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Annual Report

2022-2023

KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY

Founder's Message



2022 has been a year of remarkable achievements and gratitude for KISS-DU, as we continue our journey of transformation and excellence. Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, our unwavering commitment to education and innovation has allowed us to thrive. One of the standout accomplishments of the year was the inauguration of a state-of-the-art campus for KISS Deemed to be University (KISS-DU) by Hon'ble CM Naveen Patnaik. This momentous expansion marks yet another milestone for our unique tribal-focused university, which has already celebrated over five years of academic excellence. In addition to this, we proudly held our second annual convocation and marked five years since KISS-DU attained deemed university status in 2017.

Reflecting on our journey, KISS-DU has achieved numerous milestones, from its inception as a nascent institution to becoming the world's largest learning hub for indigenous communities. Celebrating five successful years as KISS Deemed to be University this August stands as the latest feather in our cap. This achievement is particularly significant for an institute dedicated to providing higher education exclusively to tribal students. Five key highlights from our five-year journey include the induction of 23 distinguished academicians as Emeritus Professors to mentor students in innovative research, the appointment of 14 Professors of Practice to impart experiential knowledge in tribal languages, arts, and culture, the institution of seven research chairs honoring Odisha's luminaries, and the establishment of seven innovative research centers focusing on Indigenous Innovation, Cultural Heritage, Science and Technology, Herbal Medicines, Languages, and Indigenous Peoples globally. These initiatives aim to keep our students connected to their roots and make education both relevant and enjoyable.

As we look ahead, KISS-DU remains committed to providing holistic education, nurturing talent, and preserving indigenous cultures. The journey continues with inspiration from our past accomplishments, innovation in our approaches, and an unwavering passion to create a lasting impact in the world of education.

Godspeed, KISS-DU family!

DR ACHYUTA SAMANTA
FOUNDER, KIIT & KISS



Who are we?

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.

KISS-DU is 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 NIITs. 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.

Our **Core Values**

Our aim is to break the vicious cycle of poverty and social isolation and to restore hope for a better future. We believe that every person has the right to access resources and opportunities in order to live and develop with dignity and to become an active and contributing member of our society.

Our vision is that no indigenous child should be deprived of formal education because of poverty.

Our mission is to empower 2 million indigenous children through quality education.

The KISS Model



Inspiration



Innovation



Impact

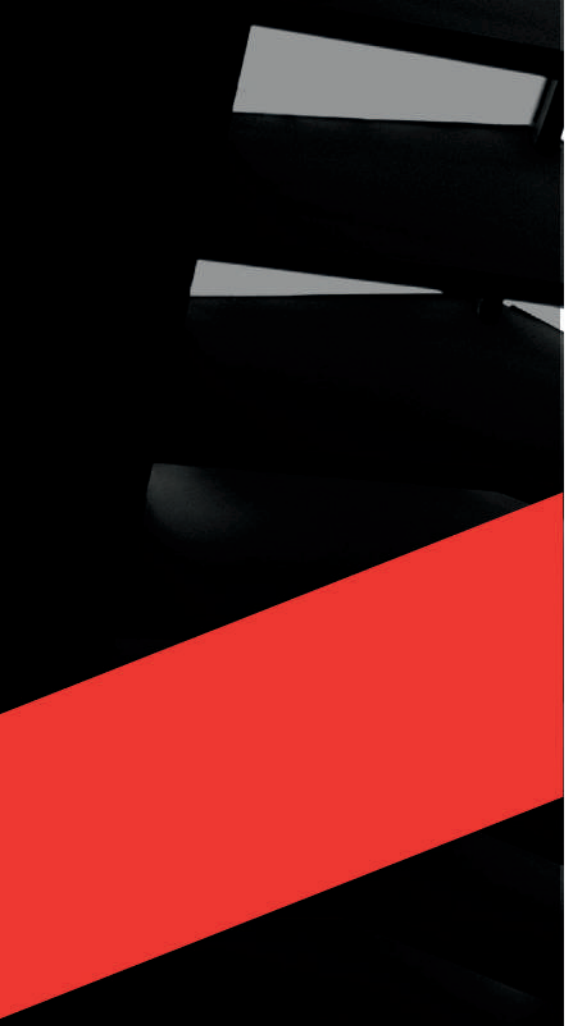
#WEAREINDIGENOUS

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

FREE EDUCATION
FREE HEALTHCARE
FREE FOOD
FREE ACCOMMODATION

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





Institutional Achievements

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UNESCO INTERNATIONAL LITERACY PRIZE 2022

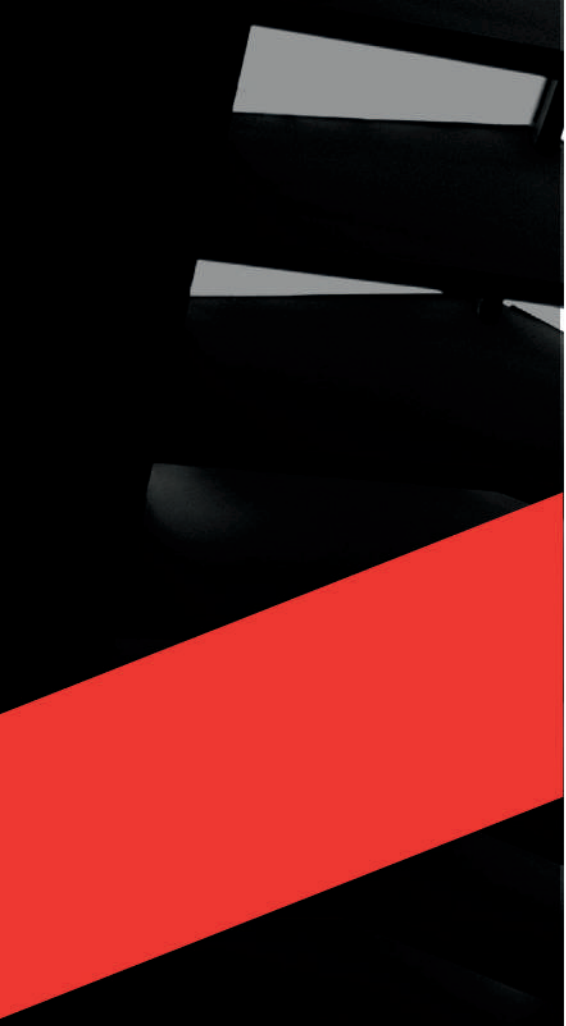
An Awareness Program on Intellectual Property Rights was conducted at KISS-DU on 3rd August 2022 by the Regional Technology Transfer Office (TTO), KIIT-TBI, Bhubaneswar in collaboration with the Indian Patent Office at Kolkata under the National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM).

TWO NEW CAMPUSES INAUGURATED IN ODISHA

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha inaugurated two new campuses of KISS in Balasore and Kalahandi in 2022. The KISS Residential School in Balasore, in partnership with Emami, was inaugurated through video conferencing on 13th June 2022, while the KISS Residential School in Kalahandi was inaugurated in a grand ceremony on 17th June 2022.

