical Colleges, Private Medical Colleges and Deemed Universities in India. More than 11 lakh students registered for NEET 2017, which was conducted in 10 languages at 1921 Exam Centers in 314 cities.



KISS Founder Achyuta Samanta (right) and Bhadrachari Charan Das (left) signed MoU with Odisha State Government for the establishment of a school in Jagatsinghpur.

Puri to get school for wannabe priests

BHUBANESWAR, May 30 -- An MoU between Puri and KIIT was signed between KISS and KISS founder Achyuta Samanta and the Odisha State Government for the establishment of a school in Jagatsinghpur. The school will be for the children of poor Brahmins. The school will be for the children of poor Brahmins. The school will be for the children of poor Brahmins. The school will be for the children of poor Brahmins.



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WELCOMING OLLY - THE WARRIOR, THE MASCOT AT KIIT



Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS welcomed Ollly - The Warrior, the mascot of 22nd Asian Athletic Championships with a grand procession in KIIT campus.

INCENTIVES FOR ODIA ATHLETES
KIIT and KISS has announced an incentive to the athletes from Odisha who win medals in the 22nd Asian Athletics



KIIT (Odisha) wins 18th National Cities Team Chess Championship



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Giving education to the deprived is like
giving sight to the blind -*Achyuta Samanta*

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