



Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)

Deemed to be University

(Established U/S 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India

Fully-free and Fully-residential Institute for 70,000 Indigenous (Tribal) Children

(30,000 students in KISS, Bhubaneswar; 20,000 well-placed alumni; and 20,000 students in various satellite centres)

First University Exclusively for Tribal Students in the World

Founded in 1992-93 by eminent educationist and social activist

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, KISS has brought a silent revolution among tribal population to eradicate poverty through education. KISS focuses on holistic education, nutrition & well-being and developing change leaders.

A sister concern of KIIT
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MESSAGE

Achyuta Samanta Founder, KIIT & KISS



Education is the most powerful driver for effecting socio-economic change. Dreams of a New India can be materialized only on the strength of well-educated, skilled and energetic human resources. We will succeed only when education and its empowering benefits reach everyone, even the tribal (indigenous) communities who have

historically been languishing behind the mainstream population in terms of literacy rate and other development indicators. Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) works with the tribal communities, the most marginalized in the country, and helps them join the mainstream society using holistic education as the tool.

KISS had a humble beginning in 1992-93 and is now the world's largest tribal institute having 30,000 students. Over the last two and a half decades, our experience shows that these underprivileged children can also excel given the right opportunities. KISS has produced hundreds of inspiring success stories, in which students coming from extreme poverty and the most unfortunate circumstances have achieved amazing feats. Our students have achieved accolades from India and abroad on different occasions. They have excelled in academics and co-curricular activities and have succeeded in breaking the cycle of poverty with the support of KISS. It is the constant endeavour of KISS to bring out merit in each and every one of them and make them empowered and self-reliant. Indeed, KISS has emerged as a unique model of empowerment through education.

KISS has a strong alumni body of 20,000 empowered youth, well placed and driving change for themselves, their families and communities. An additional 20,000 students are getting a new lease on life in the ten satellite centers of KISS in ten districts of Odisha. From a mere institution, KISS has now become a revolution in the lives of tribal people.

As an individual, I started with nothing in hand, except for my own experience of severe poverty and hunger and a strong passion to create a model to eradicate poverty and hunger through education. Today, this principle is the motto of each and every policymaker and country, including the objective of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG). KISS is the best model to fulfil all the objectives of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in true sense and spirit. It is the biggest anthropological laboratory in the world. We have myriad tribes studying at KISS and their rich heritage, culture, music, dance and practices are documented, maintained and augmented in the most appropriate manner.

I am always grateful to the stakeholders of KIIT for their kind gesture to support KISS financially. I express my thanks and gratitude to all the well-wishers and contributors. We reciprocate their kind gesture with the prayers from the pure souls of 70,000 tribal children for their peace and prosperity.



Samanta's 'School of Thought'

“Giving quality education to the deprived is like giving sight to the blind.”

“Poverty creates illiteracy, literacy removes poverty.”

“Given opportunity, the weak too can excel.”

“Continuation of beauty is more important than creation of beauty”.

“In the present age, half education is more harmful than no education.”

“Think – What I was, What I am, What I will be!”

“Be grateful, not ungrateful.”

“I will serve the society selflessly. The society has made me what I am. I will pay back the debt, without being complacent.”

Achyuta Samanta Founder, KIIT & KISS

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Vision

To build up KISS as a preferred centre of learning for the poorest of the poor indigenous (tribal) sections of the society with a focus on formal education aimed at providing sustainable livelihood and scope for all-round development.

Mission

To eradicate poverty and empower the disadvantaged sections of the society through holistic education and providing them with sustainable livelihood.

To enable underprivileged people to join society's mainstream through holistic education

To be a complete solution to pervasive poverty in the lowest strata of the society

To transform 'liability' into 'permanent asset' and 'tax consumers' into 'tax payers' through holistic education

To prepare underprivileged children and youth as 'change agents' for their community

To preserve tribal heritage, culture and values

Genesis

Achyuta Samanta, Founder of KISS had always nurtured vision of a world free from hunger, poverty, illiteracy and ignorance because he himself had to go through all these sufferings in his childhood. Untimely demise of his father when he was only four years old plunged the whole family comprising 7 siblings and widow mother into the mire of abject poverty and deprivation. With no fortune to fall back on, the family languished in their remote native village in Odisha and would often go without a square meal for days. The gruelling experience of his childhood had convinced the young Achyuta Samanta quite early in life that hunger, poverty, ignorance, and illiteracy kill people from within and further deprive them of livelihood earning skills.

