



Press Release

NIIT University records 100% student placement

Confers degrees to BTech and MBA students at the Annual Convocation event

Convocation speaker Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw stresses on the role of innovation in today's education system

Delivering the 5th Annual Lecture Dr. Karan Singh talks on lessons from the Gita

NU showcases technological innovations at the campus; acknowledged as the best University in use of technology in teaching-learning practices

Neemrana, November 16, 2013: Established with a vision to bring about innovation in higher education and learning in emerging areas of the knowledge society, the not-for-profit NIIT University (NU) today hosted the **5th Annual Lecture** by **Dr. Karan Singh, Chairperson NIIT University and Hon'ble Member of Parliament**. The event held in NIIT University campus, Neemrana, was also marked by an inspirational Convocation Address on how youth can bring about change - "You can be the Difference" by Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Chairman & MD, Biocon Ltd.

During the day, Dr. Karan Singh awarded degree certificates to the BTech and MBA students. Reflecting a strong industry acceptance, the entire graduating batch of 2013 had job offers in hand even before the convocation held today.

On this significant occasion academicians, industry leaders and students converged at NU to deliberate upon role of technology in making quality education available to the youth. The efficacy of technology enabled teaching-learning curriculum was also highlighted. They also discussed how higher education institutes could help students apply their knowledge and technological know-how to real life problems and thus open employment and entrepreneurship avenues for the students, and groom leaders who are in tune with the social and economic environment around them.

Recognized as the 'Best University in Use of Technology in Teaching-Learning Practices' at ASSOCHAM National Education Excellence Awards 2013, technology is a way of life at NIIT University. The campus houses the unique **Educational Technology Innovation Centre (ETIC)**, state-of-the-art technology-driven centre of excellence for Industries and enterprises to collaborate on research initiatives. The centre is a



platform for nurturing budding research scholars at NU while they are participating in challenging and exciting projects.

In another significant development, NIIT University is set to launch **Microsoft Innovation Centre (MIC)** at the campus with an aim to foster the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship amongst University students. Earlier this year, NIIT University entered into a partnership with Autodesk to promote **'Design Thinking'** as a course across all disciplines of BTech programmes. Further, a design oriented post graduate programme will be launched by NU shortly.

Since its inception in 2009, NIIT University has made significant progress in research and innovation in curriculum development and design. Conceptualized as an institution of excellence, NIIT University provides exceptional education based on **four Core Principles that make learning industry-linked, technology-based, research-driven and seamless.**

To further its aim to offer industry relevant contemporary education, NIIT University has introduced dual degree integrated **MTech Programmes** in Computer Science and Engineering, Electronic Communication and Biotechnology. These programmes are customized to prepare skilled professionals and researchers for high-end mobile computing and wireless, communication technology and biotechnology jobs. Highly qualified faculty, state-of-the-art laboratories, associations with research labs and research universities in USA and UK, strong wireless stimulation, performance and modeling concepts are other unique features of these programmes.

The Asian Lens Forum has been recently set up at NIIT University to sensitize young generation and to create a sense of pride in Asian/Indian heritage, culture, history and values amongst youth. The Forum will also act as a launching pad for the faculty and student bodies of NU to undertake research and disseminate knowledge about achievements and role of Asia to the world.

Congratulating Mr. Pawar and his team on successful completion of four years of excellence in holistic education, **Dr. Karan Singh, Chairperson NIIT University and Hon'ble Member of Parliament** said, *"Quest for knowledge is eternal and true knowledge should help transform young minds into 'karma yogis' who would strive to work for the betterment of the society. Over the last four years, by marrying the best of tradition and modern day education, NIIT University has helped in creating thirst for knowledge and aptitude for critical thinking amongst their students, who are now ready to apply their learning to real life problems and emerge as leaders of a better tomorrow."*

Mr. Rajendra S Pawar, Founder, NIIT University and Chairman, NIIT Limited said, *"I am delighted that our vision of offering holistic education to groom youth to take up the challenges of a fast evolving knowledge economy is taking a firm shape at NU. I am confident that the education that they have received here, will give them a well rounded, successful life."*



Speaking to the students during her Convocation Address, **Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Chairman & MD, Biocon Ltd.**, said *“Our youth has to lead a transformation through innovation and entrepreneurship. I am confident that NU students will bring pride to their alma mater by their significant acts of nation building.”*

Dr. Rajendra Pandey, President, NIIT University, said, *“NIIT University has successfully used technology to impart education that is that is seamless and holistic, thus developing young professionals who are ready to work for a better tomorrow.”*

The University has been using digital tools, techniques and practices to increase effectiveness of teaching learning process and help students gain higher levels of knowledge and expertise and inculcate self-initiated learning while pursuing their degree at the University. The digital library software at NU enables faculty to share curated content with all its students. The University uses synchronous learning tools to deliver lectures to students pursuing internships at various locations helping them collaborate with teachers and peer students. Fully Wi-Fi campus, Gigabit LAN, Centralized Monitoring, Fiber connected buildings, Three windows based Labs, Linux Lab, Fully functional state-of-the-art studio to take online lectures are other technological innovations effectively used at NU.

During the convocation the Dr. Karan Singh Gold Medal was conferred upon Gajendra Rathi and Aman Sawhney from the MBA programme and Pongsakorn Sukjunnimit from BTech programme. Yajur Mahendru from BTech programme received the Ram Rajindra Malhotra Medal.

About NIIT University

*Set up with the vision of being the leading center of innovation and learning in emerging areas of the Knowledge Society, the not-for-profit NIIT University is dedicated to building great careers and ensuring excellent job opportunities to all its students. It has been developed as an institute of excellence to provide exceptional education based on the **four core principles that make learning industry-linked, technology-based, research-driven and seamless.***

*The NIIT University offers **BTech Programmes** in Computer Science and Engineering, Biotechnology and Electronic and Communication Engineering; **MTech Programmes** in Educational Technology, Embedded Solutions and Convergence, Computing and Communications and in Bioinformatics; and PhD programs in all the above disciplines. The University also offers MTech Programme in Geographic Information Systems (GIS).*



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*The University also offers an **MBA Programme** (NU- MBA) designed to help aspiring professionals build meaningful connections to the real world of business and become successful leaders of the future. Through the Mentorship Programme, each MBA student will be mentored by an eminent CEO and coached by an industry professional. NU- MBA trains future CEOs to deal with the challenges and opportunities thrown up by emerging economies such as China and countries in Africa through its International Immersion programme. The University has also launched an industry-linked programme in **MBA (Banking & Finance)** in collaboration with ICICI Bank.*

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Vibrant social and recreational activities form the heart of Campus Life at NIIT University, with a host of student activities interspersed along the central walking spine. The Campus provides students a wide array of sports activities like volleyball, basketball, tennis, a golf putting range and gymnastics. Furnished student hostels make life comfortable for students. Temperatures are maintained at the Campus all year around using an energy-efficient, geothermal cooling system, with minimal carbon footprint. For further information please visit www.niituniversity.in.

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