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We thank our reader for their interest in our annual report for the academic year 2018-2019. This is a comprehensive report on our activities and events in the preceding year. It has been an eventful and successful year for all, and KISS would like to thank you - our readers, well-wishers and partners - for your continued support and belief in all our endeavours.

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## FROM THE FOUNDER'S DESK

**Dr. Achyuta Samanta** | Founder, KIIT & KISS

KISS was established in 1993, with only 125 tribal children at a rented house in Bhubaneswar. Now, more than two and half decades later, it stands as a unique model of empowerment for tribal students. In fact, our students have consistently achieved accolades from India and abroad on numerous occasions. They have excelled in academics and co-curricular activities, reaping the benefits of holistic education offered at KISS. It shows that given the right opportunities, underprivileged children can also excel. It is KISS' constant endeavour to bring out merit in them and make them empowered and self-reliant.

KISS has been conferred with Special Consultative Status by UN-ECOSOC since 2015. The students of KISS have made up to IITs, NITs, IIMs and other organizations of repute. They have participated and won in Olympics, ASIAD, Common Wealth, South Asian Federation Games and many other prestigious sports events. It is in the list of top 500 NGOs of the world and top 10 in India. It has been certified with Platinum level Guide Star India Award for maintaining financial transparency. Moreover, in recognition of our efforts, this year, KISS has been awarded a Leadership award by the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes. We were also named NGO of the year 2019 by CSR Summit and Awards 2019. I am both proud and humbled to see KISS continue to soar to such heights.

Academically, too, our students are unbeatable. The higher education campus of KISS is now in its second year, with students achieving such remarkable results that KISS-DU was recognized as the 'Best University in Odisha' at the Odisha Education Awards 2019. Indeed, KISS is the world's first and only university committed to providing quality higher education exclusively to students from underserved tribal communities.

As an individual, I started life solely with the experience of severe poverty and hunger and strong passion to create a model to eradicate poverty and hunger through education two and a half decades ago. Today, this principle is the motto of global and national policymakers aiming to achieve the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG). KISS is the best model to fulfill all the objectives of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in true sense and spirit. It is the biggest anthropological laboratory in the world. We have myriad tribes studying at KISS and their rich heritage, culture, music, dance and practices are documented, maintained and augmented in the most appropriate manner.

I am always grateful to my stakeholders of KIIT for supporting the KISS dream financially. I express my thanks and gratitude to all well-wishers and contributors. We reciprocate their kind gesture with prayers for their peace and prosperity from 60,000 tribal children.



## Dr. Samanta's CARE Philosophy

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Over the two decades since KISS was founded, people have repeatedly asked Dr. Samanta the same curious question:

***“What made you pick the acronym KISS?”***

Each time, his reply has been the same. ‘KISS’ represents the love, care and affection that is conveyed with a kiss. In fact, Dr. Samanta’s lifelong passion has always been to spread happiness and care among the deprived.

The roots of this passion stem from his own difficult childhood. About four decades ago, Dr. Samanta lived in a remote village in Kalarabanka in Cuttack district of Odisha. The village lacked even basic amenities such as electricity. During that period, new clothes and sumptuous food were a luxury he and his siblings could not even dream of. However, throughout his life, Dr. Samanta’s mother’s advice echoed in his ears. She would say — **“Jake loke na kahle bhalo, sei jiyanta jivane marlo”**, meaning **‘if a human life isn’t appreciated by others then it isn’t worth living’**.

This became the motto of Dr. Samanta’s life, motivating him to work selflessly, without ever deviating from the path of integrity despite running mammoth organisations such as KIIT and KISS. He strongly believes that a man is the sum of his experiences from the past. Even though he is often saddened by glaring inequalities in society, Dr. Samanta realises that the five fingers of a hand can never be quite the same. Early in life, he learnt that one can spread happiness even through small acts of giving, and he has continued to practice this throughout his life, making his students at KISS the focus of all his love, compassion and care.

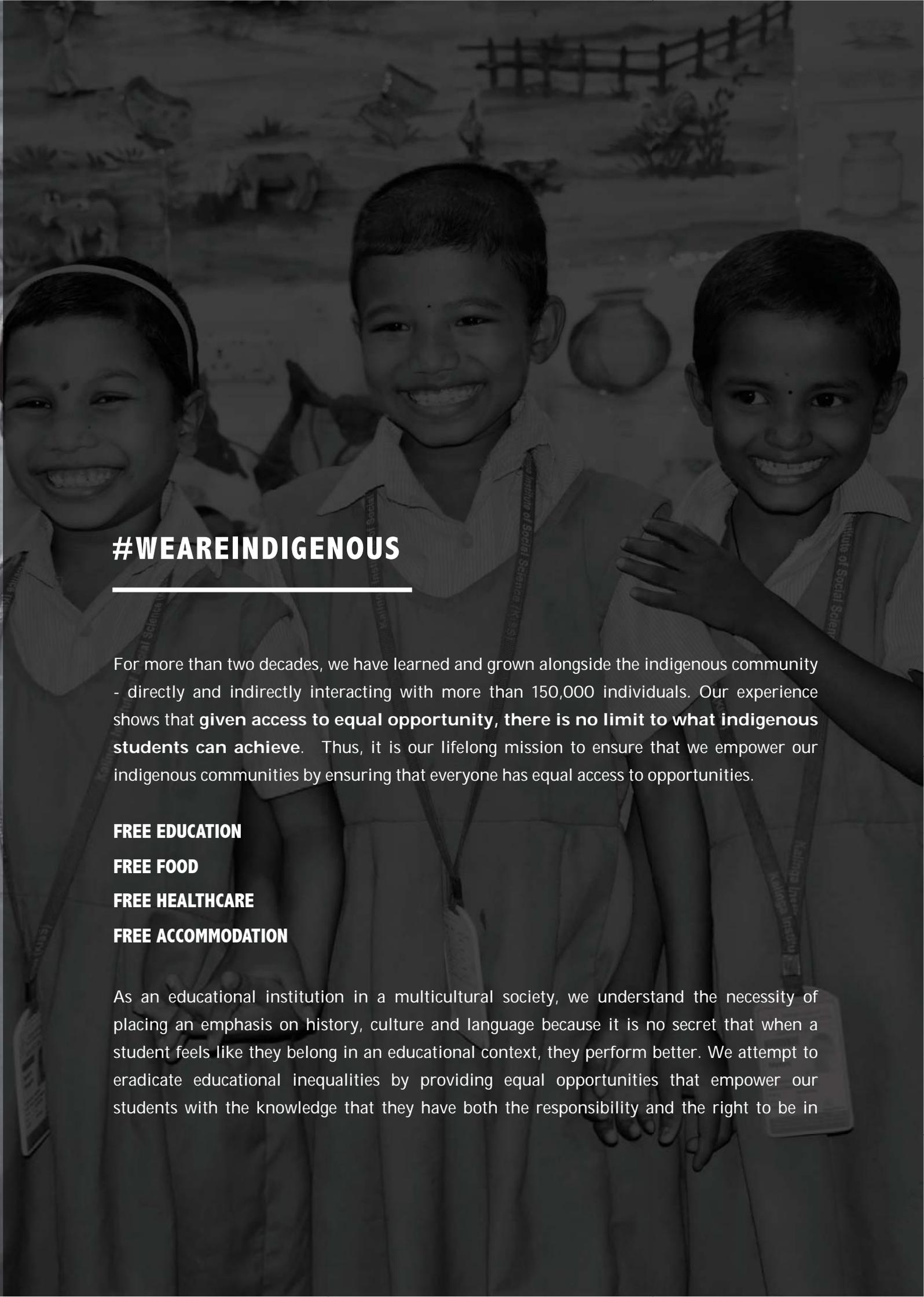
A true life is lived when one learns from past experiences, using these to learn how to alleviate the sufferings of fellow human beings. Dr. Samanta’s past - marred with poverty and struggle - moulded him into the affectionate and selfless person he is today, and it is these qualities that make him cherished and loved wherever he goes. **Dr. Samanta now dedicates his life to ensuring that his 30,000 children at KISS become compassionate, empowered youth with no dearth of love or opportunities in life.**



“The way KISS is trying to change the lives of tribal people in a positive way by providing education is very important. Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar had always given importance to this kind of upliftment through education of tribal, dalit and other backward classes.”

**SHRI NARENDRA MODI**

*Hon'ble Prime Minister of India*

A black and white photograph of three indigenous children in school uniforms, smiling and holding hands. They are wearing lanyards with identification tags. The background is a wall with drawings of animals and a fence.

## #WEAREINDIGENOUS

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For more than two decades, we have learned and grown alongside the indigenous community - directly and indirectly interacting with more than 150,000 individuals. Our experience shows that **given access to equal opportunity, there is no limit to what indigenous students can achieve.** Thus, it is our lifelong mission to ensure that we empower our indigenous communities by ensuring that everyone has equal access to opportunities.

**FREE EDUCATION**

**FREE FOOD**

**FREE HEALTHCARE**

**FREE ACCOMMODATION**

As an educational institution in a multicultural society, we understand the necessity of placing an emphasis on history, culture and language because it is no secret that when a student feels like they belong in an educational context, they perform better. We attempt to eradicate educational inequalities by providing equal opportunities that empower our students with the knowledge that they have both the responsibility and the right to be in



## OUR DREAM

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We are an educational institute, 60,000 strong, powered by the belief that a better world - **free from hunger, poverty & illiteracy** - is possible. We provide free of cost education, accommodation, food and healthcare to over 30,000 indigenous students currently studying at our main campus in Bhubaneswar, in addition to 15,000 alumni and an additional 15,000 students spread across our satellite centres.

## OUR APPROACH

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Our students are educated and empowered through a holistic approach involving academia, sports and vocational training **from Class I to PhD**.

KISS also prioritises efforts to preserve the varied tribal cultures, heritage and languages from **over 62 tribes** represented in our student body, while simultaneously empowering our students.

We have also been granted '**Deemed to be University**' status by the University Grants Commission, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, since 2017.

## WHERE WE ARE NOW

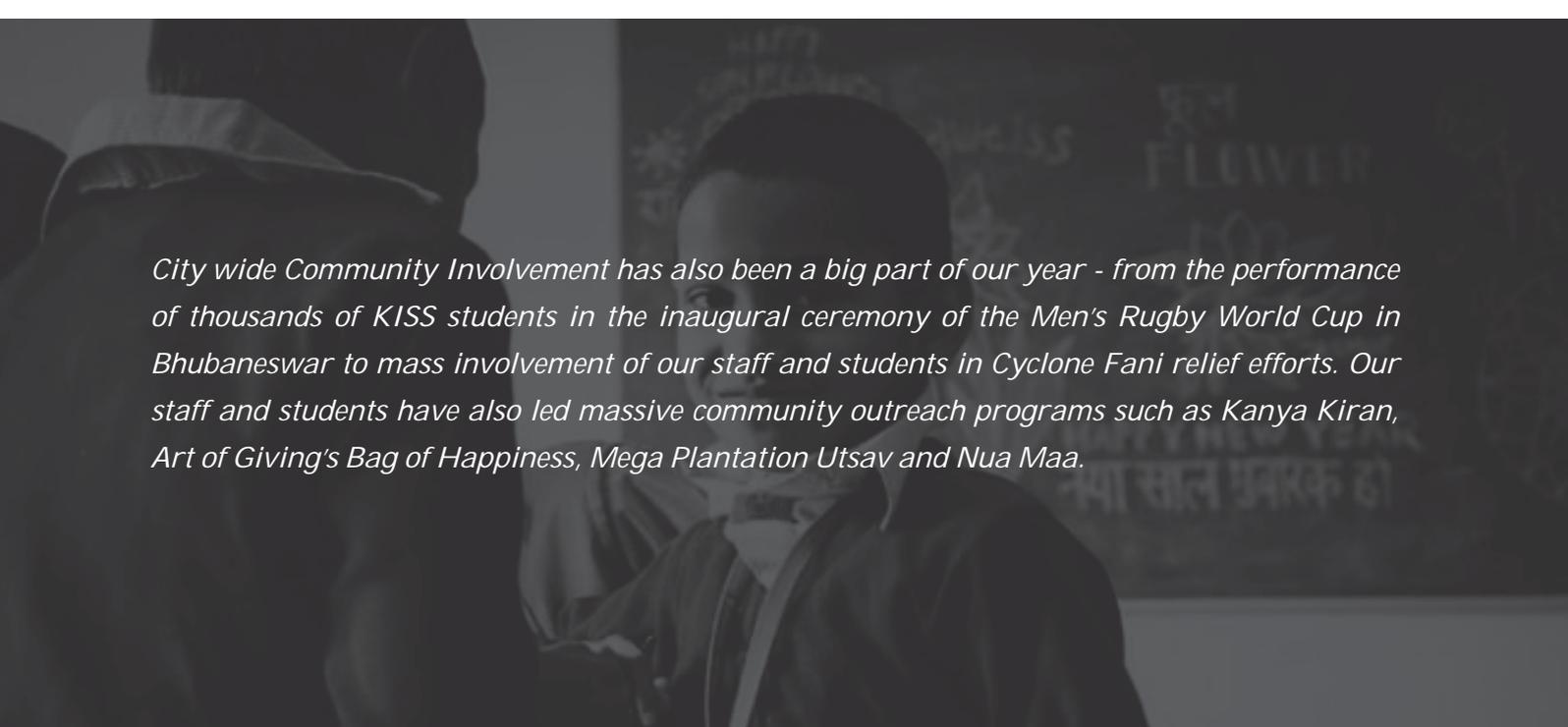
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*60,000 strong, and our performance this year is off the charts!*

The academic cycle from 2018 to 2019 has been full of achievement for our KISS community. We are proud to have been recognized with a Leadership Award by the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, in recognition of our commitment towards "Education for All". Our students have achieved a 100% success rate in +2 Arts, Science and Commerce examinations, while also excelling in 10th Board Exams. Many students have also cleared competitive examinations, such as the UGC NET, and yet others have gained admission to reputed institutes of higher education, such as IIT, NIITs.