With great hardship and struggle, Achyuta Samanta completed his Masters in Chemistry in 1987 and soon became an academic. But deep within his passionate heart, he cringed to do something to emancipate the poor and the deprived. His passion took him to the tribal hinterland where he travelled extensively and even stayed for days together among the poor and much alienated Juang tribal community in Keonjhar district and the Bhumija and Kolhas of Mayurbhanj district and watched from a very close range how the government and NGOs worked in their endeavour to develop the tribal communities. His first hand practical experience made him realize that lack of education was the sole reason why the tribal were not developing despite tremendous contributions being made by the Government and different NGOs. The tribal had a lifestyle of their own which had been solely dependent on the forests surrounding their habitat, but with gradual deforestation their very survival was at stake.

Enriched with wisdom derived from these experiences, the young academic Achyuta Samanta, with all his savings that amounted to only Rs. 5000/- (100 USD), was prompted to start a small training institute - Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) in 1992-93 at Bhubaneswar in a rented building. He also set up another institute side by side, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) dedicating it especially for the basic education of the tribal children starting with 125 poorest tribal children. Achyuta Samanta's brilliant visionary mind knew right from the start that KIIT would sustain KISS as he himself had neither a fortune of his own to spare, nor any influential backing and banking support. KIIT has been deftly mentored by Samanta as a result of which it has consistently grown into a self-sufficient educational organization and nurtured the growth of KISS, from pillar to pillar. KIIT provided a sustainable financing and technically enabling model for KISS because living on donations, which would come by sporadically, could not have provided a sustainable source of finance and other resources. Since then, both the organizations are prospering impressively. KISS, the philanthropic spirit of KIIT and its founder Achyuta Samanta, today has student strength of over 30,000 of whom 60% are girls who receive

PLIGHT OF TRIBALS

- Tribal population of India is more than 102 million
- 8.6% of the country's population is tribal
- India has the single largest tribal population in the world
- Literacy rate among tribal population is less than 30% in India
- About 24% of Odisha's population is tribal

holistic education from Kindergarten to post graduation and beyond with vocational training in a wide range of disciplines. KISS achieved a major landmark in 2017 when the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India declared it as a Deemed University, making it the first tribal university in the world. Besides implementing the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals, KISS has been able to bring about much needed social changes in the tribal hinterland of the state and its

neighbouring states by arresting spread of Maoist and Naxalite insurgency in these areas and inculcating in the tribal minds a strong will to live life big. KISS, through its 30,000 students who come from as many families in different villages across the state, is indeed transforming tribal mindset and bringing their joining the mainstream society.

The innovative pedagogy and thoughtful curricula adopted in KISS ensures zero dropout, whereas tribal schools in the tribal hinterland suffer from rampant dropout menace. Staying in the middle of the mainstream population has been providing the much needed confidence and acquaintance with skills of the mainstream for seamless coexistence. KISS students are excelling not only in their studies, but also in various extracurricular activities, particularly sports winning national and international recognitions. Students on their graduation find gainful employment on their own merit in different organizations at par with their counterparts from the mainstream society. Today they even look forward to higher education in professional domains such as engineering, medical, law, management, etc. KISS's success story has spread far and wide and has been bringing many inquisitive visitors including State and Country Heads, Diplomats, Nobel Laureates, Social Activists, Social Researchers and Scholars, Legal Luminaries from across the world to its campus at frequent intervals. World organizations like UNICEF, UNDP, etc. have also come forward to join hands with KISS in its endeavour towards economic and social emancipation of the tribal. Press and Media from across the globe have been publishing the saga of success of KISS.

The success of KISS has attracted the attention of planners and administrators of different governments within the country and abroad calling for replication of KISS in their respective areas. While a branch of KISS, KISS-DELHI, is operating successfully in the National Capital Region of Delhi with the collaboration of the Government of Delhi, plans are in the offing to open branches of KISS in all the 30 districts of the state of Odisha, 10 states in India and in 10 foreign countries. KISS's founder, Achyuta Samanta's has been propagating the KISS Model in different developing and underdeveloped countries in his bid to change the lives of the poor and the hapless throughout the globe. KISS has grown as an amazing social initiative and is catching the fancy of great thinkers throughout the globe.



