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POETS at KIIT

Delegates from 82 countries pay rich tribue to

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It was indeed a proud privilege for KIIT Deemed to be University to host the 39th World Congress of Poets in its golden jubilee year. This was only the third time this prestigious meet was organised in India. To the delight of the poet-delegates from over 80 countries, the Congress, which had 'Compassion through Poetry' as its theme, commenced on 2nd October, the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Legacy of Mahatma Gandhi to the world was remembered in the most befitting manner as the multinational delegates paid tribute at his newly-unveiled statue in KIIT depicting the famous 'Dandi March'. A host of dignitaries graced the meet and shared their wisdom on the rich poetic traditions of India and Odisha. 'Tourism Poetry' was held in Konark and 'Spiritual Poetry' in Puri, which afforded the delegates a chance to experience the rich culture and heritage of India and Odisha first hand. For five days of the Congress, the whole environment reverberated with the positive vibes calling for compassion in the world that is lost in the materialistic humdrums. In the words of Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets, this year's Congress was the best ever in its history.

We could not have been more satisfied. We thank the dignitaries, delegates, organising team, and all others who contributed to make the 39th World Congress of Poets a grand success.

Achyuta Samanta



In an extraordinary spectacle, about 1000 poets and writers from 82 countries, who were in KIIT to participate in the 39th World Congress of Poets, paid rich tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on the occasion of his 150th birth anniversary celebration.

The 39th World Congress of Poets was held at KIIT from October 2 - 6, 2019. Many high dignitaries including Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India; Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha; and Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha graced the meet on different days.

Mr. Joel Reifman, US Consul General, Hyderabad visited KIIT and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 28, 2019.

The first TED-Ed Talk by TED-Ed Club was organized in KiiT International School on October 23, 2019.

The 'PARAMARSH' Scheme of the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi was launched at KIIT Deemed to be University on October 21, 2019.

KIIT School of Management (KSOM) organized its 10th National Finance Conclave with the theme 'Getting to \$5 Trillion: Navigating the Financial Landscape' on October 19, 2019.

Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School was conferred with the Mahatma Gandhi Leadership Award by the NRI Welfare Society (U.K. Chapter) on October 11, 2019 in the House of Commons (Parliament of U.K.) in London.

Indian Tribal Choir 'Kalinga Avatar', an initiative of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), was launched by Shri Akhilesh Mishra, Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR).

Ace sprinter Dutee Chand has been named Sportsperson of the Year 2019 by Vogue India. She also features on the cover of Vogue India's November 2019 edition.

In the run-up to the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi, a one-day seminar on the theme 'Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS): A True Reflection of Gandhian Philosophy' was organised in Bhubaneswar on September 28, 2019.

His Holiness Shreemad Jagadguru Shankaracharya Swami Nischalananda Saraswati ji Maharaj, Gobarddhan Math, Puri Dham inaugurated a public spiritual library in the name and style 'Kiaraa' at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on September 15, 2019.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS has been conferred with the prestigious Honorary Doctorate by the National Chin-Yi University of Technology (NCUT), Taiwan on September 12, 2019.

KISS-Delhi celebrated its seventh Foundation Day on September 11, 2019.

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Editorial

Odisha and the host, Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, can take pride in delivering a very successful 39th World Congress of Poets, which was held only for the third time in India. In the words of Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets: "World Congress of Poets is a 50 years old organization and during this time it has organised 39 world congresses.

The 39th World Congress of Poets has been the best organised of all sessions". It was a matter of pride not only for the State, but for the country as well to host this prestigious meet with participation from eminent poets and writers from 82 countries. Legacy of Mahatma Gandhi to the world was remembered in the most befitting manner as delegates from 82 countries paid tribute to the epitome of truth and non-violence on the occasion of his 150th birth anniversary celebration, which coincided with the inauguration of the 39th WCP. Many high dignitaries, including Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India, Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha, and Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha, graced the five-day meet on different days, throwing light of ancient poetic tradition of the state and country and their rich heritage. Theme of the Congress, 'Compassion through Poetry', was appropriate as the Congress coincided with the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi. It was also relevant in the context of the host institution, KIIT Deemed to be University, which prides itself in being the 'University of Compassion and Humanity'. Led by its visionary Founder, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, KIIT has evolved around this principle to become a leading university in the country.

Recently, Govt. of India has recognised it as an 'Institution of Eminence'. This principle also finds expression in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), a fully-free and fully-residential institute for 60,000 indigenous (tribal) children. It is the largest such institute in the world aptly nicknamed 'world's largest anthropological lab'.



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Glimpses of 150th Birth Anniversary Celebration of Mahatma Gandhi in KIIT & KISS



Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS speaking at the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi



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Prof. Ernesto Kahan, 1st Vice President, World Academy of Arts and Culture inaugurating the three new public libraries under KIIT Deemed to be University Central Library - 'Karamchand', 'Kaavya' and 'Kamyaa'



WCP delegates from 82 countries celebrated 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi with 30,000 tribal (indigenous) students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).



Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets speaking at the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi at



Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets; Prof. Ernesto Kahan, 1st Vice President, World Academy of Arts and Culture; Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP & Founder, KIT & KISS and other dignitaries going around the newly inaugurated 'Karamchand', the Gandhi Library.



Poetry has capability to change the world:

Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India

Poetry has the capability to change the world, said Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India at the valedictory ceremony of 39th World Congress of Poets (WCP) at KIIT on October 6, 2019. The valedictory ceremony was also graced by Prof. Ganeshi Lal. Hon'ble Governor of Odisha; Shri Pratap Chandra Sarangi, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for MSME, Animal Husbandry, and Fishery; Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS and President, 39th World Congress of Poets; Shri Jyoti Prakash Panigrahi, Hon'ble Minister of State (I) for Tourism & Culture, Odia Language and Literature, Govt. of Odisha; Dr. Maurus Young, President, WCP; Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President of World Academy of Art & Culture (WAAC); Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary; and Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro-Vice

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The annual meet of the poet from across the world was hosted by Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar from October 2 – 6, 2019. It was only the third time this prestigious congress was hosted in India. Established in 1969, the World Congress of Poets (WCP), affiliated with the World Academy of Arts and Culture (WAAC),



registered in United States of America and recognized by UNESCO, is a venerable and prestigious international poetry organization, with more than 1,200 members from 65 countries spread over five continents. Its noble founding objective is to promote world brotherhood and peace through poetry. Coincidentally, 2019 is the Golden Jubilee year of WCP and, therefore, the meet carried special significance.

This year the Congress was held on the theme 'Compassion through Poetry'. Each day of the five-day Congress, which had 'Compassion through Poetry' as its theme, had a related sub-theme such as Compassion Poetry, Wisdom Poetry, Tourism Poetry, Spiritual Poetry and Reflection Poetry. About 1000 eminent poets and writers from 82 countries attended the meet.

Drawing link between poetry and compassion, Shri Naidu said, "I believe compassion is innate to all of us. We just have to realize it and practice it consciously till it becomes our habit and all our actions subconsciously exhibit compassion, kindness and positivity. Compassion is central to poetry. The first verse of the Adi-Kavya, Ramayana starts with the utterance of 'ma nishada', Sage



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Biologists have argued that the development of creativity was the most important step in human evolution, and that society cannot move forward without creative people. The events such as the World Conference of Poets will serve as platforms for sharing poetic masterpieces with the world. At the same time, I am confident that this event would inspire budding poets to get inspiration from other poets, he added.

Addressing the multinational gathering of poets, Prof. Ganeshi Lal said, "Odisha is a divine land. The philosophers of spirituality from all over the world have said that this land has the power to liberate. It is such a land where everyone is the representative of Lord Jagannath. The Lord says, I'm here to liberate you. The beauty of this land is its caste-less,



Shri M. Venkalah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India presenting Honorary D.Litt. Degree from World Congress of Poets to Prof. Ganeshi Lai, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha on October 6, 2019. Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS and Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets look on.

Shri M. Venkalah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India and Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets presenting 'Golden Gaver', the highest award of World Congress of Poets, to Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KliT & KISS in the presence of Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha.



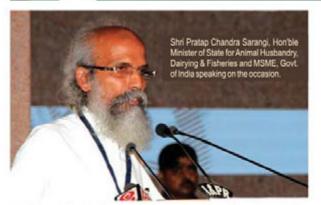


Shri M. Venkalah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India presenting Honorary D Litt. Degree from World Congress of Poets to Shri Santanu Kumar Acharya, Eminent Odla Writer in the presence of Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS and Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets.

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creed-less and colourless nature. Besides, sweetness, love and compassion enrich the land. This land belongs to everybody, because Lord Jagannath lives here. As far as the Poetry is concerned, Lord Jagannath is also a poet".

In his speech, Shri Pratap Chandra Sarangi said, "I pay my respect to all the poets coming from all over the world. I'm inspired by this august congregation. Poetry is nothing but compassion. The earliest poetry of the world belonged to Valmiki when he saw the agony of the world. Quoting William Wordsworth, Shri Sarangi explained, poetry is emotional overflow of feelings and emotions collected in tranquillity.

Poetry comes from the compassion of the heart.

Dr. Maurus Young, President, WCP said, "Time goes very fast. The 39th WCP in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India comes to an end. In the past five days, we are impressed by the Culture of Odisha. It's a land of poetry. I found many talented young poets in Odisha. It's the most well-organized and successful Congress in the history of WCP". Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Ernesto Kahan, said, "I am in a great country and great democracy, India. I found that it is also a country of Poets".

