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## Annual Report 2017-18

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*"Being at KISS, I have realised all of it is possible because of its Founder. He is very modest and a special human being. People like him are international ambassadors. He is the ambassador of humanity".*

Ambassador H.E. Mr. Milan Hovorka,  
Head of the Embassy of the Czech Republic

**Above:**

Indigenous parents and guardians gather with their children at the Annual Parents Meet held at KISS. The event draws footfall of nearly 75,000 people to KISS, including students, staff and families.

## From the Founder's Desk

In a great step towards extending the benefits of higher education to underprivileged tribal students, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences has completed one year as a Deemed University. KISS, the world's first and only university exclusively for tribal students, was established in 1993, with only 125 tribal children at a rented house in Bhubaneswar, and two and half decades later it stands as a unique model of empowerment for the tribal students.

It currently houses 27,000 tribal students and is considered to be the world's largest intervention wherein 50,000 children from deprived indigenous communities of Odisha and neighbouring states are empowered with holistic education from Kindergarten to Post-Graduation along with boarding facilities, clothing, healthcare, vocational and life skills free of cost. KISS has a strong alumni body of 12,500 empowered youth, well placed and driving change for themselves, their families and communities. An additional 10,000 students are getting a new lease on life in the ten satellite centers of KISS in ten districts of Odisha. From a mere institution, KISS has now become a revolution in the lives of tribal people.

KISS and its students have achieved accolades from India and abroad on different occasions. The students of KISS have excelled in academics and co-curricular activities. 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, in its course of operation for the last 25 years, has collected many achievements in its kitty. It 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.

*We are extremely glad that we shall celebrate the Silver Jubilee of KISS this academic year.*

As an individual, I started with nothing in hand, except 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 each and every policymaker and country, including the objective of 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 practises are documented, maintained and augmented in the most appropriate manner.

I am always grateful to my stakeholders of KIIT for their kind gesture to support KISS financially. I express my thanks and gratitude to all the well-wishers and contributors. We reciprocate their kind gesture with the prayers from the pure souls of 27,000 tribal children for their peace and prosperity.

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

# CARE Philosophy

About four decades ago, Dr. Samanta lived in a remote village in Kalarabanka in Cuttack district of Odisha. The village lacked basic amenities, even 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, his mother's advice echoed in his ears. She would say this in Odia— ***“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 and it motivated him to continuously work selflessly, without ever deviating from the path of honesty despite running mammoth organisations, such as KIIT and KISS.

**Dr. Samanta's lifelong passion has been to spread happiness among the deprived.** He strongly believes that a man is the sum of his experiences from the past. Even though he is sometimes saddened by the glaring inequalities in society he realises that the five fingers cannot be the same. Quite early in life, he learnt that one can spread happiness by 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 takes the experience from the past and utilises it by not letting his fellow human beings suffer the way he did. One should never forget the past. Dr. Samanta's past - marred with poverty and struggle - shaped 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 27,000 children at KISS become compassionate, empowered youth with no dearth of love or opportunities in life.**





“I always remember what my mother used to say: **Thili Kana, Heli Kana, Hebi Kana** meaning always keep in mind what you were, what you are and what you will be. This is the essence of life and living.”

**-Dr. Achyuta Samanta**







## From the Prime Minister's Desk

*"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**



**Students of KISS University busy with classes. KISS reserves more seats for girls than boys, in a bid to promote female education among indigenous communities.**

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SECTION 2

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# ABOUT KISS

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The Institution, Facts & Figures and  
Innovative Pedagogy

# About KISS - Biography

## KISS at a Glance

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 spiralled 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 27,000

## Deemed-to-be-University Status

On the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi last year, 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 both in India and the world. Though Indira Gandhi National Tribal University has been established before, it enrolls students of all categories, while KISS University is exclusively for tribal students. KISS has been declared a Deemed University under De-Novo category.

Over the past year, the University has introduced seven new 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 the global academia.





## About KISS - Facts & Figures

### Academic

- ✓ Class I-X, Affiliated to Board of Secondary Education (BSE), Odisha
- ✓ Class XI-XII, Affiliated to Council of Higher Secondary Education (CHSE), Odisha
- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Arts, Commerce & Science & Post-Graduation in various streams (Under KISS University)
- ✓ Offers Vocational Training
- ✓ Mother-Tongue based multilingual education for primary students
- ✓ NCC, NSS, Scout and Guide, Youth Red Cross
- ✓ English classes through English Access Micro-Scholarship Program
- ✓ Smart classroom to augment Science, Technology, English and Math (STEM)

### Uniqueness of KISS

- ✓ 27,000 tribal students getting free education from Standard I to Post-Graduation level
- ✓ Largest global Residential school for tribal children
- ✓ Free lodging, boarding, healthcare and vocational training
- ✓ Student representation from more than 65 different tribes, including 13 PVTG's and 10 states



## About KISS - Innovative Pedagogy

KISS employs a number of innovative pedagogies that help it create the unique learning environment that it is reputed for. 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.

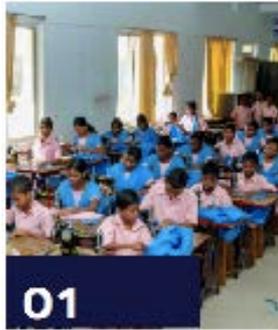
Due to underdevelopment in indigenous areas, tribal children have to be taught in residential schools. However, the residential schools in these areas face serious problems.

### **Some of these problems are listed below:**

- Lack of adequate infrastructure
- Severe bottlenecks of 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

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

- 1. Holistic Approach**
- 2. Social Innovation**
- 3. Earn While you Learn**



01

VOCATIONAL TRAINING



02

LIVELIHOOD SKILL PROVISION



03

QUALITY EDUCATION



04

WORLD-CLASS SPORTS TRAINING



05

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

## Holistic approach to Tribal Education

Our holistic approach to education ensures that we employ a variety of approaches to education, ranging from focus on academia, alongside sports, vocational training and extra-curricular activities. We also pride ourself on being sustainable, and preserving and disaeminating tribal knowledge and culture.



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SUSTAINABLE APPROACH



07

ZERO HUNGER GOAL



08

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION



09

CELEBRATING TRIBAL CULTURE



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STATE OF ART FACILITIES

## KISS provides:

- Free education
- Free boarding
- Free lodging
- Free healthcare facilities
- Smaller classes with a Teacher-student ratio of 1:35.
- Well trained teachers customising learning to the indigenous students
- Modern state of art infrastructure
- Pedagogy that blends academics and sports
- Zero drop-out rate.

**In spite of all modern facilities given to the students, there is a definite rooting to their culture.** During the students' early childhood, they are taught in their mother tongue to bridge the language gap that tribal students face while transitioning from diverse tribal languages (and their many dialects) to the state language of Oriya.

Life skills training and adolescent education empower the students. The students are also given:

- English training keeping in view the needs of the market economy.
- Coaching for competitive exams for admission to higher-education institutions in India,
- Entrepreneurial skill development
- Fully financed and aided opportunities to study at KIIT, for meritorious students
- The training to be financially independent and self-sustaining after graduation

60% of the students at KISS are girls. They are given special training for reproductive and sexual health. The girls are leaders of change at KISS, which aims to be a safe environment with zero tolerance for sexual violence.

KISS creates a platform to the students to interact with national and international dignitaries, academicians, policymakers, leaders, Nobel laureates, journalists, lawyers, bureaucrats, actors, sportspersons, writers and much more. This helps students identify role models while giving them global exposure.

KISS is funded by KIIT, a sister concern that makes it a stand-alone model in the world. This unique financial model is the best example of Corporate Social Responsibility by any university. KISS' success encourages the students to fulfill their dreams and empower themselves as well as the community through passion, dedication and the spirit of Art of Giving.

*Learn more about our innovative programs from Page 56*



2.



### 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 transmission of poverty to future tribal generations.



Tribal populations have a distinct identity of knowledge, practices, rituals and culture that makes them unique. Although they accept living with deprivation, KISS motivates the indigenous community to seek enrollment in school and benefit from free education. In the long run, KISS' mission is to augment these communities' capacity to aspire.



3.



## Earn while you Learn

“Earn While You Learn” Program provides opportunities to the students to earn while they are learning through part-time jobs and entrepreneurial projects that prepare them to shoulder professional assignments with relative ease.

### Aims of ‘Earn While You Learn’:

1. Prepare students to shoulder professional assignments with relative ease through vocational training and skill development.
2. Impart necessary occupational skills among tribal students to mould them into successful entrepreneurs & make them fit in the job market.

So far, KISS has given appointment to 50 students, trained under Sports Authority of India, as sports trainers to assist in-house trainers. They will coach 5000 students of KISS selected in 50 different sports according to various sports parameters, strengths and capabilities after conducting special tests.

Further, 80 girls trained under Handicrafts Technical Training Programme under HRD Scheme on Embroidery cum Applique Craft and Tribal/Saura Art sponsored by Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India were appointed as master trainers to teach the skill to 2000 fellow girls at KISS.

### How does it work?



1 Skill Development Program at KISS links education with productivity, economic development & individual prosperity. Therefore, all 27,000 students at KISS are divided in four age groups- sub-junior, junior, senior, super senior.



2 Different levels of vocational training and skill development are imparted to each of these age groups. Each student is trained in a trade of his/her interest, with vocational training running concurrent to formal education from Std VI to Std X.



3 The large scale products, made as a result of these vocational activities are readily saleable in the market. KIIT, a large University with an area of 25 sq. km, 18000 students and 5000 staff, needs these products in large number and is a ready market.



4 One third of the surplus from each sale of products is distributed among the children engaged in a particular vocational education. This way, each student manages to make Rs. 700/- to Rs. 1000/- per month, alongside their free education, realizing the goal of ‘earn while you learn’.



5 Students have the option to send this money to their parents living in villages in abject poverty or to deposit in their bank accounts for their future. More importantly, children are able to acquire skill in a vocational trade so that when he or she passes out is empowered with a skill that will enable them to earn their livelihood.

*"Let the 21st century be the century of  
compassion and peace."*

His Holiness the Dalai Lama,  
on his visit to KISS



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SECTION 3

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# STUDENTS' CORNER

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Case Studies from Current Students and Alumni,  
& Student Contributions

# Stories of Impact



In this newly introduced section, we would like to highlight some stories and case studies of the various faces of KISS. We have here, a compilation of case studies from alumni and current students.

## A. Current Students

1. **Ms. Sumitra Nayak** - Captain of Girl's Rugby Team, nominated for International Children's Peace Prize
2. **Mr. Santha Ram Majhi** - Student Leader under LSE training programme
3. **Mr. Bhubaneswar Chhatra** - Peer Educator through LSE training programme

## B. Alumni

1. **Dr. Bhojanga Narayan Naik** - Currently works as a doctor at KISS Dispensary
2. **Ms. Saladi Murmu** - Recently Employed by Government of Odisha's Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Empowerment



**Name:** Ms. Sumitra Nayak

**Grade:** +3 Second Year

**District:** Jajpur

**Highlight:** Nominated for

### **Student Interview #1 - Ms. Sumitra Nayak**

Seventeen-year-old Sumitra Nayak, from KISS, is the **first Indian female to be nominated for the coveted 2017 International Children's Peace Prize** for her display of courage to make a difference in improving children's rights. The prize was launched by Kids Rights during the 2005 World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates at the Capitol in Rome, chaired by Mikhail Gorbachev. Since then, a Nobel Peace Laureate has presented the prize every year to young heroes.

Sumitra, **Captain of Rugby Girls Team**, has braved struggles to emerge as a winner, trend setter and an achiever. She comes from a poor family in a remote village in Jajpur district, Odisha. Her mother worked as a domestic maid and father as a daily-wage laborer, whose wage would be channeled into purchasing country liquor. From quite a young age, Sumitra braved all manner of struggles - lack of finance, torture at home, no proper school, assault by her drunkard father, regular fights between the parents and dropping out of school to take care of 2 younger siblings. After enduring constant abuse at the hands of her father, one day, Sumitra's mother ran away with her three children, seeking refuge in Bhubaneswar with the assistance of one of the employers of her mother.

She joined KISS in 2008 in Grade IV, with the help of a well wisher and rest we can now say is definitely history. Sumitra started to practice Rugby in 2009. In 2012, she played her first State match. Two years later, she participated in the U13 Women's Rugby World Cup, followed by the National Championship and the National School Games. She helped her team clinch bronze medal in the Asian Girls Rugby Sevens (U18) held in Dubai last year. Now, she is in the first year of her Bachelors in Education and aspires to be an IAS officer.

Commenting over her nomination for the International Children's Peace Prize, the euphoric Sumitra said, "I am extremely happy to know about it. However, all credit goes to Samanta Sir who has transformed my life." Meanwhile, expressing gratification on Sumitra's nomination for the award, the Founder of KIIT & KISS, Prof. Achyuta Samanta has congratulated her for making our state and KISS very proud through her outstanding achievements. 'It was love at first sight with rugby for her. Though she loved physical sports, she couldn't play any games in the village,

because girls were not given that freedom. Even if she showed interest, the villagers would comment that sport is not for girls. Fortunately for Sumitra, she had the backing of her mother, who asked her to break the notions of the society and follow her heart,' says her institute.

She started rugby practice in 2009, and under the guidance of her coach Rudrakesh Jena in 2012, she played her first State match. Two years later, she participated in the U-13 Women's Rugby World Cup, followed by the National Championship and the National School Games. She helped her team clinch bronze medal in the Asian Girls Rugby Sevens (U-18) held in Dubai last year. Sumitra was also invited to deliver a TED talk in Pune last year and was introduced as a dreamer, achiever and a trend setter.

Her success story has inspired many children of her age at KISS to join up. 'My vision of this world is where every child grows up to be a change-maker continuously aims to solve problems around them and gets to build empathy as a skill. This will change the world!,' she says. Fondly called as Rugby Rani by Dr Achyuta Samanta, founder KISS Sumitra says rugby has given meaning to her life. **'In fact, rugby is my life,' she says.**



*Read more about other KISS  
female athletes on pages  
50-51 and 104-105*



**Name: Santha Ram Majhi**

Grade: +3 Arts (Odiya Honours)

District: Nuapada

Highlight: 'Life Skills Education' student

## **Student Interview #2 - Mr. Santha Ram Majhi**

Santha Ram Majhi is an admirable student dedicated to his studies, and an exemplary trainee of the **Life Skills based Sexual and Reproductive Health Educational Program (LSE) program**. He is the youngest member of his family. His father earns the minimum daily wage for agriculture labour, occasional road work and protection of the forest.

Santha Ram Majhi was enrolled at Niljee High school - Niljee and completed his Class 10 here. The distance from his school to his village was 2.5 KM. Majhi usually covered the distance by walking, and occasionally on his friend's cycle during the monsoon season. Majhi successfully secured 74% in his course at Niljee, and he was ranked 4th in his class at his school. During his time at Niljee, Majhi participated in Debate club, usually arguing on social and political issues. He traditionally secured 1st and 2nd rank at District level along with cash rewards.

Majhi went on to study +2 Arts at Sri Jagannath Maha Vidlaya, Karangamal – Karangamal Gram Panchayat. During this period he worked with his father repairing roads, earning Rs 300 for a day's work. Majhi used his wages to purchase a second-hand cycle, as the commute from his college to home was 10 km. He also bought test-papers and sample tests for his final examinations. Majhi secured 68% marks in his exams and was ranked 4th in college among Arts students. The Government of Odisha, awarded Majhi with a laptop, for achieving high grades at his college.

After this, Majhi went on to study +3 Arts Odiya Honors at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, Bhubaneswar. He was informed of KISS from an Admission advertisement in Sambad paper. A friend helped him to gather more information on KISS, and his maternal uncle submitted his admission form manually at KISS. After being selected to pursue his chosen course at the institute, local MLA and his members ensured his travel to Bhubaneswar and Majhi began his enrolment procedure.

Majhi joined the Life Skills based Sexual and Reproductive Health Educational Program (LSE) program. This allowed him to increase his thinking power – influenced his decision making – increased presence of mind – and become a leader. Now, he is heading a group under LSE training program.

Majhi believes that the LSE program helped him to participate in TATA STEEL – Youth leader events. He was honoured for his ideas, service and thoughts on HIV. Students from various colleges at Jajpur District, Odisha participated in his plenary discussion on HIV. Ms Bedamati Pattnaik, from KISS, guided Majhi through this event.

Locally, Majhi organised village programs on Community Mobilization, Early marriages, HIV, Superstition. Large numbers of villagers attended these programmes as well as their Sarpanch and Zilla Parishad members. Majhi's experience and practice served him well as he came 1st in a State Debate hosted by Odisha State AIDS Control Society OSACS. He was also ranked 2nd amongst the junior category in a debate hosted by Commissionerate police, Bhubaneswar, on the topic 'Police our Friend'. Mahji was invited to deliver a speech at Block level by block officials on behalf of GOND tribe.

