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2019-20 ANNUAL REPORT

2019-2020 has not been without its challenges; the world has struggled with the Covid-19 pandemic among other things. However, despite all challenges, we remain committed to ensuring that **#LearningNeverStops** for our students, no matter what.

Inside, you'll find a comprehensive report on our activities and events in the preceding year, and you can learn about how we've adapted to the times, to tackle the pandemic, help our communities, and learn with our students.

KISS would like to thank you - our readers, well-wishers and partners - for your continued support!

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FROM THE FOUNDER'S DESK

Across the world, we are facing circumstances never encountered before. The COVID-19 pandemic is forcing us to make sudden, drastic shifts to our way of life to keep ourselves and our communities healthy and safe. It has been almost a year, and we are all facing the Pandemic bravely. But even in these uncertain times, we can find reasons for hope. While we all face a long road ahead, KIIT and KISS, as universities that stand for compassion and humanity are trying best to ameliorate the sufferings due pandemic. Some of our major interventions in these challenging times are mentioned below -

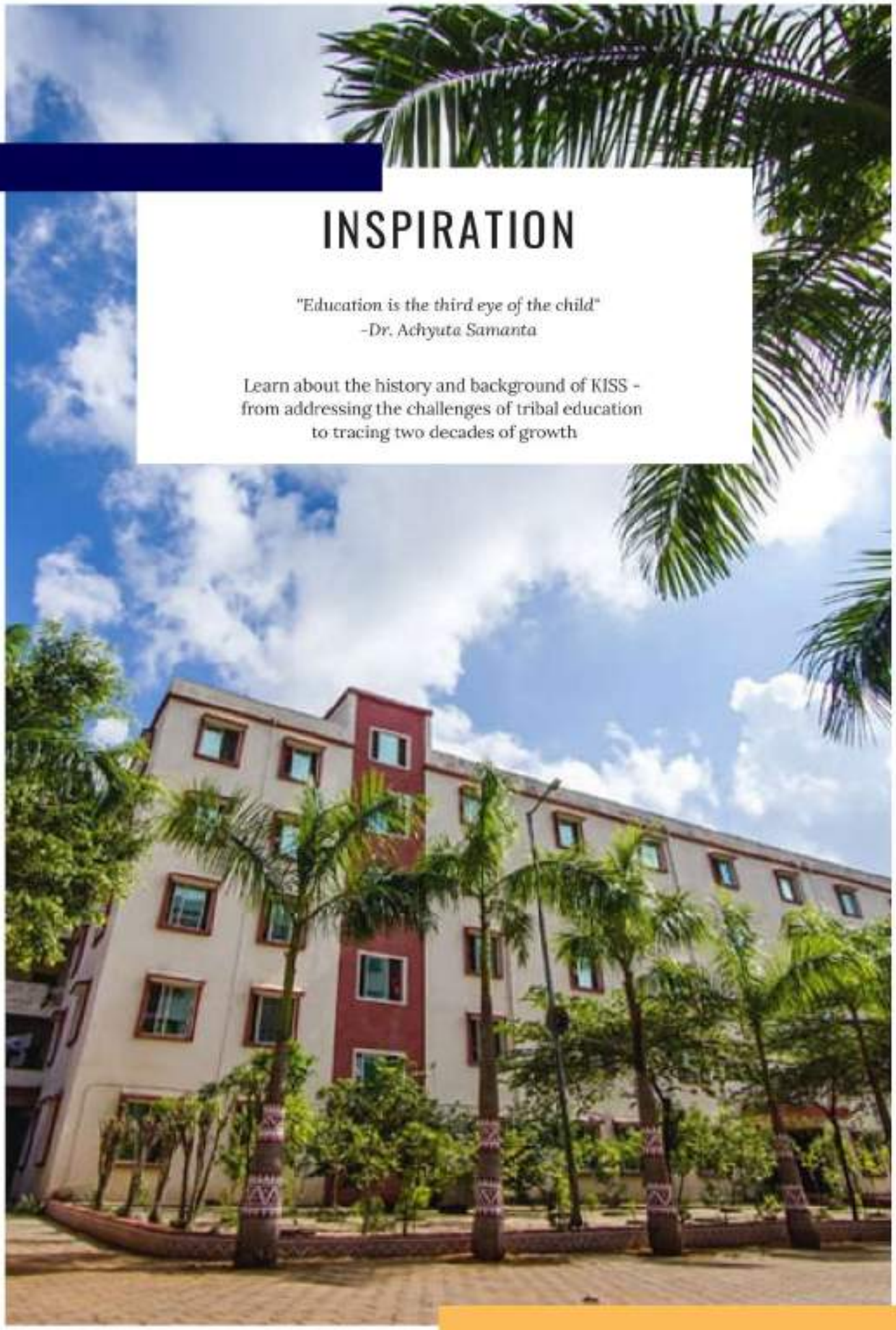
1. Reaching out to three lakh distressed people with food, ration and essential supplies.
2. Assuring professional education to the children of deceased during COVID-19 in Odisha free of cost
3. Running four standalone COVID hospitals in the state with 1200 beds
4. Taking care of hundreds of orphans during COVID-19 irrespective of caste, creed, religion, region, gender by funding their entire education and livelihood for family members
5. Delivering dry foods with dress materials, study materials to the 30,000 children of KISS at their doorstep in the hinterlands of Odisha since April 2020 every month

Before Odisha lockdown followed by India wide lockdown, the students of KISS were sent back home safely before lockdown after sensitising them about the virus. Young adolescents of KISS conducted awareness campaigns in their tribal district. Their education was supported by Whatsapp classes initially, followed by delivery of microchip and pendrive loaded with class content and now one hour sessions on Kalinga TV. Besides we made their new academic year's books reach them along with essential groceries at their doorsteps.

We have continued learning for our students online despite network and connectivity problems. Our students have also performed well in their board examination. Now our focus is on how to safely and responsibly reopen. Reopening is not like flipping a switch and returning to normal. Even with a gradual approach, we are going to focus on major changes in daily operations to prevent a recurrence of the virus or other outbreaks. Meanwhile, we have done various intervention programmes for girl students so that they don't drop out.

The recent wave of the pandemic hints at disturbing trends leading towards uncertainties across the fronts. However, it is certain that by virtue of our commendable experience in COVID management we would positively execute the safety measures and reach out to our students, guardians and alumni. I have a strong conviction that we will certainly move forward and continue to conquer COVID - 19, prioritising education and welfare of our students. I reiterate my commitment to contribute wholeheartedly while working for our mission to achieve zero hunger, zero poverty, zero illiteracy.

Dr. Achyuta Samanta | Founder, KIIT & KISS



INSPIRATION

"Education is the third eye of the child"
-Dr. Achyuta Samanta

Learn about the history and background of KISS - from addressing the challenges of tribal education to tracing two decades of growth

TRIBAL POPULATION

Eight percent of India's population is tribal. Despite the constitutional promise of social justice and protection through affirmative action, India's tribal population lives in deplorable conditions in the country's dense forests and remote hinterlands.

CUSTODIANS OF EARTH

These original inhabitants (Adivasi) live a simple & sustainable life, with food grown/ foraged in forests, medicines grown from indigenous plants and their own forms of learning and knowledge, often through tales and oral history passed down from preceding generations.

CYCLE OF POVERTY

Each tribe boasts a rich cultural heritage that is unique from the next; unfortunately, however, tribes across the country are united by the vicious cycle of poverty and insufficient access to formal learning.

REMOTE LOCATIONS

Since tribes inhabit remote forests/ hilly terrains, this inhibits their access to adequate healthcare or educational facilities.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

The few government or private schools that do exist are largely in residential format, to address the challenges presented by rural underdevelopment.

LEARNING CHALLENGES

Early learning for youth at these schools is compromised by problems such as poor infrastructure, teacher absenteeism, lack of toilets, language gaps between tribal and mainstream languages, additional school associated costs or familial pressure to handle siblings and dropout in favour of working and earning.

GENESIS

In 1992-93, Prof. Achyuta Samanta founded Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) with only 125 poor tribal students. Over time, the number of students educated through KISS has grown to over 30,000. Among these, almost seven thousand students have pursued higher education at KISS. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD), Govt. of India accorded KISS the Deemed University status on 25/08/2017, making it the first university in the entire world exclusively for tribal students. To promote research in areas such as tribal legal studies and tribal rights, tribal resource management, tribal culture and heritage, tribal languages, tribal medicine and tribal technology, and Indic studies, KISS has introduced seven new innovative areas in the first phase with the approval of UGC. KISS is unique in ensuring that all its students receive free residential education.

ABOUT KISS-DU

We are a unique non-profit organization and university that offers higher education from PG to PhD levels exclusively to indigenous youth, free of charge. As the only indigenous university in the world, we take pride in our growing international reputation, access to state-of-the-art facilities, and teaching and research excellence.

In 2017, the University Grants Commission, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India granted us "Deemed to be University" status. Since then, each academic year has been marked by growth and achievements for the KISS community. We are honoured to have received a Leadership Award from the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes for our dedication to "Education For All." We also won "Best University in Odisha" at the first-ever Odisha Education Awards in 2019.

Our students successfully clear several competitive exams such as the UGC NET, while others have gained admission to prestigious institutes like IIT and NITs. Along with academics, our holistic approach enables students to excel in national and international sports like Rugby, Judo, Cricket, Sprinting, and Handball. We have also established four new research chairs to recognise and study the lives and contributions of Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi, Utkal Gourav Madhusudan, Utkalmani Pt. Gopabandhu Das, and Shri Biju Patnaik, Laxman Naik, Birsa Munda, and Dr. B.R Ambedkar.

VISION

To build KISS-DU as a premier institution of teaching, research, skill development and social entrepreneurship for the youth from marginalised tribal communities as well as ensuring their cultural heritage and diversity.

MISSION

- To pursue academic excellence in innovative areas of studies pertaining to indigenous (tribal) life and culture.
- To develop a creative and critical disposition among students towards their own communities and the world at large.
- To empower the students with adequate domain knowledge, life skills, leadership and entrepreneurial abilities.
- To encourage affirmation of linkages of the students to their cultural moorings and heritage by preserving, protecting, and promoting cultural diversity.
- To promote indigenous knowledge in harmony with the imperatives of scientific rationality.
- To recognise, foreground, commemorate and celebrate indigenous cultural memories of the empowering icons, events and processes.
- To orient the indigenous communities towards a global perspective of the SDGs by equipping the students with the requisite skills and turning them into agents of social transformation.
- To strive for continuous quality enhancement of academic and institutional governance to promote a culture of credibility, transparency and reliability.