This has particularly been an eventful year of sports for KISS, with stellar national and international performances by our students in Rugby, Judo, Cricket, Sprinting and Hand Ball.

KISS-DU also had four new research chairs established: (Santha Kabi Bhimbhoi, Utkal Gourav Madhusudan, Utkalmani Pt. Gopabandhu and Biju Patnaik) to oversee advanced research. These concerted efforts by our staff and students have been recognized numerous times this year by both national and international bodies, and we are immensely grateful for the recognition and support to the KISS community.



*City wide Community Involvement has also been a big part of our year - from the performance of thousands of KISS students in the inaugural ceremony of the Men's Rugby World Cup in Bhubaneswar to mass involvement of our staff and students in Cyclone Fani relief efforts. Our staff and students have also led massive community outreach programs such as Kanya Kiran, Art of Giving's Bag of Happiness, Mega Plantation Utsav and Nua Maa.*

# GLOBAL NGO RANKING



KISS has entered the Global NGO Ranking for the fourth time. **KISS has been ranked 189 in the prestigious list of 2019 top 500 NGOs of the World**, published by NGO Advisor. Earlier, in 2017 KISS ranked 223 while the institute held the 500th position in 2016. KISS was selected out of thousands of NOGs from around the world **for its outstanding impact, innovation, and governance**. NGO Advisor is a Geneva-based independent media organization committed to highlighting innovation, impact, and governance in the nonprofit sector. It published the list of top 500 NGOs after a series of reviews of the best nonprofit organizations from around the world. In the last twenty years, the non-profit sector has evolved far beyond charity work to encompass myriad organizations, coalitions, movements, and even business that serve a diversity of objectives and engage in many ways with public and private institutions. NGO Advisor monitors the international non-profit community for ideas, practices, and models that challenge traditional approaches to the non-governmental organization (NGO).

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION FOR KISS

### LEADERSHIP AWARD BY NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

*KISS was conferred with a Leadership Award by the National Commission for Schedules tribes, Government of India in February 2019, in recognition of its "provision of wholesome food, quality education and coaching and excellent facility in sports and extracurricular activities" that helps tribal children to "achieve dignity and economic empowerment."*

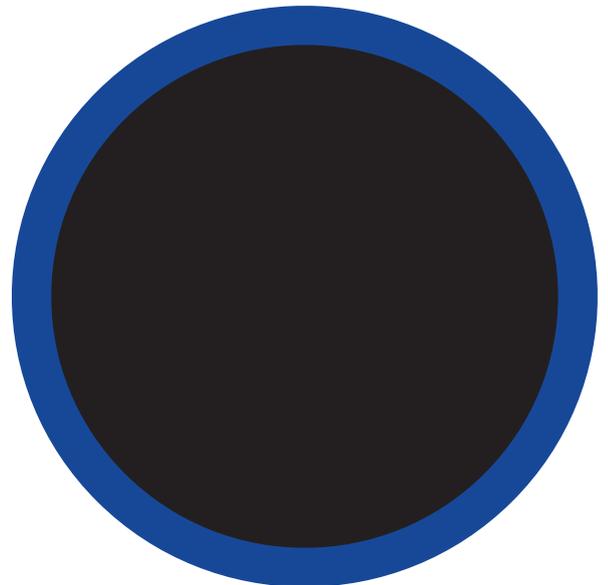


### NGO OF THE YEAR 2019

*KISS was recognized at the CSR Summit and Awards 2019 organized by UBS at JW Marriot in Bengaluru based on the theme "Innovate, Engage & Sustain"*

### ODISHA EDUCATION AWARD 2019

*KISS-DU was awarded as the best university in Odisha at the Odisha Education Awards 2019 on 8th August, at Jayadev Bhawan, Bhubaneswar. The award ceremony was organized by Odia Media Private Ltd., Media Partners Odisha Link and Odisha Story Publication Partner PEN IN Books.*





## ABOUT KISS

Odisha is renowned for its immense indigenous population, which comprises 24% of the total state's population. Unfortunately, these communities remain one of the most marginalised and deprived in modern Indian society.

**Dr. Achyuta Samanta**, the founder of KIIT and KISS, realised the difficulty faced by tribal communities in transitioning into mainstream society and he attempted to remedy this by founding KISS, in 1993. The institute, which started with only 125 tribal students in a rented house, has spiraled into the world's largest and only institute providing free education from Kindergarten to Post-Graduation with vocational and extracurricular training, free lodging and boarding, state-of-the-art pedagogy and facilities exclusively to more than 60,000 students of tribal origin.

The foundations of KISS are based on Dr. Samanta's dream of free holistic and quality education that is accessible to indigenous students across the country. With the availability of these opportunities, students of KISS have repeatedly proven remarkable in academics, sports and vocational activities earning global recognition in both academia and sports.

## UNIVERSITY STATUS

KISS was granted **Deemed-to-be-University Status** by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India vide its Letter No. F.9-14/2011-U-3(A) dated 25th August 2017. It has become the first tribal university in India to impart free holistic education, research and extension activities in a residential mode, thereby ensuring their sustainable livelihood. Although Indira Gandhi National Tribal University was established before, it enrolls students of all categories, while KISS University is exclusively for tribal students. Accordingly, KISS has been declared a Deemed University under De-Novo category.

Last year, KISS University introduced seven innovative departments, in its first phase of development, to provide impetus for research on tribal studies and to help KISS achieve a place of prominence in global academia.

# FACTS AND FIGURES

<b>CLASS I-X</b> Affiliated to Board of Secondary Education (BE), Odisha	<b>Class XI-XII</b> Affiliated to Council of Higher Secondary Education (CHSE), Odisha	<b>Bachelor's Degree in Arts, Commerce &amp; Science under KISS DU</b>	<b>Post-Graduation in Various Streams under KISS DU</b>
<b>Vocational Training</b>	<b>Mother Tongue Based Multilingual Education for Primary Students</b>	<b>NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Youth Red Cross</b>	<b>English classes offered through English Access Micro-Scholarship Program</b>
<b>Smart Classrooms used to augment Science, Technology, English and Math (STEM) learning</b>	<b>60,000 tribal students receiving free education</b>	<b>Largest Global Residential School for Tribal Students</b>	<b>Free lodging, boarding, healthcare and vocational training</b>
<b>Student representation from more than 62 different tribes —&gt;</b>	<b>—&gt; including 13 PVTGs and 10 states</b>	<b>World's First Exclusively Tribal University</b>	<b>Special Consultative Status with UN-ECOSOC since 2015</b>



## INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGY

KISS employs a number of innovative pedagogies that help to create the unique learning environment for which it is reputed. Foremost among these is its **holistic approach** to education which ensure that it focuses on all-rounded development for young tribal learners. This approach is aimed at educating students while simultaneously providing them with life-skills that help them integrate into adult-life post-education, along with work-skills that will make them valuable and competent additions to an ever-changing and demanding workforce.

The tribal population have a distinct identity of varied knowledge, practices, rituals and culture that makes them stand out. Although they accept living with deprivation, KISS motivates the indigenous community to get enrolled and benefit from education. In the long run, this will augment the communities' capacity to aspire. Due to underdevelopment in indigenous areas, tribal children have to be taught in residential schools. **However, some residential schools in these areas are challenged by serious problems such as:**

- **Lack of adequate infrastructure**
- **Teacher absenteeism**
- **No toilets in schools**
- **Lack of an adequate number of female teachers to inspire girls to study**
- **Lack of basic amenities in spite of all constitutional promises.**
- **Difficulty in bridging language gaps between Non-Oriya speaking tribals and Oriya syllabi**

**KISS partners with various foundations, corporates and State governments to set up numerous model satellite centers across the country.**

Some of the innovative approaches used at KISS are listed below. These approaches are implemented in several different academic and co-curricular programs that are described later.

**HOLISTIC  
APPROACH**

**EARN  
WHILE YOU  
LEARN**

**SOCIAL  
INNOVATION**

Some images from upcoming KISS satellite centers in different districts of Odisha





## **HOLISTIC APPROACH TO EDUCATION**

Our holistic approach to education ensures that we implement a variety of approaches to education, ranging from focus on academia alongside sports, vocational training and extra-curricular activities. We are proud to be sustainable while also preserving and disseminating indigenous knowledge and culture.

# **SOCIAL INNOVATION TO ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY**

Social Innovation is an efficient and sustainable solution to a social problem. By providing holistic free education as the solution to eradicate poverty, KISS provides a prime example of the success of Social Innovation. It targets poverty by educating children and making them self-sufficient. In the long term, it is hoped that this approach will reduce the problem of continued transmission of poverty to future tribal generations.



## **PROBLEM**

Poverty & Illiteracy

## **SOLUTION**

Free Quality Education

## **PROTOTYPE**

KISS : A Model for Empowerment



## **EARN WHILE YOU LEARN**

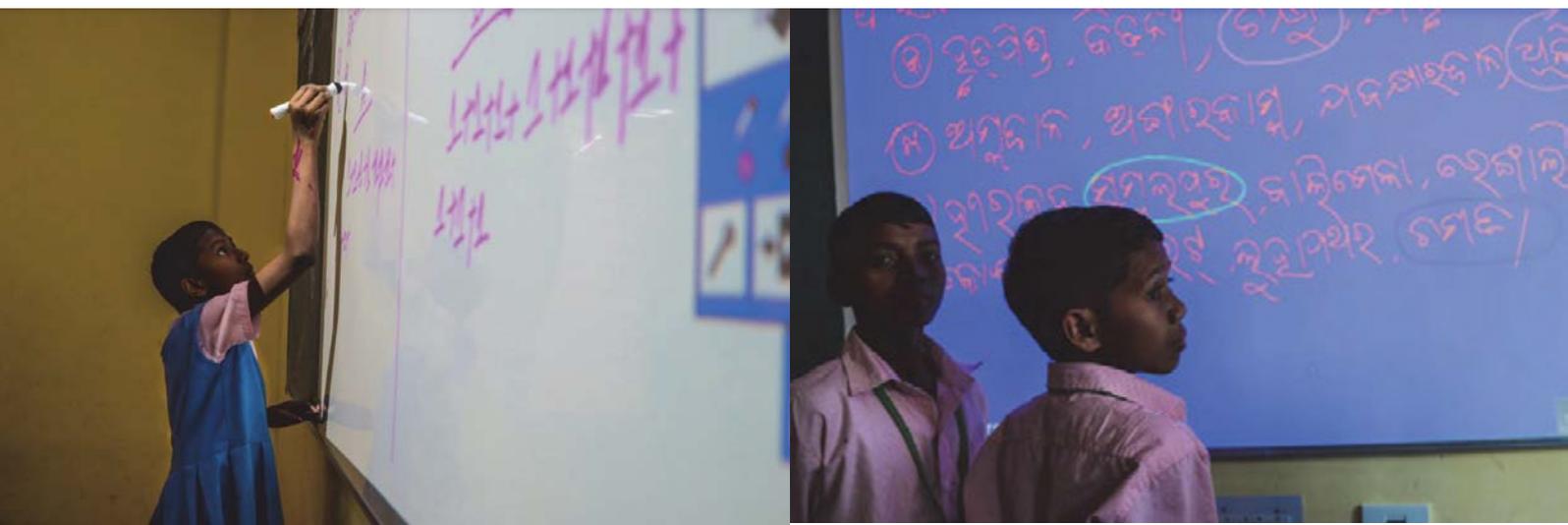
Our “Earn While You Learn” program provides opportunities for students to earn while they are learning, through part-time jobs and entrepreneurial projects that prepare them to shoulder professional assignments with relative ease, through vocational training and skill development. Linked under the Skill Development programme at KISS, education is paired with productivity, economic development and individual prosperity in this unique approach.

Vocational training enables students of different age groups to create large scale products using a variety of trades. These products are sold both on and off campus, and a third of the surplus of each sale is distributed among the children engaged in a particular vocational activity. This allows students to earn an extra INR 700 to INR 1000 per month along side their free education, thereby realising the goal of ‘Earn While You Learn’.



## TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN 'SMART CLASSROOMS'

KISS is proud to offer its students smart classrooms that have been enabled with support from Oracle, giving students access to quick and smart learning technology, with more interactive, globally connected classes. These allow our students to see audio-visual clips and benefit from technology driven interactive teaching methods. Students are also provided with access to books via well-stocked libraries on both the school and college campuses. These approaches are vital in ensuring that our students can readily access quality education, while improving their learning outcomes.



# INFRASTRUCTURE AT KISS

Providing residential education and accommodation to over 30,000 students in one campus necessitates the provision of competent world-class infrastructure to meet the needs of our staff and students. Accordingly, KISS is spread across a large green area of more than 100 acres of land and 35,00,000 sq. ft. built up area.



*200 bedded in-house medical clinic*  
supported by Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS)



*Technology driven classrooms*



*Multiple Playgrounds*



*Dedicated University Campus*



25,000 sq. ft. library



4 computer labs  
with 2000 seating capacity



3 dining halls  
with 10,000 seating capacity



Puffed Rice Factory



Sporting equipment & facilities



Multiple vocational facilities

# ACADEMIC UPDATES

At the school level (Class I - X) the students are properly counseled to focus on their formal education. Mechanisms have been developed to identify students in 3 categories: best performers, average performers and low performers. Accordingly, Tutor-mentoring is given priority to help students improve their performance in their half yearly and yearly examinations. With the co-operation and support of our teaching staff, the annual performance of our students remains consistent, with a 100% pass rate in all subjects and zero drop-outs.

The higher education campus, KISS Deemed to be University, is now in its second year of operation, with renewed focus on its seven new innovative departments that were created to give impetus on teaching and research on tribal studies.

1. DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
2. DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL HERITAGE AND TRIBAL INDOLOGY
3. DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL LEGAL STUDIES AND TRIBAL RIGHTS
4. DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE INDIC STUDIES & TRIBAL SCIENCE
5. DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE TRIBAL LINGUISTICS & LITERATURE
6. DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
7. DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL CULTURE, PHILOSOPHY & ECO-SPIRITUALISM



# KISS-DU: SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

In the two years that have passed since KISS received its 'Deemed to be University' status, the University has been proactive in organizing various seminars and workshops, engaging both students and staff, in order to facilitate detailed discussion and research upon various issues of concern for tribal communities within the context of the state of Odisha and, the larger context of India, and the world.

Here's a glance at some of the seminars hosted by the university in the past year:

 **National Seminar on Tribal Resource Management and Sustainable Development** A seminar on "Tribal Resource Management & Sustainable Development" was organized in collaboration with the Indian Commerce Association with the objective of creating and developing economic avenues for the tribal community.

 **National Seminar on Corporate Social Responsibility and Tribal Development** A seminar on the theme "Corporate Social Responsibility and Tribal Development" was held in association with South Eastern Pipelines, Bhubaneswar Indian Oil Corporation wherein the dignitaries shared their hands on experiences with the gathering.

 **National Seminar on History, Origin and Development of Primitive Tribal Group in Odisha**  
A national seminar on the topic "History, Origin and Development of Primitive Tribal Groups in Odisha" embraced aspects like origin, socio-cultural life, political organization, economic subsistence, religious beliefs and practices, medicinal practices, educational systems.

 **National Seminar on Tribal Administration and Governance**  
This national seminar underlined the theme "Tribal Administration and Governance" and guests talked about PESA Act and tribal governance of Odisha, the socio-cultural empowerment of tribal women and changing levels of forest governance.



### **Exhibition on Tribal Culture & Heritage**

An exhibition was organized by all the departments specialising in tribal studies. These departments had put up stalls exhibiting tribal culture, heritage, medicines, food, crops, livelihood, customs and traditions, costumes and jewellery.



### **Workshops for Teachers**

A workshop was customized for teachers of Science subjects with a focus on pedagogy and stress on the importance of designing lesson plans, concept mapping and constructing teaching-learning materials.

A workshop was curated for English teachers with the purpose of elevating the English proficiency of our students. It comprised teaching methodology (prose and poetry), techniques of writing answers in examinations, rules of Grammar and creative writing. Experts from different areas of specialization covered all the relevant aspects of reducing teaching and learning gaps specifically in English.



### **National Seminar on Participation of Indigenous people in Commerce based Education in India**

A national seminar was organized on the topic "Participation of Indigenous people in Commerce based education". During the brainstorming session various innovative and creative ideas came to the forefront which would act as a catalyst in the process of maximizing participation of indigenous population, hence, encouraging entrepreneurial skills and planting the seed of start-ups in them.



### **State, Civil Society and Public Policy: Towards Tribal Development in India**

A national seminar on "State, Civil Society and Public Policy" was designed with the intention of brain-storming prospective policies which can contribute towards the growth and development of tribal communities in India.



### **National Seminar on Teaching Methodology for Tribal students: Issues & Concerns**

A national seminar on the topic "Teaching Methodology for Tribal Students" was organized with the objective of framing teaching methodologies that take the target group into consideration while delivering lectures in classrooms. The aim was to design a user-friendly, technology-driven classroom, to impart quality education to students.



### **National Seminar on Tribal Education in Contemporary Society: Issues and Challenges**

A national seminar on the topic “Tribal Education in Contemporary Society” was organized to elevate standards of tribal education in contemporary society. It also covered the current gaps in the tribal education system while presenting measures to bridge those gaps.



### **IUAES Meet 2018**

The 2018 World Congress set the platform for 19th IUAES World Congress 2023. It is going to be jointly organized by KISS in association with KIIT University, Sambalpur University, Utkal University and the Indian Anthropological Association. The congress will facilitate discussion around the theme “Anthropology in Public Sphere: Global Peace and Development”.



### **National Seminar on Role of Science and Technology in the Upliftment of Tribals**

A national seminar on “Role of Science and Technology in the upliftment of Tribals” was organized to create awareness on the role and importance of science and technology in elevating the standards of living of indigenous people. Addressing the topic, dignitaries briefed the audience about new trends in this field, while also enumerating ways in which to reap maximum benefits.



### **Workshop on Molecular Techniques**

A workshop on Molecular Techniques was organized in collaboration with Institute of Life Sciences (ILS) for the benefit of undergraduate students. It aimed to acquaint students with practical knowledge of basic techniques in molecular biology.



### **National Seminar on Technological Intervention for improving Health and Nutrition of Tribal Communities**

A two day national seminar was organized on the topic “Technological intervention for improving health and nutrition of Tribal Communities”. Dignitaries underlined the urgent need to make technology affordable, acceptable and available to tribal people. They also focused on retention of cultural heritage along with the preservation of medicinal plants. This could provide a futuristic approach towards handling health hazards like infant mortality.



# ENHANCED CAREER PROSPECTS

## (1) **KISS' Competitive Preparation Centre (CPC)**

In order to ensure placement and employment to all students Post Graduation, Coaching Classes are organized by the CPC for all UG and PG students at the High Education Campus. At these classes, special emphasis is placed on preparing students for competitive examinations, conducted by recruitment boards in varied fields, including but not limited to Banking, Railways and Police Service. We also prepare students for examinations by the Staff Selection Commission, Subordinate Selection Commission, Odisha Public Service Commission (OPSC), Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) etc.

## (2) **Multi-faceted Cultural Activities**

KISS promotes extra and co-curricular activities among its students through various programmes, including elocution (in Hindi, English & Odia), singing, dancing and music. An amphitheatre is also available to students at KISS Campus-3 in addition to the regular conduct of activities showcasing student talent. Our aim is to equip students with efficient and effective communication skills in various languages in their careers.

## (3) **Earn While You Learn – Vocational Training Programmes**

As part of our holistic approach to education, KISS is proud to impart vocational training to students, who can pursue interests in painting, appliqué work, tribal art, tailoring and candle making. We also have a chemical production unit, wherein students can learn how to produce phenyl, utensil detergent, laundry detergent, hand wash etc. Through rigorous training in these vocational activities, students are taught marketable skills and are paid incentives as part of our '**Earn while You Learn**' scheme that provides supplementary income to students alongside their academia.

## (4) **Commitment to Enhancing Employability**

KISS University is committed to enhancing the employability of all our students, to enable them to grow and flourish in an increasingly competitive, fast-moving, knowledge-based global economy. Graduates who have developed transferable skill and valuable local and global experiences are better prepared to start their careers and more attractive to potential employers.

We therefore offer many opportunities to gain worthwhile experience and develop the specific skills and aptitudes that employer's value. These are included within our holistic approach to education, which is integrated with world class facilities and training.

## (5) **State-of-the-Art Campus**

KISS is proud to offer its students well developed Wi-Fi enabled campuses that are constantly protected through CCTV surveillance. Our University section operates from the Higher education Campus (Campus-3), which contains well furnished, smart class rooms, an administrative block, a comprehensive library with a reading room for students, the girls hostel, a large kitchen, a sewage treatment plant, water filtration plant, rain water ground recharge system, roof top gardening system, modern computer labs and upgraded science laboratories.

## (6) **Sports Facilities**

Our campuses boast a wide range of world class sports facilities, suited to accommodate sports such as archery, basket ball, lawn tennis, football, volleyball, hockey and rugby.

## (7) **Hostel Facilities**

Separate hostels have been built for girls and boys, wherein all students are provided free-of-cost accommodation, food and healthcare.



**OUR INNOVATIVE  
PROGRAMMES**

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# Handicrafts Unit

TERRA-COTTA | PAPER MACHÉ | GOLDEN GRASS | WOOD CARVING



KISS has taken up handicraft technical training under HRD scheme in collaboration with the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. The second phase of this program commenced on November 2018 at KISS' main premises. Training is being imparted in trades like Terracotta, Paper Maché, Golden Grass and Wood Carving. Training sessions in these specialized skills are being imparted to over 160 student trainees in 8 batches. Our target is to train 20 students per batch for a duration of four months.

In this span of time, 576 training hours (at 6 hours per day) are earmarked to cover the curriculum. 16 trained Master Trainers (two per batch) have been engaged to impart the assignments. The curriculum has both theoretical and practical components. Student trainees over 18 years of age, who display a keen interest in learning a trade and who are willing to undergo training beyond regular academics are selected as per GOI guidelines.



The program aims at building vocational skills in specialized areas for marketable skills enabling gainful engagement in future careers of the student trainees. KISS has made necessary arrangements allowing flexibility and adjustment of training time in reference to regular classes to avoid clashes and inconvenience. Through handicraft training program KISS aims to not only provide employment for the development of our economy but also to develop sensible artistic approach of self-expression for the artisans as handicrafts are important carriers of culture, tradition, and heritage.

# MOTHER TONGUE BASED MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION

*In collaboration with the Bernard van Leer Foundation, Netherlands*

## WHY MTB-MLE ?

*Five major reasons:*

1. Helps Primary school children develop strong L1 competencies.
2. Ensures they perform well in all subjects.
3. Helps them develop a higher level of self-esteem.
4. Encourages development of a solid foundation to learn additional languages
5. Promotes more participation of the parents and community in the school activities.



## WHAT IS MTB-MLE?

MTBMLE is a well-established strategy to address language gaps at early learning. The MTBMLE programme is sustained within the formal education system in KISS, the pioneering Centre of Excellence on mother tongue based early childhood education in the state of Odisha, in collaboration with Bernard van Leer Foundation (BvLF) from 2013.

All these years, through Mother Tongue Based Multi Lingual Education, KISS has been filling up that gap in the learning process of the tribal students. Children at early learning stage are facilitated education through (MTBMLE) approach introducing: Transition Curriculum-an innovative pedagogic initiative, teaching and learning tools in 10 tribal dialects.

This program not only aims to improve the quality education, but also to make holistic mainstream education more accessible to young tribal children getting enrolled in KISS. It is not only promoting the growth of tribal language and culture in the state but is also aiming to develop cognitive, social, physical and mental abilities of these young children leading to an easy assimilation into mainstream schooling. Moreover, in a globalized society, it is more important now than ever to both be communicative in the dominant language, as well as preserve one's cultural identity.

KISS has not only set up the largest nodal centre for tribal mother tongue based education in the world but also moulds these indigenous students as 'agents of change' for their own community and the world.

# ENGLISH ACCESS MICRO-SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The English Access Micro-Scholarship Program (Access Program) is an initiative of the U.S. Department of State, to provide significant English-language learning experiences to bright non-elite 13 to 20 year-old students.

It also has the goal of improving students' appreciation of U.S. culture and values, encouraging critical thinking and open-mindedness, and improving performance in regular school classes.

At KISS, the program provides a foundation of English language skills to 750 talented indigenous students. Thus far, KISS has hosted five programs of this initiative since its launch in 2009.