Majhi's family members dream and encourage him to pursue his dreams to become a politician so that he can give back to society. He states that KISS has brought revolution in his life. It has helped in developing his personality. People living in his home village, have a lot of respect for him and seek opinions from him regarding simple and complex issues. This makes Majhi very happy as he is now able to practice what he loves to do which shines through this admirable personality.



*Learn more about the LSE  
program on Page 64*

A portrait of a young man with short dark hair, wearing a light pink button-down shirt and a dark lanyard. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with green trees and a building.

**Name: Bhubaneswar Chhatra**

Grade: +3 Arts District: Nuapada

Highlight: 'Life Skills Education' student

### **Student Interview #3 - Mr. Bhubaneswar Chhatra**

Bhubaneswar Chhatra is one of our brightest students, and a star pupil of the Life Skill Education programme at KISS. The eldest of five siblings, Chhatra has chosen to reinvest the knowledge he gained at KISS into his community by organising rallies on social issues including HIV, Malaria, Gender Equality, Child Marriage.

Bhubaneswar Chhatria is the eldest of five siblings. He feels very close to his family, and it saddens him that the eldest of his three sisters is tied down to house chores as she did not have the opportunity to study. Chhatria's father is a farmer and occasionally carries out labour work in their village. His mother also assists his father in farm-related activities like clearing up the bushes around the fields; transporting crops in the area and more.

Chhatria completed class V at his local village school. He then moved to his maternal uncle's village, Danojhola, to study until grade VIII. After this, Chhatria attended Panchayat High School Buddhi-Komna until Class X. The daily commute for Chhatria was 14 km daily, to and from school. At school, Chhatria actively participated in debates on topics such as Vanmahotsav day and Energy Conservation Day. He successfully secured the 2nd position at his inter-school competition. Overall in his studies, he scored 63%, and he was ranked 5th in his class. Chhatria went on to study his +2 arts at Panchayat Samiti Junior College, Komna. His maternal uncle was an army man who helped to fund Chhatria's studies. During +2, Chhatria commuted 3km from village using a cycle. He scored 70% marks and was ranked 3rd among college peers.

Chhatria then began his +3 Arts studies at KISS, Bhubaneswar. He had little knowledge about KISS in the beginning. Coincidentally, at block Tehsildar office while applying for his caste certificate, he met with a KISS alumni, who inspired him to join the institution. He found out about the application procedure by himself, travelled alone to reach Bhubaneswar and finally submitted his application. Chhatria began to make his way back home and met some acquaintance's on the way to the station. He only had Rs 500 in his pocket and felt very tired once reaching the station.

Chhatria and his friends took a rest in the station. All was well until railway authorities awoke them. The authorities caught hold of him, and he was fined Rs 350 as he had not purchased any ticket for travel and was resting on the platform. Frustrated by his constant lack of funds, Chhatria resolved to pursue his higher studies at KISS.

At the time of his admission, Chhatria visited with his father, who was astonished to see how knowledgeable his son has become in a single visit to KISS. While leaving home, his Mother advised him to, "study hard and become a person that the entire village will admire and fulfil (your) dreams". As Chhatria stepped onto the KISS campus, he learnt English and ensured he utilised the facilities provided by the institute to their fullest extent. Chhatria participated in debate, essay and quiz club. He achieved 2nd place in the state-level essay competition on Subash Chandra Bose; ranked 3rd in the state-level discussion on Birsa Munda and at college level ranked 3rd in competition on Essay and quiz. Chhatria joined Life Skill Education and found the ten core skills helpful to apply to his life. Chhatria chose to give back his knowledge and organised a rally on social issues including HIV, Malaria, Gender Equality, Child Marriage. These rallies helped in generating awareness among youth and villagers. Children also participated fully in these rallies.

KISS augmented Chhatria vision, and now he wants to join the Civil Service of Odisha State and then the Central government. For this, he must then join and enroll in Civil Service Coaching at college. Chhatria believes that every student of KISS should be mindful of the institute's development and that alumni should continue to network and use facilities provided by KISS and contribute to society so that Dr Samata's life lessons continue to reach others.



*Learn more about the LSE  
program on Page 64*

## Alumni Interview #1 - Dr. Bhojanga Naik

Dr. Bhojanga, lives in Keonjhar District and is the eldest son in his family. He began his primary education at his local village school, following which, he joined Ram Krishna Mission from grade six to 10. Dr. Bhojanga came to Bhubaneswar in 2004 and joined KISS in 2009, for +2. There were 10, 000 students attending KISS at this point and this was a huge shock for Dr. Bhojanga. His previous school, Ram Krishna Mission, was more intimate with only 60 students that he was very familiar with. However, some time after joining, Dr. Bhojanga was very happy to be a part of such a large school where he could meet and become friends with a variety of students from different parts of the State.

For Dr. Bhojanga, studying is something he always enjoyed however he found it difficult to understand everything. Coming to KISS was a very different experience for Dr. Bhojanga however, he said, KISS was the place where he learnt the skills to study. He begun meditating regularly at KISS which helped his concentration improve. He was amazed at the holistic style of teaching that KISS offers. Dr. Bhojanga was able to study alongside practise his hobbies too. He has an interest in Indian Classical music and devotional music. Dr. Bhojanga said, “KISS offers many things and I was able to practise my talents. I improved a lot after this and with my parents support I took a greater interest in education. It really helps when you have family support. It is important to become something one day and I was able to do this at KISS”.



**Name: Dr. Bhojanga Naik**

Grade: +2 Alumnus, (2009)

District: Keonjhar

Highlight: Works as a Doctor

Dr. Bhojanga is very appreciative for everything Dr. Samanta has done for the local people, children and society. As a child he was similarly inclined to help his community, and after experiencing the great work of Dr. Samanta, he realised the difficulty of completing this work too. However, the persistent efforts of Dr. Samanta have allowed him to see that he also wanted to dedicate his life to help society. This helped Dr. Bhojanga realize the power of determination and consistency in life.

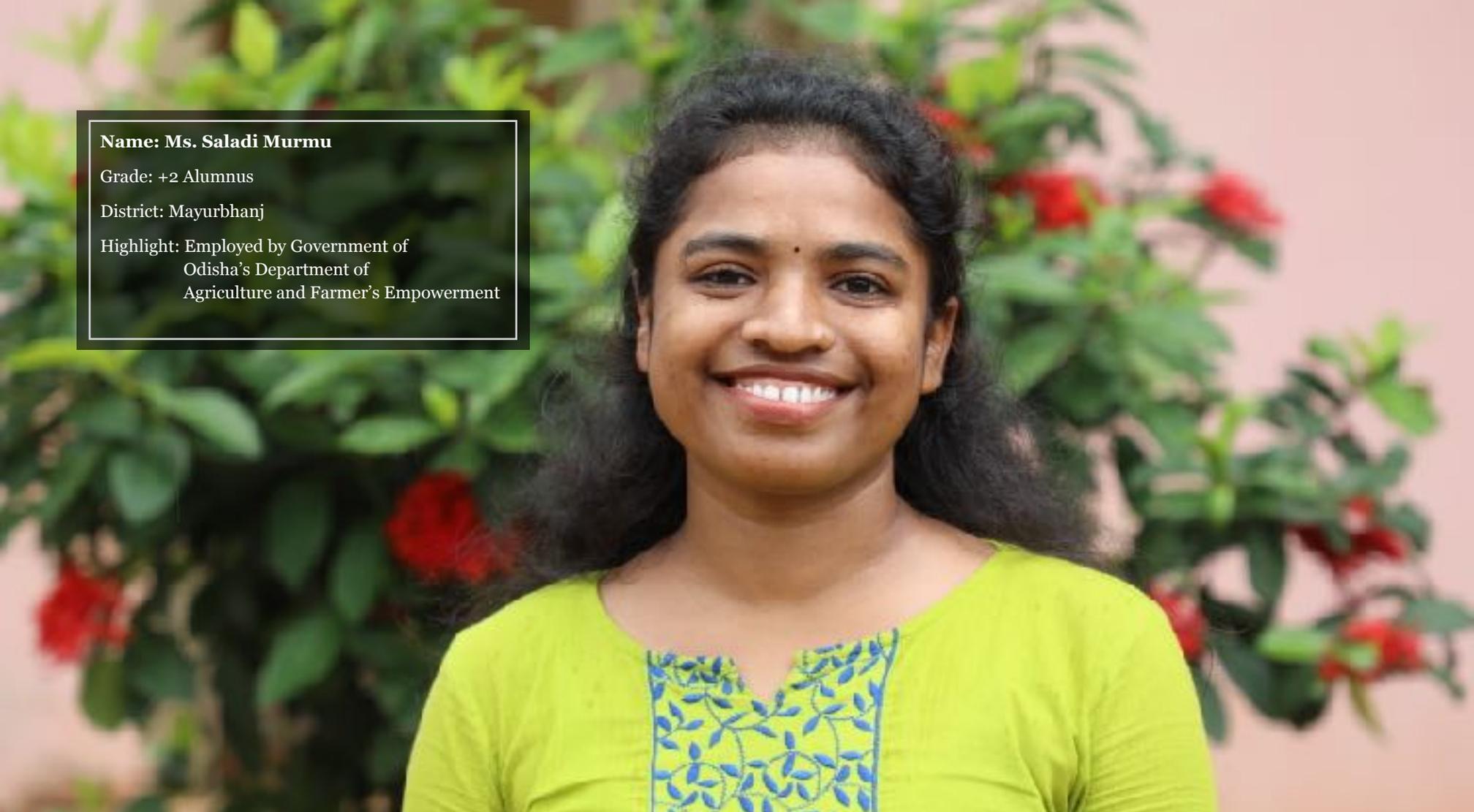
The very next day Dr. Bhojanga went to the campus and presented his documents to start his studies. His BDS course took the duration of five years to complete, from 2011 to 2016. He said that his journey through the course was long but he learnt many things. "Although it was difficult, and at the beginning I was crying everyday, I never had any regrets. I follow Swamiji and Dr. Samanta implements everything that is written in the books, in real life - they are both my role models". Dr. Bhojanga's mom and dad are very proud of him and have always supported him. He is grateful that they knew about the importance of education before he even started his studies.

Dr. Bhojanga's dream came true after he was awarded 2 lakh, 50k rupees. He believes in taking risks in life otherwise he can not go further. With this bursary, he decided to open his own surgery, called Aesthetic Clinic, in Keonhjar District, about 30km away from his village. He also bought a bike for his father, which made the travel a lot more convenient for his parents. Dr. Bhojanga laughed and said, "The bus journeys although funny now, were not practical for me especially when the trains were not working because of the flooding. Sometimes I would take the night bus and the driver would fall asleep at the wheel!". Dr. Bhojanga enjoyed advising the local people

who attending his clinic with medical, or health advice and they always praised him for being a good doctor and helping them - this made him very happy. Unfortunately, due to time, financial and workload constraints during his final year of study, he was forced to discontinue his clinic.

Instead, Dr. Bhojanga joined KISS in August, 2017. He sat his exam in May 2018 and passed on his first attempt with an exceptional result. He finally became fully qualified in his field after many years of immense hard work. He received many congratulations from his family and friends and he was extremely driven to keep on working hard and helping others along the way. In his own words, "For now I have not stopped and I must carry on going. I feel really happy and fortunate. This is not the end, this is just the beginning. If God will carry on blessing me as he has, then I will keep on going forward".

Having worked at KISS for a year now, he recently cleared his OAS exams, for dental cadre. Bhojanga is extremely appreciative of the unwavering help and support that he has received from KISS and Dr. Samanta in his life and career.

A portrait of Ms. Saladi Murmu, a young woman with dark hair, smiling. She is wearing a bright green top with a blue floral pattern on the chest. The background is a blurred green plant with red flowers.

**Name: Ms. Saladi Murmu**

Grade: +2 Alumnus

District: Mayurbhanj

Highlight: Employed by Government of  
Odisha's Department of  
Agriculture and Farmer's Empowerment

## **Alumni Interview #2 - Ms. Saladi Murmu**

Ms. Saladi Murmu hails from the village of Goudagan in the Mayurbhanj district of Odisha. Her family is relatively financially poor, and as a result paying for a good education was always a struggle on Ms. Murmu's family. Despite the poverty, Salady always dreamt of studying well and having a job that would secure her career along with her family's financial future.

At a young age, Saladi joined her local village school, where she studied till 3rd standard. Shortly thereafter, she convinced her parents to shift her to a Girl's Hostel located approximately 30 kilometers away from her village. Here, she studied for another two years, free of cost, and when Saladi was in 6th grade, she shifted to another hostel in pursuit of better education. Her second institute, the Eklavya Model Residential School Dhangeda, was home to Saladi for another four years.

After graduating 10th standard from her second hostel, Saladi's brother told her about free education offered at the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences. Saladi recalls that she was initially intrigued by the promise of free, quality education and was impressed by the interest KISS took in its alumni's lives and career opportunities. Confident that she was good enough to be accepted, Saladi tells us that KISS was the only university she applied to for her 11th and 12th education.

Sure enough, Saladi's confidence in her abilities proved right, and in 2009, she joined the KISS family. Initially, she remembers struggling to adjust to the sheer size of KISS; whereas her earlier schools had fewer students in each grade, KISS was mammoth in comparison, with well over 20,000 students at the time. After this initial adjustment period, Saladi quickly looked to the positives, and found that she had access to dreamers much like herself - hopeful young tribal students from tribes all over the state, and from surrounding states all converged at KISS, providing Saladi with a second family she had never expected to have. These were the friends who rallied around her during her time at KISS, becoming her support structure in those two years.

Saladi remembers enjoying classes at KISS immensely. She says she drew inspiration from her teachers, particularly her Botany and Zoology professors, who inspired her to pursue agricultural technology as a career path. Saladi tells us that this period was instrumental in defining her work ethic, as she would seek moments of peace and quiet to study on the rooftops of the KISS dormitories till midnight everyday. She also learnt yoga during her time at KISS, using the practice as a form of meditation and self-discipline. Saladi also mastered the skill sufficiently to win 1st prize in a yoga competition held at KISS. Alongside her education at KISS, Saladi used to attend extra classes at KIIT University, where she improved her spoken English skills.

After graduating with a Second Division degree, Saladi joined Odisha University of Agricultural Technology where she spent 4 years completing her Bachelor's Degree. Following this, she passed her JRF competitive examination, and qualified to join Navsari Agricultural University for a two year Master's degree in Agronomy. Recently, Saladi was recruited as an Assistant Agricultural Official for the Government of Odisha's Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Empowerment, which she looks forward to joining within the next next two months.