Morning Prayer Meeting at KISS

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) At A Glance

- Declared Deemed to be University by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India in 2017, becoming the **first exclusive tribal university in the world**
- Largest residential tribal institute in the world** providing holistic education from Class 1 to Ph.D, skill development & vocational training, food, sports, health care and all other basic necessities of life to 70,000 indigenous (tribal) children absolutely free of cost
- Special Consultative Status with the **Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** since 2015 – the highest recognition to a non-government organization from the United Nations
- Listed among **top 189 NGOs of the world** and **top 10 NGOs of India** in the prestigious ranking of global NGOs by NGO Advisor, a Geneva-based independent media organization
- Certified with Champion Level-Platinum Certification by GuideStar India** for NGO Transparency (2016)
- Aligned with and proactively working to achieve the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** of the United Nations
- Expansive, self-contained, eco-friendly campus** for 30,000 students in Bhubaneswar

with facilities at par with a good public institute

- Plans to educate 2,00,000 indigenous (tribal) children over the next decade and **on-going development of branches in all 30 districts of Odisha, in addition to 10 other states**, with the support of respective state governments
- Students are **high achievers** in academics, co-curricular activities and national and international sports, making it a highly successful model of tribal empowerment through education
- Tie-ups with many world organizations including **UNESCO, UNICEF, UNFPA, and US Federal Government**
- Received appreciations from visitors, high dignitaries, including Heads of State, Ambassadors and 20 Nobel Laureates, from 80 countries
- Extensive coverage in leading national and international media, including The Time, Wall Street Journal, South China Morning Post, Readers' Digest, Asia Post and Public Broadcasting Service (PBS)
- Included in the **Guinness World Records** on four counts

Well-Organised Campus

KISS is unlike any other campus in the country. Students are of diverse age groups having their unique learning, physical, nutritional and social needs. Academic and other facilities of KISS have been distributed over three integrated campuses for administrative convenience and ensuring best outcome from the students.

Campus-1 : Academic Block (School - for Class 1 to Class X); Science Laboratory; Administrative Block (School); Computer Centres (8 Nos.); School Library; Science Park; Girls Hostel; Mega Kitchen; Dining Hall; Playground; Dispensary; Conference Hall; Project Offices; Water Plant; Biogas Plant; and Staff Quarters.

Campus-2 : Vocational Training Centres (Farm & Non-farm); Skill Unit; Boys Hostel (School); Boys Hostel (College); Mechanised Kitchen & Dining Hall; Sports Facility (3 Playgrounds, Archery, Basketball Court, Lawn Tennis Court); Fishery Farm; Mechanized Laundry; Bio-diesel Unit; Solar Power Plant, Vermi Compost Production Unit; and Open air theatre with open gallery (30000 capacity).

Campus-3 (Higher Education Campus of KISS Deemed to be University) : Academic Block (College – for +2, +3, PG, Ph.D.); Administrative Block (College); World Class Library-cum-Reading Room; Magazine Lounge; E-library; Exclusive Girls Hostel; Mechanised Kitchen; Dining Hall; Sewerage Treatment Plant; Water Filtration Plant; Rain Water Ground Recharge System; and Roof Top Garden to ensure green environment.

All campuses have wi-fi, CCTV Surveillance System and Power Back up with DG set.

KISS implements a number of innovative pedagogies to transform a vulnerable tribal child into capable, confident and socially responsible individual. Its holistic approach to education ensures that the focus is on all-rounded development of young tribal learners. It involves a variety of approaches to education, ranging from focus on quality academia, along side sports, skill training and extracurricular activities. During the students' early childhood, they are taught in their mother tongue to bridge the language gap that tribal students face while transitioning from diverse tribal languages (and their many dialects) to the state language of Oriya. KISS provides a platform to the students to interact with national and international dignitaries, academicians, policymakers, leaders, Nobel laureates, journalists, lawyers, bureaucrats, actors, sportspersons, writers and much more. This helps students identify role models while giving them global exposure. The approach ensures sustainability and preserves and disseminates tribal knowledge and culture.