The activities undertaken to fulfill the aim include project work, activities that promote reading with comprehension, quiz, role-play, skits, dialogue, dramatization, discussion, debate, language games, simulating, real life situation, using newspaper clipping, multimedia, internet, riddles and puzzles, and group work. Enhancement activities in the form of exposure visits to various locations

This had a spill-over effect in raising the students' performance in their regular academic activity. Many of our English Access tribal students have been successful in joining specialized higher education degrees like Law, Engineering (B.Tech), Medicine (MBBS), and Diplomas in various Engineering trades and Social Sciences.

# TATA CONSULTANCY SERVICES



KISS has been facilitating TCS's Free Employability Training Program at KISS campus as well as at a district level for last five years. Free Employability Training comes under Affirmative Action program of TCS which aims at providing 100 hours of Free Employability Training to final year undergraduates from SC/ST/BPL/Minorities communities. These training are provided to 4th, 5th and 6th Semester graduate students of KISS.

TCS Free Employability Training Program features:

- 1) 40 Hours internal training
- 2) 100 Hours by TCS

These 40 Hours are coordinated by TCS, Bhubaneswar office while the 100 Hours of training are coordinated by TCS, Kolkata office in consultation with KISS.

This 100 hours training comprises the following curriculum:

1. Computer skills - MS Office and Internet browsing
2. English Communication & Grammar pertaining to practical use in the Business world
3. Analytical Skills / Aptitude
4. General & Corporate Etiquette
5. Mathematics

## LIFE SKILLS BASED

# SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (SRH) EDUCATION



From 2009, with the support of United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), KISS has been endeavouring to hone the abilities of its Adolescents through Life Skills Education (LSE) based Adolescent Reproductive Sexual Health (ARSH) education in order to enable them to deal with the demands and challenges in their life effectively.

The proposed intervention in KISS aims at building institutional capacity and networking with other potential institutions to overcome knowledge and skills deficit in the state for the promotion of LSE. During these years, several initiatives have been undertaken for promotion of LSE among tribal adolescents in KISS.

KISS has emerged as a resource agency with a critical mass of resource persons and a wide range of communication and training materials with socio-cultural sensitivity. Most of the resource materials used for LSE programme in the state were developed and tested at KISS.

At KISS, LSE sessions are transacted to students of grades 6th to 9th through co-curricular approaches by trained teachers covering over 9,000 tribal adolescents. At the college level and school level peer educators have been trained in the life skills based SRH education and are encouraged to promote life skills education and address myths and misconceptions about ARSH among peers.

# INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP AND VOLUNTARY PROGRAM (IIVP)



In addition to Indian interns, a host of international students and research scholars are invited to KISS under IIVP.

Under this program, students from across the world visit KISS to take up study or research at KISS in a few chosen fields, building long-lasting bonds with the tribal students they teach.

Within the last academic year, KISS has hosted students from multiple countries with very varied interests. Some interns have also come to KISS via the AISEC or ISS programs.

This year we have hosted volunteers from the countries such as the United States, United Kingdom, France, South Africa and South Korea, among others.



## MISSION UDAY

Mission UDAY is a joint initiative by REC Foundation of Rural Electrification Corporation Limited (REC), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the Government of Odisha and the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS). This unique partnership between a leading development agency, state government, academic institution and corporate sector, is built on the philosophy that CSR should be the means, and not the end.

As said by Dr. Jennifer Butler, Deputy Regional Director, UNFPA Asia Pacific, and OIC UNFPA India and Bhutan, Mission UDAY is a multi-stakeholder project envisioned to address the challenges faced by young people from vulnerable tribal communities of Odisha and seeks to position youth at the centre of development initiatives of the state. She highlighted that the project will endeavour to create change agents in the community and build young leaders who would engage in social development processes and influence their peers for the betterment of their communities.

The project aims to build leadership and social entrepreneurship skills of 1000 young boys and girls, and inculcate values of active citizenship, so that these young people can, in turn, engage in social development processes in 1000 remote habitations of the State, and influence at least 20,000 more like-minded youth to widen the footprint of change. The project will be initially implemented in Koraput, Malkangiri and Rayagada Districts, in close collaboration with the local administrations.

The project was launched in May 2018, in the august presence of Shri Ramesh Majhi, Hon'ble Minister ST & SC Development; Shri Achyuta Samanta, Hon'ble Member of Parliament; Dr. Jennifer Butler, UNFPA Asia Pacific, and OIC UNFPA India and Bhutan; Shri S.K Gupta, Director Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd, and Smt. Deepa Prasad, State Programme Coordinator, UNFPA. The event had a participation of more than 250 youth from districts and officials from different departments.

# List of MOUs

**Mar. 26, 2018 with Nanhua University,**  
Taiwan to foster academic cooperation  
between both universities.

**May 12, 2018 with Yunus Centre**  
for the establishment of a Yunus Social  
Business Centre at KISS to promote  
Professor Yunus' vision of alleviating  
poverty by implementing the concept of  
Social Business via mutual understanding  
and cooperation.

**Sept. 26, 2018 with UNESCO MGIEP**  
to organise activities around Sustainable  
Development Goals on the occasion of  
International Day of Non Violence and the  
launch of the SDGs Kindness Campaign  
celebrated on 2nd October.

**Nov. 10, 2018 with the University of Cork**  
- National University of Ireland, Cork; MA  
Anthropology Programme, to foster academic  
cooperation in Anthropology between both  
universities.

**Nov. 10, 2018 with British Council**  
to work together to strengthen educational  
and cultural cooperation to support the  
knowledge ambitions and economic growth  
of the students of KISS

**Nov 19, 2018 with PerfecticeEduventure Pvt.  
Ltd.** for use of Analytics based Assessment Platform  
(MyPerfectice) to aid 11th and 12th grade students  
and aspirants of banking, SSC and railway to excel in  
examinations and increase their chances of selection  
via competitive exams.

**Dec 17, 2018 with British Council** for  
project "Changing Moves Changing Minds"  
CMCM - to promote positive gender roles  
in boys and girls and address growing  
gender gap problem through a novel and  
innovative intervention programme that  
leverages the power of cricket and dance,  
carrying the expertise of the UK in both  
these sectors.

**Jan 15, 2019 with REC Foundation** for  
provision of financial support worth Rs.  
0.90 Crore plus taxes for the provision of  
studies, food and other basic necessities to  
300 tribal students studying at KISS

We have once again received **funding from Oracle in terms of a third grant through Charities Aid Foundation (CAF)** to enhance our Smart Classrooms with hardware and software. This is vital in ensuring our students can readily access quality education and it helps to improve their learning outcomes. We are always grateful to our donors and well-wishers for their support towards our work, and Oracle in particular, has been a great supporter in providing grants for technological advancement to support digital learning.

# KISS and Sustainable Development

Sustainable development has been at the core of KISS' DNA since its inception. Not only is it clearly at the heart of our vision, mission and values, but it is also propagated by our students and staff as they journey through the KISS experience, as well as by our various institutional and corporate partners. They all share our vision for a world free from poverty, hunger and illiteracy.

This means that KISS actively addresses the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations in all its activities and achievements: education, projects, trainings, research, collaborations, achievements by students and alumni, accreditations and rankings.

**In this overview, we outline some of our contributions to each of the 17 SDG's.**



- Providing free-of-cost, quality holistic education to more than 27,000 students.
- Offering wide spread, multi-faceted vocational training, covering a range of skills.
- Implementing a unique 'Earn while you Learn' program to enable students to earn supplemental income.



- Preparing food in a steam-based, award-winning Mega Kitchen, featured in a National Geographic documentary.
- Providing balanced meals to over 27,000 people, while ensuring the food is high in micro-nutrients and protein value, thus reducing malnutrition in indigenous children by providing nutritious food.
- Collaborating with the University of Cambridge for TIGR2ESS Project, wherein sustainable practices and improved food security will be implemented.



- Providing sanitary napkins and menstrual health awareness through UNFPA's 'Life Skills Education' project across the state of Odisha. The programme addresses Adolescent and Reproductive Sexual Health in the State.
- Providing mega laundry facility to efficiently and economically wash clothes for all students., along with state of art medical aid through a 100-bedded hospital established in collaboration with the Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences.
- Providing regular vaccination programs in collaboration with the Max India Foundation, which has helped reduce the prevalence of diseases like Malaria and Anemia in tribal dominated areas.
- Focusing on sports education and encouraging participation of students in national and international sporting events.



- Focusing on indigenous people's need based holistic education, particularly for tribal children.
- Providing an English Access program in collaboration with the US Department of State, to improve speaking, listening, writing and reading skills of students.
- Providing Smart Classrooms in collaboration with Oracle, to facilitate interactive learning.
- Providing a 'Mother-Tongue Based Multi-Lingual Education' (MTBMLE) program through the Bernard van Leer Foundation.

**GENDER  
EQUALITY**

**5**



- Providing incident and equality monitoring, meted out by a stringent Gender and Sexual Harassment Committee.
- Ensuring zero drop-out rate, through focus on quality education, which prevents early and forced marriages, and associated unwanted pregnancies.
- Implementing Life Skills Education which spreads awareness about gender equality through student and community engagement, via peer education in villages.
- Bringing innovative initiatives, such as the Kalinga Fellowship, which unites leaders in different sectors like corporate, government and civil society to create an environment of zero tolerance to sexual assault and trafficking of girls in Asia.
- Ensuring more than 50% female enrollment and employing a

**CLEAN WATER  
AND SANITATION**

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- Creating changes in the tribal childrens' habit of open defecation and encouraging use of clean, safe toilets instead.
- Installing sewage treatment plants to process waste material.
- Installing a reverse osmosis plant to filter safe drinking water, which is then packaged for use on campus and sale elsewhere.
- Prioritising personal hygiene habits of students.
- Providing mega laundry facility on campus to encourage cleanliness.
- Facilitating frequent Swacch Bharat campaigns and bi-annual sanitation drives in tribal villages.

**AFFORDABLE AND  
CLEAN ENERGY**

**7**



- Distributing more than 40,000 solar lanterns in the tribal hinterlands of Odisha, and giving training on their usage.
- Using renewable infrastructure on campus.
- Installation of an award-winning, steam powered Mega Kitchen.
- Using grid-connected solar panels to provide electricity requirement of the institution.
- Installing and using biogas plants.
- Implementing rainwater harvesting to collect, filter and re-use rain water.
- Using solar water roof-top heaters to heat water for use in the university.

**DECENT WORK AND  
ECONOMIC GROWTH**

**8**



- Training students on vocational skills like tailoring, appliqué work, food processing, chemical production, animal husbandry, pisciculture etc.
- Imparting entrepreneurship skill training with the support of British Council and UNDP.
- Providing free professional education in degrees like engineering, medicine, and law to talented indigenous youth.
- Drastically reducing forced labour, modern slavery and human trafficking in tribal Odisha through free education and state-wide campaigning.

**INDUSTRY, INNOVATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

**9**



- Providing resilient infrastructure development through financial, technological (smart classrooms) and technical support for holistic education and over-all development, alongside state-of-the-art computer labs, library and internet facilities, which also include information and communication technology (ICT), provided to all students.
- Setting up Yunus Social Business Centre (YSBC) with Nobel Peace Prize Winner, Dr. Muhammad Yunus.
- Offering Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) training and placement.
- Establishing a GKL Vocational Training Centre with Grand Korea Leisure (GKL) and Hanseo University (South Korea).

**REDUCED  
INEQUALITIES**

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- Sustaining efforts towards income growth through vocational training, professional education and self-employment.
- Employing candidates from underserved communities, transgender employees and strictly using non-discriminative policies, and providing equal opportunities & pay for all.
- Providing English Access courses with the US Department of State, to improve students' communication skills.
- Providing multiple efforts promoting entrepreneurship through innovative learning and collaboration.
- Building young leaders and changemakers from vulnerable tribal communities under Project Uday, in partnership with the UNFPA.

**SUSTAINABLE CITIES  
AND COMMUNITIES**

**11**



- Providing free boarding and housing to thousands of indigenous students in the city, making it vibrant, diverse and inclusive.
- Undertaking KISS Green Drives in cities and villages to create green zones.
- Using rooftop solar panels.
- Creating social awareness marathons in tribal districts, and connecting to district through district coordinators who engage community mobilization through satellite centers
- Advocating for government schemes and social issues, while actively involving parent communities in decision making processes at KISS



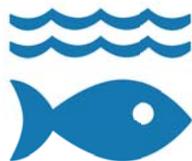
## 12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

- Converting food waste to biogas which is then used to prepare steam for cooking is only one form of recycling and reusing on KISS in a bid to create clean energy.
- Converting slurry from biogas into manure for gardening
- Actively employing the 'Recycle, Reuse and Reduce' mantra
- Ensuring largely vehicle free campuses, aided with the use of electric shuttles when necessary.