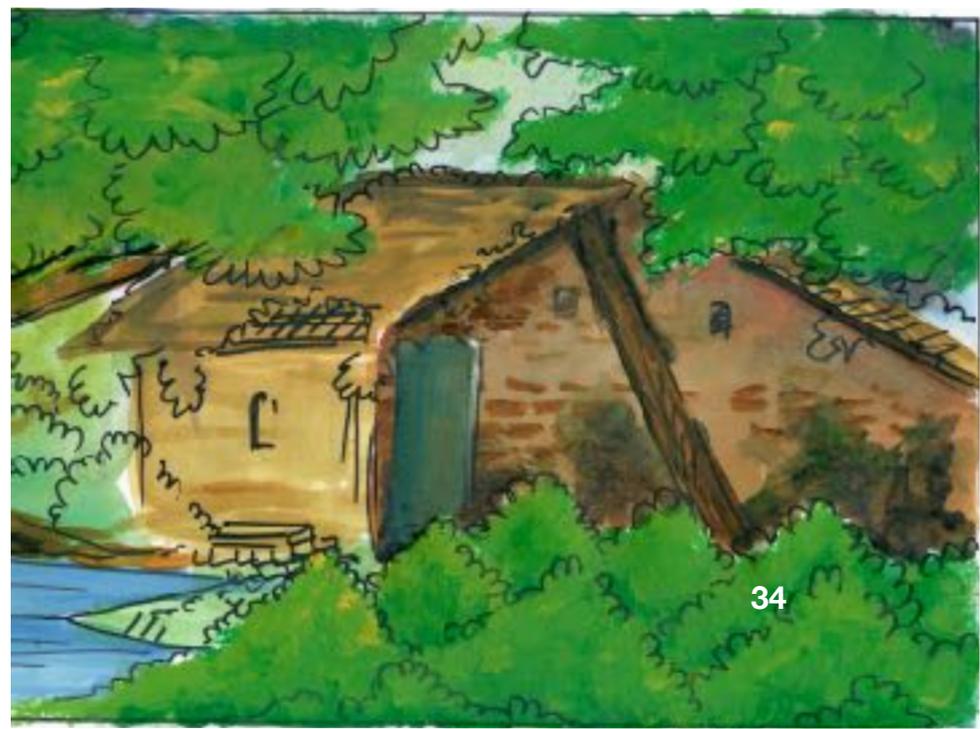


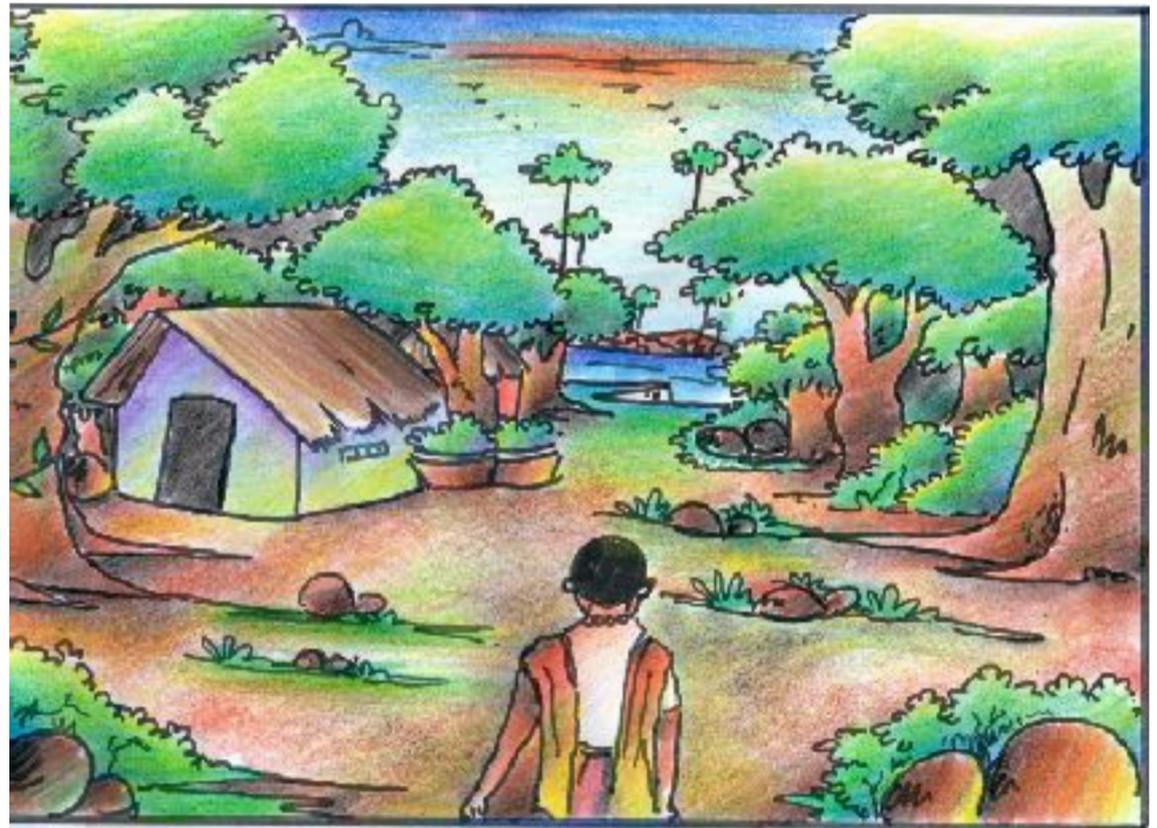
# Student Contributions

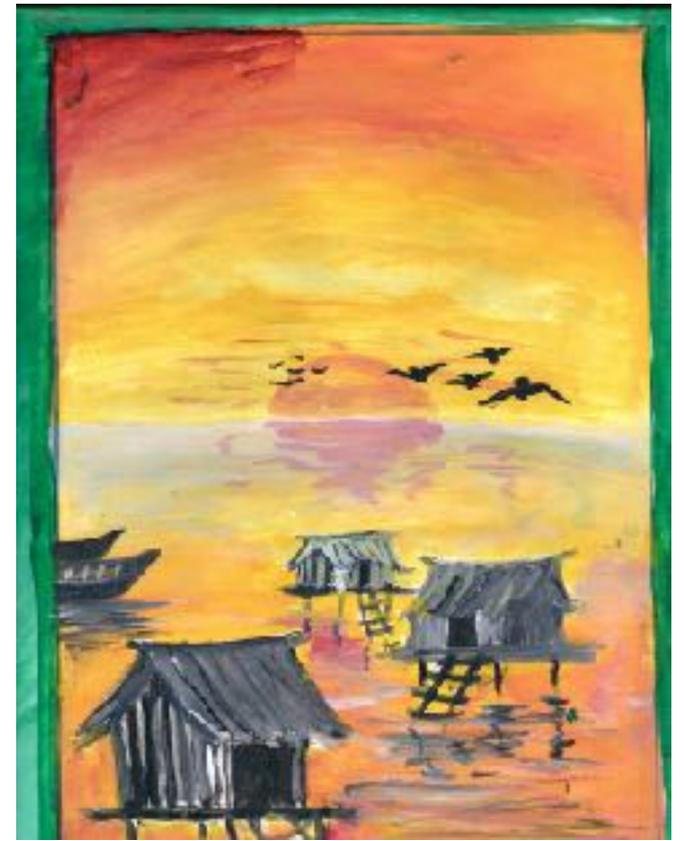
In this newly introduced section, we showcase artwork by our talented students!

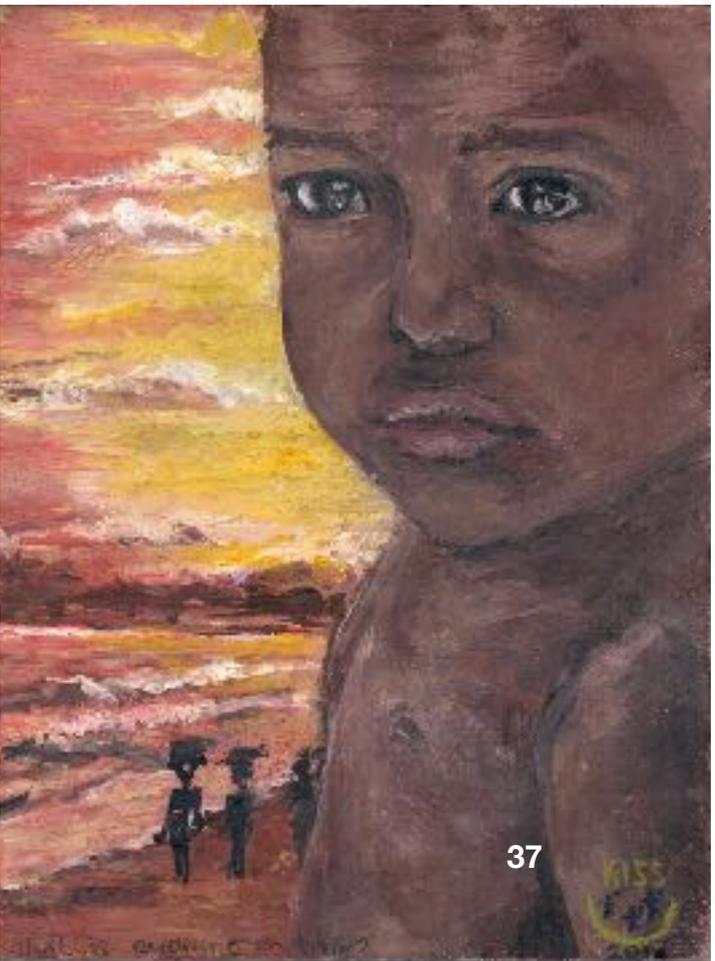
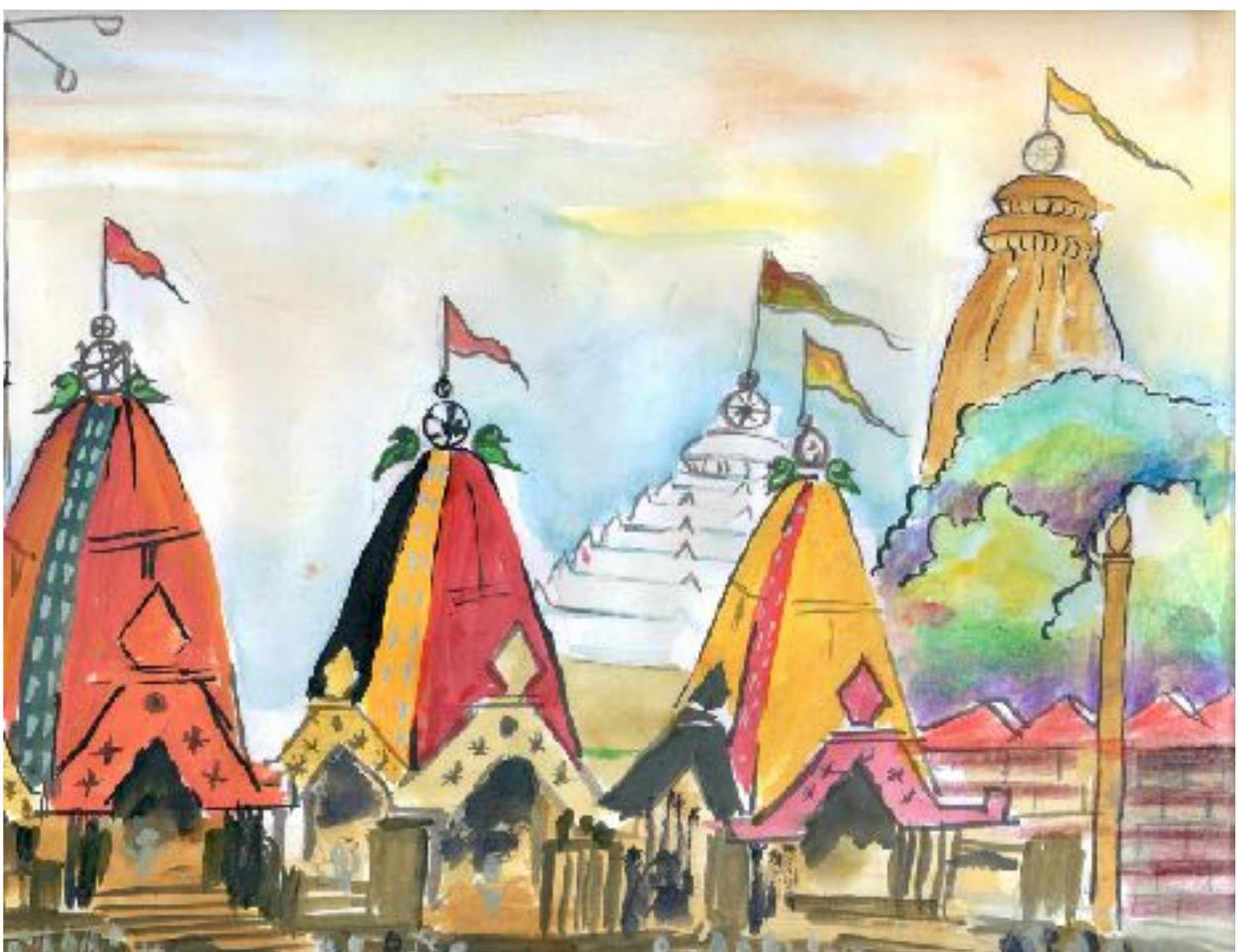


**Painting by KISS student  
(Mr. Krishna Challan | Grade 6, Section A)**











*"I have visited several places of the world. But I have never seen such noble work - that is gratifying inclusive growth of children, through education - as is done meticulously at KISS."*

Dr. Simenew Keskes, Ethiopian Director General

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SECTION 4

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# ACADEMIA

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Updates about events and workshops from our school and college, and highlights of accolades and achievements bestowed on our students, and institute.

# ACADEMIC UPDATES

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences(KISS) has been granted “**Deemed to be University**” status under de-novo category by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India vide its notification No. F. 9-14/2011-U-3(A) dated 25.08.2017, u/s 3 of the UGC Act 1956 to focus on teaching and research in unique and ‘emerging areas of knowledge’ related to Tribal Culture, Philosophy, Heritage, Linguistics and Literature, Science and Technology, Tribal Resource Management, Tribal Legal Studies and Tribal Rights not being perused by other institutions. The Deemed to be University status to KISS has been granted for the following seven new innovative departments to give impetus on teaching and research on tribal studies.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL HERITAGE & TRIBAL INDOLOGY**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL LEGAL STUDIES & TRIBAL RIGHT**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE INDIC STUDIES & TRIBAL SCIENCE**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE TRIBAL LINGUISTICS & LITERATURE**

**DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL CULTURE, PHILOSOPHY & ECO-SPIRITUALISM**

# COURSES OFFERED

KISS University offers all levels of degrees including Undergraduate (UG), Postgraduate (PG), Masters of Philosophy (M. Phil.), and Doctoral (Ph.D) degrees.

## **Major Thrust Areas:**

Academic, Research, Coaching and Placement, Sports, Vocational Education, Training, Life Skill Education, English Access Micro Scholarship Programme, Yoga and Meditation.

## **TEACHING & RESEARCH :**

(on various aspects of)

- **HERITAGE**
- **TRIBAL CULTURE**
- **ECO-SPIRITUALISM**
- **TRIBAL ART & CRAFT**
- **TRIBAL HERITAGE & INDOLOGY**
- **TRIBAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**
- **TRIBAL LINGUISTICS & LITERATURE**
- **TRIBAL LEGAL STUDIES & TRIBAL RIGHTS**
- **INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

# SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

KISS University has been very active in its first year as a Deemed University. It has hosted several national and international seminars and conferences, training programs and researchers, some which are listed as follows.

The different major departments of KISS University have collectively conducted over **12 workshops and 5 lectures** this year.

## MAJOR WORKSHOPS:

- 1. School of Social Sciences: Department of Tribal Culture, Philosophy and Eco-spiritualism**
  1. National Seminar on Primitive Tribal Groups in Odisha in collaboration with the Dept. of History, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack in January 2018.
  2. National Seminar on Tribal Administration & Governance, conducted in March 2018.
- 2. School of Social Service Administration: Department of Tribal Legal Studies and Tribal Rights**
  1. National Seminar on Marginalized Sections and Inclusive Development: Issues, Challenges and Policies in February 2018, in collaboration with the Odisha Sociological Society.
  2. National Seminar on Social Inclusion and Education Scenario in India: Issues and Challenges, in February 2018.
  3. Training Programme on Capacity Building on Theatre for Transformation, held in February 2018, in collaboration with RGNIYD.
  4. Training Programme on Social Enterprise Leadership Training Programme, held in April 2018 in collaboration with RGNIYD.
- 3. School of Language and Literature: Department of Comparative Tribal Linguistics and Literature**
  1. National Seminar on Sanskrit and Tribal Culture held in December, 2017 in collaboration with Sahitya Academy.
  2. National Seminar on Sri Jagannath in Tribal Tradition and Universal Fraternity, held in January 2018 in collaboration with the International Jagganath Society, USA.
- 4. School of Education and Extension: Department of Tribal Heritage and Tribal Indology**
  1. National Seminar on Tribal Education in Contemporary Society: Issues and Concern, held in January 2018, in collaboration with Utkal University's Department of Anthropology.
  2. Capacity Building Programme for Women Managers in Higher Education held in May 2018 in collaboration with RGNIYD.
- 5. School of Resource Management: Department of Tribal Resource Management**
  1. National Seminar on Tribal Resource Management and Sustainable Development, held in April 2018 in collaboration with ICA.
- 6. School of Natural Sciences: Department of Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Technology, and, Department of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences**
  1. National Seminar on Role of Science and Technology in Upliftment of Tribals, held in May 2018.

# MAJOR LECTURES

Sl. No	Topic of the lecture	Name and affiliation of speaker	Date
1	<b>Understanding Social Sciences: Methodological perspective</b>	Prof. Vivek Kumar, Professor of Sociology and Ambedkar Chair, Professor from, JNU, New Delhi	09.12.17
2	<b>Understanding Indian Society: Contemporary Challenges</b>	Prof. Sukanta Choudhury, Professor of Sociology, Lucknow University	22.12.2017
3	<b>Indian Patent Right (IPR)</b>	Prof. Amaresh Panda,	28.10.2017
4	<b>Budget</b>	Prof. Satya Narayan Mishra, KIIT Deemed University	01.02.2018
5	<b>Students' Awareness Programme on "Value Education for Life Building and Successful Living"</b>	H.H. Shri Sivachidananda Saraswati, Yogacharya and Founder Secretary, International Divine Life Society, Rishikesh, Sri Mohan Lal Agrawal, Retd. Senior Bank Executive, Bolangir Prof. Rajat Kumar Pradhan, Sr. Lecturer, Department of Physics, Bhadrak Autonomous College, Bhadrak Prof. Diptimaya Dash, Lecturer, Department of Physics, Bhadrak Junior College, Bhadrak	05.05.2018

# 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.

# AN EVENT TIMELINE

## A SELECTION OF HIGHLIGHTS FROM ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-18

### SEPT. 2017, HIGHER EDU CAMPUS INAUGURATED

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik inaugurated the new Higher Education Campus (Campus 3) of KISS University

### AUG. 2017, KISS GRANTED UNIVERSITY STATUS

Grant of University status to Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India vide its Letter No. F.9-14/2011-U-3(A) dated 25/08/2017

### NOV. 2017, LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

KISS' Lifetime Achievement Award, 2017, was conferred on Hon'ble Dr. Justice Dalveer Bhandari, a Judge at the International Court of Justice

### NOV. 2017, 10TH KISS HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The 10th KISS Humanitarian Award was conferred on His Holiness the Dalai Lama, in a special ceremony with all 27,000 students, dignitaries from KIIT and KISS, and visiting Buddhist families and monks from local Tibetan monasteries

**MAR. 2017, COMMONWEALTH  
BIG LUNCH**

A total of 30,000 indigenous students and staff of KISS assembled for lunch with Commonwealth High Commissioners, Representatives from High Commissions of 53 Commonwealth countries and delegates from British Council

**JAN. 2017, MINI MARATHON  
'EDUCATION FOR ALL'**

Over 75,000 people from different walks of life participated in the 'Education for All' Mini Marathon-2018 held across 10 districts of the state, along with 5 major cities, with the aim of spreading awareness on the importance of education in life.