Prof. Achyuta Samanta delivered the welcome address. The highest honour of WCP, 'Golden Gavel' was conferred on Prof. Achyuta Samanta by the Vice President of India, while Honorary D. Litt was conferred on Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Shri Santanu Kumar Acharva, Eminent Odia Writer and Dr. Prasanna Kumar Patasani, Former Member of Parliament and Eminent Poet and Writer, 'Prodigy Author' award was given to Anantinee Mishra, the author of 'Treasure of Short Stories' and Most Promising Writer award to Atmika Patnaik, Author of 'The Journey of a Thousand Miles'.

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Speech of Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India at the 39th World Congress of Poets



I am delighted to be here today amidst such talented and passionate poets from various countries and all parts of india for the valedictory ceremony of the World Congress of Poets (WCP).

I am happy to be at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS). With over 27,000 students from across the country and abroad, this institution is growing from strength to strength. I am happy to know that it has received several international and national awards and accolades for its abiding commitment to excellence.

Dedicated efforts of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences to educate children from tribal communities are also truly noteworthy. I congratulate KIIT for being awarded the 'Status of Eminence' for its dedication to the cause of quality education for all. I also take this opportunity to congratulate and appreciate the dynamic founder of KIIT, Shri Achyuta Samanta. His relentless endeavors towards reforming and transforming lives of millions of Adivasi people are truly commendable.

I also commend him for envisioning poetry as the best medium to promote brotherhood and peace. It is this vision of his that has brought all of us here together to celebrate thoughts, words, languages, rhythm and meaning.

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Compassion begets compassion.

This extremely important idea, when propagated through the powerful medium of poetry, attains the capability to change the world.

I welcome poets who have come from all over the world to Odisha. I am sure that you will carry wonderful memories of this Congress and your experiences in India. My dear sisters and brothers,

Poetry is one of the finest expressions of human emotions. It conveys the deepest insights, wide range of emotions and elevates human experience to highest levels of consciousness. What is however important is to recognize its impact on the inner chemistry of human emotions. How we perceive, how we respond and how we behave — all this is shaped by literature and fine arts to a large extent. Among the literacy forms, poetry has a specially profound influence.

Poetry is not just expression; it is an expression that has

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beauty in it. Poets do not just express themselves in mere words but paint images with their words. They breathe life into words with rhyme, rhythm and melody.

Poetry speaks of deep feelings, creates stunning images and beautiful lyricism and blends truth with beauty. India's tryst with poetry is as old as the civilization itself. Poetry flourished in ancient India.

The great Indian epics Ramayana and Mahabharata are considered to be among the finest specimens of poetry ever written.

They are celebrated not just in India but all over the world for the grandeur of their themes, the extraordinary literary heights and the depth of the messages they convey.

These epics are considered to be treasure houses of India's traditions and great encyclopedias of ethics, religion, politics and morals.

India has a long illustrious poetic tradition and includes such luminaries like Kalidasa, Mira Bai, Tulsi Das, Amir Khusro, Kabir Das, Sarojini Naidu, Subrahmania Bharati, Mirza Ghalib and Shri Rabindranath Tagore mesmerized one and all with their poetic genius.

Let me recall what Mark Twain had said about India — "India is the cradle of the human race, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend and the great grandmother of tradition.

My dear sisters and brothers,

I believe that it is crucial to promote arts and culture in order to build an enlightened and healthy society.

Arts nurture creativity in the society. Without a creative voice, a society will become stagnant.

Biologists have argued that the development of creativity was the most important step in human evolution, and that society cannot move forward without creative people.

Artists enliven lives. Some artists transform our lives. They change our perception, our world view.

Artists are very often the conscience keepers of a society. They constantly question the absurd and the illogical and help instil positive values in society.

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By sharing common cultural threads, art unites hearts. It brings out latent human characteristics to the force.

Poetry is a powerful vehicle of intergenerational transmission of values and knowledge. Songs and poetry have been used to pass on traditional wisdom and lessons in morals and values from generation to generation. Indian tradition has relied on poetry for transmission of wisdom and even scientific knowledge.

More than anything else, poetry has the capability to change attitudes, mindset and social norms. If we aim at a more compassionate world, poetry can be one of the most powerful instruments.

Dear sisters and brothers,

I am glad to be amidst so many poets. Each and every one of





We need poets and writers and artists and singers as much as we need doctors, engineers and scientists.

Promotion of literature is also an impactful method to preserve and promote languages, a cause that is very close to my heart.

The best way to preserve or promote any language is to use it extensively in everyday life. More and more people should be encouraged to write poetry, stories, novels and dramas in their native languages.

I hope events such as the World Conference of Poets will serve as platforms for sharing your poetic masterpieces with the world. At the same time, I am confident that this event would inspire budding poets to get inspiration from other poets.

Let me conclude with a statement made by a famous Indian poet

Mammata. When he was asked as to why he wrote poetry, he said, "I write for earning name and becoming famous. I write to earn my living. But, above all this, I write because

I believe I can change the ways of the world by reducing negativity and whatever is not good for humanity."

I do hope that larger public good will serve as the underlying, unseen but undiminished source of inspiration as you continue to weave the silken threads of poetry and enthral as well enlighten multitudes of people across the world. I wish you all the very best.

Thank You!

Jai Hind!

you present here has the capability to be an influencer and opinion-maker.

You have the unique potential to shape thoughts, feelings and attitudes. I am confident that you will use this tremendous power at your disposal to build a better world.

Poetry should promote peace, motivate people to cultivate universal brotherhood, social harmony and tolerance. Poetry can serve as a powerful catalyst that could hasten the process of social transformation.

I urge schools to make poetry reading and appreciation a compulsory part of the curriculum.

I also ask universities to encourage literature, arts and humanities education.

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Prof. Achyuta Samanta welcoming Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India in KIIT.



Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India interacting with the poet-delegates.



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Book titled 'Parliament of India' by Dr. Ramakanta Das being released on the occasion.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President. 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS interacting with the poet-delegates.



Poet-delegates were accorded a traditional welcome during their visit to Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).



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Anantinee Mishra receiving the 'Prodigy Author' award.



Atmika Patnaik receiving the certificate for 'Most Promising Writer'.



Dr. Ramakanta Das receiving the 'Poet Laureate' award.







(From L) Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS; Shri Akhilesh Mishra, I.F.S., Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations; Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets; Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha; Prof. Ernesto Kahan, 1st Vice President, World Academy of Arts and Culture, USA; and Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World Academy of Arts and Culture releasing the souvenir of the 39th WCP at its inaugural ceremony in KIIT Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar on October 2, 2019.

Odisha is a land of cultural pluralism: Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha

The 39th World Congress of Poets was inaugurated with much joy and festivity at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar on October 2, 2019. "In India, from ancient times, our poets have vividly depicted our social systems, values and have played a very significant role in socio-political transformation of our country", said Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha, while inaugurating the five-day congress, being attended by poets and writers from 82 countries.

"Odisha is a land of cultural pluralism. It has a rich and enviable tradition of poetry", he said, while citing great poets like Sarala Das, Jagannath Das, Bhimabhoi, Baladev Rath, Gangadhar Meher and many others. Welcoming the delegates to the temple city of Bhubaneswar, he said, poetry has the power to promote world

cooperation and peace. It is a pleasant coincidence to inaugurate this Congress on the occasion of the 150° birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi, the epitome of peace and non-violence, added Shri Patnaik, who, besides being the most popular and successful Chief Minister is also a writer and art connoisseur.

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– Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Earlier, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39" World Congress of Poets and Founder, KIIT & KISS declared the congress open. Welcoming the guests and delegates, he wished them a pleasant stay in Odisha. Shri Naveen Patnaik is an ardent Gandhian as he has taken popular initiatives like 'Mo Sarkar' and has also requested 'nonviolence' to be included in the preamble of our constitution, he said, while expressing gratitude to the Chief Minister for gracing the inaugural ceremony.

The ceremony was also graced by Shri Akhilesh Mishra, Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations; Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets; Prof. Ernesto Kahan, 1st Vice President, World Academy of Arts and Culture (WAAC), USA; Dr. María Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World Academy of Arts and Culture; and other dignitaries.



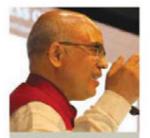
Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha.



Prof. Ernesto Kahan, 1st Vice President, World Academy of Arts and Culture, USA

Prof. Acharya Bhabananda, noted Gandhian and Professor of Anthropology (Retd.), Hartford Seminary Foundation, USA was presented Gandhi Prize for Literature, Padma Bhushan Shri Ruskin Bond, eminent writer and poet and Shri Ganesh Haloi, eminent artist were presented Honorary D.Litt. degrees. Freedom fighter and noted Gandhian, Shri Bhabani Charan Pattnayak received Honorary Diploma. The awards were conferred by the World Congress of Poets and World Academy of Arts and Culture (WAAC), USA.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Akhilesh Mishra said that India has an ancient tradition in poetry



Shri Akhilesh Mishra, I.F.S., Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations



Dr. María Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World Academy of Arts and Culture

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with Rigveda dating back to 1500

BC, "All religions originating in India believe that the real cause of suffering is ignorance. They also believe that a cosmic web connects all of us, humans as well as other living beings. Therefore, our daily prayers include a prayer for universal peace. This is very important in a diverse and pluralistic country like ours" Many delegates have travelled a long distance to attend this congress and poetry definitely has a role in promoting brotherhood, he added, while commending the host, KIIT Deemed to be University for excellent hospitality.