NEW OVERSEAS KISS CAMPUS IN DHAKA, BANGLADESH

The first International replica of KISS, Bhubaneswar has been inaugurated in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 13th November 2022. The new campus, Daffodil Institute of Social Sciences (DISS), will provide free education to about 600 poor students in its 1st phase. KISS Bhubaneswar will extend technical support.



Institutional Achievements

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KISS-DU HOSTS ITS 2ND ANNUAL CONVOCATION

KISS-DU celebrated its second annual convocation ceremony on 4th July 2022 with Gyetrul Jigme Rinpoche, Master of Tibetan Buddhism and Spiritual Director of the Ripa International Center as Chief Guest.

The University conferred Honoris Causa Degrees of D.Litt. upon four personalities of international repute – Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Chancellor, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune; Mr. Pavan Sukhdev, UNEP Goodwill Ambassador, Founder and CEO of GIST Advisory Switzerland SA; Dr. Ricky G. Kej, Internationally Renowned Indian Music Composer and 2 Times Grammy Award Winner; and Mr. Erik Solheim, President, Green Belt and Road Institute.

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ACADEMIA

COLLEGE & DEEMED-TO-BE-UNIVERSITY [11 - PH.D.]

In view of the outstanding contributions of KISS towards academics in teaching-learning, research, extension activities, sports and games; it has been **declared a Deemed to be University Under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt of India, New Delhi** on the basis of the recommendation of the University Grants Commission, (UGC) New Delhi vide their notification No F.9-14/2011-U.3 (A) dated 25th August 2017. This made KISS-DU the first university in the world exclusively for tribals providing fully free and fully residential education along with other facilities. Accordingly, the University has been functioning since the afore-mentioned date with all its U.G, P.G, M.Phil and Ph.D Programs. KISS-DU has been admitting students from Odisha and neighbouring states like Jharkhand, Assam, Mizoram, West-Bengal, Chhattisgarh etc.

It aims to raise its academia bar to new heights by focusing its teaching and research in 'unique and emerging areas of knowledge' related to specific innovative areas, which are not being pursued by any other institution in the W\world. Further, every year, the meritorious students of KISS are enrolled in KIIT Deemed to be University to pursue professional courses, i.e., B. Tech, MBA, MCA, Law, MBBS etc. fully free of cost.



CELEBRATING FIVE GLORIOUS YEARS OF KISS-DU

From a nascent baby to the world's largest learning hub for indigenous communities in the world, KISS has been preceded by so many milestones in its almost three-decade-long existence. The successful completion of five years of KISS Deemed to be University this August, is the latest feather in its cap. It is a remarkable feat for this one-of-a-kind institute that has been conceptualised to provide higher education exclusively to tribal students. Along the way, KISS-DU has recorded some significant milestones and achievements that have helped it reach where it is today. On 15 September, 2017, Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated KISS-DU for being granted the University status, marking the beginning of a successful journey for the institute.

Deemed-to-be University has made a name for itself in a short span of five years, having completed two convocations, and produced three batches of Ph.D. scholars. With the leadership of its visionary founder Dr Achyuta Samanta, and the guidance of a well-rounded team of academicians and professors, KISS-DU is expected to scale great heights in the years to come.

VISION

To build KISS DU as a premier institute of teaching, research, skill development and social entrepreneurship for 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 lie and culture.

To develop a creative and critical disposition among students towards their communities & the world



5 HIGHLIGHTS FROM 5 YEARS OF KISS-DU

01

KISS-DU inducted 23 distinguished academicians as Emeritus Professors who will guide students and mentors in innovative research.

02

14 Professors of Practice who have no formal training were roped in to teach various aspects of tribal languages, songs and dances, shawl weaving, herbal medicine and therapeutics, storytelling as part of Anthropology, Language Teaching, Tribal Literature and Indigenous Technology. This step was consciously taken to provide experiential knowledge and ensure students remain in touch with their roots.

03

The University has also instituted seven research chairs to honour seven illustrious personalities of Odisha. The students receive in-depth learning on the life and works of Odisha's great luminaries.

04

Moreover, to preserve the tribal culture of students, KISS-DU proudly runs seven tribal-centric schools at its campus. There is a committee for protection, promotion and preservation of Tribal Culture, Heritage and Diversity. KISS-DU has also signed more than 30 MoU's with Indian and Overseas Universities and institutions for academic and industry collaboration.

05

KISS-DU has set up an innovation council named with seven innovative research centres under it in areas like Indigenous Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Sacred Groves, Indigenous Cultural Heritage and Diversity, Indigenous Science and Technology, Indigenous Knowledge on Herbal Medicines and Therapeutics, Indigenous Languages and Narratives and Study of Indigenous Peoples across the Globe. The focus has always been to make students feel closer to home and make education relevant and fun.

DIGITAL INITIATIVES

VIDWAN Expert Database & National Researcher's Network	Google Classroom	National Digital Library of India	Scopus
Registration of KISS-DU in VIDWAN Portal as Nodal Center	Monitoring Online Classes through Google Classroom	Registration with National Digital Library of India	Registered in SCOPUS Portal
publons	DigiLockerNAD	AISHE All India Survey on Higher Education	SOUL
Registration of KISS-DU in VIDWAN PSCOPUS/Publons as Nodal Centre	University Digital Certificate Repository	Registered in AISHE Portal	Using Sustainable Outreach & Universal Leadership Limited (SOUL) digital platform in KISS-DU

RESEARCH CHAIRS



Utkal Gaurav Madhusudan Das



Saheed Laxman Nayak



Utkal-Mani Gopabandhu Das



B.R. Ambedkar



Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi



Bhagwan Birsa Munda



Prabada Purusha Biju Pattanaik

MEMBERSHIPS

National Digital Library of India

Association of Indian Universities

National Academic Depository

INNOVATIVE APPROACHES AT KISS-DU

PROFESSORS OF PRACTICE	WORKING COMMITTEE	TRIBAL ADVISORY COUNCIL	PROFESSORS EMERITI
14 outstanding indigenous knowledge practitioners have been appointed to teach students the various skills they have imbibed through experiential learning.	The Working Committee for the protection, preservation & promotion of Tribal Cultural Diversity	Comprises persons of eminence from various tribal communities who advise the University leadership on matters pertaining to the welfare and advancement of tribal students	Several distinguished academics, including former & sitting Vice-Chancellors as Emeritus Professors to guide the institution in innovative research to achieve national & international recognition.

CAREER PREPARATION

To build leadership at KISS and encourage our students to ;pursue higher studies or professional engagements, post-graduation coaching classes are organized by the Career Preparation Cell 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 Commissions (UPSC) etc.

- Employment News and Special Articles on Employment are purchased from the market and CPC committee maintains the database of the jobs advertised and circulate the same among the competent students.
- The committee on CPC helps the students to apply for various jobs at the state and national level.
- The committee on CPC also identifies different subject oriented topics and invite experts/resource persons to train the students.
- As and when needed the Committee on CPC takes the help of the HoDs of different subjects to finalise the action plan for different govt. as well as corporate jobs.
- The Committee on CPC sits on weekly basis and review the progress of the Special Coaching Classes as well as the CPC regarding the works done to meet the requirement.
- The Committee on CPC also designs the syllabi for various examinations and they modify/update the syllabus as and when needed in order to ensure that the students get appropriate training on the modules.
- The Committee on CPC devises the academic coaching time table and according to the same, the training/special coaching shall be imparted.