OUR COMMITTMENT

At KISS-DU, we are a proud indigenous institute, and all our students are from diverse indigenous tribes in Odisha and surrounding states of India. Our student body comprises more than 62 tribes, making it a melting pot of rich and diverse tribal cultures, heritage, and languages. Our faculty and staff come from various backgrounds - rural communities, tribal communities, urban centres, and even cities abroad. At KISS-DU, we are all curious, eager to learn, and open-minded, working together to achieve academic excellence.





#WeAreIndigenous



Our experience shows us that given access to equal opportunity, there is no limit to what tribal students can achieve. Thus, it is our lifelong mission to ensure that we empower our tribal communities by ensuring that everyone has equal access to opportunities.

FREE EDUCATION
FREE FOOD
FREE HEALTHCARE FREE ACCOMMODATION

As an educational institution in a multicultural society, we understand the necessity of emphasising history, culture and language because it is no secret that when a student feels like they belong in an educational context, they perform better. We attempt to eradicate educational inequalities by empowering our students with the knowledge that they have both the responsibility and right to be in India's best classrooms.



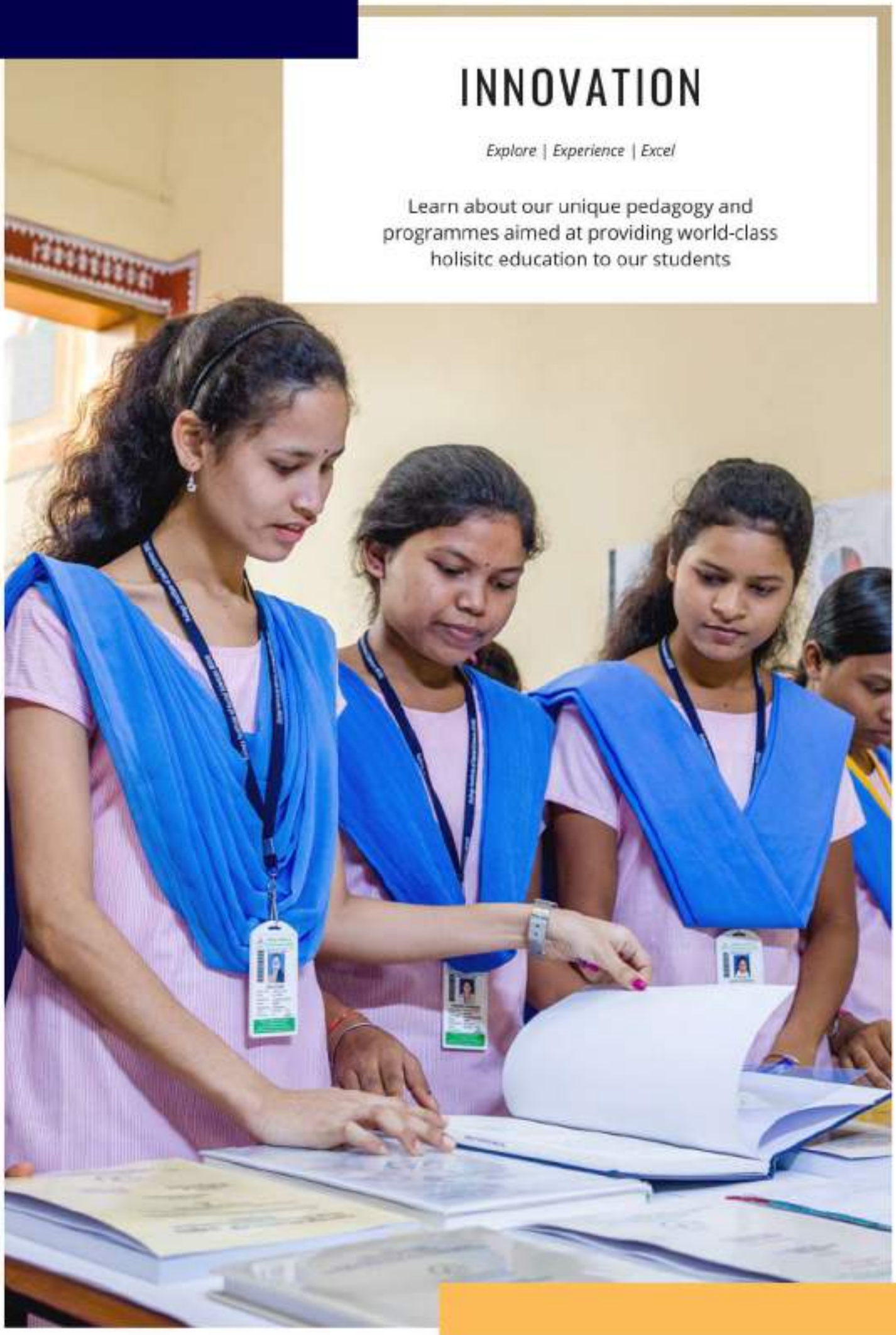




INNOVATION

Explore | Experience | Excel

Learn about our unique pedagogy and programmes aimed at providing world-class holisitc education to our students



WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE?

HOLISTIC EDUCATION

Our extensive approach ensures that the focus is on thorough development of the students by supporting their growth physically, emotionally, socially, spiritually and intellectually. At KISS, we focus on quality academia, sports, skill training and extra curricular training - a holistic approach to education.

MOTHER TONGUE BASED MULTI-LINGUAL EDUCATION

During students' early childhood, we teach them in 6 tribal languages (their mother tongues) in primary classes, to bridge the language gap that tribal students face while transitioning from their tribal language (and many dialects) to the state language of Odia.

SOCIAL INNOVATION

By providing holistic free education as the solution to eradicate poverty, KISS provides a prime example of Social Innovation - targeting poverty by educating children and making them self-sufficient. In the long run, it is hoped this approach will reduce the problem of transmission of poverty to future tribal generations.

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

This program provides opportunities to our students to earn residual income while they are learning, through part-time jobs and entrepreneurial projects that prepare them to shoulder professional assignments with relative ease, through vocational training & skill development.

UNIQUE FINANCIAL MODEL

5% of total turnover of KIIT is donated to KISS as social responsibility. Additionally, all staff donate 3% of gross salary, in addition to 2-3% from KIIT's contractors/vendors and approx. 15 crore donations from various organisations and individuals, and 3 crore from sale of vocational products made at KISS.

FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainable development is at the core of KISS both in its focus on the UN's 17 SDGs in its day to day proceedings, in its focus on protecting, celebrating and disseminating the rich tribal culture of Odisha and in the eco friendly and sustainable infrastructure implemented in the campus.



KISS

DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY

KISS was granted Deemed to be University by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India, making it status by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India, the first university exclusively for tribal students making it the first university exclusively for in the world.

The university focuses on teaching and research in **unique and emergingareas of knowledge**, related to Tribal Culture, Philosophy, Heritage, Linguisitcs and Literature, Science and Technology, Tribal Resource Management, Tribal Legal Status and Tribal Right - **thee subjects are not pursued by any other institutions in the country.**

Tho this effect, KISS-DU has launched **seven new innovative schools** to give impetus to teaching and research on tribal studies. Each school has been cutomised and tailor made keeping in mind a tribal centric approach.

As a result, KISS-DU offers a wide range of aacdemic programmes for UG, PG, M. Phil and PhD students.

MAJOR THRUST AREAS

Academia
Research
Coaching and Placement
Sports
Vocational Education
Training
Life Skill Education
English Access Micro-Scholarship Programme
Yoga and Meditation

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

KISS-DU offers all levels of degrees including
-Undergraduate (UG),
-Postgraduate (PG),
-Masters of Philosophy (M. Phil) & -Doctoral (PhD) degrees

TEACHING AND RESEARCH FOCUS

Heritage Tribal Culture Eco-Spiritualism
Tribal Art & Craft
Tribal Heritage & Indology
Tribal Resource Management
Tribal Linguistics and Literature
Tribal Legal Studies & Tribal Rights
Indigenous Knowledge Science & Technology

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DEPARTMENTS

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & EXTENSION

This school houses the Department of Tribal Heritage & Tribal Indology.

Subjects offered include:

1. Education
2. Home Science
3. Psychology

ARTS

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

This school houses the Department of Tribal Culture, Philosophy & Eco-Spiritualism

Subjects offered include:

1. History
2. Political Science
3. Philosophy

ARTS

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SERVICE & ADMINISTRATION

This school houses the Department of Tribal Legal Studies & Tribal Rights.

Subjects offered include:

1. Anthropology
2. Sociology
3. Social Work

ARTS

SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

This school houses the Department of Comparative Tribal Linguistics & Literature.

Subjects offered include:

1. Hindi,
2. English,
3. Odia,
4. Sanskrit &
5. Santali

ARTS

SCHOOL OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The school houses the
It offers 3 interdisciplinary subjects:

1.Commerce,
2.Economics &
3. Geography

COMMERCE

SCHOOL OF NATURAL SCIENCES & TRIBAL TECHNOLOGY

This school houses the Department of [illegible] and the Department of Indigenous Knowledge, Science & Technology.

Subjects offered include:
1. Botany
2. Zoology
3. Physics
4. Chemistry
5. Mathematics
6. Computer Sciences
7. Bio-Technology

SCIENCE

KISS - DU

STREAMS

ARTS

With a focus on Tribal Studies

Odia
Hindi
Sanskrit
English
Political Science

Education
Economics
Sociology
Home Science
Philosophy

History
Social Work
Psychology
Anthropology
Geography

COMMERCE

Accountancy

With a focus on:
Tribal Economy & Resource Management

SCIENCE

Botany
Zoology
Mathematics

Physics
Chemistry
Computer Science

MEMBERSHIPS

KISS-DU is a proud member of:







ADMISSIONS

KISS Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India invites applications through Online mode from aspiring poor tribal children of India and other countries belonging to BPL category for admission into P.G. (M.A., M.Sc., M.Com.) and Ph.D. programmes focusing on various aspects of Tribal Culture, Philosophy, Heritage, Tribal Science and Technology, Language and Literature, Tribal Resource Management, Tribal Legal Rights and Jurisprudence, Anthropological Sciences etc. We at KISS-DU strongly believe in focusing on girl child education hence preference is given to girl students during the admission process under various programmes offered by the seven innovative Schools.