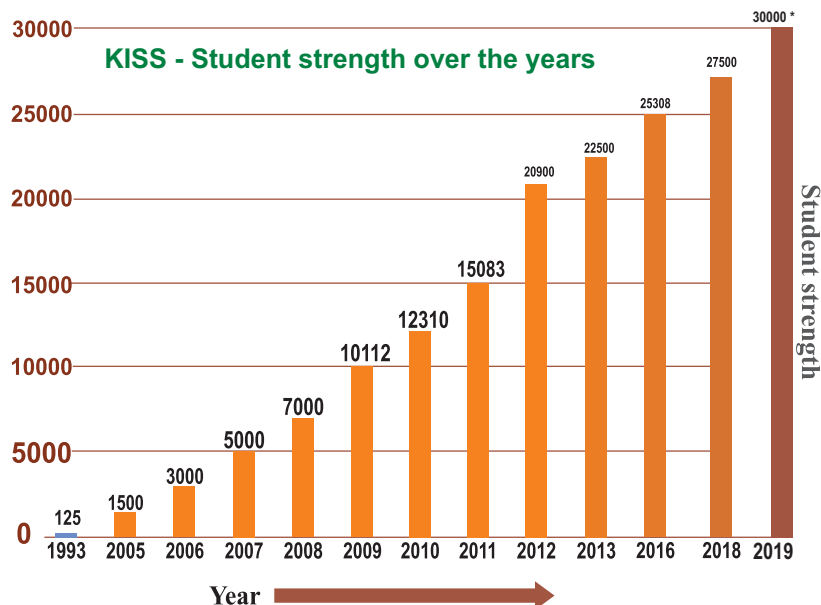
Social Innovation - Educate, Enable, Empower

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

'Earn While You Learn'

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

INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGY



* An additional 20,000 students are enrolled in its various satellite centres, while 20,000 have already graduated.

Academic Affiliations

KISS-Vernacular School :KISS-Vernacular School is affiliated to Board of Secondary Education, Odisha for Class 1 to Class 10 and Council of Higher Secondary Education, Odisha for 10+2. Medium of instruction is Odia for Class 1 to Class 10 and English for 10+2.

KISS Deemed to be University

KISS was granted Deemed to be University status by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India, making it the first university exclusively for tribal students in the world. The University focuses on teaching and research in unique and 'emerging areas of knowledge' related to Tribal Culture, Philosophy, Heritage, Linguistics and Literature, Science and Technology, Tribal Resource Management, Tribal Legal Studies and Tribal Rights not being perused by other institutions. It has opened seven new innovative departments to give impetus to teaching and research on tribal studies.

- Department of Tribal Resource Management**
- Department of Tribal Heritage & Tribal Indology**
- Department of Tribal Legal Studies & Tribal Right**
- Department of Comparative Indic Studies & Tribal Science**
- Department of Comparative Tribal Linguistics & Literature**
- Department of Indigenous Knowledge, Science & Technology**

- Department of Tribal Culture, Philosophy & Eco-Spiritualism**

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

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

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

Achievements

There have been numerous stories of change and achievement in this institution, each student being an incredible story of overcoming adversities. The students have excelled in academics and extracurricular activities. They have moved to create a name for themselves in prestigious National and International arenas challenging the quagmires of poverty, hunger and alienation.



National Bravery Award to KISS Student: Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India presented the National Bravery Awards to Mamata Dalai from KISS in New Delhi on January 24, 2018. At 6 years and 8 months, she is the youngest recipient of this prestigious award. Dalai, from Bankual village within Bhitarkanika National Park of Kendrapada district was chosen for the award for saving the life of a seven-year-old Asanti Dalai from the jaws of a salt-water crocodile in her village pond on April 6, 2017.

KISS to Host IUAES World Congress – 2023: KISS, which is regarded as the world's largest anthropological laboratory, has been awarded the privilege to host the XIXth World Congress of The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) 2023. India, represented by KISS, won the bid to host the next edition of the prestigious IUAES World Congress at KISS in 2023 in collaboration with Utkal University and Sambalpur University.

Global Role Model: Sumitra Naik, captain of the Indian Women's Rugby Team, was nominated for the prestigious International Children's Peace Prize - 2017. Sumitra also has the distinction of delivering a talk on child rights at a '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.

Cent percent record in 10th Board Exam: In 2002, KISS created ripples in the academic community by achieving cent percent result in Class X board examinations, against a state average of only 60 to 70 percent. This performance has been repeated every year till date. As many as 1,676 students from the institute appeared for the 10th Board examination in 2019 of Odisha Board of Secondary Education. It is a record in India for the highest number of students from a single school appearing for the 10th Board exam.