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congresses, informed Dr. Maurus Young. It shares a close link with India, a land of poetry, he said, while elaborating that this is the third time the Congress is being held in India. It was held in Madras in 1986 and Chennai in 2007, when it was inaugurated by Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, Former President of India. This year's theme of 'Compassion through Poetry' will promote peace and brotherhood through poetry. He commended Prof. Samanta for dedicating his life to create KIIT and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and added that the 39" WCP is the most well-organised of all sessions.

"World Congress of Poets is like a family, we are like brothers and sisters. We look forward to this annual event with great anticipation", said Prof. Ernesto Kahan. Dr. María Eugenia Soberanis proposed the vote of thanks. The Chief Minister also released the souvenir of the Congress.



Prof. Acharya Bhabananda, noted Gandhian and Professor of Anthropology (Retd.), Hartford Seminary Foundation, USA receiving the Gandhi Prize for Literature from Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha and Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS.



Shri Naveen Patnalk, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha and Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KliT & KISS presenting Honorary D.Litt. Degree from World Congress of Poets to Shri Ganesh Haloi, eminent artist.



Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha presenting Honorary D.Litt. Degree from World Congress of Poets to Padma Bhushan Shri Ruskin Bond, eminent writer and poet in the presence of Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets and Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39th WCP and Founder, KIIT & KISS.



Shri Jyoti Prakash Panigrahi, Minister of State (I) for Tourism & Culture, Odia Language presenting Honorary Diploma from World Congress of Poets to Shri Bhabani Charan Pattnayak, Former Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha and Freedom Fighter in the presence of other dignitaries.





Speech of Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha at the 39th World Congress of Poets

It is heartening to be here at the 39" Session of World Congress of Poets. I welcome all of you to the temple city Bhubaneswar. Today, we are celebrating the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the epitome of peace and non-violence. As the World Congress of Poets is all about promotion of poetry as a natural and vital network connecting poets to the world's need for cooperation and peace; for us here, creativity coupled with peace and non-violence is taking new strides.

Since time immemorial, poetry has been the expression of humanity. Poets across the globe, irrespective of their boundaries, have kept alive human values all around us. In India, from ancient times, our poets have vividly depicted our social systems, values and have played a very significant role in the sociopolitical transformation of our country.

Odisha is a land of cultural pluralism. It has a rich and enviable tradition of poetry. From Sarala Das to Jagannath Das, from Bhimabhoi to Baladev Rath, from Gangadhar Meher to Radhanath Ray, from Mayadhar Mansingh and Kuntala Kumari Sabat to Sachi Routray, our great poets have immensely contributed to enrich Odia literature, challenging social prejudices, advocating empowerment and promoting human virtues. This creative flow of expression continues unabated.

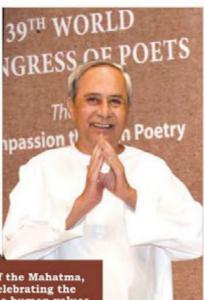
The worldview in the immortal lines of our 19" century poet Bhima Bhoi – "Let my soul be subjected to sufferings in the

hell, but the world be resurrected"
- is now illuminating and igniting million minds in the UNO headquarters. Today, our innumerable poets are illuminating our ways to empowerment.

In the 150" year of the Mahatma, we are, in fact, celebrating the quintessence of basic human values, peace and non-violence. In our attempts at a global society free from prejudice and a new Social Order in the path of peace and non-violence, our poets, can alone create the kind of empathy that it needs. I would, therefore, urge all here to give it a thought. I very strongly believe that poetry has the power to change, to transform and bring in a better social order.

 once again, welcome all the delegates to Odisha and wish you all a pleasant stay in Odisha.

Thank you.



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Shri Naveen Patnaik,
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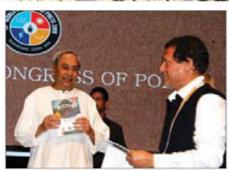


Inaugural Ceremony In Pictures













Interactive session with Shri Jyoti Prakash Panigrahi, Minister of State (I) for Tourism & Culture, Odia Language and Literature, Govt. of Odisha.



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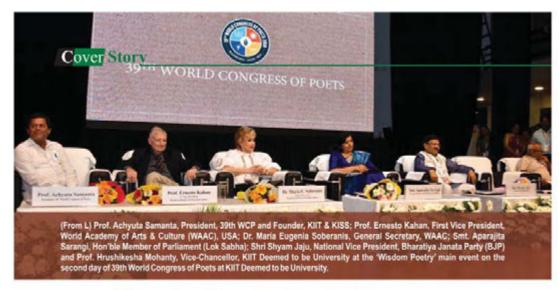
Interactive session with Shri Akhilesh Mishra, DG, ICCR.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta greeting Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets on the inaugural day of the 39th World Congress of Poets.



KIIT campus decked up for the 39th World Congress of Poets.



Wisdom Poetry has the Power to Enlighten our Path: Shri Shyam Jaju, National Vice President, BJP

Wisdom poetry has the power to enlighten our path, said Shri Shyam Jaju, National Vice President, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), speaking at the main event of the second day of 39" World Congress of Poets at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University on October 3, 2019. "Poetry can make us connect to movement that would otherwise quietly slip by us. Wisdom poetry is a counsellor helping us to understand one another better. It can lead us away from hate to love, from violence to mercy and pity; it has the power to enlighten our path", he said.

Theme of the second day of 39° WCP was 'Wisdom Poetry'. "Wisdom poetry reveals an understanding that deep meaning can be felt in the details. Mahakavi Kalidas, Rabindranath Tagore, Sarojini

Naidu, Sri Aurobindo and Atal Bihari Vajpayee were the greatest wisdom poets of India", Shri Jaju stated. The symphony of human feelings like love, hate, betrayal, sensitivity and duty can be seen as huge reflection in the work of the great poet, Kalidas, he

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– Shri Shyam Jaju, National Vice President, RJP added. Speaking on the occasion, Smt. Aparajita Sarangi, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Bhubaneswar said, compassion is the basis of all morality. The society doesn't need anything more than compassion. Poetry is the great medium of compassion, she pointed out.

Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President, World Academy of Arts & Culture (WAAC), USA said, "Our generation is privileged. Until this generation, we did not have resources to provide basic care to everyone. But in this generation, we have the resources to provide education and primary health care to every single person of the world. Simultaneously, there is possibility and probability of destroying everything. There is probability to destroy all humankind, to contaminate everything.







Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)





Congress of Poets and Founder, KET & KISS

We have to be more cautious to protect humankind and our environment. Poetry is beauty and poetry is love. Maybe this world can be different with the combination of beauty and freedom, beauty and education, and beauty and love".

Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty, Vice-Chancellor, KIIT Deemed to be University said, land of Odisha is known for wisdom poetry. Odia Bhagabat written by Atibadi Jagannath Dash is well-known wisdom poetry of Odisha. Poetry is all about love and compassion, he said. Prof. Achyuta Samanta, President, 39" World Congress of Poets and Founder, KIIT & KISS delivered the welcome address, and Dr. María Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, WAAC proposed vote of thanks.

On the occasion, Smt. Pravasini Mahakud, Eminent Odia Poet and Writer; Shri Souvagya Kumar Mohapatra, Executive Director, Mayfair Hotels & Resorts, Odisha; Dr. Rita Malhotra, President, Poetry Across Cultures, New Delhi; and Ms. Dutee Chand, Olympian and Ace Sprinter were conferred with Honorary Diploma by 39" World Congress of Poets.

Parallel poetry reading sessions on English, Chinese, Spanish, Hindi and Odia languages on compassion were held on the day. Also books of 67 authors of various languages were released.



Smt. Pravasini Mahakud, Eminent Odia Poet and Writer receiving the Honorary Diploma from Smt. Aparajita Sarangi Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Bhubaneswar and Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President, World Academy of Arts & Culture (WAAC), USA



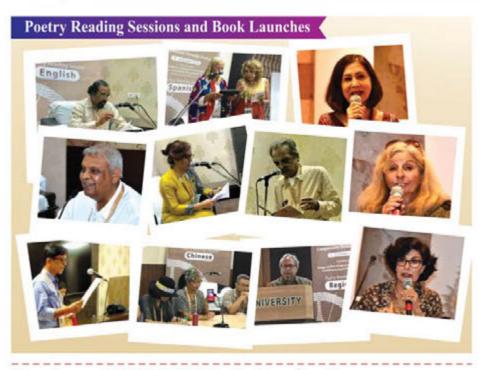
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Oration of KISS' Girl Delights Audience



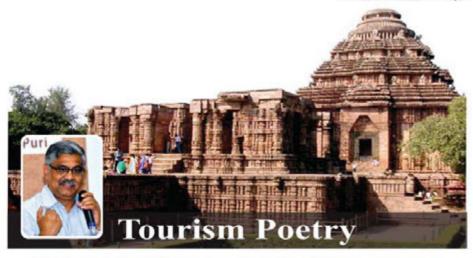
Tikili, a six-year old girl from Kandhamal studying in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS). became an overnight internet sensation after her short poem and oration on Gandhiji went viral on social media recently. In no time, her oration garnered more than 1 million views and likes. She recited her oration at the main event of the second day at the 39th World Congress of Poets to the audience's delight. Translation of her oration is produced here.