**APR. 2017, RESEARCH  
CENTRE INAUGURATED**

In order to promote Higher Studies and Research on the life and work of Santha Kabi Bhimbhoii, the Santha Kabi Bhimbhoii Chair and Research Centre was inaugurated at KISS University on 30th April, 2018.

**MAY. 2017, 11TH KISS  
HUMANITARIAN AWARD**

Prof. Muhammad Yunus, founder of the Grameen Bank, Bangladesh, was conferred with the 11th KISS Humanitarian Award on 11th May 2018.

**MAY. 2017, ART OF GIVING  
'PYAAR BHARA PACK'**

'Pyaar Bharat Pack' - or feeding with love - is the concept of charity based on the premises of 'People's Contribution, People's Participation', with people sharing meals at over 16,500 centre across the country, and with a total of 1 Crore people across the globe in 80 countries (20,000 46 places).

**MAY 2018, +2 SCIENCE  
RESULTS POSTED**

KISS students post 100% pass percentage in +2 Science

**JUN. 2017, KANYA  
KIRAN CAMPAIGN**

Kanya Kiran, a campaign to stop violence against women and girl child, was held in collaboration with UN Women and Kalinga Fellowship, in 30 districts of Odisha from 3rd to 8th June 2018.

**JUN. 2018, +2 ARTS &  
COMMERCE RESULTS POSTED**

KISS students achieve 100% in +2  
Arts and Commerce

**JUL. 2017, RESEARCH  
CENTRE INAUGURATED**

Inauguration of Utkalmani Pandit  
Gopabandhu Das Chair & Research  
Centre, KISS DU

**AUG. 2017, RUGBY WORLD CUP  
TROPHY AT KISS**

27,000 students welcomed the Webb Ellis  
Cup to the pitches of KISS in preparation  
for the 2019 World Cup.



## Achievements & Accolades : KISS Students

Left: The Rugby World Cup ( known as the Webb Ellis Cup) makes a brief appearance at KISS as part of its world tour prior to the Rugby World Cup in 2019.



# NARASING MARNDI

### NATIONAL U17 BOYS RUGBY SEVENS

Narasing was selected in the National U17 Boys Rugby Sevens team to participate in Asia Rugby U17 Rugby Sevens Championship and in Chinese Taipei in September 2017. The tournament serves as the Qualifiers for the Youth Olympic Games 2018.



Ms. Susila Badanaik, a Class X student of KISS, has been selected in the Odisha Girls Handball team for participation in the "Junior National Handball championship" in Punjab.

## ODISHA GIRLS HANDBALL TEAM

# SUSILA BADANAİK

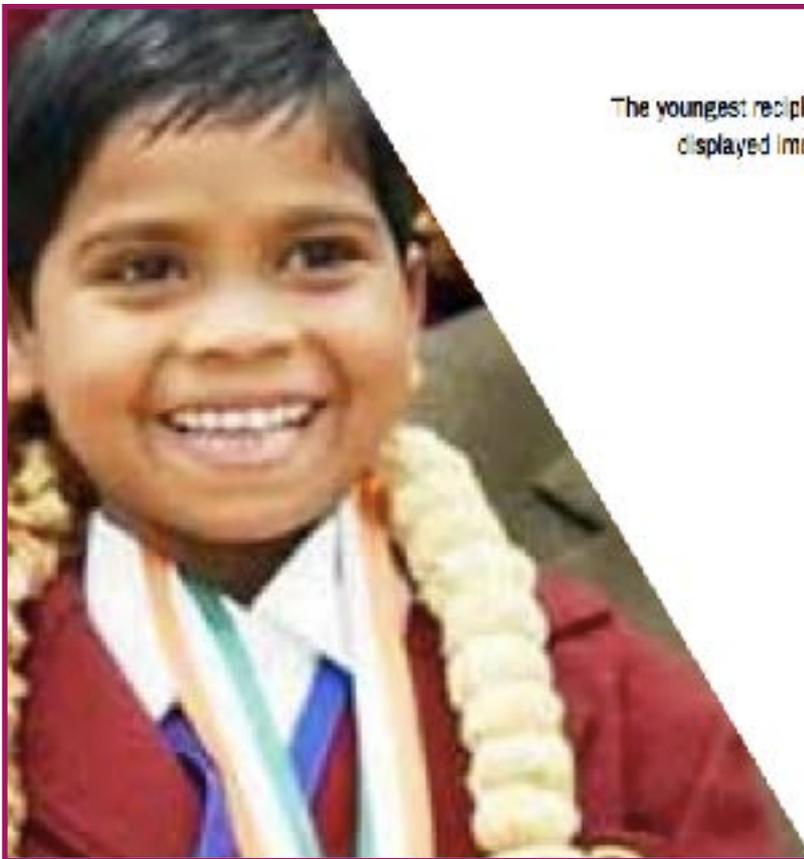


## PURNIMA HEMBRAM

ASIAN INDOOR GAMES 2017  
GOLD MEDALLIST

The 24-year-old, who became the Asian championship bronze medalist in 2016 and 2017 Asian Junior Champion In 2012, finished with 4,062 points to clinch the gold medal at the Asian Indoor Games held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan in 2017.

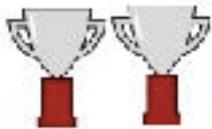




The youngest recipient of Bravery Awards this year, six-year-old Mamata Dalai, displayed immense courage and saved her elder sister from the jaws of a crocodile.

**NATIONAL BRAVERY AWARD  
2017 RECIPIENT**

**MAMATA  
DALAI**



**DUTEE  
CHAND**

**ASIAN GAMES 2018,  
DOUBLE SILVER MEDALLIST**

Odisha born sprinter, KISS alumnus, Ms. Dutee Chand secured two silver medals in the 100 metre and 200 metre races at the Jakarta Asian Games, in August 2018.



## Achievements & Accolades for/by KISS - The Institution



### 10TH KISS HUMANITARIAN AWARD

## His Holiness Dalai Lama

Tibetan spiritual leader and Nobel Laureate His Holiness, the 14th Dalai Lama, honoured KISS with a "Humanitarian Award".

The award citation recognised his "concern for the oppressed human beings from all over the world in need of compassion". His Holiness, the 14th Dalai Lama, spoke kindly of the Founder, Dr. Samanta, "He is a beacon of hope, aspiration and inspiration for the millions of people across the world, is mentioned, while noting his struggles and sacrifices for the people and universal compassion".



*"I am humbled to accept this award as it has the goodwill and soul of 27,000 children."*

Justice Dalveer Bhandari, Judge, International Court of Justice on the occasion of receiving lifetime achievement award.

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

## ICJ Judge Dalveer Bhandari

Honorable Judge of the International Court of Justice, Dr. Dalveer Bhandari, was conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award by KISS in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field of human rights awareness. The award was bestowed on the occasion of the National Law Day in New Delhi 2017.

Justice Bhandari said he was "humbled to accept this award as it has the Goodwill and soul of 27,000 children". . . While addressing the gathering, he highly appreciated the selfless deeds of Dr. Samanta and thanked the KISS authorities for the award.

## Achievements & Accolades for/by KISS - The Institution



### NATIONAL AWARD FOR THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN **Dr. Achyuta Samanta**

The Founder of KIIT and KISS, Dr. Achyuta Samanta was conferred with the National Award for the Welfare of Children, by His Excellency Shri Ram Nath Kovind, the Hon'ble President of India, in November 2017.

Dr. Achyuta Samanta dedicated his award "to all the children who are empowered and to all those empowered children who are creating change makers".



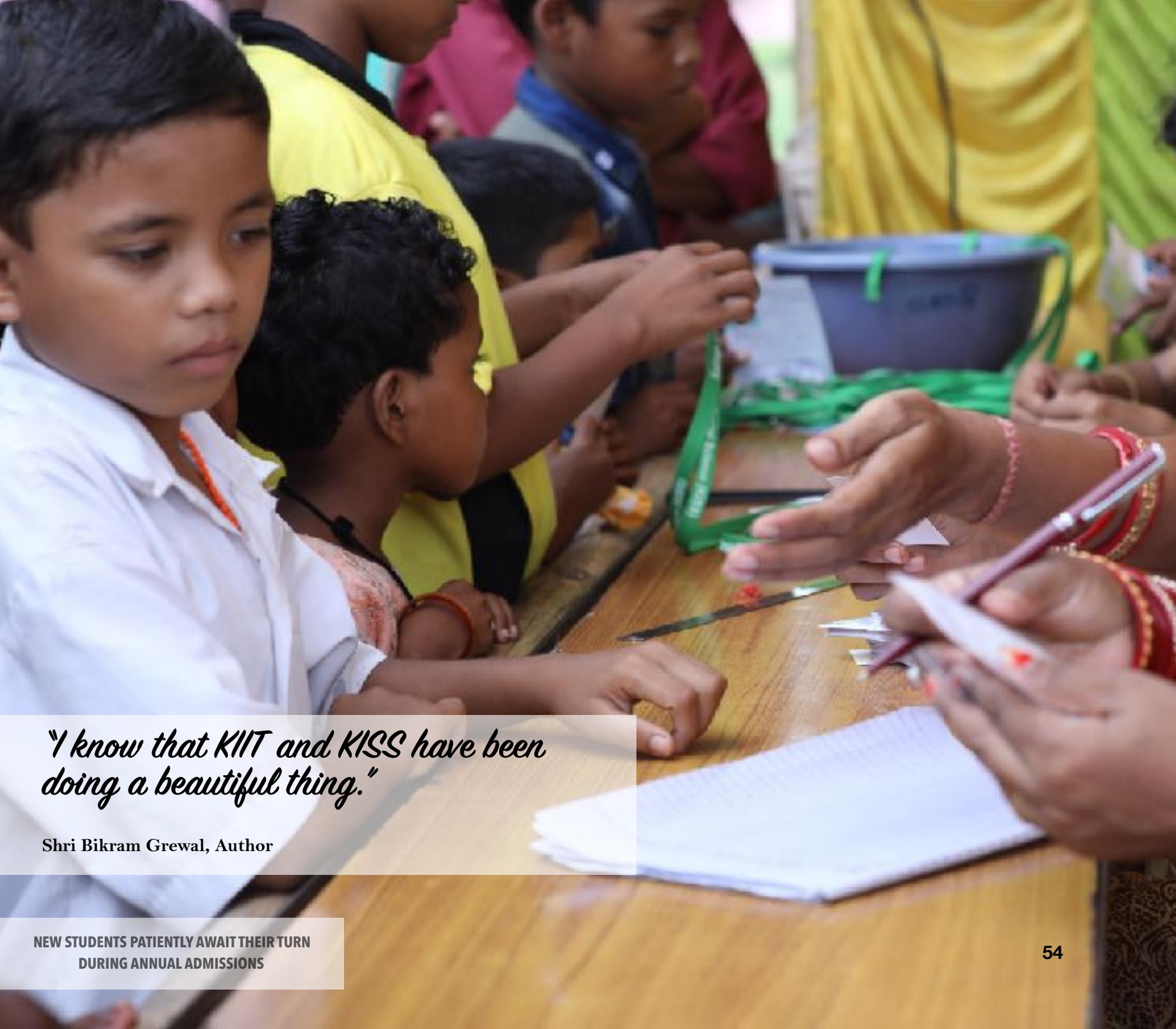
### ENERGY GLOBE WORLD AWARD- FIRE CATEGORY **Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences**

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) won the 18th Energy Globe World Award 2017 in 'Fire Category' for green initiatives undertaken by the Institute. The award, presented to KISS at a ceremony in Tehran, was attended by over 60 countries and broadcast worldwide on Tuesday.

KISS was the only institution from the country to bag the award in the field of environment.



*Learn more about our  
green initiatives on Page 73*



*"I know that KIIT and KISS have been doing a beautiful thing."*

Shri Bikram Grewal, Author

NEW STUDENTS PATIENTLY AWAIT THEIR TURN  
DURING ANNUAL ADMISSIONS

SECTION 5

# OTHER UPDATES

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Updates from Major Programs and Green  
Initiatives

# **MAIN PROGRAMS**

KISS happily provides updates from the various programs at our campus that incorporate our innovative approaches to education for tribal youth.

These include:

**HANDICRAFTS TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR SKILL  
DEVELOPMENT**

**MOTHER-TONGUE BASED MULTI-LINGUAL EDUCATION**

**ENGLISH ACCESS MICRO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**TATA CONSULTANCY SERVICES TRAINING PROGRAM**

**GKL FOUNDATION**

**LIFE SKILLS BASED SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH  
(SRH) EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP & VOLUNTARY PROGRAM  
(IIVP)**

**‘FRESH WATER CARP CULTURE & BROOD STOCK  
MANAGEMENT & QUALITY SEED PRODUCTION’  
TRAINING PROGRAM**

**MISSION UDAY**

## HANDICRAFTS UNIT

KISS has taken up the 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 performance of the handicraft sector is directly tied to the performance of the economy of rural India.

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The program aims at building vocational skills in specialized areas for marketable skills enabling gainful engagement in future careers of the student trainees. The trainees receive additional benefits of stipend for attending the program. The experience so far has been very encouraging as the trainees repeatedly take keen interest and actively participate in the programme, mastering new skills with joy.



**More so, this sector is considered to be one of the most promising and productive sectors influencing the economy of rural and tribal Odisha.**

KISS has made necessary arrangements allowing flexibility and adjustment of training time in reference to regular classes to avoid clashes and inconvenience. KISS is committed to scaling up the program, by building on the learning and good practices that assure its success.

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 matchless expressions as they represent culture, tradition, and heritage of them and country. After training, student are given continuous guided support for post-training production by a pool of master trainers. Various types of soft skills training are imparted via this program, including costing, packaging and marketing development to boost their entrepreneurship skills for their upliftment and prosperity.

# MOTHER TONGUE BASED MULTI LINGUAL EDUCATION

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## 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.

## WHY MTB-MLE?

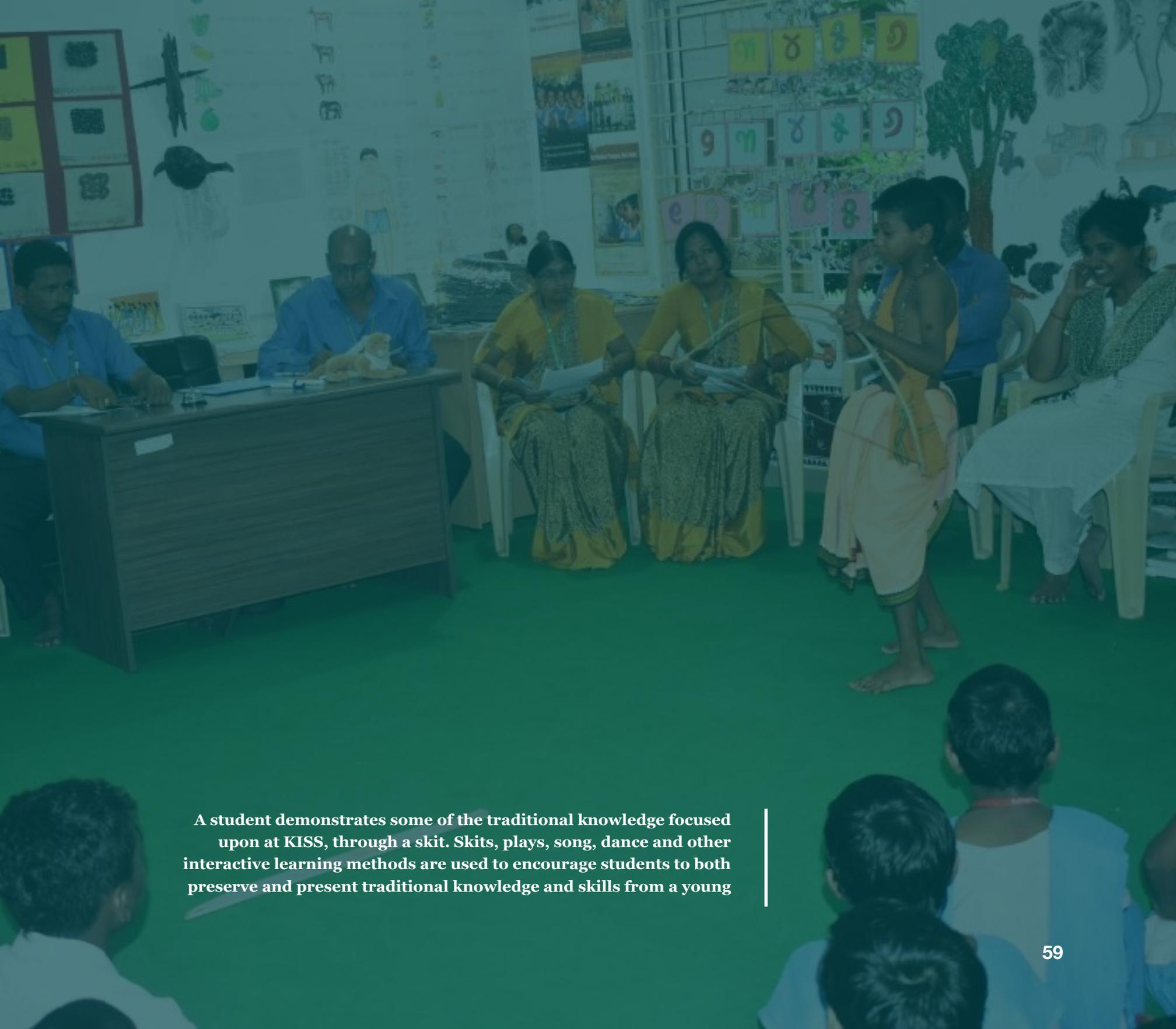
### Five major reasons:

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

## PROCESS

Mother-tongue-based multilingual education (MTBMLE) as a strategy for addressing poor educational performance in school education among the early school children is well-established today in KISS, Bhubaneswar. The tribal children are being taught in their native languages as local language enhances the learning capacity of a child even in higher primary classes along with regional Languages. **Children at early learning stage are facilitated education through (MTBMLE) approach** introducing the 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.