Cent percent record in 12th Board Exam: KISS students annually achieve cent percent result in 12th Board examination.

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE 2016 Awards: DhananjayaDehury and Sebatu Kutruka, Class VIII students, won Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE 2016 Awards, instituted by theNational Innovation Foundation-India (NIF). Their innovative projects were only among 32 selected from over 59,000 entries received by NIF.

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 student joined MBBS course in Govt. medical colleges after clearing NEET. Similarly, one student has cleared Common Law Admission Test (CLAT).

Success in IIM: Ganeswar Miniaka, 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 M.B.B.S. qualification from Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), KIIT Deemed to be University. Five percent seats in all professional courses of KIIT University are reserved for deserving KISS students for free.

Success in JRF & NET: Four students of KISS, Tikeswar Majhi, TeliTuika, Chintamani Majhi and Jeetendra Saraka, 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 M.B.B.S. course.

Success in Lectureship & Higher Studies: In 2019, as many as 18 KISS students have been selected for lectureship posts in different government colleges, after clearing the Staff Selection Board examination.

Malala Day United Nations 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 12, 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. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General, and other dignitaries attended the event.

KISS in Anthropology Textbooks in U.S.: KISS has features in two very popular textbooks used in introductory anthropology and cultural anthropology courses in the United States of America (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's Children's Prize for Child Rights: KISS received recognition from World's Children's Prize for Child Rights. It is a recognition given to organizations working in the field of different aspects of child rights.

US Fulbright Scholar: Renowned Professor in Anthropology, Christine Finnian did extensive research on the institute spanning several months. This is the first time an American Fulbright Scholar worked in any Indian institution.

Collaboration

Success of KISS' model of empowerment of indigenous (tribal) people through education has attracted the world's attention. Many national and international organizations, including UN agencies and US Federal Government, have come forward to work with KISS towards common development goals.

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA): KISS in partnership with United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is implementing a project on "Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH) and Life Skill Education (LSE)" for about 10,000 adolescents in the institute and more than 200,000 across the state.

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): UNDP, in association with KISS, has started a Skill Development programme in Odisha.

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF): UNICEF in association with KISS has established a Children Development Resource Centre (CDRC) as part of the larger UNICEF-KIIT University joint initiative for the Centre for Children Studies (CCS).

US Embassy India: The US Embassy has sponsored "English Access Micro scholarship Program", which has been effective in gradually building up writing, reading, listening and speaking skills in English, for a group of selected students of KISS. The Centre for American Studies stands as an example of Indian-American collaboration in the field of education.

Bernard van Leer Foundation: KISS in collaboration with the Bernard Van Leer Foundation has started the Mother tongue Based Multilingual Education (MT based MLE) to address the need of the indigenous children.

Oracle: Oracle has supported KISS for creating 100 Smart Classrooms with interactive smart projectors and boards.

Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS): The MoU with TISS aims to establish a framework for collaborative partnership on mutually agreed areas by promoting and co-opting human resources for undertaking research, curriculum and pedagogy development, livelihood & skill building, counselling, training program, seminar and workshops for teachers and students.

CAF India: Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) has validated KISS as one of the few Indian NGOs committed to demonstrating and maintaining financial transparency.

Ashoka Foundation: KISS in partnership with Ashoka Foundation has been able to roll out the first social entrepreneur among the tribal community.

Bridge / Dasra / FXB Suraksha: KISS, in

collaboration with Bridge, Dasra and FXB Suraksha, has started the Kalinga Fellowship, an initiative to bring together key stakeholders for safeguarding of girls in Odisha.

Center for Development and Democracy (CDD), Lima, Peru: CDD will work extensively with KISS on aspects of academics and exchange programs.

Give India: KISS is accredited with Give India. The main aim of Give India is to promote an effective and efficient giving culture that provides greater opportunities to the poor in India.

KISS, Neeti Foundation and Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge: The collaboration will work for the common cause of research, advocacy and capacity development for promoting education, health and improved livelihoods and living standards, especially for less privileged children of India, their families and communities.

British Council: British Council in partnership with Diageo has launched the Young Women Social Entrepreneurship Development Programme, which is being implemented at KISS.

Prajwala: Prajwala and KISS are working for SWARAKSHA Campaign.

National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC): NMDC in collaboration with KISS is setting up Livelihood Centre for tribal children at Kanker in Chhattisgarh.