Mahatma, you sowed the seed of non-violence all over,

Lit the fire of revolution in the hearts for our motherland,

Stirred us with the spirit of patriotic fervor, Led the protest against the cruel British Rulers.

Draped in a swadeshi dhoti well above his knees, holding a club and a watch along the waistline, a spectacled old man often emerges before us in form of Bapu - the Father of the Nation. Before his steadfastness, the mighty and autocratic British Empire had to give up. With his doctrine of non-violence, he had embraced the people from across India Today being inspired by the Gandhian philosophy of non-violence and philanthropy, our beloved Achyuta Samanta Sir has created Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), and also KIIT, and has brought smill on the faces of 30000 innocent and deprived children.



Odisha is Wonderland of Pluralism: Shri R. Balakrishnan

On the third day of the 39" World Congress of Poets, being hosted by Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University. Bhubaneswar, writers and poets from 82 countries participated in the 'Tourism Poetry' session at Konark Sun Temple. Special Lecture by Shri R. Balakrishnan, Chief Advisor, Chief Minister's Office, Odisha on the topic 'Konark - The Known and the Unknown' was the main attraction of the day. Konark Sun Temple is a multi-layered odyssey and a magnificent example of Kalinga architecture, he said.

Among other well-known specialties, the temple has the icon of Sun God wearing a horse rider's high shoes, a giraffe in Konark panels and two genetic types of elephants on the walls of Konark, elaborated Shri Balakrishnan, who is also a noted Indologist. Welcoming the poet-delegates to Odisha, he said, "Poetry is an important medium to promote art, culture, tradition and tourism. Odisha is a wonderland of pluralism as mentioned in the Puranas. The state is rich in art, culture and tradition".

He urged the poets to promote Odisha's art, culture and

tradition through poetry in their languages so that people across the world would know about Odisha's rich heritage. There are many monumental tourist spots in Odisha like Konark. These monumental tourist spots need to be promoted. Konark is the best monumental work of the world, he added.

Shri R. Balakrishnan, a retired Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, has published books and journals on history especially that of Odisha and Indus Valley Civilization. Because of his scholarly reflections and discoveries on Indus Valley Civilization, he has also been awarded Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) by Periyar Maniammai University. His research papers on Konark; ancient links between Kalinga and Indonesia; Genesis of Sun Worship in Odisha; and plural foundations of Jagannath Culture, etc. have brought many unknown facets of Odishan history to world intelligentsia-forum. He has also guided and shaped many important Government publications like "The Cultural Atlas of Odisha", "Charles Grome's Report on the Temple on Jagannath", "Nabakalebara-2015 - A Visual Grandeur", "80 Years of Odisha Budget' and "Listening Window" of OKH Lecture series. His recent book 'Abadha Padachinha' is the Odia translation of his research articles on Odisha. Prof. Ernesto

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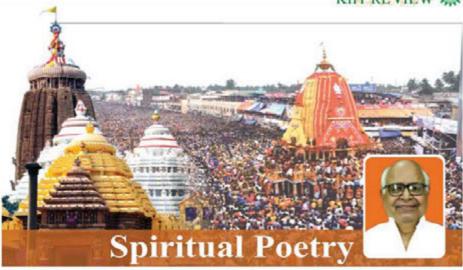
Kahan, First Vice Academy of Arts & Culture (WAAC), USA delivered the welcome address, while Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, WAAC proposed the vote of thanks. Poetry recitation session in English, Chinese, Spanish and Regional Languages was held during the 3" day. The poet delegates from 82 countries visited Konark Temple and appreciated the architectural excellence of the monument.

President, World Poetry Reading Sessions and Book Launches









Spiritual poetry is the guiding force to our life: Shri H. N. Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker, U.P. Legislative Assembly

I have marked pleasure in everyone's face in this World Congress of Poets, said Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker, Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly at the 'Spiritual Poetry' event of the 39" World Congress of Poets at Puri on October 5, 2019. The event also featured talk by Dr. Dilip Naik, Professor, English & Foreign Language University, Hyderabad

Delivering his lecture to the multinational delegates on the fourth day of 39" World Congress of Poets, Shri Dikshit stated, "India itself is a poetry. There is no poetry like India in any other civilization or land. The river, mountain, forest everything in India is the source of poetry. These are the image of poetry. There is similarity between Odisha and Northern India. Odisha is so beautiful in all respect like Northern India. Every state of India, languages, cultures, traditions all are poetry".

Elaborating on the subject, he said, "Rigveda is one of the most ancient poetry of the world. The source of poetry is written in Rigveda. Poetry is the Super Soul. Spiritual poetry is the connection between mortal and immortal, 'Brahma' and 'Param Brahma'. Where there is poetry, there is God. In India there are so many ancient poets and poetries. Spiritual poetry is the guiding force of our life".

Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit is a leading exponent of Vedic literature and Indian culture in modern India. He has written more than 30 books on Indian philosophy, politics, literature and other subjects. More than 5000 of his articles have been published in various national and international newspapers.

In his talk titled 'What does Poetry Make?', Dr. Dilip Naik delved upon this complex question with inferences from writings of some of the greatest poets of all times. He compared the views of famous poets over the ages — Osip Mandelshtam, Adorno, Auden and others - on this question. For Mandelshtam, poetry was the bread of the soul, not only for the poet himself but for the people as a whole. "What poetry makes is not a thing or a change in the objective world. But it is an event of consciousness, and in that which is not visible, that transgresses the limits of reason, that hopes against the tyranny of facts, it is this hope





(From Left) Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World Academy of Arts & Culture (WAAC), USA; Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets; Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker, Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly; Dr. Prasanna Kumar Patasani, Former Member of Parliament, Poet and Writer; and Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President, WAAC at the Spiritual Poetry event of 39th World Congress of Poets at Puri on October 5, 2019.

that keeps us significantly alive, keeps us human, for it has been said that we do not live by bread alone. Poetry is thus a hymn to the dawn of consciousness", Dr. Naik stated.

So what poetry makes happen is not an historical event. It gifts the possibility of a different form of life, a metahistory of experience which emanates from the intersection of time with the timeless. Poetry enables us to trust in the grace of

existence, he concluded.

Among others, Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets; Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President, World Academy of Arts & Culture (WAAC), USA: Dr. María Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary; and Dr. Prasanna Kumar Patasani, Former Member of Parliament, Poet and Writer were present on the occasion.



Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker, Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly speaking on the occasion.



Dr. Dilip Naik, Professor, English & Foreign Language University, Hyderabad speaking on the occasion.





Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker, Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly; Dr. Maurus Young, President, World Congress of Poets and Prof. Ernesto Kahan, First Vice President, WAAC releasing a book authored by Dr. Prasanna Kumar Patasani, Former Member of Parliament, Poet and Writer.

On the sidelines

Degree Award Ceremony for Foreign Students of KIIT

The Degree Award Ceremony for foreign students of KIIT Deemed to be University was held on September 30, 2019. About 200 foreign students received their degrees from the hands of Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World



Academy of Arts and Culture (WAAC) and Dr. Jacob Isaac, Member in the presence of Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS. KIIT Deemed to be University is a truly global University with more than 1000 international students.



A foreign student of KIIT receiving degree certificate from Dr. Maria Eugenia Soberanis, General Secretary, World Academy of Arts and Culture (WAAC). Dr. Jacob Isaac, Member, WAAC and other dignitaries look on.



KIIT & KISS Founder Conferred Honorary Doctorate from NCUT, Taiwan

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS has been conferred with the prestigious Honorary Doctorate by the National Chin-Yi University of Technology (NCUT), Taiwan on September 12, 2019. At a Special Convocation Ceremony, the President of NCUT, Prof. Wen-Yuan Chen bestowed the award upon Prof. Samanta for his outstanding contributions to the fields of education and social work.

NCUT was founded in Taiwan in 1971 by Chang Ming to cultivate young talents in engineering and management. It is based on the motto of selfless service. Prof. Samanta expressed heartfelt thanks to the President of NCUT, Prof. Chen and International Department Dean-cum-Professor C. Yan Huang for recognizing his relentless social service and contribution to education for the last thirty years.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS receiving Honorary Doctorate from National Chin-Yi University of Technology, Taiwan

Prof. Achyuta Samanta Addresses Global Leadership Programme



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Interactive Session with JNU Students



Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS interacting with the students of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi on the occasion of the 50th NSS Day Celebration on September 23, 2019.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS addressed and interacted with the students of Jawaharlai Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi on the occasion of the Soth National Service Scheme Day Celebration on September 23, 2019.

Education is the most powerful weapon to alleviate poverty and suffering, he told the students. Youth is the future of India, they become dividend if they work in the interest of the nation, he said, while advising students to serve the society even as they are working in the pursuit of a comfortable career.

"Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) has grown from strength to strength and has become a voice of change, a revolution in the lives of tribal people. It has become the first exclusive tribal University. KIIT which started in two rooms has become an Institution of Eminence. If I could do it, all of you,



talented people can definitely bring a huge change", Prof. Samanta told the students. He also met and interacted with students from Odisha pursuing their research in JNU.