BRAND NEW KISS-DU CAMPUS INAUGURATED

A first look at KISS-DU's brand new campus inaugurated today by Hon'ble CM Naveen Patnaik! This expansion marks yet another milestone for this unique tribal-focused university that has already achieved 5+ years of academic excellence.

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ACADEMIC BLOCK-B
LIBRARY
CAMPUS-4
ACADEMIC BLOCK
LIBRARY
AUDITORIUM
ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK
BOYS HOSTEL
GIRLS HOSTEL
FITNESS CENTRE
MECHANIZED KITCHEN
MESS DINING HALL
BIOGAS PLANT
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT
SOLAR POWER SYSTEM




ACADEMIC BLOCK-B
LIBRARY













SECOND CONVOCATION OF KISS DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar, celebrated its second annual convocation ceremony on 4th July 2022. “I have been profoundly touched during my visits to KISS and I get a feeling that the voice of the tribal community of India is here”, stated His Holiness Gyetrul Jigme Rinpoche, Master of Tibetan Buddhism and Spiritual Director of the Ripa International Center in his convocation address.

Congratulating the graduates, His Holiness Gyetrul Jigme Rinpoche urged them to carry a sense of gratitude for the rest of their lives as so many people have contributed to their success. “From ecology to economy, real life is challenging and one can succeed only by accepting diversity. Warm-heartedness is the key to solving most of the problems the world is facing today”, he told a packed auditorium. The real meaning of education is to help others, he said, while advising students to contribute to the overall good of humanity.



Warm-heartedness is key to solving most of the world’s problems

His Holiness Gyetrul Jigme Rinpoche



Shri Arjun Munda

Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs, Government of India



Dr Rajiv Kumar

Chancellor, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune



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UNEP Goodwill Ambassador, Founder & CEO of GIST Advisory Switzerland SA



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"What KISS does and what KISS focuses on, make this recognition very special", said Dr. Rajiv Kumar in his acceptance speech. KISS has the transformative potential for the country, he said, while congratulating Dr. Samanta. It is essential to focus on human capital, natural capital and social capital, along with GDP, which merely conveys a notion of produced capital, remarked Mr. Pavan Sukhdev, while commending the role of KISS in developing human capital. KISS is developing human capital, taking those who need development the most, he added.

Thanking KISS for the recognition, Dr. Ricky G. Kej said, the planet is facing a serious environmental crisis and the only way to make a difference is to change ourselves. The world is facing a triple crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution, said Mr. Erik Solheim, adding that institutions like KISS have an important role to play in averting the crisis.

Addressing the graduating students, Shri Satya S. Tripathi, Chancellor, KISS Deemed to be University, said, "As you transition from knowledge-seeker to change-maker, please remember that your alma mater is extremely proud of your accomplishments and it is on your shoulders to carry forward its unique legacy and tradition of selfless service – exemplified by our founder Dr. Achyuta Samanta – in support of those that need it the most". The manner with which the entire KISS community rose to the challenge posed by the pandemic testifies to its resilience and ability to cope with the worst of challenges in the most creative of ways, said Shri Tripathi, who is the former Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations.

In his report, Prof. Deepak Kumar Behera, Vice-Chancellor informed that KISS-DU has revamped its course curricula and redefined academic as well as research programs largely within the framework of NEP-2020. It has incorporated nineteen innovative value-added courses on topics such as tribal ecology, arts, cuisines, sports and games to help the students stay rooted in their cultures, he added. Dr. Prashanta Ku. Routray, Registrar proposed the word of thanks.

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Here's a quick glance of some of the innovative world-class opportunities we provided our youth this academic year to help them succeed...

At KISS we believe in making a difference and creating positive impact for our students through leading edge academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Our staff from diverse fields work hard to create innovative excellence through an integrated, multi-disciplinary approach.



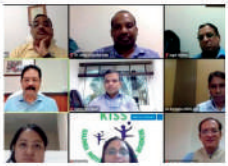
Empowering future generations . . .

with an extraordinary education



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02.03.22



Talk on Industry Academia Collaboration

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), KISS-DU with BOSHC India Foundation jointly organized a talk on 'Industry-Academia Collaboration' on 2nd March 2022. Dr OP Goel, Head-Bosch India Foundation CSR & Skill Development was the distinguished invited speaker on the occasion.

15.03.22



KISS-DU Organizes Lecture on 'Prospects of Nanomaterials'

The Nano Innovation Laboratory, School of Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Technology (IKST), KISS-DU, organized a four-day lecture series on 'Prospects of Nanomaterials' from 15th to 18th March 2022. Inaugurating the lecture series, Prof. Asoka Kumar Das, Vice-Chairman, Odisha Higher Education Council, Govt. of Odisha stressed the need to combine indigenous knowledge with nanotechnology.

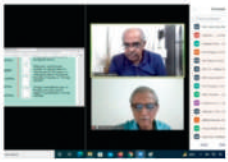
23.03.22



KISS-DU Celebrates Info-Day Programme of the AURORA Project

KISS Deemed to be University, along with the other consortium members of six participating countries – India, Romania, Czechia, Spain, Ireland, and Nepal – of the AURORA project (co-funded by the ERASMUS+ Programme of the European Union) for 'Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE): Alliance of Universities to Reinforce Teacher Training Curricula and Outcast Radicalism and Promote Equality in Asian Societies' jointly celebrated Info-Day Programme on 23rd March 2022.

08.03.22



Pre-World Anthropology Congress Distinguished Invited Online Lecture Series #9 was organized by KISS

The Pre-World Anthropology Congress Distinguished Invited Online Lecture Series #9 was organized by the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) on 25th March 2022. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Subhash R Walimbe, Anthropology Department, Pune University.

30.03.22

Workshop on 'Cyber Security for Women' at KISS-DU



A workshop on 'Cyber Security for Women' was conducted by the Red Dot Foundation in association with KISS-DU and BCKIC-KIIT-TBI Bhubaneswar City Knowledge Innovation Cluster (BCKIC) on 30th March 2022. The workshop was supported by the US Embassy, India, and US Consulate General, Hyderabad.

01.04.22

Distinguished Invited Talk on 'New Education Policy – 2020: Issues and Challenges'



KISS-DU organized a distinguished invited talk on 'New Education Policy – 2020: Issues and Challenges' on 1st April 2022. The talk was delivered by a distinguished invited speaker Prof. Dr E Balagurusamy, ME (Hons) PhD. Ded, FIE, FIETE CEng, Chairman, EBG Foundation, Coimbatore

04.04.22

Distinguished Invited Lecture on Bio-fertilizer Technologies at KISS



KISS-DU organised a ecture on the topic, "Bio-fertilizer Technologies for Agri-entrepreneurship in Tribal Pockets of Odisha for Income Generation". The lecture was delivered by Professor S. P. Adhikary, D.Sc., FNAAS, Fmr. Vice-Chancellor, Fakir Mohan University, Balasore. Delivering the lecture, Professor Adhikary stated that the Green Revolution brought with it the dilemma of pitting fertilizers against insecticides, resulting in the alkalization of soil and loss of biodiversity.