KISS trains tribal children in multi- languages so that they can explain their own community people in advanced education using the native language as well as regional/ national. Building a strong L1 foundation, the student is then bridged to his/her second language/s (L2) by creating a joyful learning environment of acquiring the skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.



**A student demonstrates some of the traditional knowledge focused upon at KISS, through a skit. Skits, plays, song, dance and other interactive learning methods are used to encourage students to both preserve and present traditional knowledge and skills from a young**

# 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 four programs of this initiative since its launch in 2009.

The ongoing fifth edition of this program, which commenced in 2017, will culminate in 2019. The opening ceremony for this session was graced by the Regional English Language Officer, **Dr. Bradley Horn.**



**Tribal children are more marginalized than children in mainstream communities. They have the uphill task of learning and mastering their own language, the language of the state, and their national language in addition to English language for higher education.**

The Access Program has also helped students build their personality through the framework's adoption of oral-aural, learner-centered and activity-based approaches.

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, using internet, movies, music, riddles and puzzles, pair work and group work. Enhancement activities in the form of exposure visits to shopping Malls, the Planetarium, Nandankanan Zoo, the Tribal Museum etc have also been adopted.

Tribal Access students have not only been able to communicate but also have performed in English Plays, Skits, Songs, and Mock Assemblies, in addition to Anchoring when national and international dignitaries visit KISS (including academicians, corporate leaders, writers, activists, legislators, Magsaysay award-winners, and diplomats from various countries including United States of America etc). They also shared their feelings after being enrolled in the Access Program, reflecting on how the program has changed their life.

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.

**The manner in which the Access program has touched students from Primitive-Tribes is unprecedented in indigenous Indian history.**

**Many of our Access alumni are actively pursuing higher education which demands a high level of English proficiency.**

**Largely, the Access Program at KISS has curbed further alienation and has greatly contributed to the mainstreaming of indigenous children.**

## **SALIENT FEATURES:**

- 850 tribal students of KISS have successfully graduated from 4 prior Access Program sessions.
- Current program is the 5<sup>th</sup> Access session in progress with 100 students enrolled for this 2017-19 batch.
- Students have been immensely benefitted by this program. All are doing higher studies including professional courses like Medicine, Engineering, Law, Nursing etc.
- One female Access student, alumna Ms. Seema Hansdah, is studying medicine and has visited USA on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Access Program.
- Laxman Hembram, an Access Alumni had the opportunity to travel to Seoul, South Korea, to present a paper on Climate Change under the United Nations Environment Programme and was also selected by the United Nations to take part in the 'Malala Day' youth session at UN headquarters in New York.
- Two students – a boy from primitive tribal group and a girl visited US for Cultural Immersion Program.
- An Access student – Sanatan Majhi from primitive tribal group, while in Access program topped the 10<sup>th</sup> Board examination in KISS
- Access students have participated in National level Yoga Competition.
- Many Students have qualified and joined TCS company (Multinational Corporation).
- 500 Access students participated in two Guinness World Records endeavored and successfully achieved - Forming the Largest Human Sentence- 15,225 students of KISS made a human sentence - 'WE URGE FOR WORLD PEACE' and Most Simultaneous High-Fives in a Human Chain- 25,151 students participated in making of this record
- 2 Access students have topped the 10<sup>th</sup> Board examination in KISS in the recent past.
- Shanti Murmu of current Access Program & UNFPA has been selected by Ashoka Foundation as a 'Youth Venture' for grass-root work by her. She works on her concept of 'Parivartan'; Change-making in village level. She was a panelist in UN Women event in Delhi and was also co-panelist with Nobel Laureate Prof. Mohammad Yunus in Shared Value Summit 2016. Shanti also joined the Global Walk in South Korea.
- Two students - Thakur Hansdah and Banamali Muduli, went to South Korea for an exchange program in 2018.

## **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.

Last year, KISS-TCS signed the renewal of their MOU which focuses on the extra-areas to be covered under the program.

TCS Free Employability Training Program features:

- 1) 40 Hours internal training
- 2) 100 Hours by TCS, Coordinated by Kolkata office

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. The 40 hours of training are scheduled in the evening, so that they do not interfere with regular class hours and trainers are recruited locally.

Further, for 100 hours of training, trainers are assigned from TCS, Kolkata office. These training are provided to 4th, 5th and 6th Semester graduate students of KISS.

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.

**In 2018, 26 students from KISS  
have been selected to officially  
join TCS' Kolkata office within the  
next few months.**

**We wish our alumni well for their  
future endeavors at TCS!**

**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**

At the end of 100 hours of training, Candidates will receive a Certificate of completion & appreciation which will increase their employability in the corporate world.

In addition, post-training TCS Recruitment team will conduct an aptitude test (objective type) for the participants. Those who clear this test will be interviewed.

On successful clearance of the interview process, the candidates would be provisionally selected for TCS BPS entry-level employment (Non-Voice, back office data processing role).



## GKL TRAINING

GKL Training at KISS is provided by GKL Foundation, South Korea, in partnership with KISS and Hanseo University (South Korea). The program provides 6 months training on electrical and electronics. Technical sessions, practical sessions, field visits to grid offices etc.

The GKL Foundation is a grant-making organization established in 2014 by Grand Korea Leisure (GKL) which is a subsidiary of government-run Korea Tourism Organization and performs the tourism business for foreign tourists. Under supervision of the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism of the Republic of Korea, the GKL Foundation supports public benefit programs for betterment of Korea and global society with funds provided by GKL which donates a certain portion of its total sales every year for the fulfillment of corporate social responsibility.

Established in 1992, Hanseo University is a private higher education institution located in the large town of Seosan, South Chungcheong in South Korea. Officially accredited and recognized by the Ministry of Education, Korea, Hanseo University is a coeducational higher education institution. The university offers courses and programs leading to officially recognized higher education degrees such as bachelor degrees in several areas of study including liberal arts, engineering and design disciplines.

**Recently, a GKL Vocational Training Centre, sponsored by GKL Foundation, was inaugurated at KISS in 2017.**

From the year 2012 to 2014, in a phased manner, the life skills based SRH education was scaled up to 500 residential schools covering 318 tribal residential high schools and 182 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in collaboration with ST and SC Development (SSD) and School and Mass Education (S&ME) Department, Government of Odisha respectively. KISS provided handholding and technical support in implementation of Life skill based SRH education program in schools. From 2015 programme in government tribal residential schools was scaled up by the ST & SC Development Department, Government of Odisha.

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. Activities are backed up by counselling, health services, menstrual hygiene promotion, creative communication activities and community awareness on ARSH issues by trained peer educators during summer vacation. In order to promote counselling services teachers have been identified and their capacity has been developed on counselling. Further, the sanitary napkin manufacturing unit established with support from UNFPA is operational and partially supported by KISS for its maintenance including staff for its management.

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.



**Top:** Students engage in classroom transactions of LSE for comprehensive development

**Bottom:** Students practice peer learning by spreading awareness of social issues in their communities



## In last year, emphasis has been placed on:

- Enhancing knowledge and skills among 12,500 adolescents of tribal and disadvantaged communities on SRH through life skills education at KISS
- Promoting healthy menstrual hygiene practices among adolescent girls studying at the Institute Training of newly inducted teachers in KISS on LSE-SRH
- Reorientation of 90 teachers on LSE-SRH at KISS
- Training of Peer Educators at school and college level
- Refresher Training of existing Peer Educators on ARSH issues
- Community level awareness through Peer educators
- Life Skill Based SRH Education Sessions
- Promoting menstrual hygiene and Counseling services
- Capacity Building training of Teacher Counsellors on counseling
- Printing of resource and communication materials

## 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.

This has included volunteers from the United States, United Kingdom, Romania, Russia, England, Indonesia, France, Switzerland, and South Korea, among others.



# Special Mentions



## Hanseo University:

Students from Hanseo University come twice a year to render voluntary services and other activities with children of the school. This year, they volunteered to do some social work outside the school. Along with the staff of KISS, they visited the beach and cleaned the beach near Konark. They were also involved with other activities at KISS.

*Hanseo University* is a private university located in Seosan, Taean and Namsan, South Korea. The university was established in 1991 and provides courses in a wide range of liberal arts, engineering and design disciplines. The university exchanges students and faculty through sister relations with 58 universities in 12 countries, and around 500 foreign students study at the school.



## AEISEC Interns:

A number of interns spend quality time at KISS around the year. These interns work with the children and teach them various arts and crafts and also take some classes in foreign languages. We have students from the US, Russia and France on the AEISEC Programme.

*AEISEC* is the world's largest non-profit youth-run organization. It is an international non-governmental not-for-profit organization that provides young people with leadership development, cross-cultural global internships, and volunteer exchange experiences across the globe. The organization focuses on empowering young people to make a positive impact on society. The AEISEC network includes approximately 27,000 members in 127 countries.





## **‘Fresh Water Carp Culture & Brood Stock Management and Quality Seed Production’ Training Programme**

The National Fishery Development Board (NFDB) sponsored 5-day training programme series for the tribal youth on aquaculture and hatchery management in two modules i.e., Carp Culture - an innovative approach (15 programmes) and Carp Brood stock management and quality seed production (10 programmes). KISS organised 13 skill development training programmes with the released fund of Rs. 5,62,500. The training series was inaugurated on 8th August 2017 at KISS campus in the presence of Dr. B. K. Das, Director, Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute(ICAR-CIFRI), Barrackpore as Chief guest, Dr. J.K. Sunderay, Director, ICAR- CIFA, Bhubaneswar and Shri Surendra Kumar Patra, Deputy Director, Department of Fisheries, Government of Odisha, as guest of honours, Shri R.N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT and KISS, Dr. Prasant Kumar Rautray, C.E.O. KISS, Dr. N. Sarangi, Former Director, ICAR-CIFA, and Shri Debendra Kumar Samal, Deputy Director (Research & Development), KISS.

The dignitaries addressed the trainees and highlighted the importance of aquaculture and technological advancements that led to the increase in fish production. They pointed out the importance of skill development in aquaculture, which is a proven enterprise providing livelihood security through small scale farming as well as entrepreneurship. The role of fish in human nutrition and health management was also elaborated on. They specifically mentioned the importance of these trainings and the support provided by NFDB and Department of Fisheries, Odisha, in promoting aquaculture development and self-employment opportunities for the tribal youth. A vote of thanks was extended by Shri Debendra Kumar Samal, Deputy Director, Research and Development, KISS.



In all the trainings, equal participation of women trainees was ensured. Hands on training on various aspects of pond management were conducted in the KISS farm ponds. Care was taken to explain the physical and chemical quality of water and soil along with the simple methodologies for detecting water quality and the measures to overcome the problems. Identification of right type of fish seed for stocking and seed transport procedure were demonstrated along with precautions to reduce stress during their transport. Specific care was taken to explain fish diseases including their preventive measures and treatment methodologies. All efforts were made to facilitate easier understanding of aquaculture techniques and inculcate the idea of self-employment among tribal youth.

**The participants were taken for an exposure visit to farm facilities, hatcheries, laboratories and Agri-business incubator of CIFA, Bhubaneswar. In order to provide knowledge on aquaculture technology applications in business, the trainees were made to visit a local private fish farm.**

*A total of 264 tribal youth from various districts of Odisha and neighbouring states, belonging to 38 tribes, were trained through 13 programmes conducted at KISS Campus.*

Senior officials from UNFPA, REC Foundation of Rural Electrification Corporation Limited (REC) and KISS meet at KIIT for the official launch of

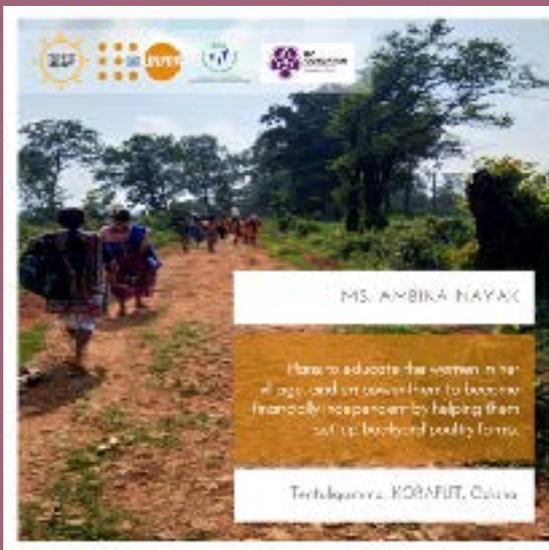
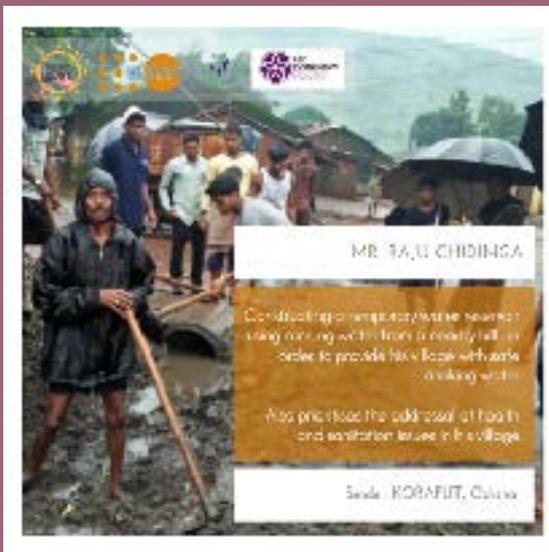


## MISSION UDAY

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.

At the inaugural event, Dr. Jennifer Butler, Deputy Regional Director, UNFPA Asia Pacific, and OIC UNFPA India and Bhutan, said that 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. **70**

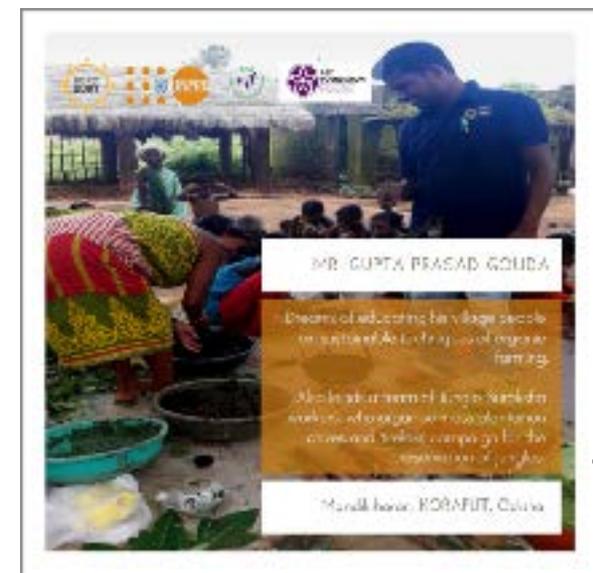
# Case Studies of Recent Graduates:



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.

Pinning high hopes on the project, Shri Achyuta Samanta, Hon'ble MP and Founder of KISS and KIIT, said that KISS is privileged to be a part of this challenging project and will work closely with the district administration in achieving the envisioned goals.

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; and Shri S.K Gupta, Director Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd. The event had a participation of more than 250 youth from districts and officials from different departments. Mr. Venkatesh Srinivasan, Assistant Representative UNFPA, Dr. Deepa Prasad, State Head, UNFPA Odisha and other officials from Kalinga Institute were present at the launch event.





