



KALINGA INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Deemed to be University

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

Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India

D.Sc. (Honoris Causa)

Most Erudite

Dr. Ajit Kumar Mohanty

Sir,

You stand as a paragon of intellectual prowess and visionary leadership, a beacon guiding through the frontiers of scientific achievement and societal advancement. At the pinnacle of authority as Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) and Secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Government of India, your strategic acumen and innovative spirit have shaped the course of history. Your role extends beyond governance; your innovation resonates in the power sector and radiates through the applications of nuclear technologies, benefiting countless lives. Within the Department of Atomic Energy, your leadership is the golden thread that weaves together the aspirations of over 40,000 dedicated individuals. Your tenure as Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) reads like a saga of scientific exploration. Across the vast canvas of Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and beyond, your contributions have rewritten the boundaries of human understanding. From the helm of the PHENIX International Collider Experiment at Brookhaven, USA, to the epicentre of the CMS experiment at CERN, Geneva, your ideas grace groundbreaking achievements in high-energy Physics. Graduating from Maharaja Purna Chandra (MPC) College, Baripada, and Ravenshaw College, Cuttack, your roots in the landscapes of Odisha have enriched your journey with a distinct character. You are Odisha's pride. Adorned with accolades that shine like stars in the night sky, you've been honored with the Homi Bhabha Award for Science and Technology, the Young Scientist Award by the Indian National Science Academy (INSA), and the Young Physicist Award by the Indian Physical Society, among others. Your stature as a Fellow of the National Academy of Science, India (FNASc), and the Indian National Academy of Engineering (FNAE) is a proof of your global influence. KIIT Deemed to be University joins the chorus of your admirers in saluting your accomplishments and praying for your continued success.

In recognition of your prestigious public service spanning decades, KIIT Deemed to be University unanimously resolves to confer the Degree of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) upon you, this day the 19th August 2023, on its 19th Annual Convocation.

(Prof. Achyuta Samanta)

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Most Assiduous

Mr. Jitendra Kumar Mohanty

Sir,

A true luminary in the business world, you have risen from humble beginnings to become a thriving entrepreneur in the fields of Tourism, Hospitality, and Education. Your journey is a testament to your dedication, remarkable creativity, and exceptional leadership skills. Your achievements are truly commendable. After completing your Bachelors from Delhi University and undertaking specialized training under Cornell University, USA in Hotel Sales, Marketing & Planning, you took your first bold step. In 1984, you materialized your dream with the establishment of Swosti Hotel, a venture that not only mirrored your mother's selfless support but also sowed the seeds of innovation and progress. Driven by the courage instilled by your mother's gesture of mortgaging her jewelry worth Rs. 1.00 lakh, your journey exemplifies a fusion of personal sacrifice and societal commitment. Inspired by your father's relentless work ethics in the construction industry, you embarked on a journey to redefine luxury living through Swosti Grand, formerly known as Swosti Hotel. From inception with Swosti Hotel Pvt. Ltd. to the establishment of various prestigious organizations, your commitment to ethical practices and accountability has been exemplary. Your remarkable journey has garnered recognition not only in India but also from international entities like the United Nations. Your life reflects the values of creativity and persistence makes you an inspiring role model. KIIT Deemed to be University joins the chorus of your admirers in saluting your accomplishments and praying for your continued success.

In recognition of your leadership in corporate arena spanning over four decades, KIIT Deemed to be University unanimously resolves to confer the Degree of Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) upon you, this day the 19th August 2023, on its 19th Annual Convocation.

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Most Illustrious

Mr. Chander Prakash Gurnani

Sir,

You embody the essence of a lifelong learner and a transformative disrupter, a dynamic force shaping the skies of International Business and Innovation. Your illustrious journey spanning over four decades paints the portrait of an accomplished business leader, etching your name in corporate history with your unparalleled achievements. As a beacon of visionary leadership, you led Tech Mahindra's monumental transformation, a pivotal juncture that witnessed the remarkable turnaround and merger of Satyam, a feat that resonates as one of the most significant in Indian corporate history. Your unyielding commitment to customer experience and your indomitable entrepreneurial spirit have propelled Tech Mahindra to emerge as a distinguished digital IT solution provider in India. Your journey weaves through distinguished positions held with Hewlett Packard Ltd, Perot Systems (India) Ltd., and HCL Corporation Ltd., each chapter radiating the brilliance of your strategic acumen and leadership prowess. Holding the reins as Chairman of NASSCOM in the year 2016-2017, you further bolstered your reputation as a visionary leader. The adage "work hard and play hard" has been your guiding light, resonating not only in your professional pursuits but also in your dedication to various social causes. Your commitment to education shines brightly through your association with Tech Mahindra Foundation, impacting the lives of over 1,16,000 underprivileged children. Your illustrious journey has been punctuated by numerous awards and honors that illuminate your path of excellence. KIIT Deemed to be University joins the chorus of your admirers in saluting your accomplishments and praying for your continued success.

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