09.04.22

Webinar on 'The Mahi Estuary: Hydrodynamics & Pollution Distribution'



KISS-DU organized a webinar on the topic 'The Mahi Estuary: Hydrodynamics and Pollution Distribution' on 9th April 2022. In his webinar talk, Dr. Satyananda Panda, Department of Mathematics, NIT Calicut explained the factors that influence the distribution of pollutants in the Gulf of Khambhat and the Estuaries.

20.04.22



Lecture on "Reinterpretation of Tribal Development Under the SDGs 2030"

KISS-DU, in collaboration with Centre for the Study of Indigenous Peoples Across the Globe (CSIPAG), KISS-DU, organized a one-day lecture series on "Reinterpretation of Tribal Development Under the SDGs 2030".

21.04.22



Orientation Program on 'Sexual Harassment and Gender Issues'

The Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), in association with IQAC and Gender Sensitization and Anti-Discriminatory Cell, KISS-DU, organized an orientation program on 'Sexual harassment and Gender Issues' . Dr. Sunita Reddy, Associate Professor, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, was invited as the resource person.

22.04.22



KISS-DU Observes World Earth Day

KISS-DU organized a lecture programme and student events on the occasion of World Earth Day. The KISS-DU fraternity showed its commitment to addressing SDG – 13 Climate Change and SDG – 15 Life on Land.

22.04.22



Lecture on "Indigenous Knowledge, Western Science and Imperatives of Development"

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell, KISS-DU, in collaboration with the School for Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Technology, and the Centre for Indigenous Science and Technology, organized a lecture under the Distinguished Lecture Series by Professor Kamal K. Misra, Professor Emeritus, KISS-DU.

23.04.22



KISS-DU organizes Public Lecture Event

The KISS-DU Library organized a Public Lecture Event on 'E-resources and their Usage' in association with National Digital Library of India (NDLI) Club.

27.04.22



Hon'ble Chancellor KISS-DU Delivers Special Lecture on Climate Change

Mr. Satya Sundar Tripathi, Hon'ble Chancellor, KISS-DU, a special lecture to the staff, students and research scholars on the impending perils of climate change.

29.04.22



Talk on 'Solving Problems with Design Thinking'

KISS Deemed to be University organized a National Seminar Talk on 'Solving Problems with Design Thinking' on 29th April 2022. Dr. Richa Agrawal, Associate Professor, Centre for Management Studies, IIT Madras was invited as a distinguished speaker.

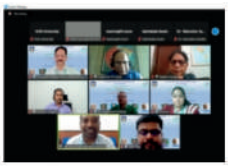
30.04.22



KISS-DU Inducts 14 Masters of Indigenous Knowledge as Professors of Practice

In a historic move, on 30th April 2022, KISS-DU formally inducted 14 outstanding indigenous knowledge practitioners from pristine tribal backgrounds as Professors of Practice (PoP). Even though they hold little or no formal education, their mastery over various domains of indigenous knowledge and practice has long been recognized.

04.05.22

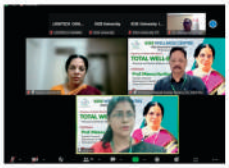


KISS-DU Launches FDP on 'Development of Online Courses for SWAYAM'

The School of Tribal Legal Studies and Tribal Rights, KISS-DU, launched a two-week Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 'Development of Online Courses for SWAYAM' in collaboration with Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA).

11.05.22

Workshop on 'Total Well Being'



KISS Wellness Centre organized a workshop on 'Total Well Being' on 11th May 2022 in a hybrid mode. Speaking at the workshop, Professor Meena Hariharan, Founder-Director, Department of Health Psychology, Central University of Hyderabad detailed various areas of total wellness, including social, physical, psychological, and spiritual well-being.

12.05.22

Webinar on IPR Awareness at KISS-DU



An online training program was conducted on Intellectual Property Rights Awareness on 12th May 2022 jointly by the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India and a collaborative effort among the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).

13.05.22

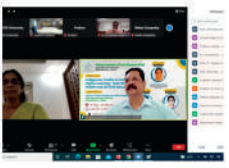
Lecture on 'Contested Heritage: Colonial Construction of Tribal Savagery in North East India'



KISS-DU organized an Invited Special Lecture on Contested Heritage: Colonial Construction of Tribal Savagery in North East India on 13th May 2022, with Professor Sajal Nag of Assam University, Silchar in attendance as the Chief Guest.

19.05.22

Webinar on 'Indigenous Youths in Institutions of Higher Learning



The three-day webinar on 'Indigenous Youths in Institutions of Higher Learning: Their Wellness, Health and Life Skill Education' concluded on 19th May 2022. The concluding day of the webinar was graced by Professor Asha. J.V., Dean, Department of Education, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

27.05.22

National Seminar on 'Gopabandhu and Emergence of Nationalist Literature' at KISS



A National Seminar on 'Gopabandhu and Emergence of Nationalist Literature' was organised by Sahitya Akademi in collaboration with Gopabandhu Das Research Chair, KISS-DU on 27th May 2022.

28.05.22

KISS Organizes Symposium on 'Women's Education in Odisha: The Seminal Contribution of Madhusudan Das'



A national symposium on 'Women's Education in Odisha: The Seminal Contribution of Madhusudan Das' was organised by Sahitya Akademi in collaboration with Madhusudan Das Research Chair, KISS-DU.

11.07.22

Orientation Program on Skill Training in Beauty, Wellness, Hair & Fashion Design



World Skill Center, Govt. of Odisha, ITEES, Singapore and KISS and KISS-DU jointly organized an Orientation Program on Skill Training in Beauty, Wellness, Hair Styling and Fashion Design. The Program was conducted to build awareness and explore avenues in beauty, wellness, hair styling and fashion design skill initiatives for the students of KISS and KISS-DU.

12.07.22

Seminar on – "Issues on Tribal Displacement in India – Experience from Odisha"



KISS-DU jointly organized a seminar on 'Issues on Tribal Displacement in India – Experience from Odisha' on 12th July 2022. Professor Pradip Kumar Parida, Associate Professor, Public Administration and Policy, FSS, Banaras Hindu University was invited as the distinguished invited speaker.

18.07.22

Lecture on 'Science and Technology of Non-Linear Optical Absorption'



The Nano Innovation Laboratory, School of Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Technology (IKST), KISS-DU, organized a Distinguished Invited Lecture on 'Science and Technology of Non-Linear Optical Absorption'. Dr. Balaram Sahoo, Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bangalore delivered the lecture.

28.05.22

Lecture on 'Conserving Nature: Compulsion as Choice'



On the occasion of World Nature Conservation Day, an Invited Lecture on "Conserving Nature: Compulsion as Choice" was jointly organised by School of Tribal Resource Management and Centre for Indigenous Innovation and Entrepreneurship, KISS-DU.

30.07.22

Seminar on 'The Worldview of Jahera/Gram Sala: The Sacred Groves among the Tribes of Odisha'



The Centre for Sacred Groves, KISS-DU organized a seminar on 'The Worldview of Jahera/Gram Sala: The Sacred Groves among the Tribes of Odisha' on 30th July 2022. Dr. Surendra Kumar Jena, State Team Lead at MAMTA – Health Institute for Mother and Child, an anthropologist, and social development professional delivered the lecture.