Tata Steel Limited: KISS and Tata Steel have agreed to strengthen the relationship between the industry and the institutions by developing collaboration in various academic, research, training and staff development activities.

AFS Intercultural Programs, India: KISS along with KIIT University and KIIT International School, have collaborated with AFS India to provide opportunities for students to study abroad, and also to provide international students to do internships and volunteering at KISS.

AIESEC: AIESEC provides students the opportunity to do internship at international destinations. KISS receives more than 15 interns annually through the AIESEC Internship Program.

EdCIL (India) Ltd.: EdCIL (India) Ltd. is associated with KISS under its CSR program, whereby, EdCIL provides for assistance to KISS through which Text Books have been bought in the current academic session.

Kelloggs India: Kelloggs India, under its CSR initiative, is providing with 200 ml milk and 400 gm pack of Kelloggs Cornflakes to each student of KISS.

General Insurance Corporation of India:

GIC is associated with KISS through sponsorship of students. Currently GIC supports 80 postgraduate students.

Max Foundation: Max Foundation has been partnering with KISS for the last four years and providing vaccination to the children being enrolled here. Vaccines such as MMR, Typhoid, Hep-B, etc are being provided by Max Foundation. Every year, nearly 2000 children are vaccinated.

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

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS): TCS is associated with KISS to provide training in soft skills through their affirmative program.

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

Banchte Shekha: Both KISS and Banchte Shekha, Bangladesh are working for the common cause of promoting education for less privileged children of Bangladesh and India.

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

National Slum Dwellers Federation: In association with Mr. Jockin Arputham, Magsaysay Award winner, KISS will carry out development work in slums of Odisha and India.

Collaboration with International Universities:

- Hanseo University, Republic of Korea
- University of Cambodia, Cambodia
- University of Tubingen, Germany
- College of Charleston, U.S.
- Cambridge University, UK.
- Kingston University, UK
- Northumbria University, UK
- University of Central Lancashire, UK
- Leeds University, UK
- Helsinki Espana - University Network Spain

Corporate/ Foundation/ Institute Linkages: Essel Mining (Aditya Birla Group), OCL, Tata Sponge Limited, Rourkela Steel Plant, Air Liquide Foundation, Blue Star Foundation, Honeywell India, Intel Technology India Pvt Ltd., etc.

Membership of International Bodies: Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIIPP); United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; and International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAS).

KISS Humanitarian Award

The KISS Humanitarian Award was instituted by Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), Bhubaneswar in 2008 to honour and recognize individuals with exceptionally high contribution to the society in various fields relating to social issues and who have distinguished themselves as true humanitarians. The recipient's works are in harmony with the principles of KISS. The recipient of the award is chosen by a high-level jury. Past laureates have been great compassionate leaders of vision and concern for human values from different parts of the world.

The award is presented every year in KISS campus at Bhubaneswar with great pomp and ceremony in the presence of a large audience, comprising students, faculty and staff of KISS and KIIT, and luminous dignitaries from different walks of life from around the world. The award, comprising a citation and a gold-plated trophy that depicts a great social message, has attained much covetousness over the years and has attracted the attention of both domestic and international media.

The trophy with a golden shine is structurally comprised of a pair of hands upholding a heart that bears a smear of a multitude of waving hands. The pair of hands in the upholding gesture and the large heart represent compassionate service to humanity providing power, knowledge, and capacity to a multitude of hapless hands around the globe. The overwhelming presence of hands in the trophy quintessentially symbolize work (Karma), fate, blessings, destiny and felicitation while the single pair of hands upholding the heart depict how the art of giving can enable even a single pair of dedicated hands to create ripples of change in the lives of the helpless many. The shining golden colour of the trophy stands for virtues of purity, altruism, prosperity and hope.

KISS Humanitarian Award is a celebration of the struggles of extraordinary human beings who try to alleviate suffering from the face of the earth.



KISS Humanitarian Award Trophy

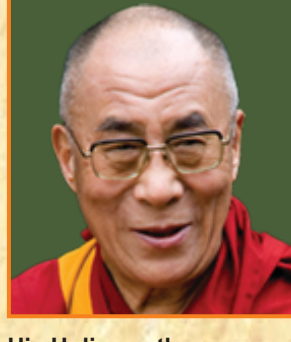
Past Recipients of KISS HUMANITARIAN AWARD

“Achyuta Samanta is a great humanitarian who loves people and deserves to give humanitarian award. For me, this prize is no less than the Nobel Prize.”