*"Protecting nature is protecting us. KISS is doing this wonderfully"*

Shri Bittu Sahgal, Member,  
National Board for Wildlife, Ministry of Environment

# Green Initiatives

KISS boasts an impressive array of green initiatives that have ensured its carbon footprint remains low despite having footfall upwards of 27,000 people on its campus. These initiatives have won KISS number accolades , the most recent of which was the coveted **18th Energy Globe Award** at the Presidential Palace in Tehran.

New innovations and updated data in the last year include:

## **Green Initiative:**

- Solar water heating system
- Rain water harvesting

## **Environment Care:**

- Water recycled and reused by STP = 210 million Ltrs./year
- Ground water recharge through rooftop rain water = 45 million Ltrs. / Year
- CO2 reduction by steam cooking, solar water heating, use of bio-gas and solar PV system = 4860 tons/ year
- Solar Power generation = 5,20,000 units/ year



*Learn more about this  
award on Page 53*



SECTION 6

# EXPANSION & COLLABORATION

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Updates about KISS' SDG initiatives, expansion efforts and satellite centers and news on recent collaboration and MOUs

# KISS & Sustainable Development

The **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** are a bold, universal agreement to end poverty in all its dimensions and craft an equal, just and secure world - for people, planet and prosperity by 2030. The 17 SDGs and 169 targets are a part of Transforming our World : the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was adopted by 193 member states at the historical UN General Assembly Summit in September 2015, and came into effect on January 1st, 2016.

The SDGs have been developed through an unprecedented consultative process that brought national governments and millions of citizens from across the globe together to negotiate and adopt the ambitious agenda.

Despite the recent formulation of the 17 SDGs by the UN in 2015, KISS has been addressing the various goals identified by the UN since its inception. In fact, in many ways, KISS was formed as an answer to these goals; the institution was inspired by its founder, Dr. Achuyta Samanta, and his vision of a world free of hunger, poverty and illiteracy. It is home to over 27,000 underprivileged tribal students, and several thousand staff who work at the grassroots as change makers in these underserved communities. Accordingly, KISS priorities efforts to preserve the various tribal cultures and languages from over 62 tribes of Odisha, while simultaneously empowering its students.

The endeavours of KISS have taken the form of a silent revolution which has transformed the lives of over 150,000 indigenous people, while contributing to nation building. Since 2015, KISS has been accorded Special Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council, while also being associated with UNDP. Further, KISS has frequently leased with the UN Development Programme, UN Women, UN Population Fund, and the UN Department of Public Information.

**KISS prides itself on actively promoting Sustainable Development -  
within and beyond the capacity of the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals.**

## 1 NO POVERTY



### GOAL:

*Eradicating poverty through holistic education*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

- 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.

## 2 NO HUNGER



### GOAL:

*Eradicating hunger through food security and improved nutrition*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

- 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.
- Reducing malnutrition in indigenous children by providing nutritious food.
- Collaborating with the University of Cambridge to implement the TIGR<sup>2</sup>ESS Project, wherein sustainable practices and improved food security will be implemented, whilst promoting equal opportunities and enhancing nutrition and health for rural communities across different regions and climatic zones of India.

## 3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



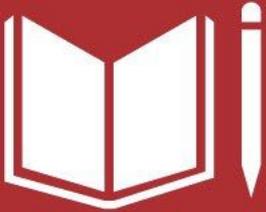
### GOAL:

*Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well being for all*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

- Providing sanitary napkins and menstrual health awareness through UNFPA's 'Life Skills Education' project across the state of Odisha.
- 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.
- Addressing Adolescent and Reproductive Sexual Health through Life Skills Education with support from UNFPA.

## 4 QUALITY EDUCATION



### GOAL:

*Ensuring access to education & promoting lifelong learning*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

- 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.

## 5 GENDER EQUALITY



### GOAL:

*Empowering girls to learn and lead without fear*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

- 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 greater ration of female staff (70%).

## 6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



### GOAL:

*Ensuring access to clean and pure drinking water for all and safe sanitation*

### KISS' EFFORTS:

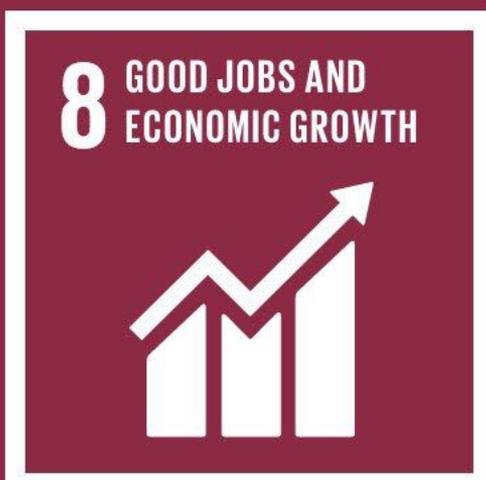
- Creating changes in the tribal childrens' habit of open defecation and encouraging use of clean, safe toilets instead.
- Installing sewage treatment plants to process waste material.
- Installing a reverse osmosis plant to filter safe drinking water, which is then packaged for use on campus and sale 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.

**GOAL:**

*Using clean and renewable energy for sustainability*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.
- Using sewage treatment plants to treat waste for toxicity before disposal.

**GOAL:**

*Working towards economic growth with dignity for the underprivileged*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.

**GOAL:**

*Fostering sustainability and innovation in the industrialization process for human development*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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).

**GOAL:**

*Creating equal opportunity for an inclusive society*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- Sustaining efforts towards income growth through vocational training, professional education and self-employment.
- Including approaches towards creating leaders and change makers in different domains like politics, sports, education etc. which allow KISS alumni to become elected political representatives.
- Employing candidates from underserved communities, transgender employees and strictly using non-discriminative policies.
- Providing equal opportunities and pay for male, female and transgender employees.
- 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.

**GOAL:**

*Fostering multicultural, diverse and global citizenship for creating vibrant cities*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- Representing thousands of indigenous students in the city, making it vibrant, diverse and inclusive.
- Providing free boarding and housing to indigenous students.
- 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

**GOAL:**

*Sustainably utilizing and developing natural resources*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.



**GOAL:**

*Integrating climate change measures on campus for sustainability.*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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 27,000 people on one campus due to a wide-range of efforts

**GOAL:**

*Ensuring a healthy ecosystem for lives below water*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.

**GOAL:**

*Ensuring a healthy ecosystem for lives on land*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.

**GOAL:**

*Strengthening society and solidarity by reducing violence and insecurities*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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.

**GOAL:**

*Forging and growing through multi-stakeholder partnership*

**KISS' EFFORTS:**

- 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 | • Odisha Government      | • Max India Foundation | • GCDD                       | • College of Charleston   |
| • UNDP      | • TCS                    | • Credibility Alliance | • SECI                       | • TISS                    |
| • UNFPA     | • GKL                    | • Guide Star India     | • AFS International Programs | • Fedem Pacifico          |
| • UNICEF    | • US Department of State | • MSSRF                | • LBSNAA                     | • Oracle                  |
| • UNDP      | • British Council        | • BvLF                 | • Hanseo University          | • AIESEC                  |
| • UNSSC     | • Give India             | • Prajwala India       | • Universität Tübingen       | • US Consulate General    |
| • UN WOMEN  |                          | • Dasra                |                              | • University of Cambridge |





## Expansion & Satellite Centres - Updates

### **KISS SATELLITE CENTERS**

Various activities have been undertaken to sensitize the populace in all the tribal dominated districts of Odisha, Activities ranging from forming village level committees, survey on various parameters at the District, Block and Village levels, identification of needs and beneficiaries, creating awareness on education issues, health and hygiene. Through this centre KISS also connects with the community.

**KISS FOUNDATION UK**, England and Wales, registered with charity number-1144046 is set up with a vision of educating and empowering the poor marginalized section of society who do not get square meal a day. It will support Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) which provides education to indigenous children with food, education, health facilities, sports free of cost from Class 1 to Post-Graduation & professional courses. The charity will broadly involve in education/training, the prevention or relief of poverty and will help children and youth. It will operate to make grants to organisations and provide advocacy/advice/information.

**KISS FOUNDATION USA** was incorporated on the 11th of August 2015. The purpose of the Corporation shall be exclusively charitable and education. One can make donations, grants and contribution to the KISS Foundation USA to support the education of impoverished children and young people in India and other countries, support the provision of healthcare, accommodation and training to children and young people in need, to raise awareness of the work carried out by the corporation and other educational and welfare organizations. KISS Foundation USA (Employer Identification Number: 47 – 5363659) is an organization exempt under the Internal Revenue Code classified under the Public Charity section.



## 2 BRANCHES OF KISS SET UP IN BANGLADESH

Recognizing the success of KISS model in Bhubaneswar, Bangladesh is all set to replicate a congruent version of it in Jessore and Dhaka.

‘Bhoomi Puja’ was performed in January, 2018 for the two international branches of KISS, in Bangladesh. The traditional ritual to dedicate the land for the purpose was conducted in the presence of Dr. Achyuta Samanta; Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Daffodil International University (DIU), Dhaka; and Dr. Angela Gomes, Ramon Magsaysay Laureate & Founder Executive Director, ‘Banchte Shekha’, Jessore.

The KISS branch in Dhaka will be started in association with DIU, which has provided land and funds for infrastructure development. Similarly, ‘Banchte Shekha’, a leading NGO in Bangladesh, has allocated land and funds for the Jessore branch. KISS shall provide technical and managerial support for the functioning of the two branches.



<< The Foundation stone laying ceremony of the new Daffodil Institute of Social Sciences

## THE FOUNDATION STONE-LAYING CEREMONY OF EMAMI KISS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

Officials from both KISS and Emami grace the stone-laying ceremony of the new institute at Balasore. This new joint venture is modeled along the lines of the original, innovative campus at KISS, Bhubaneswar; similar to the main branch, it will function as a residential academic centre providing holistic education, accommodation, food, health care, study material and sports training to its students free of cost. We are grateful to Emami for their support and collaboration.

**Right:** Dr Samanta participates in religious rituals at the stone-laying ceremony of the new Emami-KISS residential campus at Balasore



# New Memorandums of Understanding

## **‘CITY OF JOY’, KOLKATA, GETS ITS VERY OWN KISS**

Education is the most potential weapon to eradicate poverty and hunger. Dedicating his life to ‘mission Education’, Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KIIT and KISS has taken a lead to set up a new branch of KISS in Kolkata, West Bengal, in collaboration with 'Help Us Help Them', Kolkata based NGO, that promotes the same cause.

The school shall be a residential school for over 1000 children near IIM Joka. It will have the same structural model as KISS. This collaboration will be the largest social project of the ‘Help us Help Them’ NGO. The collaboration was formalized by signing of MoU between Help Us Help Them and KISS. Ms. Mukti Gupta, MD, Mukti Group and President of HUHT inked the MoU in Kolkata during October 2017.

“I strongly believe in Nelson Mandela’s views. Education truly is the most powerful weapon to end all problems. We want to provide education to the poorest of the poor and this residential school is our way forward towards that goal,” said Mukti Gupta, the founder of the NGO.

“My long-cherished dream of setting up a branch of KISS in West Bengal shall come true. HUHT came forward to extend our cause, after seeing the success of KISS model, first and one of its kind for the last 25 years”, said Dr. Samanta passionately marching ahead towards Mission Education.





### **COLLABORATION BETWEEN KIIT/KISS AND NANHUA UNIVERSITY**

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between KISS & KIIT and Nanhua University signed in Fo Guang Shan Monastery, in Taiwan in 2017.

This is a significant historical event as it is signed in the great monastery in presence of monks and nuns with the blessings of the Great Master venerable, Hsingyun. Two distinct MoU's were signed between KIIT and Nanhua University and KISS University and Nanhua University respectively with Tsong-Ming Lin, President of Nanhua University for strengthening academic collaboration and establishing student & faculty Exchange programmes.

This shall provide an opportunity to 50 students of KISS to study BBA and MBA in Nanhua University on Scholarship and

## COLLABORATION WITH BRITISH COUNCIL AND KIIT & KISS

Following the signing of an MOU between British Council and the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, 3000 students of KISS formed a British Council human logo to celebrate its 70 years in India. Officials from both organizations discussed avenues of collaboration in science and culture between British Council and KIIT & KISS in a meeting with Alan Gemmell OBE, Director of the British Council in India.

Over 30,000 tribal students and staff members of KISS, along with High Commissioners and Representatives from the High Commissions of 53 Commonwealth countries as well as delegates from British Council witnessed 'Commonwealth Big Lunch' held at KISS premises today.

British High Commissioner to India, Sir Dominic Asquith said, "The Commonwealth Big Lunch here at KISS is the largest lunch that I have ever experienced".

"We are inspired every day by India and continue to be inspired by its creativity, talent, its artists, young people and teachers, to mark our 70th anniversary" he added.



# THEY SAID

KISS reports on some of the social media buzz around our Commonwealth Big Lunch event



**BRUCE BUCKNELL**

We released 53 doves today at the **#commonwealthbiglunch** @kissfoundation. This one decided I was a safe place to perch - perhaps it was the grey hair or the 30,000 audience. It also left a calling card ..

[#glamorousdiplomacy](#) [#allinadaywork](#)

**ALAN GEMMELL**

What did the incredible British Council India team and KISS do today? Lunch for 30k and a human chain logo. Thank you @kissfoundation .

**#CommonwealthBigLunch** [#BritishCouncil](#) [#70Years](#) [#InspiredByIndia](#)



**COMMONWEALTH CHAIR-IN-OFFICE**

30,000 [@kissfoundation](#) students

22,000 Kilos of ingredients

3,000 Staff

20 Commonwealth High Commissioners

1 Big lunch

We take a look back at the largest ever **#CommonwealthBigLunch**, held in India.

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*"I have never seen such a sight in my life, as I am observing today."*

Mark Tully, KBE, Former Chief of Bureau, BBC

SECTION 7

# NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

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Updates about events and workshops held at KISS, as well as new infrastructure built within the last year.



*"I am glad to inaugurate the Higher Education Campus of KISS, and I wish all the best to its students. Recently, KISS achieved the tag of University and, for this, I congratulate the Management. I expect KISS will carve a niche for itself in days to come".*

SHRI. NAVEEN PATNAIK, CHIEF MINISTER, ODISHA

# New Infrastructure

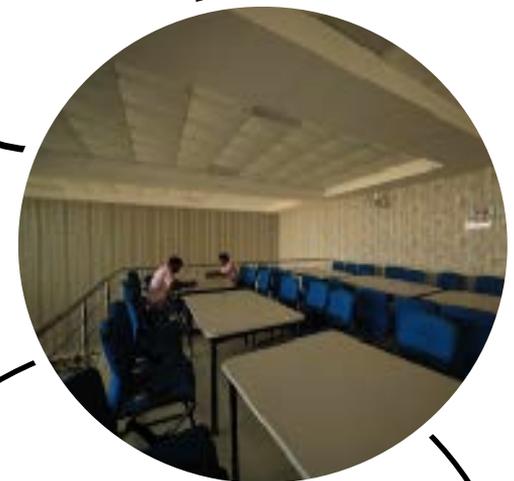
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## Existing Innovative Infrastructure at KISS

The Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences is spread over a large green area. As a full-time residential home to over 27,000 students, this institute boasts a great many innovative infrastructural features which strive to provide students with a state-of-the-art learning experience, while also attempting to maintain a sustainable and eco friendly, low-carbon footprint.

### *Some of the features already in place on this campus include:*

- ✓ 100 acres of land area/ 35,00,000 square feet of built up area in three campuses
- ✓ 25000 square feet library building
- ✓ 3 dining halls with 10,000 capacities
- ✓ 3 State-of-the-art Mechanized Kitchens.
- ✓ 5% of total seats of KIIT University reserved in professional courses for meritorious children of KISS to pursue free professional education.
- ✓ Wi-Fi enabled campus
- ✓ Security system with Close Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras all around the campus
- ✓ 4 state-of-the-art computer labs to seat 2000 students
- ✓ 850 KW Solar power plants on 3 campuses
- ✓ Solar Water Heating System for Mechanized Kitchen
- ✓ Reverse Osmosis Drinking Water plant
- ✓ 200 bedded in-house medical facility, duly supported by Kalinga Institute of Medical Science (KIMS).
- ✓ Biogas Plant to process food waste into biogas for use in cooking purposes.
- ✓ Science Park for children to understand various aspects of Physics and scientific learning.
- ✓ Automatic Laundry machines for washing clothes
- ✓ Bakery Unit & Curd Unit



**ECO-FRIENDLY  
SUSTAINABLE  
LOW-CARBON FOOTPRINT**

## New Innovative Infrastructure

Over the past year and a half, as KISS expanded into a university, and forged new MOUs and expansion projects, the main Bhubaneswar campus has overseen the inauguration of new infrastructure, including:

### 1. College Campus 3

With the formal establishment of KISS University last year, the college section of KISS was shifted to a brand new campus (Campus Number 3) in September 2017. This campus houses a state-of-art Learning Centre, containing a library crafted in coordination with Tata Steel, a mini computer lab, learning rooms, an indoor conference hall, as well as an outdoor amphitheater space.

