

## Message from the Director

As we enter into the year 2022, we recall and reflect our initiatives and engagement. Kalam Centre has march a mile ahead progressing to its commitment. Let us look back at the past year with the warmest of memories and learnings. Let us also resolve and plan for an exciting year filled with meaningful engagement and activities. My best wishes to the team.

**Prof. D.P Goyal**

Director, IIM Shillong

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# NEWS & EVENTS

## Celebrating the birth anniversary of former President of India Bharat Ratna Dr. APJ Abdul Kalamji

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Centre for Policy Research and Analysis of IIM Shillong had organized a lecture by Dr. Vijay Kumar Saraswat who is presently a member of NITI Aayog and Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Dr. Saraswat is a distinguished scientist who has formerly served as the Director-General of the Defense Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Scientific Advisor to the Indian Minister of Defence. Dr. Saraswat is the key scientist in the development of the Prithvi missile and its induction in the Indian armed forces. He is a recipient of the Padmashree and the Padmabhushan from the Government of India.

Dr Saraswat recalls working with Dr. Kalam and credited him for his vision and teaching which undoubtedly led to a strong foundation of India's scientific achievements and in positioning India in the global stage. He mentions Dr. Kalam's book 'Beyond 2020: A Vision for Tomorrow's India' and emphasized why it is important for India to become a strong and resilient nation as it is only "Strength that respects the Strength". Dr. Kalam was always curious and concerned on "How to make our nation a number one". He also stated that Dr. Kalam, in his talks and speeches, always emphasized how to improve our country's value system, which he feared was deteriorating. He believed that teaching values should begin at home, so whenever Dr. Kalam interacted with students or children, he always asked them to take an oath that stated, "I will succeed with integrity and honesty in my life and career".

While mentioning the celebrations of the 75th Year of India's independence (Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav), Dr. Saraswat calls on where we stand today in fulfilling the dreams of Dr Kalam. Underling the achievements and initiatives undertaken by the Government at the helm of affairs he stressed on India @ 75 and key initiatives taken by the Union Government like 5 trillion economies, Make in India, Startup and Standup India, Defence advancement, historic COVID vaccination drive etc. Dr Saraswat in his address touched upon 5 important pillars of making India a self-reliant country and Atma Nirbhar Bharat viz a) Economy b) Infrastructure c) System d) Vibrant Democracy and e) Demand – Supply Chain





# MEETING & DISCUSSIONS

## Meeting with hon'ble Minister, MDoNER

The representatives of Kalam Centre, IIMS had a detailed meeting with the hon'ble Minister of MDoNER, Gol Shri G. Kishan Reddy during his visit to Shillong. Shri Reddy was appraised of the various activities and initiatives taken by the centre. Shri Reddy suggested the centre should recommend strategic models for fostering growth trajectory and also in promoting economic opportunities in the region



## Meeting with hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture

Dr. Sanjeev K Ningombam had attended the Business Summit on National Mission on Edible Oils-Oil Palm in NE states which was held in Guwahati on 5th October 2021. On the backdrop of the summit he had quick meeting with Sushri Sobha Karandlaje, hon'ble MoS of MDoNER. The meeting was focused on understanding the scope/opportunities of oil palm in NER and the special focus from the Government of India.



## Meeting with Officials of GoAP

The team of IIMS including the Members, Board of Governors, Shri Atul Kulkarni, Shri Nitin Sharma, Prof. D.P Goyal, Director and the Centre Coordinator of Kalam Centre had visited Itanagar to discuss the action plan for engagement. During the meeting with the senior officers of GoAP it was agreed that Kalam Centre will facilitate the government in recruiting Young Professionals, setting up of Satellite Centre of IIMS at Tawang and to conduct series of capacity building programs for the officers of GoAP.





## Meeting with Advisor, Horticulture, NEC

Shri Mangsatabam Iboyaima Meitei, Adviser (Horticulture), North Eastern Council have visited the Centre on 16th December 2021. He was welcomed by the Director IIMS followed by a detailed discussion about the Kalam Centre. He also interacted with the team of Kalam Centre and suggested on the action plans of the centre.



## COLLABORATION

### North East Education Conclave

The two-day North East Education Conclave-2021 was organized by the Department of Education, Government of Assam, and the Shankardev Education and Research Foundation (SERF) Guwahati on November 20 and 21, 2021. It seeks to demonstrate the basic concept of NE, as well as challenges and experiences linked to its implementation in different states of India. Spread over 14 sessions including 4 plenary sessions and 10 parallel sessions, the conclave was attended by over 1000 delegates, including 41 central institutions and national institutes and 57 state universities, 53 schools, and many non-governmental organizations

The conclave aimed to explore the ways of revitalizing the entire educational system by preserving what is valuable to indigenous culture while providing the tools needed to thrive and progress in a modern society whose very foundation is based on the peaceful coexistence of both technology and culture. The North East Education Conclave was aimed to examine and reflect on many elements of the NEP-2020, which will aid in the creation of a roadmap for successful implementation of NEP in states and institutions with particular focus on the North-East Region

This was one of the biggest Education Conclave in Northeast India in recent years, where 5 education ministers from the state of Manipur, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, and Assam, and representatives of three state education ministers of Nagaland, Mizoram, and Tripura, actively participated in the conclave. The resource persons from various reputed organizations i.e., UGC, AICTE, NCERT, NCTE, IIM, IIT, Central and State Universities, Colleges, and Schools, also participated in the conclave. Kalam Centre, IIMS was the knowledge partner of the conclave where Prof DP Goyal, Director IIMS, Prof Rohit Dwivedi, Associate Professor, IIMS and Dr Sanjeev K Ningombam, Centre Coordinator, Kalam Centre, IIMS have attended the conclave. Prof Rohit Dwivedi was a panelist on the session of “Professional Institutions”.





# HIGHLIGHTS

## IIMS Satellite Centre at Tawang

Furthering to the MoU signed between the Government of Arunachal Pradesh and the Kalam Centre of IIMS, it has been resolved that a satellite centre of IIMS shall be set up in Tawang valley of Arunachal Pradesh. A delegation of IIMS visited Tawang to conduct a feasibility test and examine the ground reality. The team had a detailed meeting with the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh and agreed on expediting the progress of setting up of the centre. The proposed satellite centre of IIMS will focus on specialized training for officers in Project Planning, Effective Implementations, Capacity building training for young and mid-level officers and to launch a course on Public Policy.



## Purbashree Emporium at IIMS

Furthering the collaboration between Kalam Centre, IIMS and North East Handloom and Handicraft Development Corporation (NEHHDC), an exclusive Purbashree Emporium of NEHHDC is now opened in IIMS campus. Through this emporium it is envisioned that the indigenous art and products of North East be promoted amongst the students, faculty members and visitors of IIMS.



## 75 Young Entrepreneur of NER

As a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Kalam Centre IIM Shillong have taken the initiative to publish a book highlighting the 75 young entrepreneurs of North East Region. This book will highlight the achievements and intriguing entrepreneurial stories of the region. Through this process the Centre plans to reach out to maximum numbers of entrepreneurs who have done significant contribution in entrepreneurship space. The best 75 will be shortlisted for recognition by a panel of experts and their stories will be reflected in the publication. Additionally, the Centre will support the entrepreneurs in mentoring and connecting them to various forms of support system both in the Government and the Private Industries.



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