We at KISS DU provide a wide range of subjects that will help strengthen ability to think logically, speak confidently and channel passions into future career. The students will receive a personalised social sciences education, enhanced by holistic learning with co-curricular and extra curricular activities. Each classroom provides an encouraging and carefully curated supportive learning environment for the exchange of ideas between students, professors, and peers.

INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGY

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

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

1. Lack of adequate infrastructure
2. Teacher absenteeism
3. No toilets in schools
4. Lack of an adequate number of female teachers to inspire girls to study
5. Difficulty in bridging language gaps between tribals & Odia syllabi

However, KISS' unique model of functioning has allowed it to successfully address these problems on its campuses while ensuring that its students have uninterrupted quality access to higher education with zero drop-outs, world class amenities, and access to national and international opportunities.



HOLISTIC APPROACH TO EDUCATION

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

SOCIAL INNOVATION TO ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY

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





EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

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

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

TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN 'SMART CLASSROOMS'

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





CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- **KISS' Competitive Preparation Centre (CPC):** 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 Higher Education Campus. In 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.

- **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. We aim to equip students with efficient and effective communication skills in various languages in their careers.

- **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.

- **Commitment to Enhancing Employability:** KISS-DU 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 skills 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 employers value. These are included within our holistic approach to education, which is integrated with world-class facilities and training.

- **State-of-the-Art Campus:** KISS-DU is proud to offer its students well-developed Wi-Fi-enabled campuses that are constantly protected through CCTV surveillance. Our University operates from the Higher education Campus (Campus-3), which contains well-furnished, smart classrooms, 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, rainwater ground recharge system, rooftop gardening system, modern computer labs and upgraded science laboratories.

- **Sports Facilities:** Our campuses boast a wide range of world-class sports facilities, suited to accommodate sports such as archery, basketball, lawn tennis, football, volleyball, hockey and rugby.

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

SPORTS STRENGTH

KISS-DU is recognised as much for its illustrious sporting tradition as it is for its excellence in education, learning and research. Over the past few years, the vibrant sports scene provided at KISS DU, has consistently made it home to some of India's elite sportspersons, who proudly represent their country at various national and international events such as Asian Games and the Olympics. With an impressive range of 24 different sports, the KISS DU, in partnership with its sister concern KIIT University, is one of the countries leading centres for student sport.

KISS DU is committed to developing sport within the University and across Odisha, and thus sports are supported by our world- class facilities. Many of these facilities are spread out across our two campuses, in addition to shared facilities at our sister concern KIIT University. Sport programs give our students the opportunity to participate in sports in an organised, competitive environment, which teaches them to build community, develop interpersonal skills, socialise with others, and stay healthy.

SPORTS OFFERED



FACILITIES OFFERED

KISS-DU

STATE-OF-ART CAMPUS

- 16 international standard sports complexes with gyms, swimming pools, synthetic volleyball, basketball and tennis courts, besides indoor badminton, billiards, table tennis, yoga and squash courts
- Sports complex exclusively for female students
- Cricket Stadium (BCCI approved)
- Hockey Stadium (Global category of field certification by FIH)
- Football Stadium
- Olympic-size Swimming Pool
- International Archery Stadium
- International Chess Hall
- Outdoor Synthetic Tennis, Basketball, Volleyball Courts under floodlight
- Synthetic Athletic Track(400m)
- Velodrome
- Judo Hall
- Boxing Ring
- Health Club
- Indoor Multipurpose Stadium
- Kabaddi &Kho-Kho facilities



STATUTORY COMMITTEES

1

ANTI-RAGGING CELL

Based on UGC regualtions. KISS-DU has prepared an Anti-Ragging Guidelinesfor its students. Implementation of these guidelines will help to create a healthy and friendly environment on campus,while preventing and punishing those who indulge in ragging.

2

ANTI DISCRIMINATION CELL

In a bid to realise India's Constitutional vision of equality of opportunity, KISS-DU has made conscious efforts to ensure the access of Scheduled Tribes to education and public employment. The University strives to attain equal opportunity for all disadvantaged social groups.

3

GENDER SENSITISATION CELL

KISS-DU's gender sensitization cell is constituted to provide integrated and interdisciplinary approach to understand the social and cultural constructions of gender shaping the experiences of women and men in society, while create positive social norms in the campus that value every individual, irrespective of their gender.

4

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL CELL

In pursuance of UGC Grievance Redressal Regulations 2012, KISS-DU has established guidelines for its Students' Grievance Redressal Committee (SGRC), to ensure that no voice of any student or any applicant for admission to KISS-DU goes unheard by competent authorities.

5

INTERNAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE FOR PREVENTION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

In pursuance to UGC and POSH 2013 guidelines, KISS-DU's Internal Complaints Committee Policy works to prevent instances of sexual harassment and also to receive and effectively deal with complaints related to such acts.

6

BARRIER FREE ACCESS TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO ALL ITS FACILITIES

In pursuance to KISS-DU's committment to offer equal access to and full paarticipation in all its academic and extracurricular programmes to any learner in general and youth with special needs in particular, the university resolves to provide an accessible, inclusive and welcoming learning and working environment to individuals wth disabilities.

PUBLICATIONS

The faculty members under various Schools of KISS-DU have made the university proud by publishing research articles in SCOPUS, UGC Care, Web of Science and have registered in Google Scholar, Publons and ResearchGate. In addition to the achievements of the faculty members the University has also produced 3 research scholars in this academic year (2 from Odia Programme and 1 from Education Programme).

No.	Title of paper	Name of the author/s	Department of the teacher	Name of journal	ISSN number
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3	Altered electrical properties with controlled copper doping in ZnO nanoparticles infers their cytotoxicity in macrophages by ROS induction and Apoptosis	Bikram Keshari Das, Suresh K. Verma, Tanushree Das, Pritam Kumar Panda, Kajal Parashar, Mrutyunjay Suar, S.K.S. Parashar	Chemistry	Chemico-Biological Interactions	0009-2797
4	Investigation of structural, morphological and NTCR behaviour of Cu-doped ZnO nanoceramics synthesized by high energy ball milling	Bikram Keshari Das, Tanushree Das, Kajal Parashar, S. K. S. Parashar, Rajeev Kumar, Harish K. Choudhary, Vijay B. Khopkar, Anupama A. V., Balaram Sahoo	Chemistry	Materials Chemistry and Physics	0254-0584
5	Water Quality Supervision Policy in Eastern India, Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research	Keshari Das , Tanushree Das , Nibedita Pattnayak	Chemistry	Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research	2349-5162
6	A note on generalized indexed norlund summability factor	P. Tripathy and B.P. Padhy	Mathematics	Journal of Analysis and Applications	ISSN:0972-5954
7	A note on generalized indexed norlund summability factor of an infinite series	B.P. Padhy, P. Tripathy, U.K. Mishra	Mathematics	International Journal of Analysis and Application	ISSN:2291-8639
8	. "Presiding Deity Images From the Shakta Temples of Prachi Valley in Odisha : A Recent Study"	Dr. Ratnakar Mohapatra	HISTORY	KALA | Journal of Indian Art History Congress)	ISSN-0975-7945
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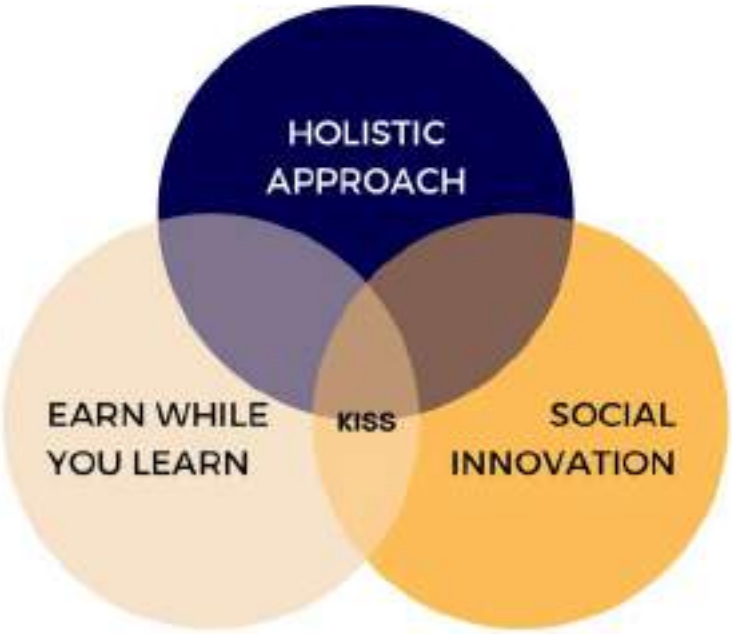
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10	" Settlement and Clanship of Wolaitta in Omo River Valley of Ethiopia"	A. S. Lambebo and Dr. R.Mohapatra	HISTORY	International Journal of Recent Technology and Engineering (IJRTE)	ISSN:2277-3878
11	" Indian Tribal Religious System of the Santal Society of Northern Odisha: A Historical Analysis",	R. Mohapatra and S. Hembrm	HISTORY	International Journal of Psychosocial Rehabilitation (IJPR),Volume No.23, Issue-5,	ISSN:1475-7192
12	Comparison of Higher Secondary School Students of Rural and Urban Areas with reference to their Environmental Awareness	Dr. Sujata Acharya	Education	Mukt Shabd Journal	ISSN NO : 2347-3150
13	Radius problem for the class of analytic functions based on Ruschweyh derivative	Dr. Susanta Mohapatra	Mathematics	Proyecciones Journal of Mathemmatics	0717-6279
14	Certain class of analytic functions with varying arguments associated with convolution of q analogue of salagean and Ruschweyh differential operator.	Dr. Susanta Mohapatra	Mathematics	International Journal of Problems and Complex Analysis	2074-2827
15	Burden and molecular epidemiology of Rotavirus causing diarrhea among under-five children: A hospital-based study from Eastern India	Shrivastava A.K., Reddy N.S., Giri S., Sahu P., Das M., Mohakud N.K., Das R.R.		Journal of Global Infectious Diseases	0974777X
16	Epidemiological and clinical features of scrub typhus in Odisha, Eastern India	Das P., Singh D., Das M., Nayak R., Mohakud N.		Medical Journal of Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	25898302
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REPLICABLE MODEL