Shri H. N. Dikshit, Hon'ble U.P. Speaker Visits KISS



Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker of UP Legislative Assembly greeting students of Kalinga Institute of Soci Sciences (KISS) during his visit to the institute on October 5, 2019.

On the sidelines of the 39" World Congress of Poets, Shri Hriday Narayan Dikshit, Hon'ble Speaker of UP Legislative Assembly visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 5, 2019. Addressing the students he said:

"KISS is an inspirational institution. I've never ever seen any organisation with this kind of a discipline system. Although the human resources development in India has declined over time, especially in villages and tribal regions, Dr. Achyuta Samanta has done a marvellous job in identifying underprivileged children from tribal areas and providing quality education free of cost. This institution is doing wonders. Due to this, the children are now able to join the mainstream jobs provided by the society. Visionaries like Achyuta Samanta are very rare. I've travelled many places across the globe as well as in India, but I've never seen such an efficient organisation, being managed so systematically. I thank Dr. Samanta for his contribution and wish him and the students of KISS all the luck and success in life."

Besant Selfless Service Award - 2019 for Prof. Samanta



Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS receiving Besant Selfiess Service Award - 2019 from Prof. Ganeshi Lai, His Excellency the Governor of Odisha in the presence of other dignitaries on September 22, 2019. The award is instituted by Theosophical Other of Service (TOS), an international spiritual and philanthropic organization which is the service wing of International Theosophical Society based in Chennal.





Indian Tribal Choir 'Kalinga Avatar' Launched



Prof. Achyuta Samanta and members of the Indian Tribal Choir. 'Kalinga Avatar', expressing gratitude to Shri Akhilesh Mishra, Director General, Indian Council for **Cultural Relations for** being a part of its inaugural ceremony.

'Kalinga Avatar' started as an initiative at KIIT Student Activity Centre. The idea was groomed and executed at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) to come up with a tribal choir, which was presented at the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi.

The Kalinga Avatar - the Indian Tribal Choir, is a modest beginning to promote tribal language, music and culture to its purest forms and integrate Indian tribal music into mainstream scenario at par with other Indian and international music. It started as an initiative at KIIT Student Activity Centre and then the idea was groomed and executed at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) to come up with a tribal choir, which was presented at the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi.

The choir was launched by Shri Akhilesh Mishra, Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), New Delhi in the presence of Ms. Minakshi Mishra, Director, ICCR Bhubaneswar Regional Office and Prof. Achyuta Samanta. Total 21 vocalists and 16 musicians who are the indigenous (tribal) students studying in KISS consist the tribal choir. The entire exercise starting from selection of language, writing down the lyrics, screening and deciding of group members, finalising of instruments, practice sessions to finally performing took a committed 12 weeks and involved dedication and hard work of 37 tribal students and their mentor, Aniruddha Roy, a KIIT alumni and executive at KIIT Student Activity Centre. The song used in the choir is an original composition in Deshia language complimented by authentic tribal instruments such as Tamak, Dhapu, Gini, Mardal and Bainsi thus, making Kalinga Avatar unique and first of its kind in India.





KISS-Delhi Celebrates 7th Foundation Day

Shri Rajendra Pal Gautam, Hon'ble Minister of Social Welfare & SC/ST/OBC Welfare, Govt. of NCT of Delhi graced the 7th Foundation Day celebration of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences Delhi Branch (KISS-Delhi) on September 11, 2019. KISS Delhi is a joint venture of Government of NCT Delhi and KISS, Bhubaneswar. It was started when Late Shella Dikshit, the then Chief Minister of Delhi had visited KISS Bhubaneswar and got extremely mowed and inspired to open a branch in New Delhi for the poor and

underprivileged children. The school has been successfully running in Issapur, Najafgarh for last seven years.

Shri Gautam unveiled a statue of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar that has been erected in the KISS-Delhi premises. Expressing goodwill to the students and staff of KISS Delhi, Prof. Achyuta Samanta announced and assured higher education in the course of their choice free of cost to the top ten ranking KISS Delhi students at KIIT Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar. The

dignitaries also launched the school magazine 'The Rise'.

On the occasion, Prof. Samanta was extended a traditional felicitation by Shri Ishwar Dagar, Pradhan of Issapur and Shri Ram Karan Solanki, Pradhan of 360 villages (Palam Khaap). They appreciated his work and honoured him by tying a turban and gifting a sword to give more strength and courage to continue fight against poverty and illiteracy.



Dignitaries releasing the school magazine 'The Rise' on the occasion of the 7th Foundation Day celebration of KISS-Delhi in New Delhi on September 11, 2019.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta interacting with the students of KISS-Delhi.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta addressing the students.



Local leaders of Issapur and Palam, Shri Ishwar Dagar and Shri Ram Karan Solanki extending a traditional felicitation to Prof. Achyuta Samanta.





His Holiness Sri Shankaracharya of Puri Inaugurates Public Spiritual Library at KISS



His Holiness Shreemad Jagadguru Shankaracharya Swam Nischalananda Saraswati ji Maharaj, Gobarddhan Math, Puri Dham at the foundation stone laying ceremony of Shri

His Holiness Shreemad Jagadguru Shankaracharya Swami Nischalananda Saraswati ji Maharaj, Gobarddhan Math, Puri Dham inaugurated a public spiritual library in the name and style 'Kiaraa' at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on September 15, 2019. The inaugural function was also graced by Swami Sivachidananda Saraswati, Baba Ram Narayan Das, Swami Jagannatha and Prof. Achyuta Samanta.



His Holiness Shreemad Jagadguru Shankaracharya Swami Nischalananda Saraswati ji Maharaj, Gobarddhan Math, Puri Dham inaugurating the public spiritual library 'Kiaraa' at KISS in the presence of saints and devotees.



Aesthetically designed reading room.

Speaking on the occasion, His Holiness Sri Shankaracharya of Puri said, "Religious scriptures have been the medium of living. They enhance our wisdom and invigorate our standard of living. There are differences between education and art. Education is determined by conversation while art is determined by silence. On the other hand, Veda has been the essence of Science, Mathematics, Political Science and Economics. In delving deep into the guiescent minds, the tool which gets utilized and effectual is called scripture. So, it carries immense significance in our lives."

In recent past, His Holiness Sri Shankaracharya of Puri and Maharaja Dibyasingh Dev of Puri had proposed Prof. Samanta to establish a spiritual library in KISS. Accordingly, 'Kiaraa' has been established by KIIT Temple Trust at KISS. The library, which is open to general public, has a wide range of books on different religions with aesthetic reading room for avid readers and devotees. His Holiness Sri Shankaracharya of Puri also laid the foundation stone of Shri Gundicha Mandir, as a part of Shree Banikshetra at KISS, in the presence of a large number of saints and devotees. Among others, Prof. Harekrishna Satapathy, Vice Chancellor, KISS Deemed to be University was also present on the occasion.



Newly inaugurated public spiritual library 'Kiaraa'.



The library has a wide selection of spiritual books on all major religions.



Ambassadors of Costa Rica, Paraguay and Ecuador Visit KISS

I have never addressed such a huge gathering of students. The sea of humanity at KISS amazes me. I come from a small country, but I understand and appreciate the scale at which KISS operates. It's a template for other nations to learn.

 Prof. Claudio Ansorena Montero, His Excellency Ambassador of Costa Rica to India

Prof. Claudio Ansorena Montero, His Excellency Ambassador of Costa Rica to India; Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, His Excellency Ambassador of Paraguay to India; Mr. Hector Cueva Jacome, His Excellency Ambassador of Ecuador to India; and Ms. Barbara Wickham, Director, British Council India visited Kallinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on September 20, 2019.

Addressing the massive assemblage of students, Prof. Montero said, "I have never addressed such a huge gathering of students. The sea of humanity at KISS

A common man or woman can change the world with determination and willpower. Dr. Samanta is one such man who is transforming lives of millions through his passion and dedicated service.

 Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, His Excellency Ambassador of Paraguay to India



Prof. Claudio Ansorena Montero, His Excellency Ambassador of Costa Rica to India; Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, His Excellency Ambassador of Paraguay to India; Mr. Hector Cueva Jacome, His Excellency Ambassador of Ecuador to India; Ms. Barbara Wickham, Director, British Council India and Prof. Achyuta Samanta in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

This is a red letter day
of my life. I am always
going to cherish the
memories of this day.
KISS not only provides
education free of cost,
but also lays emphasis
on comprehensive
development of
students. It's an
example.

- Mr. Hector Cueva Jacome, His Excellency Ambassador of Ecuador to India

amazes me. I come from a small country, but I understand and appreciate the scale at which KISS operates. It's a template for other nations to learn". The ideology of KISS should be put into practice throughout the globe, he added. Mr. Jacome said, "After arriving at KISS, I realized that a layman can change the world by virtue of his dedication and effort. Such kind of person is none other than Dr. Achyuta Samanta, who can change the world if

he desires to do so. I have conviction in myself that KISS is an exemplary model before the global community." "I have been overwhelmed in visiting KISS. Today is the most significant day of my life. It will remain unforgettable for me. Barring education, noble humane traits like discipline, humanity, devotion and honesty are being taught to the students here at KISS. He advised the students to make themselves as global change agents", stated Mr. Ramos. Speaking on the occasion, Ms. Wickham said, "The vision of Dr. Achyuta Samanta and his persistent endeavor in implementing it has greatly moved me".