### 2. Children's Playground

KISS proudly opened a large new playground, complete with playground equipment, next to the Smart Classroom building on campus. This spacious, green playground offers students respite from their long work days, and the comfort of schoolyard equipment to have fun during their time off. The large space is surrounded by greenery, and also contains statues of traditionally dressed tribal couples along its periphery, providing a visual reminder of the tribal roots of KISS and its students.

### 3. Smart Classrooms

In collaboration with Oracle, KISS recently inaugurated a building of smart classrooms wherein students have access to smart teaching technology, that is aimed at making the learning process more interactive and memorable for students, while facilitating teachers to deliver academic content in more efficient and student-friendly formats.

### 4. Puffed Rice Factory

In order to provide our large student body with a filling and nutritious diet, KISS continuously undertakes nutrition projects to supplement the students' meal-plans. Accordingly, a puffed rice factory was recently opened on campus, which provides Muri (puffed rice) to students as a healthy and nutritious evening snack.





## SPOTLIGHT

Smart classrooms have been installed on the main campus in collaboration with Oracle, giving students access to quick and smart learning technology, with more interactive, globally connected classes. Students are also provided with access to books via well-stocked libraries on both the school and college campuses.





## SPOTLIGHT

New classrooms buildings on both the college and school campuses have been built to accommodate the growing number of students at KISS. The newly inaugurated college campus also features a state of art Learning Centre, complete with an outdoor amphitheatre, indoor conference room, reading rooms and a library, in addition to a dedicated classroom building and administrative building. The school campus also recently inaugurated a puffed rice factory to provide students with afternoon snacks.



## Major Events from 2017

### Activities

#### **Odisha CM inaugurates the Higher Education Campus of KISS University**

After receiving Deemed to be University status, a new higher education campus was inaugurated by Chief Minister of Odisha, S.J. Naveen Patnaik.

The Chief Minister advised the students to help the children who are unable to get basic education and urged the students to work for the development of their villages. The Government of Odisha has established around 5000 hostels for the tribal students, where 5 lakhs tribal students are pursuing their studies.

On the occasion, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS delivered the Presidential Address and Shri. R. N. Dash offered Vote of Thanks. The students of KISS offered a standing ovation to the Hon'ble CM for achieving the best Administrator Award nominated by the Outlook Magazine.



#### **Guinness World Record for Largest Laughter Yoga Class >>**

KISS students create another world record in attending the Largest Laughter Yoga Class in the world on 29th August 2017. 15,991 Students performed laughter Yoga with Guru of Giggling, Dr. Madan Kataria. The official of Guinness World Records, Swapnil Dangarikar, presented a certificate to Dr. Achyuta Samanta,

Among others Prof. Madhuri Kataria, Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS; R. N. Dash, Secretary and Dr. P. K. Routray, CEO were also present on this occasion.



#### **Largest Human Sentence formed for International Day of Peace**

International Peace Day was observed at KISS on 21 September 2017. The students wrote Peace Wishes on the Peace Wish Tree to promote peace awareness.

In the evening, the celebration was graced by His Excellency Dr. Sabit Subasic, Ambassador of Bosnia & Herzegovina to India, Ms. Morati Kelly Molelekeng, First Secretary – Political Affairs and High Commission of the Republic of Botswana and Ms. Juliana Somba-Banda, First Secretary (Trade), High Commission of the Republic of Malawi. They took a peace pledge to protect and promote safety, respect and dignity for all.

### **Ollywood graces KISS' Holi celebrations**

The festival of colours, Holi was celebrated with traditional fervour in the campus of KISS. Stars of Ollywood, actors, actress, directors, singers including Babusan, Partha, Mahaprasad, Arabind, Jyotiprakash, Jacklini, Somalin, Kedar Mishra, Swaraj, Bhumika, Niki, Sonika Ray, Sasmita, Nikita, Tamanna, Asima Panda, Bishnumohan Kabi, Ipsita Panda, Ashutosh, Sanju, Tarik Ajij, Chita, Aryan, Hadu, Banamali Pandia, Neha Niharika Kar, Abhijit Parhi, Punyata Das, Siddhant Satpathy, Simron Das, Prachurya Mohanty, Priyanshi, Padmalaya Nanda and others joined the children in the festivity.



They also performed cultural programmers and entertained the students. Veteran Music Directors, Singers, Dancers, Literatures and Activists were also present on the occasion. Among others, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT and KISS; Shri Himansu Khatua, CEO, KIIT School of Film and Media Sciences; Prof. Harekrushna Satapathy, VC, KISS Deemed University and Itirani Samanta, Editor, Kadambini were also present. A tribute was paid in the memory of noted singer Arabinda Muduli for his untimely demise.



### **KISS students pray for the speedy recovery of conjoined twins 'Jaga and Balia'**

The students of KISS prayed and offered lamps wishing speedy recovery of the twins 'Jaga and Balia' on the institute's premises. The conjoined twins were separated by a marathon surgery 20-hour surgery, at the AIIMS, New Delhi on Wednesday.





*Learn more about KISS' sustainable development initiatives from Page 76*

## Capacity Development Workshop on 2030 Agenda at KISS

The 2030 Agenda and its Sustainable Development Goals form the most comprehensive blueprint to date for eliminating extreme poverty, reducing inequality and protecting the planet. It is a plan of action for people, our planet and prosperity, which requires all countries and stakeholders to act in concert.

In order to address the need of implementation of SDGs at the grassroots level, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) organised a national workshop on SDGs from 15 to 17 February 2018 in collaboration with the United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC) Knowledge Centre for Sustainable Development, World Bank and Niti Aayog.

The workshop was divided into two segments. In the first segment, KISS partnered with UNSSC to organise a 'National Workshop on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development', for national and international UN Volunteers in India on 15 and 16 February 2018. Another 'National Workshop on Capacity Building for localising SDGs' in India organised by NITI Aayog and KISS on 16 and 17 February 2018 followed this. Senior government officials from 23 states and Union Territories (UTs), development professionals, corporate representatives along with UN Volunteers and staff were in attendance.

### **Aims of the workshop:**

1. Gaining a perspective on SDG implementation from UN Agencies and NGOs.
2. NITI Aayog partnership to conduct one of the largest and most comprehensive capacity building exercises and high-profile SDG events in the country.
3. Provide an action plan for the Agenda 2030 by providing platform for Civil society, Government and International Organisations to come together and discuss the way ahead in a tailor made localised form to address the global goals.





### **KHUSHI: Free of charge sanitary napkins given to female students**

Sanitary napkins will now be provided free of cost to girl students of government and government-aided schools in the State, as announced by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik. The scheme, named Khushi, will benefit 17 lakh female students from Class VI to XII.

In addition to this, the State Government will also expand social marketing of sanitary napkins for women and girls at the community at subsidised rates to promote health and hygiene among adolescent females, leading to higher retention in schools and greater empowerment of women.

Working on the similar lines, KISS had established a sanitary napkin manufacturing unit with support from UNFPA since 2010. This unit makes KISS self-sustainable as far as the needs of our adolescent female students are concerned.

### **KISS hosts annual guardians' meet 2017**

During the meet around 60,000 parents and guardians of the the students had a chance to take a glimpse of the academic facilities available.

62 tribes and 13 primitive tribal communities from all corners of Odisha made up the assembly. Some other states like Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal and Assam also made up the numbers amongst the gathering.

The meeting allows parents to see first-hand everything KISS is offering to the students and the great opportunities they are exposed too.



### **Actor-cum-Politician, Mr. Anubhav Mohanty, celebrates his birthday with KISS students to highlight food wastage**

On the occasion of his Birthday, a Mini Marathon based on the theme “Run for Food for All” was organized by KIIT in order to generate awareness about food wastage.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta; Sri Priyadarshi Mishra, Hon'ble M.L.A, Bhubaneswar (North); Bollywood Actress, Elina Samantaray; Music Composer, Prem Anand; Playback Singer, Sourin Bhatt, and many celebrities of Odia Film Industry joined.





### **Mini Marathon 2018**

Glimpses of the Mini Marathon 2018 on the theme "Education for all". This is one of the major causes KISS has been promoting for the last 25 years.



### **Tribal leaders gratify KISS for facilitating the Tribal Arts**

Tribal leaders visited and discussed with the founder on local and regional issues. They appreciated the efforts at KISS to bring tribal uplift by participating in the process.



### **Remembrance of Founder's father, Late Shri Anadi Charan Samanta**

Casual shirts were distributed to boys at KISS to mark the 48th death anniversary of KIIT/KISS Founder, Dr. Achyuta Samanta's father, the Late Shri Anadi Charan Samanta.



# KANYA KIRAN

A Campaign to Stop Violence against Women and Girl Child

3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018



KISS in association with UN Women and Kalinga Fellowship, organised a **‘Campaign to Stop Violence against Women and Girl Children’** in 30 districts of Odisha from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018. The campaign, named ‘Kanya Kiran’, is part of KISS’ annual efforts to encourage its students and parents to engage themselves in awareness programmes on important social issues during their summer breaks. This year’s efforts culminated with over 27,000 students of KISS along with their parents and 3,000 women staff of KIIT & KISS campaigning in rural Odisha for Kanya Kiran.

Marching ahead to villages and affecting behavioral and sustained changes at the grassroots is a powerful initiative that KISS believes in. This ecosystem ushers in change – social and common good for society – and each constituent is a Changemaker.



*“i ran with my eyes closed”*

## DUTEE CHAND

### DUTEE CHAND WINS 2 SILVER MEDALS AT ASIAN GAMES 2018

In a moment of great pride for India and KIIT/KISS, Chand clinched silver in women's 100m and 200m races at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games. In fact, Dutee Chand, a native of Jajpur district of Odisha is the student of Bhubaneswar based KIIT Deemed to be University.

"In the semifinals, the first 20 metres, I did not push much and coach pointed out that 'you have to make a better beginning. So in the final I rushed the first 40 metres. I was running with eyes closed, whether medal comes or not, I wanted to improve my timing."

**“When I opened my eyes, the race was over. I did not know what has happened. People said you have won a medal, but I did not believe, I did not pick flag until I saw the result on display screen.”**

Dutee could not stop smiling after the win. "It is my biggest medal, I am already 22 and I had never participated at Asian Games before because of hyperandrogenism. It was Olympic for me, I trained for six hours in a session for this."

Dutee had become only the third Indian to qualify for the women 100m event at the Rio Olympics. She had timed 11.69 but did not make it to the final. However, after winning two silver medals at the Asian Games, Dutee was unable to stop smiling as she ushered in a new dawn for her athletic career.

Congratulatory messages have been pouring in for her from all quarters. The Chief Minister of Odisha Sri Naveen Patnaik; Union Sport Minister Colonel Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore and Founder of KIIT & KISS Dr. Achyuta Samanta have congratulated her for achieving such an outstanding feat.



# felicitations

KISS and KIIT also extend hearty felicitations to our other athletes, **Ms. Purnima Hembram** (Heptathlon) and **Ms. Juana Murmu** (400m Sprint runner and hurdler) for their best efforts at the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. Although the two athletes did not win medals, they have already done us proud by qualifying for the Games alongside other world-class athletes. We

*Ms. Purnima Hembram*



*Ms. Juana Murmu*





CELEBRATIONS IN BHUTAN



#PYAARBHARAPACK

# ART OF GIVING

INSPIRED BY  
PROF. ACHYUTA SAMANTA

This still captures  
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homes in Gajap  
where KISS volu  
fruits and shirts



CELEBRATIONS IN A GURUDWARA, BBSR



15th Nov 2018

International day of  
**Art of Giving**

A Philosophy of Life to spread Peace and Happiness

17  
Nov  
2018

5th Anniversary

# #PyaarBharaPack

Feeding With Love

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Prof. Achyuta Samanta  
Teacher, IIT Bombay, IIT Madras  
and IIT Kharagpur



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## ART OF GIVING'S 'PYAAR BHARA PACK' CELEBRATED WORLDWIDE

Art of Giving (AOG) is a philosophy of life that emphasises the importance of spreading peace and happiness among people in society. This concept was imbibed on 17th May 2013 by Prof. Achyuta Samanta – a remarkable educationist, social activist, social reformer and Founder of KIIT and KISS, who attributes his success in life to this motto.

This year, on 17th May, KIIT & KISS celebrated the 5th Anniversary of the Art of Giving across the globe, with the theme “Pyaar Bhara Pack (Feeding with Love)”. This campaign of charity is based on the premises of “People’s Contribution, People’s Participation”, with people sharing meals at over 16,500 centre across the country, and with a total global participation of 1 Crore people across 80 countries and 20,000 locations.



*Learn more about Dr. Samanta's  
CARE philosophy on Pages 6-7*

# KISS to Host WORLD CONGRESS OF ANTHROPOLOGY in 2023

Collaboration with  
Utkal University and Sambalpur University



15,000  
DELEGATES

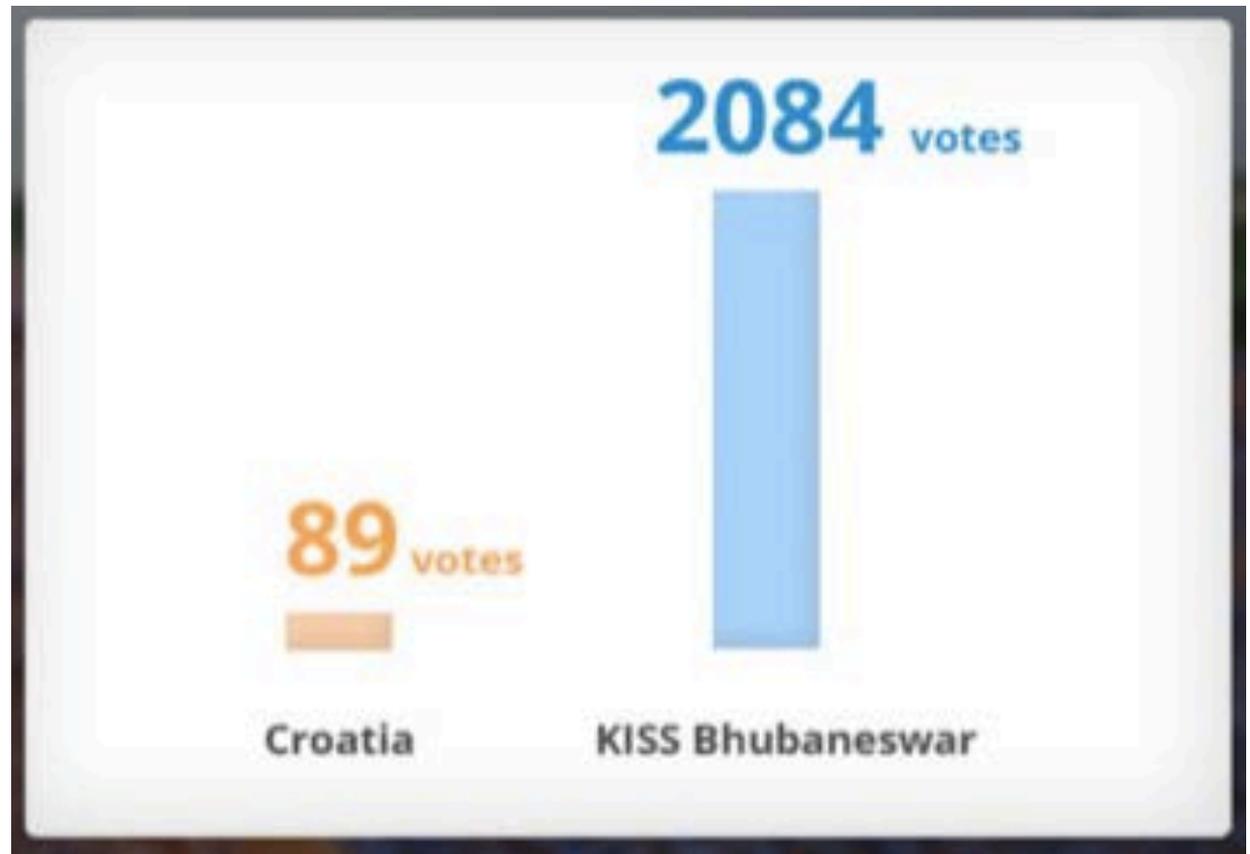
## India to Host it after 45 years

### **KISS University to Host World Congress of Anthropology - 2023**

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, which is regarded as the world's largest anthropological laboratory, has been awarded the privilege to host the XIXth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (ICAES) 2023. India, represented by KISS, won the bid against Croatia by a huge margin to host the next edition of this prestigious World Congress of Anthropology at KISS in 2023 in collaboration with Utkal University and Sambalpur University.

More than **15,000 delegates** from over **150 countries** are expected to participate in the World Congress, which is held every five years in different parts of the world. **ICAES** is the largest gathering of academicians and researchers in the fields of Anthropology and Ethnology in the world. It is also the oldest meet of the scholars engaged in the scientific study of humankind. India will be hosting this prestigious meet after a long gap of 45 years.