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

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

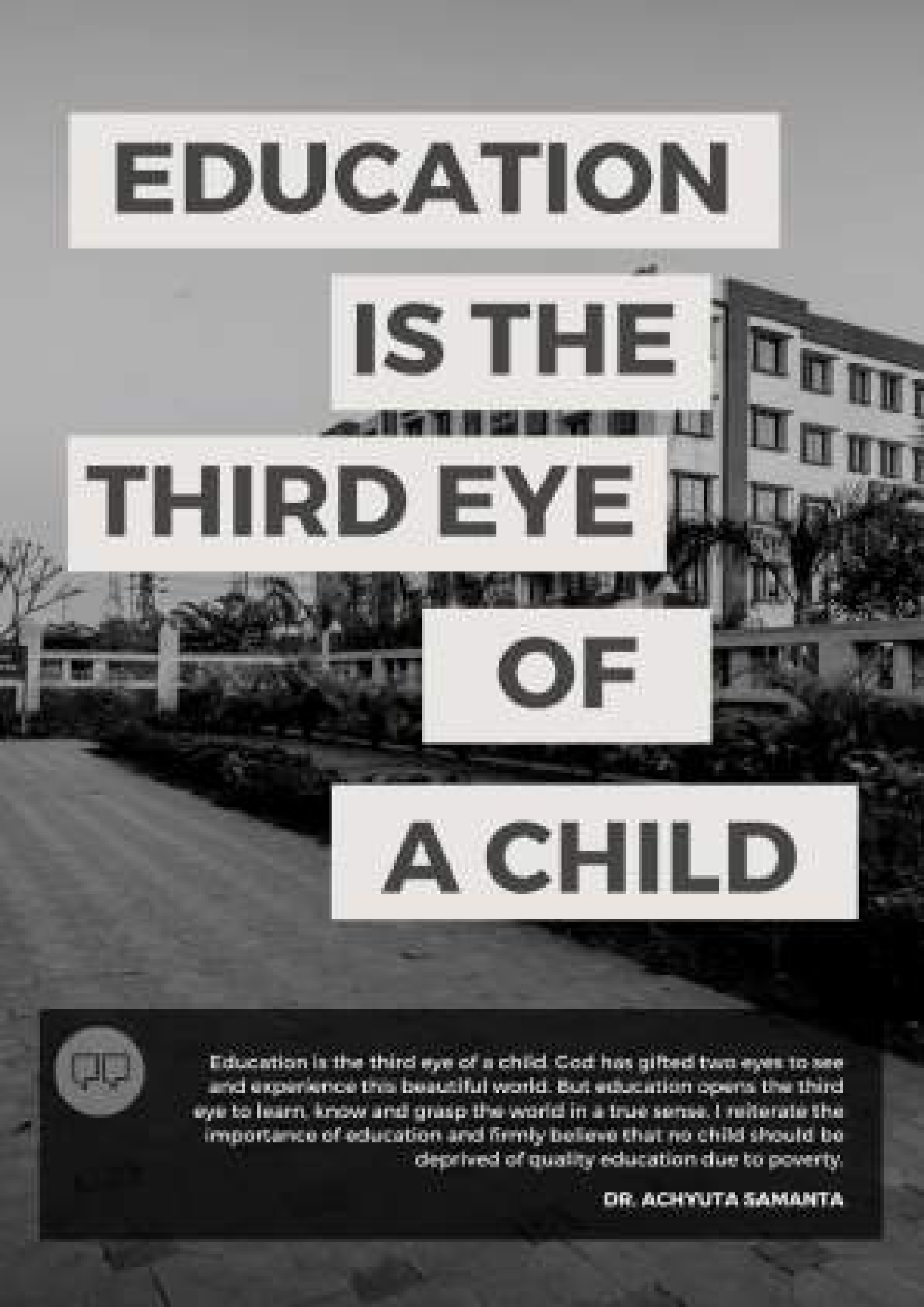






IMPACT

Learn how education is positively impacting our students and our community at large. Explore statistics and case studies in this section



Education is the third eye of a child. God has gifted two eyes to see and experience this beautiful world. But education opens the third eye to learn, know and grasp the world in a true sense. I reiterate the importance of education and firmly believe that no child should be deprived of quality education due to poverty.

DR. ACHYUTA SAMANTA

Achievements & Recognition

GLOBAL NGO RANK 189 BY NGO ADVISOR

KISS has been ranked 189 in the prestigious list of 2019 top 500 NGOs of the World, published by NGO Advisor. Earlier, in 2017 KISS ranked 223 while the institute held the 500th position in 2016. KISS was selected out of thousands of NOGs from around the world for its outstanding impact, innovation, and governance.

LEADERSHIP AWARD BY NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

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

ODISHA EDUCATION AWARD 2019

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

Achievements & Recognition

NGO OF THE YEAR 2019

KISS was recognised at the CSR Summit and Awards 2019 organised by UBS at JW Marriott in Bengaluru based on the theme "Innovate, Engage & Sustain"

NATIONAL BRAVERY AWARD TO KISS STUDENT

Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble PM of India, presented the National Bravery Award to Mamata Dalai from KISS in New Delhi on January 24, 2018. At 6 years and 8 month, she was the youngest recipient of this prestigious award, for saving the life of 7 yr. old Asanti Dalai from the jaws of a salt-water crocodile in her village pond on April 6th, 2017.

GLOBAL ROLE MODEL - SUMITRA NAIK

Sumitra Naik, captain of the Indian Women's Rugby Team, was nominated for the prestigious Children's Peace Prize in 2017. She also holds the distinction of delivering a talk on children's rights at TEDx platform in Pune and being selected as a Youth Venturer by Ashoka Foundation. KISS empowered Sumitra to overcome extreme poverty and tragic family circumstances to become a role model for children and youth across the globe.

Achievements & Recognition

SUCCESS IN IIT/NIT/NEET/CLAT

Two students of KISS joined IITs after clearing Joint Admission Test for M. Sc. (JAM) in 2019, while one has joined NIT. In 2019, three students joined MBBS course in Government medical colleges after clearing NEET. Similarly, one student has cleared Common Law Admission Test (CLAT),

SUCCESS IN IIMs

Ganeswar Minaka, a KISS student, cleared CAT, one of the most rigorous entrance tests in the country, and joined IIM, Tiruchirappalli.

KISS STUDENTS GRADUATE AS DOCTORS

Many batches of KISS students have passed their MBBS qualification from Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), KIIT DU. 5% seats in all professional courses of KIIT University are reserved for deserving KISS students for free.

Achievements & Recognition

SUCCESS IN JRF & NET

4 students of KISS, Tikeswar Majhi, Teli Tuika, Chintamani Majhi and Jeetendra Saraka, have cleared the prestigious Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and/or National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by UGC.

SUCCESS IN NEET

Shrashanjali Kapandia and Nabin Munda, students of +2 Science stream, qualified for the NEET 2017 entrance exam conducted by CBSE for admission into MBBS course.

MALALA DAY - UN YOUTH ASSEMBLY

Laxman Hembram, a 17 year old indigenous boy from KISS, participated in the Malala Day United Nations Youth Assembly at the United Nations Headquarters in New York held on July 12th, 2013. He represented India at the event, which was attended by 120 youth leaders from as many countries, including Pakistani activist Malala Yousafzai, in whose honour it was held.

Achievements & Recognition

KISS IN ANTHROPOLOGY TEXTBOOKS IN USA

KISS has been featured in 2 popular textbooks used in introductory and cultural anthropology courses in USA, namely: A Concise Introduction to Anthropology and Mirror for Humanity - A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (8th Edition), written by Prof. Conrad Phillip Kottak, Professor Emeritus, Anthropology, University of Michigan.

WORLD CHILDREN'S PRIZE FOR CHILD RIGHTS

KISS received recognition from the World's Children's Prize for Child Rights. It is a recognition given to organisations working in the field of different aspects of child rights.

US FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR

Renowned Professor in Anthropology, Dr. Christine Finnan conducted extensive research on the institute spanning several months. This was the first instance of an American Fulbright Scholar working at any Indian institute.

STUDENTS CORNER



CASE STUDY - PUPREN ORAM

Pupren Oram belongs to Mahupada village, Sundargarh, Odisha. Her childhood was marked by fear and violence since her village was repeatedly attacked by Maoists extremists. After years of living in fear, her mother sent her to KISS, far away from all the violence. At KISS, Pupren found immersed herself in school life - alongside studying, she learnt a vocational trade and enrolled in volleyball. She also played volleyball at national level tournaments and captained the KISS team in 2010.

Unfortunately around this time, her father was brutally murdered by Maoists. Pupren returned to her village for a few days post his death, but had to be smuggled out soon thereafter due to fear for her life. Instead, Pupren returned to KISS where she has always found a safe and loving home. She never thinks about her past because it gives her goosebumps but at KISS she has never had to worry for her life and safety. Pupren is unsure what her life would have been had she not found this home; indeed it is a great tragedy for children to spend their youth worrying for their physical safety and for basic necessities, and so KISS has given Pupren the best gift possible - piece of her childhood returned to her.

Dr. Achyuta Samanta, the Founder of KISS, strongly believes that education can be considered the third eye of knowledge for children; one that allows them to discern convolutions of society and act as agents of change and transformation both for themselves and for their communities and societies. For Pupren, education not only gave her a path out from the clutches of extremism, but also motivated her to become an agent of change for her youth similarly stuck in situations like her.