Among others, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS; Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS and Dr. P.K. Routray, CEO, KISS were present on the occasion.

I am inspired by the vision of Dr. Samanta and KISS.

Ms. Barbara Wickham,
 Director, British Council
 India





Kalinga-FCC Awards for Excellence in Journalism



Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Former President of India, Prof. Achyuta Samanta and other dignitaries with the winners of the Kalinga-FCC Awards for Excellence in Journalism on August 28, 2019.



Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Former President of India speaking on the occasion.



Prof. Achyuta Samanta speaking on the occasion.

Presentation ceremony of the Kalinga-FCC Awards for Excellence in Journalism was held in New Delhi on August 28, 2019. Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Former President of India presented the awards in five different categories to the outstanding journalists in the presence of Mr. Mark Tully, Former Delhi Bureau Chief of BBC, Prof. Achyuta Samanta and other dignitaries.

The Foreign Correspondents' Club of South Asia (FCC) in collaboration with KIIT & KISS had announced an annual award for excellence in the realm of journalism in February 2019. The honour aims to boost the coverage of SAARC nations (namely India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the Maldives) in the global media

Presenting the awards, Shri Mukherjee said, while newspapers were getting closed everywhere, they were doing quite well in India and urged the media to make a meaningful difference in the field of development communication. "It's the uniqueness of the Indian economy that gets reflected in the fact that while newspapers are getting shut everywhere else, they are doing quite well in India. There are over 1,14,000 publications in India today, and their circulation is a staggering 488 million," he said.

The Print Journalist of the Year award was presented to Team Reuters, Rajini Vaidyanathan of BBC won the Television Journalist of the Year award, the Photojournalist of the Year award went to Harush Tyagi of European Pressphoto Agency, Rakesh Nagar of PBS won the Videojournalist of the Year award, while Team Reuters bagged the digital journalist of the year award.



Seminar on 'KISS: A True Reflection of Gandhian Philosophy' KISS Lifetime Achievement Award to MDH Spices Founder



Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati, Founder, MDH Spices Company receiving KISS Lifetime Achievement Award from Prof. Achyuta Samanta in the presence of Shri Raghunandan Das, Hon'ble Minister of State (I) for I&PR and Water Resources, Govt. of Odisha; Shri Bhabani Charan Pattnayak, Freedom Fighter & Noted Gandhian; Smt. Saswat Bal, President, KIIT & KISS; Prof. (Dr.) Harekrishna Satapathy, VC, KISS Deemed to be University and other dignitaries in Bhubaneswar on September 28, 2019.

In the run-up to the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi, a one-day seminar on the theme 'Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS): A True Reflection of Gandhian Philosophy' was organised in Bhubaneswar on September 28, 2019. On the occasion, KISS Lifetime Achievement Award was conferred upon Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati, Founder, MDH Spices Company by veteran freedom fighter Padmashree Bhabani Charan Patanik.

Shri Raghunandan Das, Hon'ble Minister of State (I) for I&PR and Water Resources, Govt. of Odisha; Shri Anubhav Mohanty, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (L.S.); Shri Suresh Kumar Routray, Hon'ble MLA, Jatni; Shri Manoranjan Panigrahi, Secretary, Dept. of Odia Language, Literature, Tourism and Culture; Shri Asit Mohanty, Eminent Litterateur and Critic; Prof. Shantanu

Acharya; Shri Dash Benhur; Shri Prabina Mohanty; Shri Shashanka Chudamani; Dr. Arya Kumar Gyanendra, President, Mahatma Gandhi Non Violence Heritage Institute Trust; Shri Jagadananda, Shri Madhubhai, Eminent Social Workers; Prof. Bimalendu Mohanty, Former VC, Utkal University of Culture; Shri Pradosh Patnaik, Shri Dilip Hali, Shri Pradymna Satapathy, Eminent Journalists; Shri-Dilip Srichandan, Green Crusader; Shri Rabi Behera, State President, Samaiwadi Party; Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS: Shri Umapada Bose, Vice President and other dignitaries graced the seminar.

They elaborately discussed how Gandhian Philosophy has been made a reality in KISS. The dignitaries remarked that Gandhiji was often citing education as the crucial tool to uplift the downtrodden into the social mainstream, which has been aptly reflected in KISS. The thoughts of

Gandhiji for non violence, peace, cleanliness, punctuality, dedication, women empowerment and cottage industries are being clearly reflected in day-to-day activities of KISS.

Accepting the Lifetime Achievement Award, Shri Gulati said, "I am overwhelmed to see such an institution like KISS. It is the blessings of God which enabled me to see such a noble institute. I am thankful to KISS and Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS for giving such a prestigious award to me."

Earlier, Prof. Achyuta Samanta delivered the welcome speech. Among others, Prof.(Dr.) Harekrishna Satapathy, VC, KISS Deemed to be University was present. On the occasion, KISS students displayed a wide range of products made by the and performed colourful cultural programme.





Distinguished speakers at the one-day seminar on 'Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS): A True Reflection of Gandhian Philosophy'.



Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati, Founder, MDH Spices Company complimenting Prof. Achyuta Samanta for his contributions in the fields of education and social development.



Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati blessing a tribal student of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) during his visit to the institute.



Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati greeting students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) during his visit to the institute.





Tribal students of KISS accorded a traditional welcome to Padma Bhusan Mahashay Dharampal Gulati during his visit to the institute.



KSOM Organizes 10th National Finance Conclave



Inaugural ceremony of 10th National Finance Conclave at KIIT School of Management on October 19, 2019.

KIIT School of Management (KSOM) organized its 10th National Finance Conclave with the theme 'Getting to \$5 Trillion: Navigating the Financial Landscape' on October 19, 2019. Prof. Sudipto Mundle, Distinguished Fellow, NCEAR and Emeritus Professor, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi delivered the keynote address titled, 'An inclusive strategy for reviving growth in India'.

"The growth slowdown we are experiencing is indeed quite serious. What is required now is a macroeconomic strategy to quickly revive aggregate demand in the short run, while initiating structural reforms over the long run. The strategy has to take into account a very challenging external economic environment", Prof. Mundle remarked. The RBI has attempted to revive demand repeatedly cutting the Repo rate and taken other measures to ease the availability of credit. With monetary policy having limited edition, the main burden of growth stimulation must therefore fall

on fiscal policy. Whenever issues of Public expenditure are discussed we often hear that there is no fiscal space to undertake this or that measure, added Prof. Mundle.

The Government now needs to muster the political courage to initiate deep fiscal reforms. Such reforms could create enough fiscal space to substantially increase pro-poor spending and reivly growth, while reducing the fiscal deficit and without increase in tax rates. Finally the balance of newly created fiscal space could be used for further fiscal consolidation, i.e., to reduce the fiscal deficit, he explained.

In the Panel Discussion Session, Mr. Rahul Bajoria, Chief Economist, Barclays Investment Bank laid focus on Demand-Supply Management Perspective. "Economic measurement is below the par in true sense. It would be the turnaround of the Government to cogitate on demand slowdown. The Govt. should put much concern on Structural Income, Efficiency of Public

Sector Enterprises, Problem of Tax Structure apart from addressing Demand Slowdown*, added Mr. Bajoria. Mr. Plyus Garg, EVP & CIO, ICICI Securities said that consumption has slowed down, while saving went down.

Mr. Sougato Bhatttacharya, Chief Economist, Axis Bank elucidated how GDP growth rate has been stunted. Role of foreign capital credit has to be effective. There should be a broader policy target, but in tandem it is an extremely difficult task to chase that target, he said.

Mr. Pramod Kasat from Ex-Indusland Investment Banking highlighted on some key components of growth for which 5 factors play very significant role. Having the largest number of young people in the world, India boasts of huge opportunities. Secondly India has world's largest Mass Origination Movements, Technological Advancements, Mass Consumption and Financial Inclusion. Commissioning of these five factors will lead us towards



long term opportunity in a very strong way. Reforming Financial Market is very important. Government needs to focus more on the sector of Sustainable Energy, Mass Education and Heath, in order to attain \$ 5 Trillion Dollar economy, he added. Ms. Mythili Bhusnurmath, Consulting Editor, The Economic Times coordinated the Panel Discussion as the moderator.

Earlier, Prof. S.N. Mishra, Dean, KIIT School of Management said that in India today there is an interesting amalgamation of political euphoria combined with efficiency. Prof. Hrushikesh Mohanty, VC, KIIT-DU welcomed the delegates and dignitaries and placed his view on Nation's financial scenario in a nutshell.



Ms. Madhavi Arora Lead Economist, **Edelweiss Securities**

Mr. Amit Tripathi

CIO - Fixed Income.



Prof. Arun Kumar Chair Professor, Institute of Social Science



Mr. Sandeep Bagla Associate Director, Trust Capital



Mr. Piyush Garg Prof. Satya N. Misra EVP & CIO, ICICI Securities Dean, KSOM

Distinguished Guests



Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty Vice Chancellor, KIIT Deemed to be University



Ms. Mythilli Bhusnurmath Economist (Moderator)



Mr. Rahul Bajoria Chief Economist, Barclays Investment Bank



Prof. Sudipto Mundle Distinguished Fellow, NCAER



Mr. Saugata Bhattacharya Chief Economist, Axis Bank



Mr. Pramod Kasat Ex. Industnd Bank, Investment Banking





KiiT International School Hosts First Ted-ed Talk in Odisha

The first TED-Ed Talk by TED-Ed Club was organized in KiiT International School on October 23, 2019. The Theme was 'Concoction of Spirituality, Modernity & Art'. Eminent speakers Sister Deepa, Senior Member Awakening India, Bramhakumari Society; Dr. Falguni Vasavada, Head Strategic Management, MICA College, Ahmedabad and Padma Shree Sudarshan Patnaik, Eminent Sand Artist delivered talks on spirituality, modernity and art respectively.