29.06.22

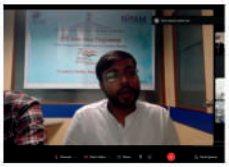
NALCO Organizes Outreach Activity at KISS-DU



National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) organized an outreach activity at KISS-DU on the theme 'Independent India @75: Self Reliance with Integrity' on 30th July 2022, with Shri Somanath Hansdah, Chief Vigilance Officer, NALCO attending as the Chief Guest.

03.08.22

IPR Awareness Program



An Awareness Program on Intellectual Property Rights was conducted at KISS-DU on 3rd August 2022 by the Regional Technology Transfer Office (TTO), KIIT-TBI, Bhubaneswar in collaboration with the Indian Patent Office at Kolkata under the National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM).

08.08.22

Lecture on 'Success of Policy Integration of Tribals: Development of Scheduled Tribes in India'



An invited lecture on 'Success of Policy Integration of Tribals: Development of Scheduled Tribes in India' was jointly organized by the School of Tribal Legal Studies and Tribal Rights (TLS) and the Centre for Study of Indigenous Peoples Across the Globe (CSIPAG), KISS.

12.08.22

KISS-DU Celebrates National Librarians' Day



KISS Deemed to be University celebrated National Librarians' Day on 12th August 2022 to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Padmashri Dr. S.R. Rangannathan, the Father of Library Science in India.

13.05.22

Lecture on 'Contested Heritage: Colonial Construction of Tribal Savagery in North East India'



KISS-DU organized an Invited Special Lecture on Contested Heritage: Colonial Construction of Tribal Savagery in North East India on 13th May 2022, with Professor Sajal Nag of Assam University, Silchar in attendance as the Chief Guest.

13.08.22

Seminar on Sustainable Tribal Development at KISS-DU



The Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), Regional Branch, Bhubaneswar organized a seminar on 'Sustainable Tribal Development' in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar on 13th August 2022.

16.08.22

KISS-DU Organizes Seminar on Financial Literacy



As a part of the MoU between KISS Deemed to be University and Rama Devi Women's University (RDWU), the School of Tribal Resource Management, KISS-DU organized a seminar on the topic 'Financial Literacy: The Savvy to Succeed Financially' recently.

25.08.22

KISS & NWWA Enter Pact to Work Towards Tribal Students' Welfare & Educational Enhancement Courses for Naval Students



Indian Navy's Navy Welfare and Wellness Association (NWWA) on Thursday signed an MoU with the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) to promote the wellness and welfare of tribal students.

10.09.22

International Webinar on 'Mental Health Among Tribes: Awareness, Prevention and Intervention Strategies'



KISS Deemed to be University organized an international webinar on 'Mental Health among Tribes: Awareness, Prevention and Intervention Strategies'

16.10.22

KISS organises Workshop to Develop KUVI Character Set



The once widely spoken KUVI indigenous language in states such as Odisha and Andhra Pradesh is listed as an endangered language by UNESCO. To give fresh vitality to the language and increase its day-to-day usage, the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) Deemed-to-be-University organized a workshop here, inviting linguistic experts from the State and outside.

17.10.22

Inauguration of Kalinga-Stockholm Centre for Excellence in International Affairs



The Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) Deemed to be University launched Kalinga-Stockholm Centre for Excellence in International Affairs, in an impressive inaugural ceremony at KISS-DU premises on 17th October 2022. The Centre, established in close collaboration with the Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP), Stockholm, will work towards drawing principles from indigenous perspectives to address contemporary policy challenges in the Indo-Pacific region, with regard to biodiversity and climate change.

19.10.22
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21.10.22

Workshop for Preparation of Multilingual Glossaries of Subject-Specific Technical Terms in Indian Languages



The three-day workshop, sponsored by Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education, Government of India, was organized by the Centre for Indigenous Languages and Narratives, and the Centre for Indigenous Sciences and Technology, in collaboration with the School of Comparative Tribal Languages and Literatures, School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences, School of Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Technology, KISS-DU.

07.12.22

Invited Lecture on Youth Volunteerism & Sustainable Development Goals



On the occasion, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), being a pioneer institution in promoting the Sustainable Development Goals and volunteerism, organised a talk on 'Youth Volunteerism and Sustainable Development Goals'. Ms. Shalina Miah, Regional Manager, Asia Pacific, United Nations Volunteers, Bangkok was invited as the Distinguished Invited Speaker. "The role of the youth of India is extremely important to drive positive change and sustainable development. Volunteerism strengthens civic engagement and social inclusion by raising awareness and championing positive changes.

13.12.22

Kalinga Fellowship 2022 Inaugurated at KISS by Twin-City Police Commissioner



The prestigious annual Kalinga Fellowship 2022 was inaugurated on Monday by the Police Commissioner of Bhubaneswar and Cuttack S K Priyadarshi in the presence of delegates from India and abroad.

19.12.22

National Seminar on International Year of Millets 2023 (IYoM-2023): Millets: Miracle Foods for Future



As a curtain raiser to the celebration of the International Year of Millet 2023 (IYoM 2023), the School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Science and the Centre for Indigenous Science and Technology, KISS-DU jointly organized a one-day national seminar on 'Millets: Miracle Foods for Future' in hybrid mode.

04.01.23

World Philosophy Day Observed at KISS-DU



The School of Tribal Culture, Philosophy and Eco-Spiritualism (TCPE), KISS-DU organized a One-Day Seminar-cum-Observation of World Philosophy Day, sponsored by Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR), Ministry of Education, New Delhi. Professor Rakesh Chandra, a well-known philosopher from Lucknow University, delivered a lecture on “Philosophy and Democracy”.

19.01.23

Workshop on Cyber Security for Students of KISS-DU



The National Institute of Electronic and Information Technology (NIELIT), Bhubaneswar conducted a Workshop on ‘Exploring the Avenues for Skilling Students in the Area of IECT with Hands-on Tips on Cyber Security’ for students of KISS-DU.

26.02.23

KISS-DU & NCERT host 5-day training programme



KISS-DU's School of Tribal Heritage and Tribal Indology collaborated with The Cell for National Centre for Literacy, NCERT to organise a 5-day training programme on New India Literacy Programme (NILP) Implementation. The programme saw a power-packed lineup of academicians conducting insightful sessions on the nitty-gritty of NILP.

02.03.23

KISS staff and students celebrate National Science Day 2023



Faculties, research scholars and students gathered to celebrate the remarkable achievements of Indian scientists on National Science Day 2023.

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152
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21.02.23

KISS develops a Kuvi keyboard in 4 scripts with Motorola and Lenovo Foundation



KISS' language experts helped Motorola and Lenovo Foundation develop a keyboard for Kuvi in 4 different scripts - Kuvi-Odia, Kuvi-Devanagari, Kuvi-Telugu & Kuvi-Latin, which will benefit 1,55,000 speakers from the Kuvi community. With this association, KISS takes yet another step towards preserving and reviving the rich legacy, knowledge and linguistic wealth of tribal communities. "This is a commendable use of technology to create a truly inclusive world, where communities living on the fringes, integrate into the larger world of opportunities," said our Founder Dr Achyuta Samanta.