जनपथ समाचार

केआईएसएस ने छात्रा को माओवादियों के साये से निकाल कर दी नयी जिंदगी

भुवनेश्वर (ओडिशा)। कलिंग इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ सोशल साइंसेज (केआईएसएस) ओडिशा के भुवनेश्वर स्थित एक विख्यात गैर विश्वविद्यालय है, जहां 30,000 से अधिक जनजातीय विद्यार्थियों को निःशुल्क शिक्षा, निःशुल्क भोजन, निःशुल्क स्वास्थ्य सुविधाएं और निःशुल्क आवास प्रदान किया जाता है।

यह संस्थान न सिर्फ गरीबी से जूझ रहे स्थानीय विद्यार्थियों के समक्ष आने वाली वैश्विक असमानता समाप्त करने हेतु देश को उत्कृष्ट कक्षाओं में पैठने के उनके अधिकारों का सम्मान करते हुए उन्हें समान अवसर प्रदान का माहौल बनाने का एक प्रयास है।

पुपेन ओराम ओडिशा के सुंदरगढ़ के मधुपड़ा गांव की रहने वाली है। उसका बचपन गांव में आये दिन होने वाले माओवादियों के हमले, हिंसा और डर के साये में गुजरा है। जहाँ डर के साये में रहने के बाद उसकी मां ने उसे इस समस्त हिंसा से दूर केआईएसएस में भेज दिया। केआईएसएस में पुपेन स्कूली जीवन में पूरी तरह रम गयी। उसने पढ़ाई के अलावा उसने एक वॉलेंटायर्स ग्रुप भी जॉइन और वॉलीबॉल में दक्षिता लिया। उसने राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर इंटरनेशनलों में वॉलीबॉल खेला है और 2010 में केआईएसएस टीम का कैप्टन भी रह चुकी है।

दुर्भाग्यवश इसी दौरान माओवादियों ने उसके पिता की नृशंस हत्या कर दी। पिता की मौत के कुछ दिन बाद पुपेन अपने गांव लौट गयी, लेकिन डर के मारे, जो देखते हुए उसे शीघ्र ही वहां से निकल जाना पड़ा।

पुपेन केआईएसएस में वापस लौट आयी, जहां उसने इसे एक सुरक्षित और प्यार भरा घर पाया। यहां उसने कभी भी अपने अतीत को याद नहीं किया, क्योंकि यह उसके रोंगटे खड़े कर देती थी।

लेकिन केआईएसएस में उसे अपने जीवन और सुरक्षा के बारे में कभी भी चिंता करने की जरूरत नहीं पड़ी। पुपेन मानती है कि यदि उसे केआईएसएस नहीं मिला तो उसकी जिंदगी का क्या होता। वास्तव में यह बच्चों के लिये एक त्रासदी ही है कि उन्हें अपने युवावस्था में ही सुरक्षित जरूरतों एवं शारीरिक सुरक्षा के लिये संघर्ष करना पड़ता है।

इसलिए केआईएसएस ने पुपेन को उसके घर की क्षति लौटा का उसे उसके बचपन का सर्वश्रेष्ठ उपहार दिया है।केआईएसएस के संस्थापक डॉ. अच्युत सामंत का मजबूती से यह मानना है कि बच्चों के लिये शिक्षा ज्ञान की तीसरी आंख के तौर पर होनी चाहिए; जो उन्हें समाज की गहरी विसंगत करने में समर्थ बनाये तथा वे अपने एवं अपने समुदायों और समाज में बदलाव लाने का कार्य कर सके।

पुपेन के लिये, शिक्षा ने न केवल उसे आतंक के चंगुल से निकलने का रास्ता प्रदान किया, बल्कि उसको जैसी परिस्थितियों में फंसे युवाओं में बदलाव लाने हेतु प्रेरित भी किया।

Published in Hindi in **Janpath Samachar newspaper** as "*KISS gives new life to a girl who escaped Maoist Recruitment*" on 23rd September 2020

CASE STUDY - CHABILAL MAJHI

Chabilal Majhi, belongs to Kanchanmukhi village in Kalahandi District, Odisha. Amongst her 7 brothers & sisters, Chabilal is the only one to have completed formal education beyond 10th standard. The rest of her siblings are now all married and working as agricultural labour. Her family's subsistence livelihood is completely based on shifting cultivation. Chabilal recounts that her village lacked adequate healthcare facilities and drinking water, resulting in her losing many friends as a child. These same problems spurred her father to send her to a school a little further on from the village. Despite walking long kilometres to reach her school, Chabilal remembers getting frustrated at being unable to learn much due to negligent teaching. Instead, her father shifted her to another school where she found only one teacher for class-1 to class-10. Luckily, by this point, Chabilal's father heard about KISS in Bhubaneswar, and enrolled her in 2007. Now, Chabilal is studying in +3, delighted to finally be able to study.

Chabilal says, "KISS has given me the opportunity to excel in my life. When I was in class five, I started playing Judo and got selected for national team under Judo-championship (small category) and went to Assam to play the championship. I have played in three national and two international judo championships. Before joining KISS, I had never heard about this game, nor was I aware of its importance in our society. It is not only a game for me but
also gives me strength for my self-defence, discipline and control. It has helped me learn valuable social skills while building long-lasting and meaningful relationships with others. Judo makes me feel safe in any situation where strength, technique and intelligence are primary to my safety."

She is thankful to Dr. Achyuta Samanta for providing me this strength, opportunity to conquer the world and become a role model for her village. "Now kids are looking at me and dreaming of growing up like me. And I am very happy that the children of my village are being inspired by me and are excited to move forward", she says.



একদিন

জুডোর দুনিয়ায় নাম করল কালাহান্ডির মেয়ে

Published in Bangla in **Ek Din newspaper** as *"Girl from Kalahandi makes a name for herself in the realm of Judo"* on 26th September 2020

ALUMNUS CASE STUDY - MADHAV KEMPRAI

Madhav Kemprai hails from one of the remotest regions of Assam, called Dhansiri in Karbi Anglong district - an area that still struggles with access to electricity, proper transportation & connectivity.

Kemprai's family has four members - his mother, 2 younger brothers, and himself. Madhav lost his father - a petition writer in the Notary office - to a heart attack when he was barely 7 years old. This untimely loss threw the family into turmoil, both emotionally and economically, pushing them to the rim of absolute poverty. Kemprai's mother struggled to earn a living to feed her three children, and due to these difficult circumstances, was forced to leave her youngest baby at Madhav's grandparents home, about 50km from their village. For a few years, the family struggled to provide 2 square meals a day, often borrowing food from neighbours for mere subsistence. After 2 years, the family began selling vegetables at a nearby local haat (marketplace), which helped them make ends meet.

At the time of his father's passing, Madhav was in Standard 1 at a private school in the region, while his younger siblings were not yet enrolled in school. However, due to financial constraints, Madhav was forced to switch schools, to instead attend a government school in his region. A year or two later, he was joined at the school by his younger brother, and both completed their primary and middle schooling at that government school. Every winter, during those years, the boys would sell oranges on the roadside to earn money to pay for the forthcoming session's admission fees.

However, within a few years, another event devastated the family...
In 2005, there was an ethnic clash between 2 tribes of Karbi Anglong. As the family slept at night, a group of unidentified persons banged on the door, attempting to break in. Luckily, Madhav and his family sneaked out from the backdoor, and were able to escape being butchered by the militants; others in their village were not as lucky. The Kempral family walked nearly 10km in the dark that night, finding their way amidst paddy fields, and people's private properties, until they were able to seek refuge at the house of Madhav's mother's friend at a neighbouring town. The following morning, they boarded a passenger train and travelled to their maternal grandfather's home, from where the family went to the Government relief camp for conflict victims.

They lived in this camp for nearly 4 months until the conflict situation was normalised. During this time, they received the sorrowful news that their house had been burnt and destroyed by unidentified goons. In a few months, the government withdrew the relief camp, leaving the Kemprais and other families homeless, wandering around unsure of where to go or what to do. Luckily, they were able to purchase an area of forest land that was meant for resettlement and rehabilitation of those affected by ethnic conflict. The group created a village called Dimaidi, around 30km from their previous home, and settled here. Starting once again without any capital, Madhav's mother struggled to sustain the family's livelihood. The family would collect wood from the forests for sale in the market, and this helped them finance their living, until Madhav completed his Matric board examinations in 2008. At this point, his youngest brother rejoined the family, following the demise of the grandfather he had been raised by. Unfortunately, the grandfather had contracted Jaundice, but the family's state of abject poverty made them unable to raise enough funds to cover timely medical treatment.

After graduating from Class 10, Madhav joined in +2 Science stream at Diphu Government College, about 27km from his new house. Here, he rented a room yet, was more worried about food and house rent expenses rather than focusing on his studies. As a result, Madhav began teaching some school children as a tutor, which unfortunately affected his own education, forcing him to drop out of school after passing Grade 12.

Luckily, at this juncture, he was informed about KISS by Vivek da, then President of All Assam Dimasa Student Union. In his own words, this knowledge completely transformed Madhav's future.

"I am ever so grateful to Vivek *da* because of whom I got into KISS. KISS has not only changed my life but my younger brother too. Just like me, after passing Class 10, he too had lost hope form education and left for Chennai to work in some factory. But while I was going through the admissions process in ISS, I immediately called him to KISS convincing him that he too can now continue his education"

AT KISS, Madhav completed his B. Sc. in Computer Science (3022-2014). His brother pursued a +2 in Science (2011-2013), following which he cleared the medical competitive exam and received admission into an MBBS course at a government medical college of Assam. He is now well on his way to completing his MBBS degree, while also pursuing an internship at the same college.

As for Madhav, after completing his B. Sc from KISS, he went on to pursue a post-graduate MA in Development Studies from Azim Premji University in Bangalore, on 100% scholarship. He is now pursuing a PhD from Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Guwahati. He has also been involved with a grassroot NGO based in Bongaigaon district of Assam, wherein he worked on community development programs, particularly in the livelihood sector with several vulnerable communities comprising both minorities and tribals from the region.

He was also trained in archery during his time at KISS, under the supervision of Mr. Rajesh Hansdak; a renowned archery coach of Odisha. Madhav represented KISS at the Inter-University Tournament conducted in 2011, in addition to participating in 2 state-level archery tournaments. He credits KISS' unique model of combining mental and physical education through sports in helping him develop critical thinking alongside understanding the world better. In his own words, Madhav says " Without KISS, forget about the PhD, I would not have even been able to complete my bachelor degree, without which I definitely would not have been in the place where I am now. Similarly, my younger brother would not have been a Doctor today had he not joined KISS. Now everybody can feel the happiness of the distressed mother, when she finds both of her sons are highly educated and well placed only because of KISS. I again would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Founder of KISS Dr. Achutya Samanta for teaching us how to fish and thereby enabling us to break the cycle of poverty.



Madhab Kemprai



Madhab Kemprai with mother

Paraphrased from an interview published in English in **Asian Lite newspaper** as "*The KISS of Life*" on 21st September 2020

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR



IUAES INTER CONGRESS 2019

Sep 3, 2019

A team from KISS (Mr. Dwiti Vikramaditya, Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik, Dr. Krupasindhu Nayak and Dr. Manoj Kumar Behera) recently chaired a session on "Anthropology in the Public Sphere - Solidarity, Peace and Development" amidst professors, research scholars and social activists from over 63 countries at IUAES Inter-Congress 2019, held from August 27-31 at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland.



TEAM ODISHA GOALKEEPER - SANJUKTA TIRKEY

Sep 6, 2019

Ms. Sanjukta Tirkey, a +3 student of KISS, was selected in the Odisha Senior Women team (as a Goalkeeper) to participate in the "25th Senior National Women Football Championship" in Arunachal Pradesh from 10th - 24th September, 2019. Sanjukta is from Sundargarh District & belongs to the Oram tribe.