Delivering talk on spirituality, Sister Deepa said India needs ignited minds to become world power. "We can ignite our minds by intense feelings of our virtues and qualities. Everyone has some virtues and qualities. To make yourself self-confident one should have to achieve these virtues and qualities through spiritual understanding and meditation. We can connect ourselves with Supreme Father through meditation", she said.

Speaking on Modernity, Dr. Falguni Vasavada said, outer make up and beauty is not modernity. Modernity is internal make up and is about evolution. There are three paths of modernity. Path one is 'my life, my rules'. One should not bother about other's thinking on himself. One should take his/her own decision for his/her life. He / she should not be influenced by others. One should be modern in thought process and in broadness. The second path is equality-the gender equality. One should change



Sister Deepa, Senior Member Awakening India, Bramhakumari Society; Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS; Padma Shri Shri Sudarshan Patnaik, Eminent Sand Artist; Dr. Falguni Vasavada, Head Strategic Management, MICA College, Ahmedabad; and Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School felicitating Swayam Sahay, a student from BJEM School, for his live sand animation on environmental protection at the TED Ed Meet in KiiT International School on October 23, 2019.

his / her notions on equality. Gender equality is demonstrated to modernity. Third is body positive. One should have to raise about his/her body shape. One should not bother about his/her body shape. One should take it in positive way, she added.

Speaking on Art, Shri Patnaik said, Art is a form of creativity. Creativity is everyone's inner quality. It may be creativity in education, sports, art and culture. One can raise the height by utilizing his creativity. So one should have self confidence and should develop positivity. Positivity and self confidence can take you a new height.

In her welcome address, Dr. Mona Lisa Bal said, KiiT International School is the only school in the state of Odisha & second in the country to host TED Talk event and to have been officially registered under the illustrious brand of TED as we run a TED-Ed club for the students. This would be an inaugural event of the club.

Among others, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KiIT & KiSS; Dr. Sanjay Suar, Principal, KiIT International School were present. As many as 1500 students from different schools of Cuttack and 8hubaneswar participated in the event.







International Honours for KiiT-IS Chairperson



Dr. Mona Lisa Bal, Chairperson, KiiT International School, Bhubaneswar has been conferred with the Mahatma Gandhi Leadership Award, a rare honour, by the NRI Welfare Society (U.K. Chapter) on October 11, 2019 in the House of Commons (Parliament of U.K.) in London. She earned the recognition for her exceptional contribution in the field of education. The recipients of this award are chosen after very careful scrutiny and Dr. Bal is among twenty five such awardees from across the globe. Notably, Mother Teresa and Shri Gaur Gopal Das have been recipients of this prestigious award. Dr. Bal's inclusion in the hallowed list is a matter of immense pride and glory. Dr. Ball expressed her gratitude to Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS for his sterling transformational leadership which has been the catalyst in her guest for education with a human touch. KiiT International School was the best barometer for her ideological and academic growth as an educator because the students and faculty reflected her commitment to this process.

In another achievement, Dr. Bal also received the coveted Leadership Excellence Award (Second Edition), an initiative by Meccademia Education Group that seeks to bolster edupreneurship in Asia, in Thailand. She received the award from Mr. Mark Parkinson, Consultant in educational leadership, education reform for India and South East Asia, Mr. Sanjay Naik, Vice President, Emirates Airlines and Groups, and Ms. Rupa Chakravarthy, Principal, Suncity World School. Leadership Excellence Award (LEA) aims to celebrate and recognize influential educational leaders across the world to commemorate creative educators who ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. As many as 275 school leaders had applied for the award, out of which 18 top schools leaders from India, Oman and Muscat were shortlisted and invited to Thailand. They shared their success stories in this guest for excellence in different aspects of education. Dr. Bal won the coveted Leadership Excellence Award. She attributed her success to the KIIT fraternity, the transformational and inclusive leadership of Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder KliT and KlSS, and KliT's philosophy of education for all with a human touch to uphold dignity of the individual which has evolved to become a way of learning in KiiT International School. She expressed her gratitude to the entire team of KiiT-IS led by the Principal, Dr Sanjay Suar.

KiiT-IS Inks MOU with Autism Society West Bengal (ASWB)

KiiT International School has become the first school from Odisha to join hands with Autism Society West Bengal (ASWB) to ensure that the efforts for special education are not merely aspirational, but translate into healthy teaching practices for the benefit of the students. According to the MOU, ASWB, led by its Founder Director Mrs. Indrani Basu, will provide educational support to the faculty of the school to streamline and strengthen its educational practices. Regular and planned interfaces between the two organizations will create a pool of 20 trained special educators to guide 56 students with special needs with a teacher student ratio of 1:3. The areas of training will include

helping teachers understand special children and their needs, customizing teaching practices and assessments to empower them to join mainstream learning system without coercion or trauma of any kind. It will also engage with the parents to create awareness as well as help them cope better with special needs of their child with an enabling and supportive environment at home. KiiT International School will also look to build an environment of trust and sensitivity towards special children by the school community as a whole, by addressing issues of adolescence, bullying and shaming among others with a conscious and informed approach to the needs of both sides.



Quality Assurance in Higher Education: KIIT Launches UGC's 'PARAMARSH' Scheme



The much awaited 'PARAMARSH' Scheme of the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi was launched at KIIT Deemed to be University on October 21, 2019. The scheme seeks to promote quality assurance in higher education by mentoring institutions aspiring for NAAC accreditation, KIIT has been nominated as a mentor institute to extend all sorts of support to the institutions awaiting accreditation in different stages, right from preparation of self-study report to visit of NAAC Peer Team Members. Eleven colleges and one university have signed MoU with KIIT to be the mentee institutions.

The 'PARAMARSH' scheme was launched by Prof. Achyuta Samanta in the presence of Prof. Srikanta Swamy, Academic Consultant, NAAC, Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty, Vice Chancellor, KIIT, Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro-Vice Chancellor and Prof. J. K. Parida, Director - QA Cell. The workshop was attended by 48 principals and faculty members from 12 mentee institutions and directors, principals, senior functionaries and faculty members of KIIT & KISS. Prof. Samanta expressed satisfaction that UGC has nominated KIIT as a mentor institute for the State of Odisha. He promised all sorts of support by KIIT in handholding the mentee institutions.

Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty threw light

on the various constraints faced by the educational institutions at the state for accreditation of their institutions. He also came out with various strategies to be followed for qualitative improvement of the institutions. Prof. Sasmita Samanta pointed out the relevance of NAAC accreditation for inclusive growth in this country. The meeting ended with the felicitation of the participants by Prof. Samanta.







KIIT's Dutee Chand Named Vogue Sportsperson of the Year - 2019





Dutee Chand receiving Vogue Sportsperson of the Year 2019 award.

Ace sprinter Dutee Chand has been named Sportsperson of the Year 2019 by Vogue India. Besides winning the prestigious honour, Dutee also features on the cover of Vogue India's November 2019 edition. She is the first Odia girl to feature on the cover of Vogue India. She is seen sporting an outfit by H&M, designed by Suket Dhir. She has been styled by Daniel Franklin and hair and makeup has been done by Maniasha. She has been photographed by Ashish Shah.

Dutee broke the national record in the 100-metre event at the National Open Athletics Championships in Ranchi Ocrober 11. She won her semifinal with a time of 11.22 seconds and went on to win the final with a time of 11.25 seconds. Earlier in the year, she had become the first Indian to win a gold medal in women's 100-metre sprint at the 30th Summer University Games in Naples, Italy. "I'm very happy to score my personal best in 100m at the National

Championships. I broke the national record. I had worked really hard and I am happy that it bore fruit. Now my target is to score 11.15 which is the qualification standard for the Olympics," Dutee said. Besides Dutee, the only other sportsperson on Vogue's honours list is Indian shooter Heena Sidhu. This is the second magazine cover that Dutee has been featured in. Earlier this year, Cosmopolitan featured her on their digital cover for the month of July.

Star Athletes from KIIT & KISS Felicitated



Star athletes and pride of KIIT Deemed to be University, Dutee Chand, Amiya Mallick and Jauna Murmu were felicitated in KIIT at a special programme on October 19, 2019. They have won Gold Medals at the 59th National Open Athletics Championships 2019 held at Ranchi, Jharkhand recently, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS felicitated them for their achievement. Dutee clinched two gold medals in women's 100m and 200m respectively, while ace sprinter Amiya Mallick bagged Gold Medal in the men's 100m final, Jauna Murmu bagged Gold in 400m hurdles. Dutee completed the 200 metres sprint in 23.17 sec. In 100m, she broke her own national record, clocking 11.22 seconds in the semi-finals. Dutee later clocked 11.25 seconds in the final to claim the gold. Amiya Mallick clocked 10.46 seconds to triumph in the event. Students, staff and faculties of KIIT and KISS were present at the felicitation ceremony to congratulate and encourage the athletes.