150  
COUNTRIES



## *Observation of Special Days*

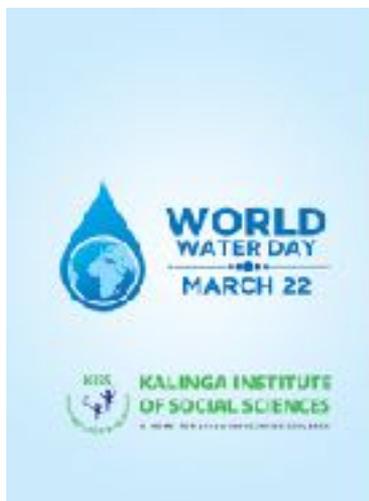


### **Republic Day at KISS**

KISS proudly celebrated Republic Day, with the message of hope as our students march toward a nation where all of India's children are free and educated! We marked this day especially in hope that all children are educated.



**HOLI:** This year, Holi was celebrated at KISS with great pomp and colourful festivity, and the hope that this festival of colours will fill our lives with joy and bring together the diverse hues of India's culture in a rainbow of unity.



### World Water Day

All of our actions matter when it comes to protecting our fresh water. KISS makes a conscious effort to use water consciously through the following measures:

- Bringing about changes in the habit of open defecation and usage of clean safety toilets.
- Using a sewage treatment plant
- Utilizing a reverse osmosis plant
- Providing packaged drinking water
- Prioritizing personal hygiene of students
- Utilizing water-saving mega laundry facilities on campus



### KISS celebrates Human Rights Day

KISS believes and upholds the inherent dignity and equal and inalienable rights of every individual. KISS has achieved and seeks to ensure best for each student by giving them their due, bringing inclusivity in Education. The students hailing from tribal communities have the right to maintain their culture, tradition and be proud of the heritage in the most modern environment equipped with world class infrastructure. KISS provides healthy living conditions – safe water, nutritious food, housing and information, such as sex education as a part of its Life Skills programme, that are often absent or limited for people living in impoverished settlements.



**Sumitra Nayak**  
Rugby Player  
INDIA Women's Rugby Team  
Captain, U-19 India Girls  
Rugby and TEDx Speaker

KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES



**Mandakini Majhi**  
Gold Medal in Khokho  
In SAF Games

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**Saunri Hansdah**  
A Community Doctor

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**Mamata Dalai**  
National Bravery  
Award 2017 Winner

KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

### Celebrating International Women's Day at KISS

KISS proudly celebrated its incredible women and female students on International Women's Day in March 2018, with the knowledge that progress and prosperity only take place if organisations, state and country respect and empower the backbone of society - Women.



**Shanti Murmu**  
Ashoka Youth Venturer

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**Sebati Kuturka**  
Winner of APJ Abdul  
Kalam Ignite Award

KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES



**Pupren Oram**  
A LWE attack survivor  
and ace Rugby player

KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

### **KISS Celebrates Gandhi Jayanti and Shashtri Jayanti**

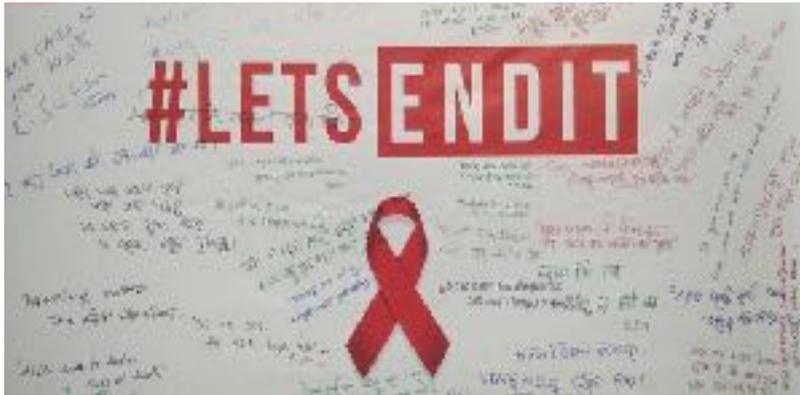


Gandhi and Shastri Jayanti were observed at the KISS on 2nd October 2017. The students recited Ram-Dhun with devotion in commemoration of the birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation. Members of Gandhi Global Family, Odisha, Dr Achyuta Samanta, Dr Dilip Srichandan, Rabi Behera, Dr Shasanka Chudamani, Chinmaya Sunder Dash and Ashok Pandey attended the programme, paying floral tribute to Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri, the 2nd Prime Minister of India. KIIT Group of Institutions including KISS & KIIT University also started a week-long Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, along with the staff, to propagate the message of cleanliness among the students and residents of the surrounding areas.



### **Celebration of Children's Day with Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha**

Students, teachers and other staff members of KISS, celebrated the pomp Children's Day with much enthusiasm. The students remembered the contribution of first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. They watched the live telecast of Odisha Chief Minister, Naveen Patnaik, and all students took pledge to become good human beings and do something good for the society and country.



### **Observation of World Aids Day, 2017**

**On the occasion of World Aids Day at KISS,** Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Telengana, Shri Kadiyam Srihari, addressed the students, heaping praise on Dr. Samanta; "Samanta Ji is Mahatma to all of you. He is giving you the education as well as the bright future. Hailing from a rural area, after going through a series of indescribable hurdles and after establishing KIIT, he finally resulted in the establishment of KISS. Our Chief Minister wants to start a school offering KG to PG education to deprived students. However, I am surprised to see the same here. What a Government can't do, a person could do," added Shri Srihari.



### **Teacher's Day 2018**

On Teacher's Day this year, KIIT and KISS paid homage to **Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan** and saluted all their teachers for their dedication and commitment to nurturing young minds and nation building.

Greetings to the teaching community on Teachers Day. Students recognized and celebrated the vital role played by teachers in shaping their young minds and in building our nation. KISS is extremely indebted to its teachers for making thousands of children head towards education.

We bow to our former President and a distinguished teacher himself, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on his Jayanti.



## International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples for the year 2018 was observed at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences(KISS) amid much fan fare. Among the dignitaries, Sri R. N. Dash, Secretary, KIIT & KISS; Prof. Harekrushna Satpathy, V.C, KISS-DU; Mr. Julius Lakra, Registrar, KISS-DU; Dr. P. K. Routray, CEO, KISS; Mr. Suryakant Mohanty, COO, KISS and Dr. P. K. Das, Director, Livelihood, KISS were present and spoke on the occasion.

Mr. Tushar Kanti Senapati, Dy. Director(Projects), KISS was the chief speaker who elaborated the significance of this day before the audience. The Indigenous students of KISS showcased their intrinsic talent in performing exquisite dance and cultural programmes.

In fact, The International Day for World's Indigenous People takes place every year on 9th August. It was proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in December 1994. According to estimates, there are 370 million indigenous people in the world who live across 90 countries. These people make up less than 5 per cent of the world's population but account for 15 per cent of the poorest. They speak an overwhelming majority of the world's estimated 7,000 lesser-known languages and represent 5,000 different cultures and traditions.

“The 2018 celebration of International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples marks the **11th anniversary of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**. The theme of International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples 2018 is **'Indigenous peoples' migration and movement'**.”





## **KISS CELEBRATES LANDMARK RULING OF SUPREME COURT ABOLISHING SECTION 377**

On the occasion of the decriminalization of Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code, officials from KISS celebrated the historic decision along with officials from British Council, India and SAKHA.

Shortly thereafter, KISS University announced a new collaboration with the Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiative to join hands together in taking a pioneering step, to promote behavioral change, by engaging with transgender communities, particularly transgender women and children. Sakha, the transgender community network, will partner with KISS in this initiative and the first phase pilot will be launched in Rayagada district.

KISS continues to be dedicated to its mission of uplifting tribal communities and mainstreaming transgenders.





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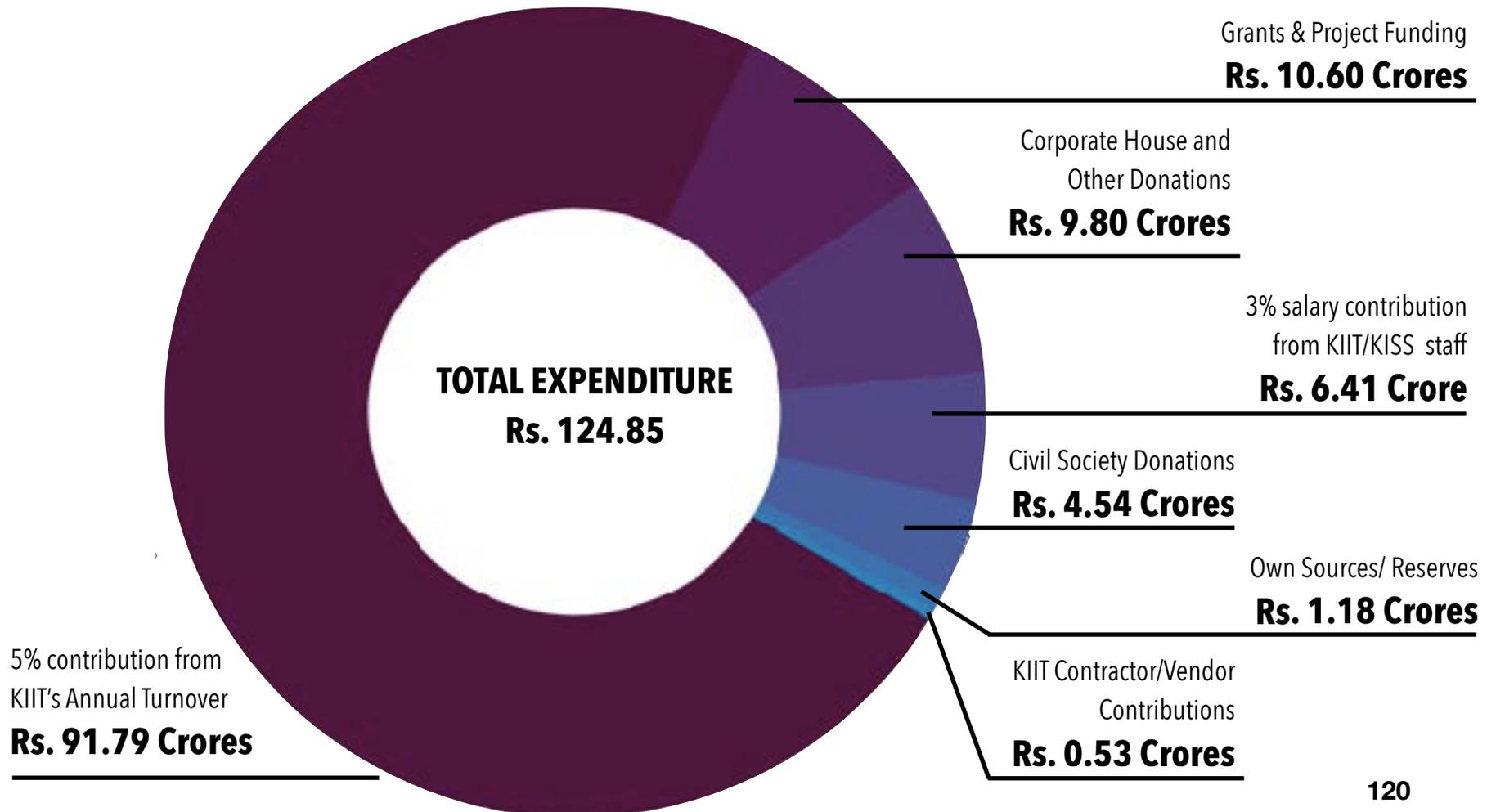
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# expenditure

EXPRESSED IN INDIAN RUPEES

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, 27,000 tribal children of 62 tribes, including 13 primitive tribes, are pursuing their education from Class-1 to post-graduation levels in KISS.



# for the year

## 2017-2018

### **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 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. 6.41 crores (approx.).
- The Contractors/Vendors of KIIT Group of Institutions contributed to KISS an amount of Rs. 0.53 crores (approx.).
- The donations from civil society and well-wishers contribute benevolently for this noble cause amounting to Rs. 4.54 crores (approx.).
- Donations received from different organizations, corporate houses like Give India amounting to Rs. 9.80 cores (approx.).
- Further, Grants & others received from various organizations for projects Rs. 10.60 crores.
- Balance funds requirement was met from own sources / reserves, etc.

### **Total recurring expenditure for the year 2017-18 is Rs. 94.85 crores.**

Total 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, transpiration, 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. 124.85 crores.**

In addition the **Non- recurring expenses** during the year are **Rs. 33.60 crores.**

### Abridged Income & Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31.03.2018

Particulars	Yr: 2018	Yr: 2017	Particulars	Yr: 2018	Yr: 2017
Academic / Co-curricular Expenses	99,599,307	121,329,082	Donation -		
Mess Related Expenses	364,379,479	365,305,743	KIIT Group	917,928,675	478,757,813
Employee benefits expense	181,007,297	147,672,417	Corporate	89,991,215	65,243,468
Project Expenses	31,551,506	17,672,680	Give India		3,850,589
Office Related Expenses	156,184,597	66,217,480	Staff (KIIT Group of Institutions)	64,159,179	55,403,631
Indirect Expenses	97,730	68,984	Vendors	5,321,034	13,302,987
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	115,708,157	82,580,897	Others	54,057,633	61,995,623
			Sub-Total	1,130,857,735	678,554,111
			Grant	105,995,189	48,252,115
			Other Income	35,250,372	14,661,812
Excess of Income over Expenditure	320,588,223	-	Excess of Expenditure over Income	-	59,369,245
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,272,116,296</b>	<b>800,847,283</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,272,116,296</b>	<b>800,847,283</b>



### Abridged Balance Sheet as at 31.03.2018

Liabilities	Yr: 2018	Yr: 2017	Assets	Yr: 2018	Yr: 2017
Capital Account	1,020,339,825	1,020,339,825	Fixed Assets	1,290,862,607	1,070,589,872
Reserves & Surplus	13,718,237	(309,869,986)	Non-current assets	146,053,121	14,607,997
Borrowings & Deposits	220,475,034	214,600,034	Current Assets	559,343,034	567,208,005
Current Liabilities	741,725,666	727,336,001			
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,996,258,762</b>	<b>1,652,405,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,996,258,762</b>	<b>1,652,405,874</b>



# our governance



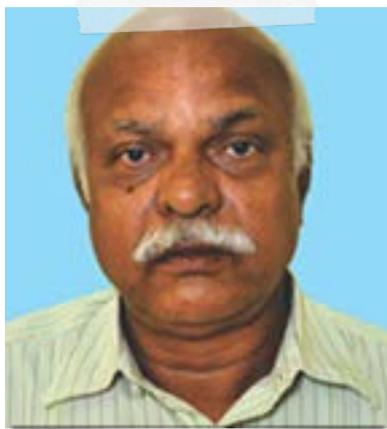
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# our added value



## #1 Geared towards Sustainable Development



Through our partnership with various UN bodies, and our 20 years experience within the development field of Odisha, we strive to propel KISS, and tribal Odisha towards the transformative 2030 Agenda. Our outlook and approaches are all geared towards a holistic and integrated approach towards the 2030 Agenda.

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## Truly Accessible



KISS prides itself on not only facilitating change with its direct student body, but also through its engagement with tribal communities of Odisha. We regularly host and facilitate trainings, workshops and outreach programmes that integrate tribal communities in more than one way. Instrumental to this approach are the parents & families of our students, our district coordinators, local governance and concerned volunteers and citizens of Odisha.

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## Celebrating & Empowering Tribal Odisha



Our ties to indigenous Odisha form the backbone of our institute; KISS is comprised of over 27,000 indigenous students, which means that we are home to an untapped wealth of indigenous knowledge and customs. This makes us one of the world's largest anthropological grounds, and as such, we strive to both preserve and celebrate indigenous wealth and knowledge.

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## Educating a Generation



Our massive 27,000 student body will be changemakers in their communities in the years to come. This number will be compounded once our branches are functional in other districts of Odisha, other states of India, and other countries in the world. Our dream is simple but powerful; to eradicate poverty through the gift of education. It is our hope that through this gift of world-class education and equal opportunity, we will empower and enlighten a new generation of youth to step out into the world as knowledgeable, capable and skilled youth.

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## Driving Development



Together, KISS & KIIT provide employment to several thousand staff. Additionally, through use of vendors and recurring purchases for daily functioning, both organisations provide employment and lucrative business to a number of local entrepreneurs and businesses. We also support and encourage local start-ups to grow and partner with us. We have not only encouraged and driven development in Bhubaneswar, but have also brought development to villages in Odisha.

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## Global Outlook



Inspite of our focus on the empowerment and upliftment of disenfranchised indigenous Odisha, we dream of a world without poverty - one which is empowered by active, educated youth. To this end, we have focused our efforts on expansion - both in terms of new campuses across the country and globe, as well as in terms of partnerships and programmes from every corner of this world. We are indebted to our many collaborators and well-wishers who help us dream together.



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