VICTORS OF RUGBY CHAMPIONS TROPHY - 2019 CALLAGHAN CUP

Sep 9, 2019

KISS Men's Rugby Team won the Champions trophy of The 2019 Callaghan Cup - All India National Division-2 Rugby XVs Championship (Men). The event was held at Punjab University, Chandigarh from 3rd to 8th September, 2019 and was organized by the Chandigarh Rugby Football Association (CRFA).



PARTNERSHIP WITH ICRISAT

Sep 22, 2019

KISS entered a partner sub-grant agreement with the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), to conduct research in Koraput, Odisha. KISS will aid the project, titled "Through the Looking Glass: Applying a Gender Lens to Agricultural Transformation, Labour Intensification and Nutrition Outcomes in LMICs" by conducting research and data collection. This project will be of great impact to the fields of nutrition, women's empowerment and technology adoption in rural agricultural settings.



ENGLISH ACCESS GRADUATION CEREMONY

Sep 26, 2019

KISS conducted the Graduation and Closing Ceremony of the 2017-2019 Access Program batch today, at Trident Hotel Bhubaneswar. Along with 100 Access students, dignitaries from Hyderabad US Consulate graced the occasion.



MDH OWNER CONFERRED WITH LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Sep 30, 2019

Padma Bhushan Mahashay Dharmapal Gulati ji, owner of MDH Companies, was conferred with KISS' 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award for his hard work and determination which made his packaged spices to every Indian household. May his grit inspire millions of young Indian entrepreneurs.



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Oct 2, 2019

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LAUNCH OF KALINGA AVATAR

Oct 14, 2019

'Kalinga Avatar - The Indian Tribal Choir' was launched by the DG of ICCR, Shri Akhilesh Mishra. The choir is a unique initiative to promote and integrate tribal language, music and culture into mainstream music performances while using authentic tribal instruments such as Tamak, Dhapu, Gini, Mardal and Bainsi. 21 vocalists and 16 musicians from KISS' indigenous student body comprise the choir, which performed original compositions at its inauguration on 2nd October 2019 at the 150th Birth Anniversary celebrations of Mahatma Gandhi at KIIT University, after 12 weeks of dedicated effort by our students, staff and consultants.





MEERARANI HEMBRAM ON TEDX BANGALORE

Oct 20, 2019

KISS student, Ms. Meerarani Hembram, was a special speaker at TEDxBangalore on Oct. 20th, where she spoke on the challenges of getting selected to the Indian Women's Rugby Team from a tribal community of Odisha.



SDG ROOM INAUGURATED AT KISS

Oct 28, 2019

Mr. Joel Reifman, US Consul General-Hyderabad, inaugurated the SDG room of the Centre for American Studies and addressed our students. He was accompanied by Ms. Kristen Loehr, Political and Economic Chief, Mr. Salil Kader, Cultural Affairs Advisor, Mr. Siba Tripathy, Economic Specialist, and, Mr. Srimali Kari, Political Specialist.



STUDENTS GET LECTURESHIP POSTS

Oct 29, 2019

8 of our students recently got selected for lectureship posts through SSB. They will be posted in different colleges across the state. It is so encouraging to see our alumni return to their communities as agents of change.



KISS PARTNERS WITH UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA, UK

Nov 1, 2019

KISS has partnered with the University of East Anglia (UEA) for a project on Sustainable Food Systems. We have a team at the UN House in Delhi for the 'Global Research Translation Awards' on Sustainable Food Systems. They will attend technical meetings and stakeholder consultation on impact acceleration through analysis, advocacy and action. Pradan and Gram Vani are also partners on this exciting project.



MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS VISITS KISS

Nov 2, 2019

We had a special visit from Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India and Minister of State in the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India. Touched by the affection he witnessed among our students, Shri Rijiju expressed his hope that students of KISS will always continue to bring laurels to India.



WISCOMP WORKSHOP FOR GENDER-JUST SPACES

Nov 25-28, 2019

KISS and KIIT collaborated with Women in Security, Conflict Management and Peace (an initiative of the Foundation for Universal Responsibility of HH the Dalai Lama) and the American Embassy, Delhi to host a 3-day workshop on 'Gender Equity & Inclusion: Transformative Pathways in Higher Education' from November 25-28, 2019. Experts from US and Indian colleges are facilitating discussion and internal consultation with our staff and students to envision and design an institute specific template to conduct Gender Audits as required by NAAC guidelines and to ensure HEI preparedness on the implementation of #SPARSH (Sensitization, Prevention and Redressal of Sexual Harassment) policy of Government of India.



3RD EDITION OF KALINGA FELLOWSHIP

Dec 9, 2019

Kickstarting the 3rd edition of Kalinga Fellowship to discuss and understand the issues in gender equality while minimizing and controlling human trafficking. Senior leaders from the government, business sector and civil society come together to combat the trafficking of women and children globally.



COMPASSIONATE INTEGRITY TRAINING WITH UNESCO MGIEP

Dec 14-16, 2019

KISS and KIIT in collaboration with UNESCO MGIEP and Life University have launched a Compassionate Integrity Training, a 3-day intensive workshop which is being held from December 14-16, 2019. This is a first-of-its-kind attempt to bring a coursework-based understanding of common humanity and kindness to higher educational spaces in India.



KISS PARTNERS WITH INDIAN RUGBY TEAM

Dec 30, 2019

KISS became an Associate Partner of the Indian Rugby Team. An MoU was signed between the Indian Rugby Football Union and KIIT & KISS in presence of Shri Naveen Patnaik - Hon'ble CM of Odisha, Sri Tusharkanti Behera - Minister of Sport & Youth Services (Odisha), Dr. Achyuta Samanta - Founder KIIT & KISS, and Mr. Rahul Bose, for the promotion of Rugby in Odisha and India and to support players with best of training and facilities. A 'Rugby High Performance Centre' was also established at KISS, for the same.



KISSIANS ARE RUGBY CHAMPS

Dec 30, 2019

Glad to see our students of KISS and KIIT ending this year on a positive note as the champions of the 2019 National University Games Rugby Championships.



CAPACITY BUILDING FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY

Feb 1, 2020

KISS-DU recently organised a ten-day 'Capacity Building Program for Faculty in Social Sciences', sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi.



INTELLECTUAL DISCUSSION FOR MADHUSUDAN DAS CHAIR

Feb 6, 2020

KISS-DU's Madhusudan Das Research Chair recently hosted an intellectual Discussion on the occasion of the 86th Death Anniversary of "Utkal Gourav" Madhusudan Das. Das was a poet and freedom fighter who worked tirelessly for the political, social and economical upliftment of Odisha.



KISSIANS AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Feb 9, 2020

13 students were selected last month as Special Police Officers under the Orissa Urban Police Act, 2003. One of their primary responsibilities is to report eve- teasing and sexual harassment, to promote security amongst women.



KISSIANS BAG COMPETITIVE JOBS

Feb 10, 2020

We are proud of our students who have bagged competitive jobs with salary packages upwards of 4 Lakhs per annum. Congratulations and best wishes to Dipan Majhi, Kumar Majhi, Sikandar Munda and Shanti Murmu for their achievements



COVID SENSITISATION PROGRAMME BY KINS

Feb 13, 2020

Amidst the global #CoronaVirus epidemic, it is essential to spread proper information & practice good hygiene, so we gladly hosted a 'Sensitisation Programme on Novel Corona Virus Prevention Strategies' for our students, by Kalinga Institute of Nursing Sciences (KINS).



10 DAY RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES SCHOLARS

Feb 14, 2020

KISS-DU is currently hosting a Ten-Day Research Methodology Course (RMC) for Research Scholars in Social Sciences, with sponsorship from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi from 6th to 15th February, 2020.



MOTILAL OSWALD KISS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL INAUGURATED

Feb 15, 2020

The Balangir Unit of KISS Bhubaneswar, Motilal Oswal-KISS Residential School, was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik on 15th of February, 2020.



MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS VISITS KISS

Feb 27, 2020

Shri Arjun Munda, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs, Government of India and his team visited our Campus and interacted with our students, inspiring them with his words of wisdom.



KIIT/KISS WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM WINS GOLD

Feb 28, 2020

KIIT University's Women's Rugby Team on clinching Gold with a 31-7 victory over Patliputra University earlier today. What a wonderful end to #KIUG2020 with a win for the hosts, and amazing work by our girls



WORKSHOP ON TRIBAL INTELLECTUALS & INCLUSION

Mar 3, 2020

KISS-DU recently hosted a two day workshop on Tribal Intellectuals And Inclusion: A Need Based Assessment. The workshop was jointly organised in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), with the support of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India from 28th to 29th February 2020.



TCS JOBS FOR KISSIANS

Mar 2, 2020

11 of our students have been selected for jobs with TCS after completing 100 hours of training under the Free Employability Training programme coordinated by TCS, Kolkata.



MOU SIGNING WITH INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Mar 5, 2020

MoU Signing Ceremony between KISS-DU & the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) earlier this week. We're excited for all the mutual growth that this new partnership will forge.



SUSPENSION OF CLASSES DUE TO COVID 19

Mar 15, 2020

We decided to suspend classes and temporarily close our institution in line with the government advisory and to exercise extreme precaution. All our students were thoroughly briefed on the dos and don'ts and provided with basic sanitary items required to prevent the virus.



KISSIANS RAISE AWARENESS

Mar 26, 2020

Our KISS volunteers were engaged in massive awareness campaign on fighting Corona, sensitising masses on hand and respiratory hygiene and most importantly the power of social distancing before the lockdown.



KISSIANS AS CHANGEMAKERS

Mar 7, 2020

Our Alumnus and Sarpanch from Rayagada District, Haraprasad Hepruka is conducting awareness sessions and distributing food everyday. We are proud of you, our young politico in making!



DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF BIJU PATNAIK

Apr 17, 2020

We pay our humble tribute to Shri Biju Patnaik on his death anniversary. Our Founder paid floral tributes to Biju Babu today



HELPING TIBETAN COMMUNITIES & MONKS AT CHANDRAGIRI

Apr 24, 2020

Besides a series of initiatives to help citizens of Odisha and provision of support to the state government in the battle against COVID-19, KIIT and KISS have extended a helping hand to the Tibetan communities in Chandragiri of Gajapati district in Odisha, by providing basic essentials and groceries for at least a month to the Tibetan families settled in Chandragiri and to the monks of Padmasambhava Mahavihara Monastery in Jirang, the largest Buddhist monastery in Eastern India. Besides food, a kit containing essential items like sanitisers, hand wash, sanitary napkins and masks were also provided



ONLINE CLASSES FOR KISS STUDENTS

Apr 30, 2020

We have set up online classes from all our srudents. Classes, doubt clearing sessions and assignments are being given through WhatsApp groups. But what's more interesting is their assignments that focus on keeping tribal youth genuinely integrated in their own culture. They are doing projects on tribal festivals, culture, dances, indigenous medicine, folklore depending on their age and grade. Our students always remain integrated in their own societies.