– His Holiness The 14th Dalai Lama

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His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama (2017)



Prof. Muhammad Yunus, Founder of Grameen Bank, Bangladesh and Nobel Peace Prize Winner



Ms. Ashley Judd, Hollywood Actor, Activist & Global Goodwill Ambassador, UNFPA (2016)



Madam Albina Du Boisrouvray, Founder, Association François-Xavier Bagnoud (FXB International), Switzerland (2013)



His Excellency Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley, Hon'ble Prime Minister, The Royal Government of Bhutan (2012)



Rt. Hon. Lord Nicholas Addison Phillips, President (Chief Justice) of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom (2011)



Rt. Hon. Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Eminent Social Worker & His Excellency the President of Mauritius (2010)

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1st Khelo India University Games Odisha 2020

22nd February to 1st March 2020



KIIT & KISS are proud to host the first edition of Khelo India University Games Odisha 2020, the most prestigious meet under the Govt. of India's flagship Khelo India programme for the development of sports launched in 2018. The multi-discipline sporting extravaganza is an annual event under the aegis of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India, Ministry of HRD, Sports Authority of India (SAI) and Association of Indian Universities (AIU). The inaugural Khelo India University Games has come to Bhubaneswar, the capital of Odisha, which has emerged as the sporting capital of the country. KIIT was selected to host this major event due to its superior infrastructure and proven track record in organizing international meets. Over 4000 participating athletes from 250 institutions and 2000 officials will be accommodated in a specially earmarked 'games village' in KIIT campus replete with all modern amenities, including air-conditioned twin seated rooms with attached baths. Over the years, KIIT has created huge sports infrastructure of international standards to host national and international level sports meet Khelo India University Games.

KISS Sports

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) has been according a high importance to sports since its inception. Even though it is not a sports institution, all ultramodern sports facility and training, at par with any national level sports hostel or sports training centre, are provided here. As a result the institute has been able to produce many national and international level sportspersons. They are bringing glory to their institution, community, state and country.



KISS Girl Sumitra Nayak powers India to first International 15th Rugby win

KISS girl Sumitra Nayak played a pivotal role in Indian women's historic first test win in the 15s format in Asia Women's Div-1 Rugby 15-s Championship 2019. Earlier, students of KISS have scored hat-trick in Rugby, winning Rugby World Cup three times – U-14 Boys Rugby World Cup, 2007 in London; U-13 Boys International Rugby Tournament 2011 in Manchester and U-13 Girls International Rugby Championship, 2014 in London.

PROMINENT INTERNATIONAL Sports persons Produced by KISS

Purnima Hembram, International Athlete (Events: 100 Mt Hurdles, Pentathlon and Heptathlon)

- Qualified for Asian Games 2018.
- Biju Patnaik Sportsperson of the Year in 2015
- Bronze Medal in Heptathlon at the 2017 Asian Athletics Championships
- Gold Medal in 100m at the 57th National Senior Inter-State Athletic Championships, 2017
- Gold Medal in Pentathlon at the 5th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017, Turkmenistan

Jauna Murmu, International Athlete (Events: 400 Mt, 400 Mt Hurdles, 4 X 100 Mt Relay and 4 X 400 Mt Relay)

- Qualified for Asian Games 2018.
- Gold Medal in 400m hurdles at the 2016 South Asian Games
- Gold Medal in the 4 x 400m relay at the 2016 South Asian Games
- Gold Medal in 400 metre hurdles event at 3rd Asian All Star Athletics Meet, 2010
- Two gold (400 x 400) and one Bronze medal in 400 mtr run in 57th National Open Athletics Championship 2017

Mandakini Majhi, International KHO-KHO Player

- Represented Odisha in National Games 2015 held in Kerala.
- First Odia in India Women Kho-Kho team that won the gold medal in 12th South Asian Game at Guwahati, Assam in 2016.

Sumitra Nayak, International Rugby Player

- Got Gold Medal in U-13 Rugby World Cup held in London in 2014.
- India got Silver Medal in Asia Rugby Sevens Trophy 2019 held in Jakarta, Indonesia.
- India got Bronze Medal in the Captainship of Ms Sumitra Nayak Asia Rugby Sevens (U-20 Girls) Championship-2019 held in Vientiane, Laos.
- Participated in the TEDX Talk at Pune on 26th of November-2016.
- Nominated for International Children's Peace Prize-2017.