## 13 CLIMATE ACTION

- Creating initiatives in collaboration with Earth Day Network and civil society bodies of Odisha for awareness, and, to posit climate change as the primary agenda.
- Initiating plantation drives, a vehicle free campus
- Creating a sewage treatment plants, steam based, award winning Mega Kitchen, and grid connected solar panels, in addition to a biogas plant, and solar water heaters.
- Reducing carbon footprint for over 30,000 people on one campus due to a wide-range of efforts



## 14 LIFE BELOW WATER

- Undertaking projects and drives with Hanseo University, South Korea, to clean river mouths and sea beaches of non-biodegradable debris which may be detrimental to aquatic animals.
- Facilitating aquaculture training.
- Maintaining on-campus pisciculture ponds.
- Collaborating with the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) and Central Institute of Freshwater Aqua Culture (CIFA) to provide training on sustainable fishing techniques to students.
- Educating students about conserving aquatic resources.
- Conserving local fish species.



## 15 LIFE ON LAND

- Sensitising 1 lakh indigenous parents to restore degraded forests, and reverse loss of natural habitats and the extinction of threatened species.
- Creating an environment of anti-poaching and living in harmony with wild animals among students.
- Conducting frequent afforestation and plantation drives to encourage students and community members to develop a green thumb and to appreciate nature.
- Engaging nearly 40,000 indigenous students, teachers, employees and volunteers in plantation drives across Odisha and primarily in tribal areas.
- Maintaining a green and clean campus with flowers and de-odourising, naturally septic plants.



## 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

- Implementing the motto of 'Peace and Development' through long-lasting community efforts, which help reduce insurgency in tribal regions of Odisha.
- Fostering a spirit of harmony among students from 62 unique tribes on campus, to celebrate diversity and peace.
- Creating a child friendly ecosystem on campus, which is devoid of abuse and punishment.
- Developing a Dalai Lama Centre for Buddhist Studies.
- Maintaining Special Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council (UNECOSOC) since 2015.
- Spreading peer education to foster harmony and peace in communities.
- Actively pursuing all 17 of the UN's SDGs.
- Creating MOUs and partnerships with different organizations to promote harmony and diversity.

## PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

## 17



- Domestic resource mobilization in the form of KISS-KIIT Financial Model ecosystem which caters to sustainable socio-economic development.
- Envisaging and forging multi-stakeholder partnerships, for instance with UN bodies, civil society organisations, foundations, and corporates to synergies human development.
- These include partnerships with:

- UN ECOSOC
- UNDP
- UNFPA
- UNICEF
- UNDP
- UNSSC
- UN WOMEN
- Delhi Government
- Odisha Government
- TCS
- Oracle
- US Department of State
- British Council
- Give India
- Max India Foundation
- Credibility Alliance
- Guide Star India
- MSSRF
- BvLF
- Prajwala India
- Dasra
- GCDD
- SECI
- UEA
- AFS International Programs
- LBSNAA
- Hanseo University
- Universität Tübingen
- College of Charleston
- TISS
- Virginia Tech
- AIESEC
- US Consulate General
- University of Cambridge's TIGR2ESS project

# Sustainable Infrastructure & Initiatives

One of the ways we express our commitment to sustainable development is through the use of sustainable infrastructure on campus, with an aim of being eco-friendly and sustainable while reducing the carbon footprint of our 30,000 students and staff. In fact, in 2017, KISS was awarded the **18th Energy Globe Award** in the **Fire Category** at the Presidential Palace in Tehran, Iran, in recognition of its green initiatives. Some of these initiatives include:



In an initiative to promote green /clean energy KISS installed a massive **850KWp Solar Photovoltaic system** in its campus. This system meets 100% of its energy demand during day time. This is regarded as one of the largest roof top installations in any institute in India. It fulfills our commitment towards a greener and cleaner environment. Further, it plays a vital role in reducing CO2 emission



KISS distributes large numbers of **solar lanterns** to villages that lack electric connections. This helps to prevent the burning of fossil fuel to create light and simultaneously works as an awareness drive for villagers to have access to clean & safe sources of light.



The **solar water heating system** installed on rooftop caters hot water to kitchen for cooking. It reduces consumption of fossil fuel in addition to cooking time



KISS, being a residential campus, produces large quantities of food waste which are converted into useful energy and manure by our **bio-gas plant**. KISS has built a 1000 kg per day capacity Biogas plant. The product from this plant is fed to our kitchen to supplement cooking activity. Therefore, it reduces fossil fuel consumption. The manure by-product is also utilized in our plantation fields



A **rainwater harvesting system** has been installed to facilitate ground water recharging. Rainwater that falls on the roof is channelled through filters and regulators to a special ground water zone.



KISS has a huge responsibility towards keeping the environment & campus clean. The amount of human waste/sewage produced on a daily basis is humongous. Thus, to create a healthy environment, KISS has commissioned a **Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP)**. After passing through different phases of the STP, the treated water is utilized towards



Food preparation for 30,000 students is no mean task and it needs the full dedication of our manpower and technology. Since it is also of paramount importance to KISS that the food be cooked hygienically, while bearing in mind the vast volume of food production required, KISS installed 3 **fully-mechanized, steam-based kitchens**, which reduce the time of cooking, minimize fuel & prepare hygienic food by directly using steam in cooking vessels.



KISS also runs a **fully mechanized Laundry** to give students ready access to clean clothes. This plays an important role in minimizing the use of water, while simultaneously reducing contagious diseases which spread because of unhygienic conditions.



Massive plantation activities in different villages throughout the state of Odisha during the beginning of monsoon serve as a great step to increase awareness as well convert barren field in to lush green ones. Staff, students and villagers, numbering thousands, join hands to promote plantation all over the State

# Environmental Care



## FACTSHEET

### WATER RECYCLED & REUSED BY STP

**210** million litres/year

### GROUND WATER RECHARGE

**45** million litres/year through rooftop rain water

### CO2 REDUCTION

**4860** tonnes/year by steam cooking, solar water heating, use of bio-gas & solar PV system

### SOLAR POWER GENERATION

**5,20,000** units/years

WELCOME TO THE  
**STUDENT CORNER**



A GLIMPSE AT SOME

# FACES OF KISS

HERE'S A QUICK LOOK AT  
WHAT SOME OF OUR  
STUDENTS ARE UP TO:



## 01 MS BALIKA BASKEY

Originally from Jharkhand, Balika recently completed a PG Diploma in Community Development at KISS. She has been actively involved in dance, in addition to representing KISS at various conferences such as the Kalinga Fellowship (a KIIT-KISS initiative to bring about zero tolerance to sexual assaults on girls in Odisha) and Capacity Development Workshop on 2030 Agenda with the United Nations System Staff College and Niti Aayog. Balika was recently placed as a CSE at UNPP, Bhubaneswar.



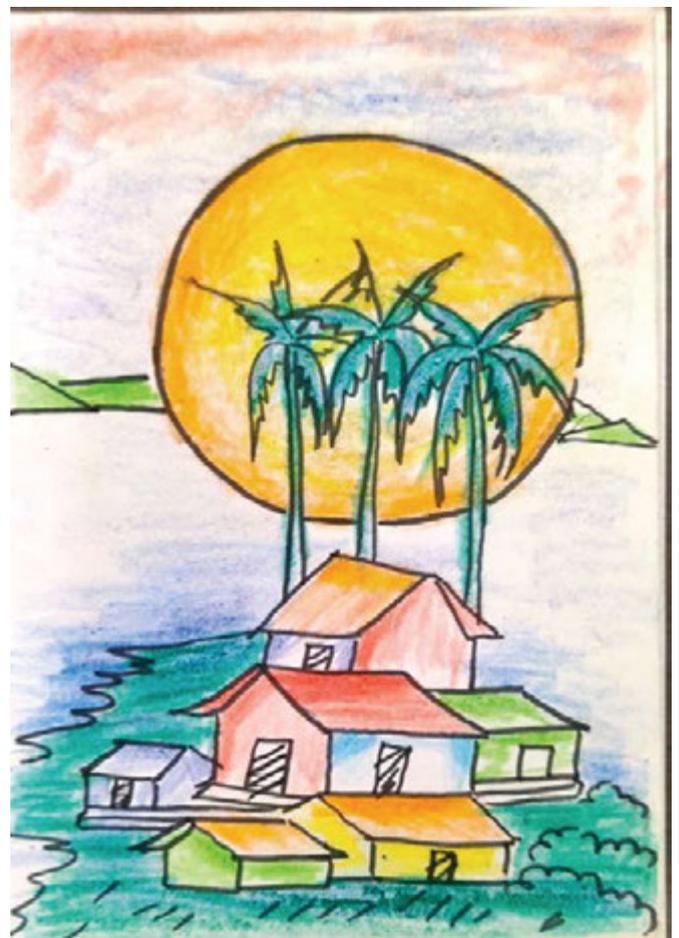
## 02 MS DHANI SOREN

Dhani is currently pursuing a PhD in Physics. Dhani has won several prizes and medals for her passion and dedication towards research, and has conducted a presentation in the 7th Indian Youth Science Congress on the theme: Young Scientists and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (2016).



## 03 MS JASHMI HEMBRAM

Jashmi is currently pursuing her M. Phil. in Education at KISS-PV. In a unique initiative to integrate tribal languages in local media, Jashmi is interning with Kalinga TV as a Santali News Anchor. Her research focuses on educational roadblocks faced by tribal girls at higher secondary level in Mayurbhanj district, Odisha.



HERE'S SOME

# STUDENT ART-WORK

FROM SOME OF OUR  
LITTLE ONES



# QUICK RECAP OF EVENTS

[ APRIL - AUGUST 2018 ]

Santha Kabi Bhimbhoii Chair and Research Centre inaugurated at KISS-DU on 30<sup>th</sup> April to promote higher studies on the life and work of Santha Kabi Bhimbhoii.

+2 Students post 100% pass percentage in +2 Sciences.

This month also sees the participation of more than 1 Crore people across 80 countries and 16,500 centers in Dr. Samanta's 'Pyaar Bhara Pack' - or a charity concept of feeding with love.

+2 Arts & Commerce students post 100% pass percentage.

This month also flagged off Kanya Kiran, a campaign to stop violence against women and girl children with UN Women and Kalinga Fellowship in more than 30 districts of Odisha.

Inauguration of Utkalmani Pandit Gopabandhu Chair & Research Centre at KISS-DU

Nearly 30,000 students welcomed the Webb Ellis Cup to the pitches of KISS in preparation for the 2019 World Cup.

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MAY  
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JUN  
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JUL  
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AUG  
'18



# DETAILED EVENT TIMELINE

A detailed look at everything we've been up to since our report last year:

## 2018 AUGUST

### WEBB ELLIS CUP AT KISS

In August last year, nearly 30,000 students of KISS excitedly welcomed the famous Webb Ellis Cup to KISS in preparation for 2019 Rugby World Cup. The Cup was brought to Bhubaneswar on the final day of the 'Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour' in India.



## SECTION OVERVIEW

This section contains a month-wise breakdown of :

- \* **EVENTS**
- \* **VISITORS**
- \* **SPECIAL DAY OBSERVANCES**
- \* **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**
- \* **PROJECT UPDATES**
- \* **RESEARCH PROJECTS**
- \* **NEW VENTURES**

## MEETING VICE-PRESIDENT M. VENKAIAH NAIDU

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Forty international sports persons from KISS met Hon'ble Vice-President of India, Shri M Venkaiah Naidu in New Delhi. The delegation included four girl students of KISS and KIIT Deemed to be University. Namely, Purnima Hembram, Jauna Murmu (both from KISS) Dutee Chand and Rutuparna Panda (both from KIIT) - who have been selected to participate in the Asian Games, 2018. The players were on a four day visit to Delhi, from 4<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> August, during which they also visited Parliament House and the museum inside the Parliament complex.



## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

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The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples for the year 2018 was observed on August 9<sup>th</sup> at KISS amid much fan fare. Indigenous students of KISS showcased their intrinsic talent in performing exquisite dance and cultural programmes. According to estimates, there are 370 million indigenous people in the world who live across 90 countries. They make up less than 5 per cent of the world's population but account for 15 per cent of the poorest.



**KALINGA INSTITUTE  
OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
A HOME FOR 30000 INDIGENOUS CHILDREN

## **LAUNCH OF 'TIGR2ESS' RESEARCH PROJECT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE**

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KISS has initiated an exciting new research project '**Transforming India's Green Revolution by Research and Empowerment for Sustainable Food Supplies. Awarded by Cambridge University, UK, KISS** is a Lead Partner for this multi-year project. The project is the first of its kind, focusing on new technological innovations in the area of sustainable agriculture and nutrition security, going beyond the seed-fertilizer-

water package of the Green Revolution. It aims to trigger a second Green Revolution which will not only increase productivity but also conserves water ('More Crop per Drop'), soil quality and plant bio-diversity, in accordance with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. KISS has thus entered the global league of social science research, in alliance with ICRISAT and leading global and Indian universities.