KISS OBSERVES MMIWG DAY

May 5th, 2020

On this day we hosted a social media campaign adding our voice to the efforts of global indigenous communities raising awareness on Murdered, Missing, Harassed, Assaulted & Raped Indigenous Women and Girls. We extended our solidarity by planting a tree as a living memorial to the cause, in addition to wearing red and offering prayer as a tribute.



PROUD OF OUR ALUMNI

May 6th, 2020

A member of the Indian women's rugby team & pride of the nation, KISSian Ms. Bhagyalaxmi Barik has devoted her life to the state as a police personnel. We congratulate her on achieving this milestone!



SUSTAINABLE TOURISM WEBINAR

May 11th, 2020

KISS-DU hosted a Google Meet for an interactive webinar on Sustainable Tourism in Highland Odisha.



WEBINAR ON RESPONSE & RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS TOWARDS CHILDREN DURING COVID19

May 14th, 2020

KISS-DU hosted a webinar on the Response & Responsibilities of Parents towards Children at Home beyond the Covid-19 Pandemic Lockdown



WEBINAR - SOCIETY, STATE AND POST-COVID19: EXPERIENCE IN SOUTH ASIA

June 9th, 2020

KISS DU's Department of Tribal Legal Studies & Tribal Rights is delighted to invite you to our upcoming webinar on 'Society, State and Post-Covid19: Experience in South Asia' at 3:30pm on 8th June 2020, with Dr. Uddhab Pyakurel of Kathmandu University as keynote speaker.



WEBINAR: OPEN DISTANCE LEARNING: MEANS FOR A CONTINUOUS EDUCATION

June 10th, 2020

KISS-DU hosted a webinar on Open Distance Learning: Means for a Continuous Education with Dr. S. A. Moin, Sr. Consultant for UNICEF and Former Director of SCERT, Patna



WEBINAR - TRIBAL EDUCATION - PROBLEMS & PROSPECTS IN 21ST CENTURY

June 11th, 2020

KISS-DU hosted a talk on Tribal Education - Problems & Prospects in 21st century, with Prof. B. N. Panda, Dean of Research at Regional Institute of Education, NCERT Bhubaneswar.



CLASSES BROADCAST ON KALINGA TV FOR KISSIANS

June 11th, 2020

After our lockdown initiative for Whatsapp based classes for our KISSians, we adopted a novel approach to teaching that addresses the digital divide and network issues prevalent in rural areas by using Kalinga TV to provide an hour of classes on television everyday. In addition to these classes, our students are also working on projects related to tribal language, culture, folklore, dance, medicine and so on depending upon their age and grade.



DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF UTKALMANI GOPABANDHU DAS

June 17th, 2020

We respectfully paid our tributes to Utkalmani Gopabandhu Das on his Death Anniversary.



WEBINAR - 'GLOBALISATION AND TRIBAL CULTURES IN EASTERN AND NORTHEASTERN

June 18th, 2020

KISS-DU hosted a webinar addressing 'Globalisation and Tribal Cultures in Eastern and Northeastern India' on 22nd June at 11am. We are pleased to have Prof. Kishor K Basa, Tagore National Fellow, Ministry of Culture, GOI, and Former Head of the Anthropology Department of Utkal University with us as a speaker.



FOOD PACKET DISTRIBUTION FOR KISSIANS IN BHUBANESWAR

June 25th, 2020

Here's a glimpse of food packet distribution to KISS students residing Bhubaneswar, earlier this week.



WEBINAR IN MEMORY OF SANTAL HUL

June 30th, 2020

The Santal Hul was a liberation rebellion in present-day Jharkhand in 1855, against British colonial authority and the zamindari system by Santals. It is also considered the most effective tribal movement of the period. To mark the occassion, KISS-DU organised a webinar in memory of the Santal Hul, with Dr. Dhuni Soren, Dr. Subodh Hansda and Sri Udaynath Majhi.


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UDAY change-makers in tribal communities fight against COVID

#MISSIONUDAY MAKES HEADLINES

July 23rd, 2020

We're proud to announce that our #MissionUDAY youth engagement initiative, aimed at reducing vulnerabilities of youth from tribal communities, has created more than 722 change-makers working on various health and social concerns, in the 2 and a half years since its inception. More than 48% of these are women.



KIIT ANNOUNCES FREE EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN OF COVID DECEASED

July 26th, 2020

Acting under the guidance of our Founder, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, our sister concern KIIT University has extended support to facilitate the families of the COVID deceased. KIIT has decided to aid technical and professional education free of cost to the children of the COVID deceased. KIIT is the only university in India and abroad to extend such humanitarian gesture to the families of the Covid deceased



2 WEBINARS BY KISS-DU'S DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL HERITAGE AND TRIBAL INDOLOGY

July 29th, 2020

The Department of Tribal Heritage and Tribal Indology, KISS DU is delighted to invite you for its upcoming webinar on Wednesday, the 29th of July. Dr. Debendra Biswal, from Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi addressed the Protection of Heritage of Indigenous People: Principles and Challenges, and, Dr. Niranjan from Mohapatra, Assam University, Silchar addressed the Political Identity of Tribals of Assam With Special Reference to Karbi Tribe



WEBINAR ON RESUMPTION OF SPORTS AT UNIVERSITY SECTOR POST COVID-19

July 27th, 2020

KISS-DU organized a Webinar on Resumption of Sports at University Sector Post COVID-19 yesterday, with the slogan "PADHTE PADHTE KHELTE JAO, KHELTE KHELTE PADHTE JAO". The webinar explored a route for the resumption of sports training facilities by taking the requisite preventive measures to start physical education, special training, yoga by adopting proper diet & nutrition intake to get stamina and boost immunity, speed, strength, skill and spirit to keep the sports persons mentally as well as physically fit. The webinar also assured extension of all possible cooperation for promoting sports at the University level.



ODIA DEPT HOSTS WEBINAR ON TRIBAL LANGUAGE & CULTURE

Aug 2nd, 2020

Dept of Odia, School of Comparative Tribal Linguistics & Literature, KISS DU hosted a webinar on the topic "ଆଦିବାସୀ ଭାଷା ଓ ସଂସ୍କୃତି,-ଦି:ଏକ ଦୃଷ୍ଟିକୋଣ / Tribal language and Culture: A Perspective".



WEBINAR - 'IMPORTANCE OF TRIBAL EDUCATION IN INDIA: ISSUES & CHALLENGES'

August 7th, 2020

KISS DU's School of Social Science & Administration hosted a webinar on the 'Importance of Tribal Education in India: Issues & Challenges'



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

August 9th, 2020

On the occasion of International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, our Founder, Dr. Samanta interacted with students, inquiring about their health and academics, and greeted them for the day.



WEBINAR ON INDIGENOUS COMMUNICATION - LANGUAGE & IDENTITY

August 11th, 2020

KISS DU 's Department of Comparative Tribal Linguistics & Literature hosted a webinar on 'Indigenous Communication: Language and Identity



WEBINAR - MEERA BAI - EXAMINING GENDER AND SEXUALITY THROUGH THE PRISM OF HER

August 12th, 2020

KISS DU 's Department of Comparative Tribal Linguistics & Literature hosted a webinar on 'Meera Bai - Examining Gender and Sexuality through the Prism of her Poetry'. The webinar was an attempt to address the issues of gender and sexuality through Meera Bai's poetry, creating an academic platform to celebrate her idea of poetic truth and humanity.



WEBINAR ON CULTURE AND SOCIETY IN INDIA: CONTINUITY AND CHANGE IN 21ST CENTURY

August 14th, 2020

KISS DU's School of Social Services & Administration hosted a webinar on Culture and Society in India: Continuity and Change in 21st Century



WEBINAR ON "COVID19 - CORPORATE REPORTING & DISCLOSURES"

August 17th, 2020

KISS DU's Department of Tribal Resource Management hosted a webinar on "Covid19 - Corporate Reporting & Disclosures" in collaboration with Indian Accounting Association (IAA) Bhubaneswar Branch, Odisha, to discuss the changes and implications Covid19 has brought to financial reporting.



KISSIANS POST IMPRESSIVE +2 COMMERCE RESULTS

August 19th, 2020

Our students achieved 100% result in +2 Commerce Examinations conducted by CHSE, Odisha this academic session. Congratulations to all for this stellar work, and also to Sagar Oram, who topped the college by securing 90% marks!



WEBINAR - STERILISATION & DISINFECTION

August 24th, 2020

A webinar was organized by the School of Natural Sciences and Tribal Technology, KISS DU, on sterilization and disinfection. Ever relevant to the current pandemic, the webinar explored alternative ways of sterilization and disinfection with the aim of reducing dependency on chemicals, in favour of new avenues such as high voltage, pulse power, plasma, microwave and UV light.



3 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF KISS ACHIEVING DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY STATUS

August 25th, 2020

This days marked three years since KISS was conferred with Deemed to be University status in 2017 by the then Ministry of Human Resource Development (now Ministry of Education). With this, KISS-DU became the world's first tribal research university exclusively for tribal students. We delight in every new day of our journey as a Deemed to be University and we thank and congratulate our staff and students for the passion and dedication they pour into the DU in its journey of becoming an academic centre of excellence for tribal culture, medicine, law, customs, art and legacy.



WEBINAR ON ADIVASI SAHITYA AUR SANSKRITI: CHUNOUTIYAN EVAM SAMBHAVANAYEN

August 27th, 2020

The Department of Hindi, School of Comparative Tribal Linguistic and Literature, KISS DU hosted a webinar on Adivasi Sahitya Aur Sanskriti: Chunoutiyan Evam Sambhavanayen



VIRTUAL TAG MEETING ON "LIFE SKILLS EDUCATION (LSE) FOR ADOLESCENTS WITH

August 17th, 2020

The first virtual Technical Advisory Group Meeting on "Life Skills Education (LSE) for adolescents with disability in Special Schools of Odisha" was jointly organized by the teams of UNFPA, Odisha and Mission UDAY in collaboration with KISS, with the aim of introducing LSE in special schools. KISS has partnered with UNFPA since 2009 to transact LSE for adolescents in all schools. This partnership created a benchmark in the LSE Field and based its efficacy and many milestones, UNFPA is now collaborating with us to implement LSE in special schools across the state.