7th Edition of KIIT International Model United Nations



(From I.) Prof. Claudio Ansorena Montero, His Excellency Ambassador of Costa Rica to India; Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro Vice Chancellor, KIIT; Prof. Achyuta Samanta; Ms. Barbara Wickham, Director, British Council India; Mr. Hector Cueva Jacome, His Excellency Ambassador of Ecuador to India; Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, His Excellency Ambassador of Paraguay to India; and Prof. H. Mohanty, VC, KIIT at the inaugural ceremony of KIIT International MUN on September 20, 2019.

The 7th Edition of KIIT International Model United Nations (MUN), held in association with UNFPA and British Council India, was inaugurated in the presence of Prof. Claudio Ansorena Montero, His Excellency Ambassador of Costa Rica to India; Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, His Excellency Ambassador of Paraguay to India; Mr. Hector Cueva Jacome, His Excellency Ambassador of Ecuador to India; Ms. Barbara Wickham, Director, British Council India and Prof. Achyuta Samanta on September 20, 2019.

Emphasizing on the values of democracy, Prof. Montero called for cooperation to promote democratic values all over the world. Comparing Indian and Latin America, Mr. Jacome said, the agricultural productivity in India is more than 2 to 3 times that of Latin America. India is miles ahead in Information Technology, education, health, etc. "Latin America needs to adopt the model of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), its knowledge and technology. KISS is a fantastic model of education. We can work together on common issues like health, education and environment", he added. Speaking on the

occasion, Mr. Ramos stated, "I have never seen such a comprehensive way of educating and empowering people. Dr. Samanta's contributions in the field of education are exemplary. I would like to develop this model of KISS in Paraguay and also in Latin America as a whole."

Ms. Wickham highlighted the scenario of Human Rights in the 21st century. In the context of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, she said that India through the Mahatma has significant influence in the history of India and the world. "British Council gives emphasis on equality, diversity and inclusion apart from Human Rights across India and the world. India and UK are aligned on the issues of students, research and society. We must remain committed towards spreading humanity and social change", she added. Mr. Rohan Singh, Secretary General, KIIT International MUN read out the Annual Report. Among the dignitaries, Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty, VC, KIIT and Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro-VC also spoke on the occasion.

KISS Achiever Delivers TEDx Talk



Meerarani Hembram, a student achiever of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), spoke at TEDxBangalore on October 21, 2019 about the challenges of getting selected to the Indian Women's Rugby Team from a tribal community. Meerarani, along with two other girls of KISS, was a member of the Indian Rugby Senior Women's Team that won the Silver Medal in Asia Rugby Sevens Trophy 2019 held in Jakarta, Indonesia on August 10 - 11, 2019. KISS is committed to providing tribal students the platform, education and infrastructure to overcome any challenges and become leaders in society.





Fostering Innovation – TECHNOVISION 2019



Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro Vice Chancellor, KIIT Deemed to be University and Prof. Samaresh Mishra, Director, KIIT School of Computer Engineering with the student innovators of KIIT.

The third edition of the intra-university event, TECHNOVISION-2019, was held on October 19, 2019. Organised by KIIT School of Computer Engineering, it is a sister event of Project Innovation Contest of 16" ICDCIT 2020. The event provides a platform to students to showcase their innovation and project development skills for real life problems. Participation from students was encouraging with 89 projects received from Schools of Engineering of KIIT Deemed-to-be-University.

TECHNOVISION 2019 was inaugurated by Prof. Hrushikesha Mohanty, Vice Chancellor, KIIT in the presence of Prof. Sasmita Samanta, Pro Vice Chancellor; Prof. Inyanaranjan Mohanty, Registrar; Prof. Samaresh Mishra, Director, KIIT School of Computer Engineering and Mr. Pratyush Sunandan, Asst. Product Manager, High Radius and alumnus of the KIIT School of Computer Engineering. The projects were evaluated by experts from academia and industry. The dignitaries were impressed to see the innovative ideas presented by the students. They encouraged the students to develop real time prototype. The event was organized by the faculty, staff and students of KIIT School of Computer Engineering.



Two students displaying a prototype developed by them.



Two Brothers of Jaga-Balia Join KISS

Two elder brothers of the once-conjoined twins Jaga-Balia, Ailt (11) and Datya (8), have taken admissions in Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 26, 2019. Alit was admitted in standard six. while Datya in standard three. Last September, Prof. Achyuta Samanta had visited SCB Medical College, Cuttack and met Jaga-Balia to enquire about their health. During his discussion with their parents, Prof. Samanta came to know that two elder brothers of Jaga-Balia are staying in their native village. He had assured to facilitate education of all four brothers in KISS. Once Jaga-Balia will be fit, they will also join KISS. Prof. Samanta met Ajit and Datya at KISS and discussed with them. In his reaction, father Bhuyan Kanhar thanked Prof. Samanta for taking responsibility of providing education to his children.



KIIT Researcher Develops 'Bio-Bricks'

Researcher Avik Roy, Assistant Professor, School of Architecture of KIIT Deemed to be University has developed blo-bricks from agricultural waste for affordable housing. Mr. Roy along with Priyabrata Rautray, PhD scholar, Design Department, IIT Hyderabad received a Special Recognition Trophy for Sustainable Housing at Rural Innovators Start-Up Conclave 2019 organised recently by National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR), Hyderabad.

The researchers claim that bio-bricks will serve the dual purpose of waste

management and development of ecofriendly, sustainable building materials. Bio-bricks can not only manage agricultural waste which often ends up being burnt, but also provide affordable building materials. Over 22 per cent of India's total annual carbon-dioxide emissions is due to the construction sector, which can be curbed with biobricks, claim researchers. Further, the repurposing of agricultural waste is particularly important in India, More than 500 million tons of agricultural wastes are produced in the country every year. While some of this is reused as fodder, 84 to 141 million-tons are burnt, which results in severe air pollution, according to the researchers.

The process of making bio-bricks starts with careful selection of the dry agrowaste such as paddy straws, wheat straws, and sugarcane bagasse and cotton plant. Sugarcane bagasse, a complex material, is the major by-product of the sugar cane industry. The team uses dry sugarcane bagasse for the first sample. The bagasse is first chopped to the desired size. A lime based slurry is prepared, and chopped agro-waste is added to it and mixed thoroughly by hand or a mechanical mixer to create a homogenous mixture.

KISS - ICRISAT MoU for Farm Research in Koraput

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) has entered into a partner sub-grant agreement with the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) to conduct research in Koraput, Odisha. ICRISAT builds special expertise for the conservation, analysis, breeding and understanding of on-farm management practices, processing and agribusiness opportunities. KISS will aid the project titled "Through the Looking Glass: Applying a Gender Lens to Agricultural Transformation, Labour Intensification and Nutrition Outcomes in LMICs' by conducting research and data collection. The project will be of great impact to the fields of nutrition, women's empowerment and technology adoption in rural agricultural scenario.





US Consul General Visits KISS



Mr. Joel Reifman, US Consul General, Hyderabad visited KIIT and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 28, 2019. Mr. Reifman visited various campuses of KIIT and different units of KISS. Addressing 27,000 tribal students of KISS, he said, "America is proud to be part of your journey. We are proud to be associated with KISS. I heard many good things from my higher authorities. This is my first visit to Odisha. I am impressed with KISS after visiting here. The students here should feel very

proud, because they are studying in one of the best schools of the world. I see the future of India in KISS. From 20 students with two teachers, KISS is now the world's largest tribal residential institute. It has been possible due to the hard work and dedication of its founder Prof. Achyuta Samanta. I congratulate him for his endeavor". He also inaugurated Center of American Studies at KISS. Prof. Samanta and Shri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS also spoke on the occasion.

Indian National Hockey Team in KIIT & KISS



All the players, coaches and officials of Indian National Men's and Women's Hockey Team visited KilT and KiSS on October 26, 2019. They were in Bhubaneswar to play in FIH Olympic Qualifiers in Kalinga Stadium from October 25 – November 3. "KISS is a wonder", they remarked after spending time with 30,000 tribal students of the institute. They halled Prof. Achyuta Samanta for his extraordinary effort in establishing KISS. Later, both Men's and Women's team practised in KIIT Hockey Stadium, which has 'Global Category' of field certification from FIH.



Panorama



Prof. Achyuta Samanta welcoming Mr. Krishnan Ganesh, Founder, Bigbasket and Mrs. Meena Ganesh, Founder, Portea Medical in KIIT on October 20, 2019.



Prof. K. K. Aggarwal, Chairman, National Board of Accreditation (NBA) visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 15, 2019.



Dr. Jogishwar Singh, Ex-Managing Director, Edmund de Rothschild, Dr. Charles Poncet, Ex-Member of Parliament, Switzerland and Prof. Achyuta Samanta amongst students of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) during their visit on October 17, 2019.



Certificate distribution and closing ceremony of of the Summer School of the students of Ceská zemedelská univerzita v Praze, Prague at KIIT on September 5, 2019.



A delegation from Govt. of Jharkhand, comprising Shri Sushant Gauray, Director, Higher Education, Dr. Nitesh Raj, Deputy Director and Dr. S. N. Munda, VC, DSPM University, Ranchi, visited Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on October 16, 2019 to study it for replication in Jharkhand.



Kritarth, the annual inter-college event of KIIT Deemed to be University to spread social awareness, was held on October 19, 2019.

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