**UNIVERSITY OF  
CAMBRIDGE**

## KISS-DU's 1<sup>st</sup> FOUNDATION DAY

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KISS Deemed to be University celebrated its 1<sup>st</sup> Foundation Day on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 in the presence of Hon'ble Governor of Odisha, Prof. Ganeshi Lal, who was the Chief Guest for the joyous event. KISS received DU status by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India vide its Letter No. F.9-14/2011-U-3(A) dated 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017. The auspicious day was made more memorable when the Governor generously donated 1 lakh rupees for the provision of celebratory sweets to the KISS students. Apart from the numerous students of KISS, many important functionaries, faculties and staff members of both KIIT and KISS were also present.



## KISS WELCOMES DUTEE HOME

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In September, students and staff of KISS and KISS-DU also joyously welcomed ace athlete and KIIT student, Dutee Chand, home after her historic win of a silver medal during the Women's 100m event at the 2018 Asian Games. This is the first medal by an Indian female athlete since P.T. Usha won in 1986. Dutee won the medal with a timing of 11.32 second and narrowly missed the gold medal.

## **DASRAT MURMU WINS APJ ABDUL KALAM IGNITE AWARD**

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KISS student Dasmrat Murmu has proven that nothing is impossible for the determined. He was recognized at the APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE Awards by National Innovation Foundation, India on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018, for his innovative project : 'Doorbell Triggered Vibration Alert in Pillows'. Winning this award moved Dasmrat to tears, since he has had a difficult childhood, marked by the loss of his father at a tender age, and severe financial struggles. Dasmrat was extremely glad and grateful that his hard work paid off!



## **INDRANI CAPTAINS ODISHA CRICKET TEAM**

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On October 12<sup>th</sup> 2018, Ms. Indrani Chhatra, a student of KISS became the captain of Odisha Cricket team. This is the first time a student from KISS was appointed captain of Odisha Girls' Cricket team. Indrani will play Under-19 women T-20 Tournaments in Odisha's U-19 women's team. Another KISS student, Ms. Sonali Hembram, has also been placed in the Odisha team.

## KISS OBSERVES SWACHH BHARAT MISSION

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In order to propagate the message of cleanliness among the people living in the surrounding areas, students and staff members of KIIT Group of Institutions and KISS observed Swachh Bharat Mission amid a lot of enthusiasm on the eve of Gandhi Jayanti. Later, students and staff members also involved themselves in cleansing activities organized in and around their respective campuses and surrounding areas, including the nearby Shikhar Chandi Hill temple, which is a popular tourist spot.



## KINDNESS CAMPAIGN ON 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF GANDHI JAYANTI

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October 2nd 2018 marked the momentous 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, a day that India generally observes by engaging in social service. On this momentous occasion, more than 10,000 students of KISS Bhubaneswar engaged in an "International Youth Campaign on Kindness for the Sustainable Development Goals" in collaboration with UNESCO-MGIEP, KIIT University and #YESPEACE.



## KISS STUDENTS AT HOCKEY WORLD CUP 2018

A. R. Rahman received the KISS Lifetime achievement award on 27th November 2018, a day before the inaugural day of World Cup Hockey 2018, in recognition of his colossal contribution to the field of music and social work. The Grammy and Academy Award winning musician received the prestigious award from Dr. Samanta at a special programme held at KISS. Rahman interacted with eager students, and expressed his astonishment at the scale and talent pool of KISS.

Rahman, who composed the theme song of the Hockey World Cup, attended the opening ceremony of the Hockey World Cup 2018 at the iconic Kalinga stadium in Bhubaneswar. 800 KISS students also had a once in a lifetime opportunity to perform with A. R. Rahman, and Bollywood actors - Madhuri Dixit Nene and Shah Rukh Khan during the inaugural ceremony of the 2018 Men's Hockey World Cup hosted in Odisha, on 28th November 2018.





## US AMBASSADOR JUSTER VISITS KIIT & KISS

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United States Ambassador Kenneth I. Juster visited KISS & KIIT on 19th December, 2018. He addressed a gathering of more than 30,000 tribal students of KISS, wherein he expressed his admiration of talent and enthusiasm of the KISS student community. Students welcomed His Excellency Kenneth I. Juster with their traditional dance showcasing love and tradition. On this occasion, Mr. Juster also inaugurated the newly constructed Hockey stadium of KIIT-KISS.



## GOVERNOR OF MANIPUR AT KISS

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Dr. Najma Akbarali Heptulla, the Hon'ble Governor of Manipur visited KISS on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2018. She was in Bhubaneswar to inaugurate 42<sup>nd</sup> Indian Social Science Congress at KIIT.



## CELEBRATING HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2018

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The representatives of the parents and guardians of the students of KISS visited us on the occasion of Human Rights Day on 10th December, 2019. Our indigenous parental community have formed district level committees for the betterment of KISS. Community involvement has become an integral part of KISS sustainability especially in policy formulation.



## KISS & DR. SAMANTA HELP LATE RASHMIRANJAN SUNA'S FAMILY

KISS has extended a helping hand to the family of Late Rashmiranjan Suna of Kalahandi district, a PhD scholar of Hyderabad Central University, who unfortunately died of dengue, last November. Rashmiranjan had earned Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for his research in Physics. Following his untimely passing, the Odia Community in Hyderabad requested Dr. Samanta to help his family. Responding to their request, Dr. Samanta had assured help to his family, along with employment for Rashmi's sister, Padmavati at KISS - Kalahandi. Accordingly, Rashmi's maternal uncle and Padmavati met Dr. Samanta at KISS on 10th December, 2018, where they received a cheque of Rs. 50,000 (fifty thousand rupees) for Padmavati, along with her appointment letter to work at KISS Kalahandi.



## NETHERLANDS TEAM AT KISS

We were glad to have the Netherlands Hockey team visit KIIT & KISS on 8th December, 2018 as part of the team's trip to India for the Hockey World Cup at Bhubaneswar. They played hockey with our students and conducted clinics for children attending the SAI Hockey Camp. The Captain of the team also declared a generous 2.5 Lakh donation for Hockey at KISS.

## **MEGA GUARDIANS' MEET 2019**

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On 27th January 2019 KISS hosted its annual Mega Guardians' Meet to celebrate its silver jubilee. The large scale of the Guardians' Meet, followed by an Annual Alumni Meet, is certainly one of a kind. The event witnessed nearly 1 lakh people eating lunch together at a single venue! This is how the KISS family, students, parents, teachers, staff, alumni and tribal forums are united by their strong will to create change.



## **'EDUCATION FOR ALL' CAMPAIGN**

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On 27th January 2019, KIIT and KISS hosted a mini marathon with the cause "Education for All" in 30 districts of Odisha. The event was a great success, with over 75,000 participants across the state. Nearly 10,000 people ran at the main venue in Bhubaneswar, from Janata Maidan to KIIT Cricket Stadium, covering a stretch of approximately 6.5 kms.

## 70<sup>th</sup> REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

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On January 26th, 2019 KIIT and KISS celebrated the 70<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India with a festive display of dances, songs, performances and march-pasts showcasing the varied cultures and traditions of the students bodies of KISS and KIIT.



## KISS WINS BIG AT CIPET'S NIGHT MARATHON

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On the 19th of January 2019, the KISS team was felicitated by Dr. Samanta for their stellar performance at the Night Marathon organised by CIPET Yi Mo Bhubaneswar, to promote the cause of plastic recycling. The KISS team bagged a total of 8 prizes worth Rs. 51,000/- thereby becoming the best team at the event. CIPET is the Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology.



### **BUDDHIST MONKS VISIT KISS**

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Hundreds of Buddhist monks and their followers visited KIIT and KISS on January 5, 2019. They visited different campuses of KIIT and different units of KISS and blessed the students while addressing the prayer assembly. They thanked Dr. Samanta for his relentless efforts towards the creation of such a huge organization, and expressed their astonishment at seeing the magnitude of KISS and the sheer number of children residing and pursuing education in such a disciplined manner, under one roof. Dr. Sulemas Suthisamphat, Consultant Committee President; and Ms. Orowan, President, Thai-Indochina Friendship Association facilitated the distribution of study materials and chocolates to the students. Prof. Bimalendu Mohanty, President, Mahabodhi Society, Odisha Chapter revealed that the Indo-Thai Friendship Association had inquired about KISS after reading about it in various media sources and books. After receiving an invitation from Mahabodhi Society, Odisha Chapter, they were finally able to visit KISS.



### **KISS STUDENTS CLEAR UGC NET & SSB**

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On 8th January, KISS facilitated its students for clearing UGC NET and SSB. 5 students cleared the UGC NET exams, while 13 students cleared the SSB exams. Dr. Samanta and other staff and faculty of KISS wished them luck for a great career ahead in the field of teaching.



## KISS - 'NGO OF THE YEAR' 2019

KISS was invited to CSR summit and Awards 2019 organized by UBS at JW Marriot in Bengaluru based on the theme "Innovate, Engage & Sustain". The event demonstrated numerous dimensions of CSR in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. KISS was awarded "NGO of the Year - 2019" by the distinguished jury after due diligence.

## LEADERSHIP AWARD CONFERRED ON KISS

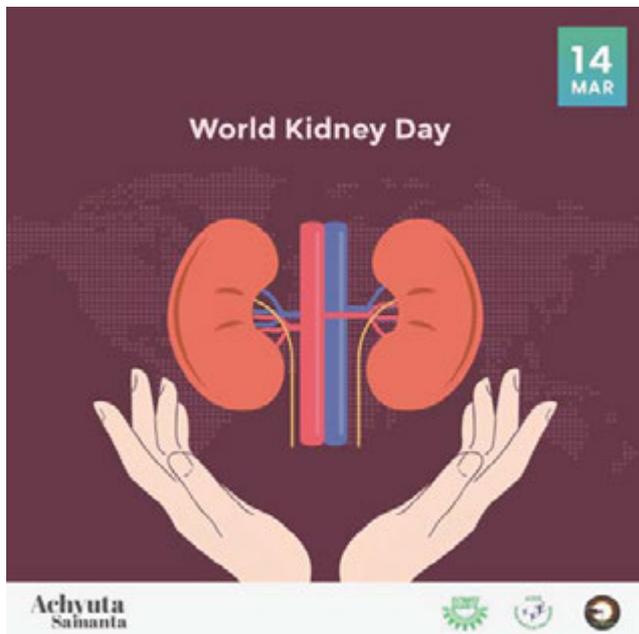
KISS has been conferred with a Leadership Award by the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, Govt. of India at a special function in New Delhi in February 2019. Hon'ble Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu handed the citation, medal and shawl to Prof. Achyuta Samanta. As a mark of recognition for yeoman services rendered by educational institutes, universities, colleges and schools for upliftment of education among Scheduled Tribes, the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes annually gives a Leadership Award to one educational institute of the country. The experiment at KISS has revealed that through provision of wholesome food, quality education and coaching and excellent facility in sports and extracurricular activities, the tribal children achieve dignity and economic empowerment. As India strives forward to achieve the onerous challenges of quality and value based education KISS Odisha provides a global template on overcoming the trilemma of ensuring gender equality, quality and excellence to the socially deprived.



## WORLD KIDNEY DAY RALLY

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KIIT and KISS conducted a rally on the occasion of World Kidney Day on March 8th 2019, in order to create awareness on the importance of taking proper care of our kidneys and reducing the frequency and impact of kidney disease.



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2019

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On the occasion of International Women's Day 2019, on March 8<sup>th</sup> 2019, students of KISS pledged to learn and lead without fear, alongside the 'Balance for Better' Campaign, with the inspiring tagline "Yes We Can".

## **POSTER MAKING FOR EARTH DAY 2019**

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A poster making workshop was organized for our university students on the eve of World Earth Day, pertaining to the Earth Day 2019 theme "Save our Species". The university students prepared posters and messages on saving our mother earth in partnership with Bangla-Natak and Earth-Day Network that have together engaged with 50,000 NGOs over 195 countries, to spread the message of sustainability.



## **UTKAL DIBAS CELEBRATIONS**

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Utkal Divas was celebrated by KIIT & KISS on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019, in reverence of heroes like the legendary Utkal Gaurav Madhusudan Das, Utkalmani Gopabandhu Das and Biju Patnaik - all famous for bringing development and recognition to Odisha by virtue of their vision, dynamism and incredible mental strength. That's why people of Odisha evoke their noble deeds with pride on Utkal Dibas.



## KISS EXCELS IN 10<sup>th</sup> BOARD EXAMS

KISS has nearly cent percent result in the 10th Board Examination conducted by the Board of Secondary Education (BSE), Odisha, result of the examination were declared on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. As many as 1676 students from the school wing of the Institute appeared for the examination, which is the highest number in the country from a single school. In fact, it is remarkable to note that KISS - a tribal organization - has consistently been achieving excellent results in the 10th Board Examination since 2000. Over 300 students secured 60% or more, with girls outshining boys in general. Sakila Majhi becomes school topper securing 93 percent marks.