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR INITIATIVES FOR

Covid-19 Relief



DR. ACHYUTA SAMANTA

Founder - KIIT & KISS
MP - Lok Sabha

Poverty in my past and passion in my present to make all happy has made me realise the need of Compassion and how it creates a better future. For the last 30 years of my life, we have been engaged in social service and upliftment. At KIIT & KISS we also try to play an active role to become forerunners in the crisis. However, the work we do is a drop in the ocean."

KIIT & KISS FIGHT COVID-19

COMPASSION FOR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES DURING COVID-19

The Challenge for Education with Covid-19

The Covid-19 pandemic has **undoubtedly exacerbated pre-existing education disparities** by reducing the opportunities for many, especially for marginalised and indigenous communities. These inequalities are often further aggravated, by a **lack of access to technological facilities** making access education from remote locations, difficult.

This was a particular challenge for KISS, as our student body consists of tribal students from impoverished backgrounds. From a health perspective, as soon as the first case was announced in India in March, KISS sent its students back to their villages as a precautionary measure. Shortly thereafter, KISS joined hands with its sister organisations KIIT and KIMS, and various stakeholders, to initiate an action plan to help the worst-hit sections of society. Once our students were safely sent home, the challenge for us was to ensure that learning did not stop because of the pandemic.

Read below to learn about all our Covid-19 pandemic initiatives:

Healthcare Initiatives:

- India's first COVID Hospital at Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS) is ready and operational. This COVID Hospital is functioning from a block of KIMS with a dedicated team of doctors, nurses, paramedics and housekeeping staff.
- KISS Balangir & KISS Mayurbhanj are also functioning as COVID 19 hospitals, along with a further dedicated COVID 19 Hospital in Kandhamal in association with the district administration. These are each 200 bedded hospitals managed by KIMS and round the clock service following WHO and ICMR guidelines.





Education Initiatives:

- Both KIIT and KISS shut down well in advance before the state lockdown, giving time to the students to safely reach back to their homes. The Students of KISS were sent back with KISS representatives from different blocks so that they reach safely.
- KIIT is the first University to have begun online classes and online examinations for 30,000 children. In KISS, the students are in contact through what's app groups.
- Textbooks and allied study materials for the 30,000 students of all classes at their doorsteps. 4 consignments of materials were dispatched in 25 buses to 30 different districts in the State.
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Animal Care:

- KIIT & KISS started distributing food items such as green vegetables daily to stray monkeys. Though these monkeys and other animals are not susceptible to the virus itself, they have been severely affected by the COVID-19 outbreak mainly due to the lack of food which the residents used to provide. The two institutions also provided cooked food daily to other stray animals, including dogs, cows, etc., living in areas from NALCO Square to the KIIT & KISS campuses in Patia.
- KIIT & KISS also adopted "People for Animals"- an NGO that takes care of 140 peacocks in Bhubaneswar. Besides this, financial assistance was provided to more than 10 "Goshalas" in Puri, Bhubaneswar and Cuttack.













Food Distribution:

- A team has been assigned to deliver cooked food to police personnel on duty. Lunch is provided every day to more than 2000 police personnel and other front-line warriors across Bhubaneswar, Odisha's capital city. Food is also delivered to police personnel in adjoining cities of Puri and Cuttack.
- KIIT & KISS also distributed groceries to 40,000 people in the slum areas of Bhubaneswar thrice a week for the first month during the lockdown. These packets contained items like rice, pulses, cooking oil. Food and essential items were also distributed in containment zones where people were not allowed to step out for days due to the risk of coronavirus.
- KIIT and KISS have extended a helping hand to the Tibetan communities in Jiranga and Chandragiri of Gajapati district in Odisha. Though the COVID-19 pandemic is not an immediate concern in this far-flung area of Odisha, hunger and poverty remain an issue in many settlements in and around Chandragiri.
- The KIIT and KISS family have provided basic essentials and grocery for at least a month to the Tibetan families settled in Chandragiri and to the monks of Padmasambhava Mahavihara Monastery in Jirang, the largest Buddhist monastery in Eastern India. Besides food, a kit containing essential items like sanitizers, hand wash, sanitary napkins and masks were also provided by KIIT and KISS, facilitated under the visionary leadership of Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Lok Sabha MP from Kandhamal and Founder of KIIT & KISS. Notably, KIIT and KISS have provided grocery for two old age homes in Chandragiri and have pledged to adopt both and take care of all finances henceforth. KIMS is also supporting a hospital in Jiranga and has provided PPE to the health workers.





Looking after the Overlooked:

- KIIT and KISS extended a helping hand to the redlight areas in Bhubaneswar in the times of corona crisis. Dry and essential food items, groceries, sanitisers, masks and sanitary napkins were given with information about proper usage.
- KIIT, KISS, Sakha and Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives came together to distribute ration and essential items for the transgender community in Bhubaneswar, Rayagada and a few districts of Odisha. Many in the TG community who make their living from begging at street signals to other nondescript means of livelihood have suffered because of the current lockdown. As such, their life in normal times is full of hardships, and during these insidious times, their life has been miserable due to starvation and poverty.





Migrant Lives Matter:

After the India-wide lockdown, a lot of unemployed migrant workers are stuck in cities with barely any resources. Many started retreating to their villages. With the loss of livelihoods, a large number of them struggle to support their families. KIIT and KISS also came forward to help the stranded labour in Odisha by providing them temporary shelter, cooked meals, sanitary products and arranging their travel back to their native place safely after the lockdown norms were relaxed. More than 1000 migrant workers were helped in this initiative by KIIT & KISS.





Aid to Spiritual Centres:

Because of the lockdown of more than 90 days devotees have been unable to attend places of worship despite the fact that rituals continued as usual. The priests who maintain it is facing times of crisis without any money. KIIT and KISS also extended help to the places of worship in Bhubaneswar, to the priests and other people who maintain the premises and to many Mathas in Puri by providing them grocery that would last three months and cash for other expenses.





Awareness & Dissemination:

The students of KISS are creating awareness on Social Distancing, washing hands and respiratory hygiene in their respective districts. Besides under Project Uday, massive awareness camps have been organised at market places and through a door to door campaign on Social Distancing, hand washing and proper usage of masks. 500 volunteers are involved for this purpose and 220 villages in aspirational districts of Rayagada, Koraput and Malkangiri has been covered. They are also helping the state government in monitoring and administering Quarantine Centers. The work covers 6 aspirational Districts of Odisha: Raygada, Malkangiri, Koraput, Kandhamal, Balangir, and Gajpati.







Sanitary Needs for Girls & Women:

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Leveraging Power of Media & Technology

- Popular Odia literary magazine Kadambini founded by Prof. Achyuta Samanta was leveraged as a tool to keep people engaged at home as the lockdown prevailed. The Chief Editor of the magazine kept the readers engrossed through her exemplary storytelling. Free online versions were distributed.

- Awareness campaigns on the do's and dont's of COVID19 along with the educational classes. The television channel also periodically ran government ads to create awareness and provide all relevant information on the virus.

- Online classes and examinations are being conducted across all centres and schools of the institute covering approximately 30,000 children. For students of KISS, some of whom live in the most backwards areas of the state, education through WhatsApp was being conducted. Now, KISS reaches them through television channel- Kalinga TV.

- KIIT-Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI) is recognised as a Centre for Augmenting War with COVID-19 Health Crisis (CAWACH) under Department of Science and Technology (DST), GoI, along with similar institutes from IITs & other eminent Universities in India. KIIT-TBI is responsible for implementing this program in East & NE.

- E-Learning Class programme was inaugurated at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) under the initiative of KISS and Kalinga TV. Classroom teaching is the best and real mode of imparting education. However, due to the outbreak of coronavirus pandemic, schools and colleges have been shut down. KISS authority has provided hassle-free learning for students who are confined to their homes. The faculties and staff of KISS are in constant touch with the students, who were provided with textbooks and dry food items to ensure their study from home. Kalinga TV telecasts e-learning class for a period of half an hour every day. Even non-KISS students from every corner of Odisha will benefit from the e-classes.





Coordination & Collaboration

- KIIT and KISS is working with the Government of Odisha to provide support in the form of all its available resources – logistics, infrastructure, healthcare, human resources etc in its various activities at grassroots.
- KISS is also working closely with the American Embassy in the repatriation of American and Indian American personnel who have been stuck in Odisha and other adjoining areas.
- KISS is conducting a survey on behalf of UNDP India on migrant labour for a policy-level change.
- KIIT and KISS in collaboration with US Consulate General Hyderabad virtually launched a project on Creating Covid-19 Awareness among Tribal Communities in Odisha. The project envisages engagement of youth volunteers and civil society organizations in creating awareness on Covid-19 and building resilience towards recovery in Koraput, Malkangiri, Nabarangpur, Rayagada, and Kandhamal districts.





Our Guiding Principles

- **Leaving No-one Behind** – To provide relief material and other necessities to homeless, stranded migrants, slum dwellers, daily wagers, transgenders, beggars, and animals on the street, frontline workers and other vulnerable people. It is putting forth to the Government needs of the poor and indigenous communities.
- **Mobilizing adequate and well-directed financing–** Reaching out to Good Samaritans, corporate houses, national and international organizations. KIIT and KISS has diversified work and mobilised financial and human resources for relief to the needy, distribution of hygiene products to women and girls, IEC material for wider dissemination (including in local and tribal languages) and setting up quarantine facilities and dedicated COVID-19 hospitals by utilizing the existing infrastructure facilities. In partnership with Government, needs and requirements of people are being identified and feedback loop to the government for action has been established.
- **Strengthening institutions for integrated solutions and effective implementation** – KIIT and KISS are working with the state government and local self-government institutions (urban and rural) to find solutions for the present crisis. Apart from enabling the state government to utilise our existing infrastructure, both these educational institutions have bolstered local action by utilizing staff and students as a volunteer force across Odisha. In this process, strong communication packages are being implemented to reach the most vulnerable.
- **Harnessing science, technology and innovation** – The science and technology hub is devising innovative and sustainable solutions and influencing government strategies. Research partnerships with Universities of Cambridge and East Anglia are now focused on food futures – by using volunteers and IVRS platform for benefit of indigenous communities.

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