18.03.23

KISS-DU students bag prize at ANVENSHAN 2022



Congratulations to 'Team DNA Expert' from KISS-DU on bagging 2nd prize and a 50,000 cash award at the National Student Research Convention ANVENSHAN 2022. KISSian Amar Kumar Muska, along with his mentor Dr Vimal Kumar Pandey, impressed the judges with their research on 'Development of easy and cost-effective DNA extraction and purification protocol'. 41 universities participated in the competition organised by Ganpat University Mehsana under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities and Project Set, a UK-based firm, on March 16 & 17, 2023.

Some of this year's publications:

No	Title of Paper	Author(s)	Dept.	Journal	ISSN
1	Complex Modulus Spectroscopy of Zn1-xSrxO nanoceramics	Tanushree Das, Bikram Keshari Das, Dipteerekha Das, Kajal Parashar, S.K.S Parashar	Chemistry	American Institute of Physics	0094-243x
2	Structural, optical and NTCR properties of Ca doped ZnO nanoceramics	TanushreeDas, Bikram Keshari Das, Dipteerekha Das, Kajal Parashar, S. K. S. Parashar, Anupama A. V., Balaram Sahoo	Chemistry	Journal of Materials Science Materials in Electronics	15127-15134
3	Therapeutic use of Medicinal plants used for treatment of animals	S.Nayak, J. Pradhan, T.Roy	Botany	International Journal of Food and Nutritional Sciences	E-ISSN 2320-7876
4	Attitude towards Environmental Conservation : A study among Secondary School Students	Dr. Sujata Acharya	Education	Journal of Research and Development	2230-9578
5	Classical Studies in the Educational Institutions of India	Dr. Sujata Acharya	Education	EDUTRACKS	0972-9844
6	Twenty-four-hour and nocturnal ambulatory blood pressure variability patterns in diabetics and hypothyroid patients: Looking through different temporal windows	Sultana R., Pati A.K.		Biological Rhythm Research	2229-5518
7	Oral administration of root extract of Boerhaavia diffusa mitigates diabetes induced kidney damages in Mesocricetus auratus	Arora S, Haldar C, Singh J., and Gupta S	School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences	Journal of Endocrinology and Reproduction	9291016
8	Hydrogen Sulfide: A new warrior in assisting seed germination during adverse environmental conditions. Plant Growth Regulation	Sharma P, Meyyazhagan A, Easwaran M, Sharma MM, Mehta S, Pandey V, Liu WC, Kamyab H, Balasubramanian B, Baskaran R, Klemeš JJ.	School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences	Plant Growth Regulation	2455-1244
9	SARS-CoV-2 Mutations Responsible for Immune Evasion Leading to Breakthrough Infection	Sahni C, Chowdhury PB, Devadas D, Ashish A, Singh NK, Yadav A, Kaur M, Mishra S, Vishwakarma S, Singh R.	School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences	Cureus	1573-5087

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10	Withanolide-A Accelerates Re-entrainment of Circadian Locomotor Activity Rhythm and Preserves Spatial Memory in Mice Following Acute Phase Inversion of Light-Dark Cycles	Tiwari T., Basu P., Singaravel M.	School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences	Chronobiology in Medicine	2168-8184
11	Effects of L-Thyroxine on the Reproductive Functions of the Indian Pygmy Field Mouse Mus terricolor	Arora S, Singh P, Haldar C, and Basu P	School of Comparative Indic Studies and Tribal Sciences	Journal of Endocrinology and Reproduction	2635-9162
12	Risk assessment of coastal erosion for Odisha coast along Bay of Bengal, India using coastal hazard wheel model	Panda, G. K., Mishra, M., and Chatterjee, U.	School of Tribal Resource Management (Commerce)	GeoJournal	2455-1244
13	Universal Dependency Treebank for Ho Language	Bankira, D, Panda, S, Dash, SR, Parida, S, Ojha, AK, Dash, SK	School of Indigenous Knowledge Science and Technology	Frontiers of Intelligent Computing: Theory and Applications. Springer (Accepted)	0343-2521
14	Vulnerability assessment of environmental degradation due to coastal hazards using geospatial technology—a study of Puri coast along the Mahanadi Delta, India.	Panda, G. K., Chatterjee, U., Mishra, M., & Mohanty, A.	School of Indigenous Knowledge Science and Technology	Arabian Journal of Geosciences,	0972-9844

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12.04.22

Workshop on 'Entrepreneurship Sensitization & Development Programme'



KISS-DU jointly organized a workshop on 'Entrepreneurship Sensitization and Development Programme' in association with MSME-DI, Cuttack, Ministry of MSME, Government of India. Speaking at the workshop, Dr. Shibananda Nayak, Assistant Director (EI), MSME-DI, Cuttack said that MSME aims to promote entrepreneurship, skill the educated unemployed and help them build their own business.

31.05.22

Workshop on Eco-friendly products



National Innovation Foundation, (NIF) Department of Science & Technology, Govt of India and KISS & KISS-DU (Vocational wing) jointly organized a workshop on Eco-friendly products on 31st May 2022 at KISS-DU.

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05.11.22

Virtual Cultural Exchange Programme with Kenya



The School of Tribal Culture, Philosophy and Eco-spiritualism, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) Deemed to be University on 5th November, 2022, organized a Virtual Cultural Exchange Programme with Loreto High School, Limuru, Kenya, in celebration of the ethos of the upcoming Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas.

13.02.23

40 Delegates visit KISS under MoEA's Know India programme



More than 40 delegates from 11 countries visited KISS under 'Know India' programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The diaspora had the opportunity to connect with their roots and closely experience India's developments in the field of education, technology and more. The delegates praised the efforts of KISS' Founder Dr Achyuta Samanta, who felicitated them in a special programme.

11.03.23

KISS hosts 30 delegates from Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute



KISS hosts a thirty-member delegation from Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute, Kolkata at our campus. The delegation is here for an exposure cum capacity building visit - to observe and learn from the work culture and ethos of KIIT & KISS.

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08.03.22

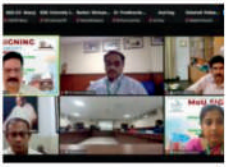
KISS-DU Inks MOU with Jagannath University, Dhaka



KISS Deemed to be University (KISS-DU) signed an MOU with Jagannath University (JU), Dhaka on 8th March, 2022. Jagannath University is a premier university in Bangladesh with close to 20000 students, 600 faculty members and 36 specialisations. The signing ceremony took place online and was attended by senior members of KISS-DU and JU leadership.

07.04.22

KISS-DU Inks MoU with GSDS



KISS Deemed to be University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti (GSDS), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi

06.07.22

KISS-DU Inks MoU with IBRAD



KISS Deemed to be University inked MoU with the Indian Institute of Bio-social Research and Development (IBRAD), (Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Tribal Development, Ministry of Tribal Development) Kolkata on 6th July 2022.

17.08.22

KISS-DU Inks MoU with Indian Accounting Association



The School of Tribal Resource Management, under the aegis of KISS Deemed to be University, and Indian Accounting Association, Bhubaneswar Branch, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 17th August 2022.