For 20 long years in a row, from 2000 to 2019, KISS students have been achieving nearly 100% pass result in this examination. This is an extraordinary and historical achievement for tribal students, and was lauded by parents of the successful students and leaders of tribal community. 164 students of Juana, Didai, Kharia, Lodha, Langia Saura, Bonda students primitive tribal groups are among those who were successful in the examination. Expressing satisfaction over the result, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS said, continued success of KISS students year after year has been possible only due to blessings from God, the continuous effort of teachers & staff and determined labour of our students. We, at KISS, are proud to be able to educate tribal students from remote areas of the State and enable them to excel in the 10th Board examination every year.



## **KISS PROVIDES CYCLONE FANI RELIEF**

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Cyclone Fani left behind it a trail of destruction in Puri and Bhubaneswar, leaving our cities and villages in ruins. To support rebuilding Odisha, KIIT and KISS contributed relief to most affected Fani areas, cooking more than 50,000 meals a day for a period of ten days. The food was packaged and delivered at the relief centre in Puri, from where it was delivered by volunteers to villages in Puri.

## **KISS' BOLLYWOOD FILM 'JUNGLE CRY' TO HIT SCREENS SOON**

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KISS' Founder Dr. Achyuta Samanta, and its Rugby coach, Mr. Rudrakesh Jena are the subjects of an upcoming Bollywood film detailing his role in coaching India to victory at the World Rugby Junior Cup in England in 2007, in just 4 months without any prior knowledge of the game. The winning team comprised 12 tribal students from KISS, who came from difficult backgrounds. Jungle Cry outlines their incredible journey from their local villages to playing rugby in an international arena. The film stars Rahul Bose in the leading role alongside actress Emily Shah.





NGO ADVISOR'S 2019 TOP 500 NGOS WORLD

# KISS RANKED #189

NGO Advisor, a Geneva based independent media organisation that monitors global nonprofits, has ranked KISS #189 among 500 Top NGOs in the world.

## PREVIOUS RANKINGS

#223 in 2017  
#500 in 2016

KISS' 2019 ranking demonstrates a huge leap, placing it among the top 200 NGOs of the world.



## KISS RANKS 189th AMONG WORLD'S TOP 500 NGOs

KISS has entered the Global NGO Ranking for the fourth time, being ranked 189<sup>th</sup> in the prestigious 2019 list of the Top 500 NOGs of the World, published by NGO Advisor. Earlier, in 2017 KISS ranked 223<sup>rd</sup> while the institute held the 500<sup>th</sup> position in 2016. KISS was selected out of thousands of NOGs from around the world in recognition of its outstanding impact, innovation, and governance.

## KISS DISTRIBUTES "BAG OF HAPPINESS"

The International Art of Giving Day, a pet project of our Founder, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, was celebrated throughout India and across 120 countries. Spanning over 20,000 centers, volunteers collectively provided donations to a massive 20 million people, based on the theme "BAG OF HAPPINESS" in collaboration with UNESCO MGIEP.



## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA AT KISS

Practiced in many forms across the world, as both a sport and an exercise, yoga has a meditative and spiritual core in addition to physical exercise, which makes it a holistic approach to the body, soul and mind. Here at KISS, many of our students practice yoga daily, and we were happy to take a moment to practice as a community on the occasion of the International Day of Yoga on June 21<sup>st</sup> 2019.



## RAJA FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS

"Raja" the most prominent local festival of Odisha, falls on the first day of the month of "Asada" from which the season of rain starts. It inaugurates and welcomes the year of agriculture all over Odisha. This festival of merrymaking is celebrated at KISS with great splendour by more than 1000 students who have not gone home for vacations, either because of sports competitions or having none at home to take their care. They were provided with a sumptuous meal consisting of chicken curry and specially prepared Pitha (cake).

## CARRYING 'KANYA KIRAN' FORWARD

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'Kanya Kiran' was launched by KISS in association with UN Women and Kalinga Fellowship in all the 30 districts of Odisha on June 3 last year, with the aim of curbing violence against women and girl children. In a mobilization of scale and spread unheard of before, this edition of the programme covered all the Panchayats of the State, spreading awareness on social evils of violence against women and girl children in millions of Indian households, with participation from over 3000 staff of KISS and KIIT.



## SANJUKTA GOES TO TEXAS

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Ms. Sanjukta Singh will pursue High school for a year from Pflugerville, Texas in USA. She qualified for this prestigious institution after passing several rounds of written and verbal tests. She has scored 80% in her Grade X Board Examination and is an Alumna of English Access Programme at KISS. Sanjukta, from village Nuapadhi of Remuna Block at Balasore, will be the first tribal girl to pursue her high school in USA on a full scholarship. She enjoys studying, playing volleyball, cycling and painting.

## ISS STUDENTS INTERN AT KISS

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In July we were happy to host ISS students from the ISS-AIESEC program under the banner of the Government's acclaimed 'Incredible India' campaign, in affiliation with the Department of Political Science at Jamia Millia Islamia - A Central University (JMI) and the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). The students spent 10 days at KISS as part of a 6 week summer course.



## KISS' MEGA PLANTATION UTSAV

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On the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of July, KISS hosted a massive plantation drive aimed at restoring some of the city's green cover that was decimated by Cyclone Fani barely a month ago. As part of the campaign, saplings of Neem, Ashoka, Pistachio, Pomegranate and other trees were distributed among staff members to plant at a space of their choosing. Dr. Samanta's campaign of afforestation, with the slogan "Go Green, Greater Involvement" could not have come at a more timely moment for the city.





## LAUNCH OF 'NUA MAA' PILOT PROGRAMME

Nua Maa is a community media prototype on Infant and Young Child Nutrition (IYCN) and WASH being piloted by KISS in two blocks of Rayagada district with funding support from APPI and implementation support by SAKHA, a CBO of transgender network.

KISS is providing technical support and knowledge management to the programme, which is the first of its kind to engage in mainstream activity of behavioural change communication in the areas of health and nutrition. These fields pose big challenges for the state, country and the world as a whole.

Through 'Nua Maa', Transgenders are trained to perform plays on key messages like early registration of pregnancy, IFA and calcium consumption, exclusive breast feeding, complementary feeding and washing at community followed by home visits to pregnant and lactating mother to help transmit knowledge in to practice. The programme is currently in its first phase of training, featuring performances on early registration and IFA consumption.

# CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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Our celebrations on the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, on 9th August, included cultural performances by our students. 10 junior students performed a welcome dance (Ama Adivasi Dina) while our senior students regaled us with songs in their tribal languages (Ame Adivasi in Santali language and Lanjia Saura language). Some senior college students also made short speeches to the student body about the relevance of the day for indigenous people.



## 4 RESEARCH CHAIRS ESTABLISHED AT KISS-DU

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Four Research Chairs were established at KISS-DU, namely Santha Kabi Bhimabhoi, Utkal Gourav Madhusudan, Utkalmani Pt. Gopabandhu and Biju Patnaik. Four prominent educationists have been appointed as the Chair-Professors of these Research Chairs: Dr. Binodini Das, KISS (Head, Biju Patnaik Research Chair), Dr. Jugal Kishore Mishra (Head, Madhusudan Das Research Chair), Dr. H. Das (Head, Bhimabhoi Research Chair) and Dr. Basanta Kumar Panda (Head, Gopabandhu Das Research Chair). Dr. Samanta felicitated the four Head-Professors of these Research Chairs on the 14th of August, expressing his keen interest in seeing the research that these research chairs will curate in days to follow.



## SILVER MEDAL FOR INDIAN NATIONAL WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM

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The Indian National Women Rugby Team won the Silver Medal in Asia Rugby Sevens Trophy 2019 held at Jakarta, Indonesia on 10th & 11th August 2019.

It is a matter of pride that 3 indigenous girls (Hupi Majhi, Sumitra Nayak & Meerarani Hembram) from KISS were part of the Indian Team along with another member, Ms. Subhalaxmi Barik, who is also from Bhubaneswar.

This was a quick look at some of our highlights from August 2018 to August 2019. For more details and regular updates of these and other events, please visit our website and social media. Next year's annual report will pick up with highlights from where this one leaves off.

**[ Next Year: From August 2019 to August 2020 ]**



# LOOKING FORWARD

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As we complete another successful and happy year at KISS, it is time to look forward with a view into the future. We step into the academic year 2019-2020 with great hope and the dreams of our 60,000 children.

To give you an idea of some of the exciting plans we have for the forthcoming year, we have listed below some events you can look forward to in the next few months.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Workshop with WISCOMP

KISS is partnering with WISCOMP to host one of several pan-India workshop-cum-roundtables on gender equity and inclusion. The series is aimed at developing templates for gender audits to help higher educational institutes across India create and institutionalize robust gender sensitive practices.

*About WISCOMP:* Women in Security, Conflict Management & Peace, is a New Delhi based think tank that has been pioneering discourse on women, peace and security in South Asia. It is an initiative of the Foundation for Universal Responsibility of HH The Dalai Lama.

*\* Save the Date: 26-28 November 2019*

### Kalinga Fellowship

KISS looks forward to co-hosting the next chapter of its annual global Kalinga Fellowship later this year, as one of its many innovative initiatives towards gender parity.

*About Kalinga Fellowship:* The Fellowship is a brainchild of collaboration between KISS and Bridge Institute, Singapore. It is a novel and strategic initiative that KIIT and KISS undertook with the intent of creating path breaking solutions to problems of sexual assault while promoting gender justice. The fellowship annually unites key stakeholders like businesses, Government and civil society to co create several sustainable and actionable plans to bring about zero tolerance to sexual assaults on girls in Odisha, which could then be replicated in other States.

*\* Save the Date: 9-13 December 2019*

## Training with UNESCO & Life University

We look forward to hosting Compassionate Integrity Training at KIIT & KISS in collaboration with UNESCO-MGIEP and Life University, USA towards the end of this year. This three day workshop will be the first of a series of similar training workshops that we will periodically offer to staff and students, in an attempt to bring concepts of compassionate living to higher education spaces in India. UNESCO-MGIEP is piloting this programme at Indian higher educational institutes for the first time by partnering with KIIT/KISS and O. P. Jindal University while using trainers and curriculum from Life University.

*\* Save the Date: 13-15 December, 2019*

## Annual Guardians' Meet 2019/20

Possibly one of our most awaited events of the year, our annual Guardians' meet will kick off in December this year, providing our students an opportunity to spend time with their families on campus for a day, showing them around their campus and classrooms while also allowing our teachers to interact with parents and community members. The annual event draws incredible footfall upwards of 1 lakh visitors, and is a cultural melting pot for community members from all of the 62 different tribal groups represented proudly in our student body.

*\* Save the Date: Last weekend of December, 2019*

## FOR MORE UPDATES:

These are only a few of the exciting events we have planned for the forthcoming year. For more frequent updates, please visit our websites and social media accounts:



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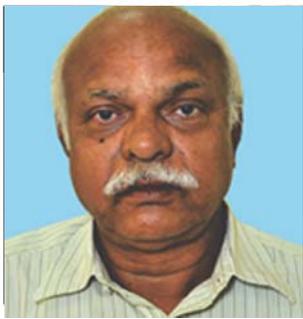
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## SOME IMPORTANT COLLABORATIONS

### UNFPA

KISS, in partnership with United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), is implementing a project on "Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH) and Life Skill Education (LSE) for about 10,000 adolescents at the institute and more than 2,00,000 across the state. The program aims to ensure provide vulnerable tribal children with a safer, informed and rewarding upbringing.

### US Embassy India

Recognizing KISS' mission and contribution towards empowering the poorest of poor, the US Embassy has sponsored an "English Access Micro Scholarship Program". The program has been successful in gradually building up writing, reading, listening & speaking skills in English, for a group of selected students of KISS. The program provides a foundation of English language skills to over 550 talented students.

### UNDP

UNDP, in association with KISS, has started a Skill Development programme in Odisha. Under this project a plethora of skill associated training will be provided to youth in remote regions, through online connectivity and having on-the-job training through local partnerships. The goal of the program is to provide livelihood options to underprivileged youth.

### Guide-Star India

KISS is accredited with Guide-Star India because of its commitment towards enhancing Accountability and Transparency in the sector through good governance

### UNICEF

UNICEF, in association with KISS, has established a **Children Development Resource Centre (CDRC)** as part of the larger UNICEF-KIIT University joint initiative for the **Centre for Children Studies (CCS)**. The goal is to promote evidence-based policy making, by building a knowledge base through action-research and other development programmes on children's issues, focusing on the state of Odisha. Hence, a resource centre at KISS has been established for students and research scholars.

### Oracle

Oracle has granted a project to KISS for the creation of Smart Classrooms. Under the project, 200 classrooms will have interactive smart projectors and boards. This will provide interactive learning for Science, Technology, English and Math (STEM). These classrooms will augment the teaching learning capacities of teachers and students alike. Students from Class 1 to Class 10 can avail a new and enhanced form of learning.

## SOME IMPORTANT COLLABORATIONS

### University of East Anglia

KISS, in collaboration with the University of East Anglia has launched Project CHIRAG. This project will conduct evidence-based advocacy for building and reinforcing Sustainable Food Systems, under the overall rubric of achieving SDGs in India, at the national, state and local level.

### Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)

The MoU between TISS and KISS is aimed at establishing a framework for collaborative partnership on mutually agreed areas by promoting and co-opting human resources for undertaking research, curriculum and pedagogy development, livelihood & skill building, counselling, training program, seminar and workshops for teachers and students. This also aids capacity development of teachers along with providing holistic education to the tribal children.

### Bernard van Leer Foundation

: KISS, in collaboration with the Bernard Van Leer Foundation, has started the Mother-Tongue Based Multilingual Education (MT based MLE) to aid indigenous children enrolled in school.

The organization has set up a language lab in which indigenous children are taught in their mother tongue so that they relate to their own culture when they first enrol in school. At a later age, they are gradually transitioned into Odiya-medium and English-medium education.

### Give India

KISS is accredited with Give India. The main aim of Give India is to promote an effective and efficient giving culture that provides greater opportunities to the poor in India. It is a vibrant 'philanthropy marketplace' to ensure that the most effective and efficient non-profits get access to resources. After a thorough scrutiny, KISS has been listed under Give India and will now receive support for various activities.

### University of Cambridge

KISS has initiated an exciting new research project 'Transforming India's Green Revolution by Research and Empowerment for Sustainable Food Supplies (TIGR2ESS)'. Awarded by Cambridge University, UK, KISS is a Lead Partner for this multi-year project. The project is the first of its kind, focusing on new technological innovations in the area of sustainable agriculture and nutrition security, going beyond the seed-fertiliser-water package of the Green Revolution.

### British Council

British Council, in partnership with Diageo, has launched the Young Women Social Entrepreneurship Development Programme which is being implemented at KISS. British Council also provides E-library facilities which are availed by the tribal students, who can now access academic, non-academic literature and reference materials.

## SOME IMPORTANT COLLABORATIONS

### **AIESEC**

AIESEC provides students with the opportunity to pursue internships in international destinations. KISS annually receives approximately 15 international interns, who come through the AIESEC Internship Program.

### **FXB Suraksha**

Both KISS and FXB are working for the common cause of promoting education for less privileged children of India. This association has made KISS work with large organizations working on similar grounds and concerns.

### **AFS Intercultural Programs, India**

KISS, along with KIIT University and KIIT International School, has collaborated with AFS India, to provide opportunities for students to study abroad, while also creating opportunities for international students to pursue internships and volunteering at KISS.

### **Child & Youth Finance International**

KISS has collaborated with Child & Youth Finance International to help strengthen the skills of students studying at the institute. The cooperation will also target children and youth in 20 districts of Odisha where KISS has operations.

### **CAF India**

Charities Aid Foundation has validated KISS as one of the few Indian NGOs committed to demonstrating and maintaining financial transparency. CAF is also a partner to Oracle and thus is looking after the compliances of the projects that we have with Oracle.

### **National Slum Dwellers Federation**

In association with Mr. Jockin Arputham, Magsaysay award winner, KISS will conduct development work in the slums of Odisha and India.

## SOME IMPORTANT COLLABORATIONS

### **EMAMI**

Emami and KISS joined hands to establish a residential school at Balasore. Under the agreement, Emami will provide full financial support related to infrastructure development and recurring expenditure on an annual basis. KISS, on the other hand, will be responsible for managing the school. The “Emami-KISS Residential School” was launched at Balasore, Odisha in the presence of Mr. RS Agarwal and Mr. R.S Goenka, Co-Founders, Emami Limited for the underprivileged tribal children.

### **EdCIL (India) Ltd.**

EdCIL (India) Ltd. is associated with KISS under its CSR program, whereby, EdCIL provides assistance for KISS to purchase text books for its current academic session. EdCIL has also shown interest in providing support to KISS towards building Smart classrooms in the future.

### **Tata Steel Limited**

KISS and Tata Steel have agreed to strengthen the relationship between the industry and the institutions by collaborating for various academic, research, training and staff development activities. They will also facilitate education of the children of the displaced families at KISS and work for upliftment of marginalized vulnerable sections of the population.

### **NALCO Foundation**

Nalco Foundation has been partnering with KISS since 2013. The group has sponsored 240 students in the first year from its peripheral location in Koraput district. It added another 100 students the subsequent year. NALCO Foundation has also envisaged an interest to come forward and extend help towards the school at Koraput.

### **General Insurance Corporation of India**

GIC is associated with KISS through its sponsorship of 80 Post-Graduate students. Through this, GIC is engaged in substantial and sustained efforts towards providing higher education to underprivileged students at KISS.

GIC may, in the future, also consider providing financial support in projects of KISS – through terms and conditions as per subsequent agreements that are yet to be developed – for the betterment of tribal students through its CSR arm.

### **Max Foundation**

Max Foundation has been partnering with KISS over the last four years to provide vaccination to children enrolled at KISS. The group provides vaccinations such as MMR, Typhoid, Hep-B, etc on a yearly basis to nearly 2000 children.

## SOME IMPORTANT COLLABORATIONS

### Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)

TCS is associated with KISS to provide training in soft skills through their Affirmative program. Under this program, the graduating students will undergo a vast course to develop and improve their ability to communicate and demonstrate other leadership qualities. This will, in turn, improve their employability skills.

### Collaborations with International Universities

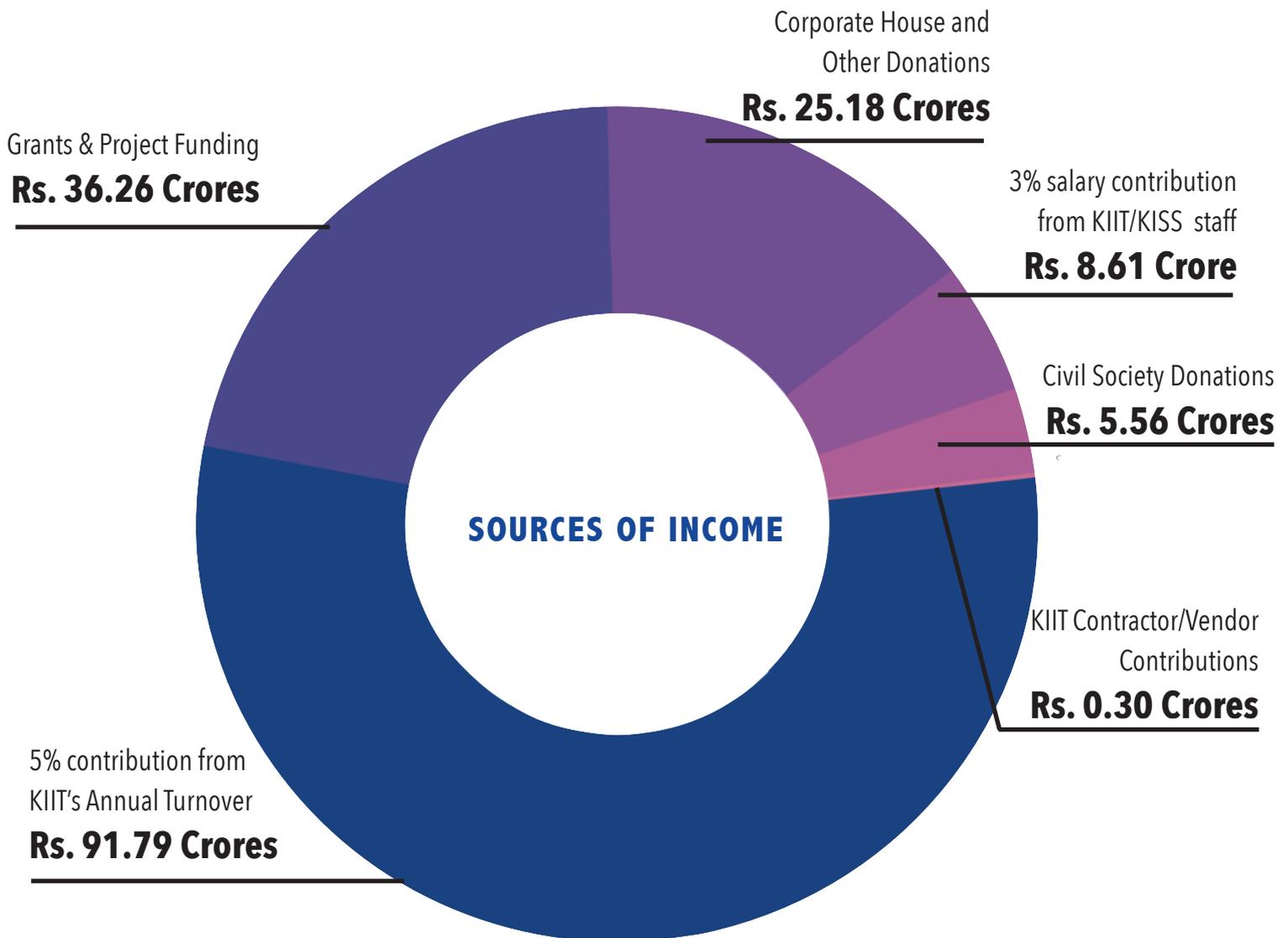
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# KISS Financials

## Income & Expenditure for the Year

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) was started in the year 1993 with just 125 tribal students. With the growth of KIIT Group of Institutions, KISS has also grown as the biggest residential tribal institute of the country. KIIT is the backbone of KISS. Now, 60,000 tribal children of 62 tribes, including 13 primitive tribes, are pursuing their education from Class-1 to PhD level at KISS.



**The sources of income of KISS are as follows;**

- As per the resolution passed by the KIIT Society, 5% of the total turnover of KIIT. This financial year, KIIT has donated Rs. 91.79 crores operations.
- As per the statutory rules of the KIIT University, each and every staff contributes 3% of his/her gross salary to KISS amounting to Rs. 8.61 crores (approx.).
- The Contractors/Vendors of KIIT Group of Institutions contributed to KISS an amount of Rs. 0.30 crores (approx.).
- The donations from civil society and well-wishers contribute benevolently for this noble cause amounting to Rs. 5.56 crores (approx.).
- Donations received from different organizations, corporate houses like Give India amounting to Rs. 25.18 cores (approx.).
- Further, Grants received for projects undertaken is Rs. 36.26 crores.
- Bank Interest and other miscellaneous receipts is Rs. 3.99 crores.
- Balance funds requirement was met from own sources / reserves, etc.

**Total recurring expenditure for the year 2018-19 is Rs. 102.39 crores.**

5% seats in professional education programs of KIIT University are reserved for meritorious students from KISS. Several meritorious students from KISS are studying free of cost in KIIT Group of Institutions in technical and professional courses, such as Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery (MBBS), Dental Sciences & Surgery, Nursing, Engineering, Masters in Computer Application (MCA), Bachelor / Masters in Law, Management (MBA), Diploma in Engineering, etc. This involves a financial outlay of Rs. 20 crores (approx).

KIIT University also provides support services by way of visiting faculty, transportation, maintenance for electricity / water supply system, medical assistance, security, etc. and these costs will add up to further Rs. 10.00 crores

**Thus the Overall Recurring expenses will be in the range of Rs. 132.39 crores.**

**In addition the Non- recurring expenses during the year are Rs. 86.56 crores.**

Abridged Income & Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31.03.2019					
Particulars	Yr:2019	Yr: 2018	Particulars	Yr:2019	Yr: 2018
Academic / Co-curricular Expenses	104,087,901	99,599,307	Donation -		
Mess Related Expenses	425,065,173	364,379,479	KIIT Group	917,860,902	917,928,675
Employee benefits expense	233,720,626	181,007,297	Corporate	248,520,192	89,391,213
Project Expenses	51,584,195	31,551,506	Give India	3,264,895	
Office Related Expenses	69,919,835	156,184,597	Staff (KIIT Group of Institutions)	86,112,723	64,159,179
Indirect Expenses	24,489,010	97,730	Vendors	2,988,994	5,321,034
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	115,038,940	115,708,157	Others	55,638,893	54,057,633
			Sub-total	1,314,386,599	1,130,857,735
			Grant	362,633,048	105,995,189
			Other Income	39,977,863	35,263,372
Excess of Income over Expenditure	693,091,830	323,588,223	<i>Excess of Expenditure over Income</i>	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,716,997,510</b>	<b>1,272,116,296</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,716,997,510</b>	<b>1,272,116,296</b>
Abridged Balance Sheet as at 31.03.2019					
Liabilities	Yr:2019	Yr: 2018	Assets	Yr:2019	Yr: 2018
Capital Account	1,036,099,825	1,020,339,825	Fixed Assets	2,041,369,784	1,290,862,607
Reserves & Surplus	706,238,967	13,718,237	Non-current assets	135,589,736	146,053,121
Borrowings & Deposits	293,043,784	220,475,034	Current Assets	686,593,365	559,343,034
Current Liabilities	828,170,309	741,725,666			
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,863,552,885</b>	<b>1,996,258,762</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,863,552,885</b>	<b>1,996,258,762</b>

# ABRIDGED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR END 31.03.2019



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