Nitya Majhi, International Judo Player

- First Odia got Bronze Medal in Commonwealth Judo Championship-2019 held Birmingham, UK.

Janaki Murmu, International Football Player

- Represented India in Asian U-14 Girls Football Championship-2015 in Kathmandu, Nepal
- Represented India in IIFC U-16 Football Championship- 2016 in Yipin, China.

Geeta Bhuyan, International Baseball Player

- Represented India in Women Baseball World Cup -2016 held in Gijang, South Korea and got best Third Base Fielder Award.
- Represented India in 1st Women Baseball Asian Cup-2017 held in Hong Kong.
- Represented India in 2nd Asia Women's Baseball Cup-2019 held in Zhongshan, China.

Ranjit Nayak, Archery International Archer

- Represented India in World Youth Archery Championship held from 11th to 20th August, 2013 in Wuxi, China.
- Represented India in 2nd Asian Grand Prix held from 16th to 20th October, 2014 in Taipei (Chinese Taipei) and got Silver Medal for India.
- Represented India in World cup stage-I Archery Championship, held from 3rd to 11th May, 2015 in China.
- Represented India in World cup stage-II Archery Championship, held from 24th May to 1st June, 2015 in Turkey.
- He has been identified as a potential medal winner in Olympic Games and included in Khelo India Scheme for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India.

KISS Satellite Centres

KISS has been recognised as an internationally replicable model of empowerment of indigenous (tribal) people. A branch of KISS was started in Delhi in 2013. The State of Odisha has a high concentration of tribal population, constituting about one-fourth of the total population. Like the rest of the country, they lag behind the mainstream population in terms of education and other development indicators. In view of this, KISS had planned to start its satellite centres in 20 districts of Odisha. Five branches of KISS have already started functioning in Mayurbhanj, Balangir, Kalahandi, Balasore and Cuttack districts. Work has been completed in another four branches and they will soon become operational in Boudh, Kandhamal, Ganjam and Keonjhar districts. All remaining satellite centres will become functional by 2022. Work is also in progress to set up satellite centres of KISS in 10 states and 10 foreign countries.



Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha inaugurating Adani-KISS Residential School, Mayurbhanj on January 8, 2020.



Shri Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha inaugurating Motilal Oswal-KISS Residential School, Bolangir on February 15, 2020.



KISS, Delhi

KISS Delhi is a joint venture of Govt. of NCT of Delhi and KISS Bhubaneswar to provide quality education and vocational training to the children belonging to the EWS of SC/OBC/Minorities and Orphans of any caste. Started on June 27, 2013, this fully free residential school presently has student strength of 1200 and imparts education from Class 1 to Class XII under CBSE curriculum. The School is fully supported by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi and managed by the CEO, KISS Delhi and her team very successfully.

KISS, Jessore & KISS, Dhaka (Bangladesh)

Recognizing the success of KISS model in Bhubaneswar, Bangladesh is all set to replicate a congruent version of it in Dhaka and Jessore. Branch at Dhaka is being set up in association with Daffodil International University, Dhaka. Jessore Branch is supported by 'Banchte Shekha', a leading NGO led by Dr. Angela Gomes, Ramon Magsaysay Laureate. KISS shall provide technical and managerial support for the functioning of the two branches.

KISS, Kolkata

A new branch of KISS is being established in Kolkata, West Bengal, in collaboration with 'Help Us Help Them', a Kolkata based NGO that promotes the same cause. The school shall be a residential school for over 1000 children near IIM Joka. It will have the same structural model as KISS.

Adani-KISS Residential School, Mayurbhanj

Set up in Baripada in association with Adani Foundation, Ahmadabad, KISS - Mayurbhanj has started functioning from 2020. This replica institute of KISS will provide quality education to the underprivileged tribal children of the tribal dominated district as well as neighbouring districts.

Emami KISS Residential School, Balasore

Emami KISS Residential School is a joint venture with Emami Group. Modeled along the lines of the original, innovative campus at KISS, it functions as a residential academic centre providing holistic education, accommodation, food, health care, study material and sports training to its students free of cost.

Oswal-KISS Residential School, Bolangir

A branch of KISS has been established in Bolangir in association with Oswal Group. The School, scheduled to start functioning from 2020, will provide quality education to the underprivileged tribal children of the district and adjoining areas.



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