17.09.22



KISS-DU Signs MoU with ICAI, Kolkata

KISS-DU and The Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICAI), Kolkata signed a Memorandum of Understanding to launch a series of initiatives for the educational enrichment of KISS students.

21.09.22



KISS-DU Inks MoU with ICFAI, Kolkata

KISS-DU and The Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts of India (ICFAI), Kolkata signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 19th September 2022 to initiate joint academic and research work on areas of exclusion and deprivations.

12.12.22



FIVB Signs MoU with KISS For Volleyball Promotion in India & South Asia

The International Volleyball Federation (FIVB) has signed an MoU with the Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) for the growth and development of youth volleyball in India and South Asia. This is the first time that FIVB has forged ties with an educational institute to promote and popularise the game. The MoU will see KISS, the largest university for indigenous students in the world, develop into a knowledge hub for volleyball training and other educational opportunities related to the sport, in addition to further promoting volleyball in India.

24.01.23



MoU with NBCC; Skill-based Training for KIIT-KISS Students

KIIT Deemed-to-be-University signed an MoU with the National Building Constructions Corporation (NBCC) to impart skill-based programmes to the students of both KIIT and KISS and make them industry ready. The function was attended by the Founder of KIIT-KISS Dr Achyuta Samanta and GM HR of NBCC Debasis Satapathy.

15.02.23

KISS signs MoU with Shailbala Women's Autonomous College, Cuttack



KISS-DU has signed an MoU with Shailbala Women's Autonomous College, Cuttack as we look to collaborate and conduct joint research and publication, exchange programmes, common academic and research work on socioeconomic exclusion, environmental issues, and organise joint seminars and workshops.

23.02.23

KISS & KISS-DU join Nature Positive Universities (NPU) network



KISS and KISS-DU join the network of Nature Positive Universities (NPU), a partnership between University of Oxford, UNEP Youth & Education, and the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration.

13.03.23

KISS signs MoU with Harvard Business School



KISS signed an MoU with the Aspire Leaders Program (ALP), founded by Harvard Business School professors in 2017. This partnership will bring great value to 18-26 year-olds from low-income backgrounds.

21.03.23

KISS & Sambalpur University sign MoU



Pleased to share that KISS and Sambalpur University signed an MoU to conduct joint research, students and faculty exchange program, and explore other areas of collaboration for the benefit of students of both universities. We look forward to a fulfilling partnership!

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29.08.22



KIIT-KISS Celebrates National Sports Day

The National Sports Day was celebrated at the KIIT-KISS Hockey Stadium here on Monday in the presence of Olympians, Arjuna Awardees and 5000 students from various sporting disciplines. The day is observed in memory of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand on his birth anniversary

17.01.23



Students' Day Out With Wales Hockey Team In KIIT-KISS

The Wales Team visited KISS, the largest institute in the world with more than 30,000 indigenous students, and saw the academic, sports, dining, prayer and all infrastructure. They also visited the KIIT-KISS Hockey Stadium and played with the KISS boys and girls Hockey team and with the selected students as well from the schools gathered at the stadium.

30.01.23



KIIT-KISS to be Associate Sponsor of Rugby India

KIIT and KISS DU entered into an agreement with the Indian Rugby Football Union (IRFU) to promote and popularise Rugby both at the grassroots level and the high-performance level. As per the MoU, KIIT-KISS has become the only university in India to be the associate sponsor of Rugby India for the next three years. The State Government remains the main sponsor of the game.

17.03.23



KISSians selected for Borneo Sevens Rugby Championship 2023

KISSians Hupi Majhi, Parbati Kisku, Mama Naik, Dumuni Marndi, Tarulata Naik and Nirmalya Rout have made it to India's squad for the Borneo Sevens Women Rugby Championship - 2023 to be held in Malaysia from 17th March 2023.

19.03.23



KISSian selected in national team for Assam Kho-Kho Championship

Archana Majhi, student of KISS and captain of #Odisha Women's Kho Kho team was selected to represent India at the 4th Asian Kho Kho Championship to be held in Guwahati, Assam from March 20th, 2023.

05.11.22



KISSians represent India in Asia Rugby U-20 7s Championship-2022

Four +3 students, Mr. Ganesh Dhangada Majhi, Ms. Mama Naik, Ms. Tarulata Naik and Ms. Nirmalya Rout, represented India in Asia Rugby U-20 7s Championship-2022 held in Angren, Uzbekistan from 5th and 6th November 2022 & the Women's Team won Silver Medal for India.

10.12.22



KISSians represent India in Asia Rugby U-18 7s Championship-2022

Six KISS students, Mr. Mangal Soren, Mr. Ganesh Dhangada Majhi, Mr. Ashok Hasdah, Ms. Mama Naik, Ms. Tarulata Naik, and Ms. Nirmalya Rout, represented the Indian Rugby Team in the "Asia Rugby U-18 7s Championship – 2022" held at Kathmandu, Nepal from 10th - 11th December, 2022. The women's team went on to win a prestigious Silver Medal for India.

06.08.22



KISSians represent India in Asia Rugby 7s Trophy 2022 at Jakarta

Ms Hupi Majhi, Ms Tarulata Naik, and Ms Dumuni Marndi represented India Women Rugby Team and Silver Medal in "Asia Rugby Sevens Trophy – 2022" held in Jakarta, Indonesia from 6th to 7th August, 2022.

04.07.22

KISSian represents India in 21st Asian Women's Volleyball Championship 2022



Ms. Snehamayee Kishan (Volleyball), +3 1st Year Arts represented India in "21st Asian Women's Volleyball Championship 2022" held in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan from 04th to 11th July 2022.

Lalu Prasad Bhoi bags multiple laurels for KISS



Lalu Prasad Bhoi, +3 2nd Year Commerce, represented Odisha in the "36th National Games – 2022" held at IIT Gandhinagar Ground, Gandhinagar from September 30-October 4 2022. He also represented Odisha in the "20th National Federation Cup U-20 Athletic Championship – 2022" held at Nadiad, Gujrat from 2nd to 4th June, 2022. He went on to represent Odisha in "Indian Grand Prix – 4" held at Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on 24th May, 2022 and Won Bronze Medal for Odisha. Following this, he represented Odisha in the "5th Edition of Khelo India Youth Games – 2022" in Athletic held at Panchkula, Haryana from 4th to 13th June, 2022. Most recently, Bhoi represented Odisha in "37th National Junior Athletic Championship – 2022" held SAI Athletic Stadium, Guwahati, Assam from 11th to 15th November, 2022 winning a Gold Medal for the state.

30.09.22

KISSians represent Odisha Kho Kho (Women) team in "36th National Games – 2022"



Ms Lipi Naik, Ms Archana Majhi, Ms Subhasree Sing, Magai Majhi and Ms Kadambini Majhi represented Odisha Kho Kho (Women) team in "36th National Games – 2022" held at Sanskardham Venue 2, Ahmedabad from September 30-October 4 2022. The women's team went on to win a Bronze Medal for Odisha.

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29.07.22



YRC Unit, KISS-DU Organizes Induction Programme for Volunteers

The Youth Red Cross Unit of KISS-DU organized an Induction Programme for its volunteers. The aim of the programme was to rekindle the spirit of volunteerism and apprise on roles and responsibilities of volunteers.

23.01.23



KISS Organises Mega Guardians' Meet

KISS organised a mega Guardians' meet here on Sunday, with the Founder of KIIT-KISS Dr Achyuta Samanta expressing his heartfelt gratitude to them for their support and affection that has made it renowned the world over.The event was attended by 60,000 parents, 30,000 students along with proud alumni. Sadhak Karjee who has cleared the Odisha Judicial Service Examination and sportsperson Ajay Oram who is leaving for Japan this month as Rugby coach, were felicited. The Guardians' meet gave a perfect occasion for the parents to meet their children, staff and be apprised about the latest developments in the campus.

13.02.23



KISS' Sadhana Mishra nominated as 'Third Gender Icon'

Pleased to announce that our employee Sadhana Mishra has been nominated by the Chief Electoral Office, Odisha as a 'Third Gender Icon' to promote voters' participation under the SVEEP programme and spread awareness at the grassroots via different forms of media. Sadhana has also been invited to become a Transgender Icon of the Election Commission of India for an awareness campaign.

16.03.23

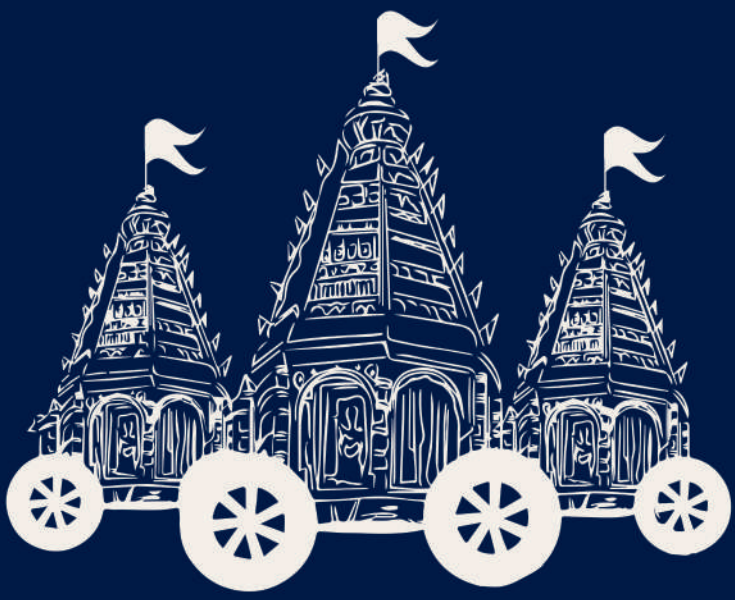


KISS Alumnus promited to ACF, Subarnapur Division

KISS congratulates its alumnus Giridhari Nag for being promoted to ACF (Administration, PP & Eco-tourism) of Subarnapur Division.

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08.03.22



KISS-DU Celebrates International Women's Day

KISS-DU, in association with the AURORA Project (co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union), celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March 2022

11.04.22



Students of KISS-DU Celebrate 'Chait Parab'

In another step towards preserving, protecting, and promoting the tribal cultural diversities, the students of KISS-DU celebrated the unique tribal festival, Chait Parab, on 11th April 2022. Kandha Tribe is one of the powerful indigenous tribes of Odisha.

14.04.22



KISS-DU Commemorates Birth Anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

The Ambedkar Research Chair, KISS-DU and Research Committee (RC) – 9: Dalit Studies, Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi jointly observed the birth anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. Presenting an international perspective, the Chief Guest, Dr. Gaurav J. Pathania, Eastern Mennonite University, Virginia, USA said, "International universities are honouring Ambedkar not just as a Constitution maker but also as a scholar.

16.05.22



118th Birth Anniversary of Guru Gomke Pandit Raghunath Murmu

KISS Deemed to be University celebrated the 118th Birth Anniversary of Guru Gomke Pandit Raghunath Murmu on 16th May 2022. Pandit Raghunath Murmu (May 1905 – February 1982) was an Indian writer and educator.

21.06.22

8th International Day of Yoga



The 8th "International Day of Yoga" was observed with enthusiasm in KIIT & KISS on 21st June 2022. On this occasion, thousands of students, teachers, and staff performed various basic Yoga postures during the hour-long session at KIIT indoor Stadium. The 8th International Day of Yoga's theme was 'Yoga for Humanity'.

29.06.22

KISS DU Observes 94th Death Anniversary of Utkalmani Gopabandhu Das



KISS Deemed to be University organized a seminar on 'Gopabandhunka Kabitare Biswa Prema' on the occasion of the 94th Death Anniversary of Utkalamani Gopabandhu Das. It was organized under the aegis of Gopabandhu Das Research Chair on 29th June 2022. The event was attended by Senior Functionaries, Professors Emeriti, Faculty Members, Research Scholars and Students of KISS-DU.

25.07.22

Exposure Visit of KISS-DU Students to SCSTRTI Museum



As a part of the collaboration between KISS-DU and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Research and Training Institute (SCSTRTI), an exposure visit to SCSTRTI, Bhubaneswar was organized for the students of KISS-DU.

09.09.22

Special Lecture on Santhal Hul of 1855



The School of Tribal Culture, Philosophy & Eco-Spiritualism and the Centre for Tribal Cultural Heritage & Diversity, KISS-DU jointly organized a Distinguished Invited Lecture on 'A Public Historian and Other People's Histories: Some Thoughts'. The lecture was delivered by Professor Peter Stanley, a distinguished public historian who has recently published a well-received book on the Santhal Hul (rebellion) of 1855.

15.11.22



Janjatiya Gaurav Divas at KISS

Janjatiya Gaurav Divas is part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, the flagship programme of the Government of India, to celebrate and remember the contributions of the unsung heroes who had contributed immensely towards the freedom struggle.

26.01.23



74th Republic Day Celebrations

The 74th Republic Day was celebrated by KIIT and KISS on 26th January. Smt. Saswati Bal, President, KIIT & KISS unfurled the National Flag. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS said "We are indebted to Bharat Ratna Bhimrao Ambedkar who has given us the constitution of the country. Both KIIT and KISS have grown and have become stable because of the love and contribution of each and every staff. We convey our best wishes to all staff for contributing to the growth of KIIT and KISS." Students performed cultural dance activites. Olympian Dutee Chand, Shreyanka Sarangi and Swetaparna Panda were present as well.

04.02.23



KISS Keerti Udyan inaugurated

Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KIIT and KISS, inaugurated an innovative tribal handicraft corner, KISS Keerti Udyan, on the KISS campus on 4th February 2023. It displays diverse tribal craftsmanship and depicts indigenous communities' distinct way of life.

07.02.23



KISS students celebrate Mage Parab

Students of KISS-DU celebrated Mage Parab on 7th February 2023, as a mark of respect for the tribal culture. Mage Parab is the principal festival celebrated among the Ho people of eastern India, and is also celebrated by the Munda people. Mage Parab is celebrated at the end of Porus i.e. during the month of December-January and in the beginning of Magh i.e. during January-February.

24.03.23

KISS students celebrate Sarhul Festival



KISS' UG, PG, and PhD scholars celebrated Sarhul Festival with great fervour on 24th March 2023. Such festivities bring the whole KISS family together and helps our tribal students stay connected with their roots.









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