'We emphasise on a lifelong process of learning'

MAHESH AVADHUTHA

Dr H S Saini, Managing Director of Guru Nanak Institutions (GNI) is into 18th year of his association with the reputed colleges. He worked earlier at IMT-Gurgaon and Amritsar University before moving to Hyderabad to take up the key job at GNI. Dr Saini said they had a dream at the time of launching of the institutions and it has been fulfilled due to visionary touch and continued support of Chairman Tavinder Singh Kohli. He says GNI continues to nurture new generation of students with its strong and committed faculty. In a chat with The Hans India, Dr Saini shares the journey thus far, GNI achievements and USP, diversity and future plans.

Q: Guru Nanak Institutions (GNI) is regarded as a truly global institution and one of the largest Educational groups in India with 10,000 plus students pursuing different courses like engineering, pharmacy, management and dental sciences. Can you give a brief overview of history of institutions?

A: Tavinder Singh Kohli, our Chairman, sowed the seeds of Guru Nanak Institutions by establishing Guru Nanak Education Society in 1998. He ignited the eternal flame of fire, to share knowledge based on principles of India's one of most honored spiritual teachers and Sikh Guru Sri Guru Nanak Dev. The medieval ideals and percepts continue to motivate the modern generations.

Gagandeep Singh Kohli, our vice-chairman, manages the overall 65-acre sprawling knowledge hub in Ibrahimpatnam for undergraduate and post graduate programs in various streams. Students from various parts of India and even abroad enrol in our institutions. GNI has put in a lot of effort and investment to get the best teaching talent includ-

Chairman of Guru Nanak Institutions (GNI) Tavinder Singh Kohli (seen sitting) and Vice-chairman Gagandeep Singh Kolhi

ing expert professors. Guru Nanak institutions impart knowledge-based education to produce quality professionals and lay a firm foundation for life-long process of learning and exploration. Once you enter this institute for higher studies, be assured that you will leave with confidence to change the world acquiring the best and right education.

Q: GNI comprises of Guru Nanak Institutions Technical Campus (GNITC), Guru Nanak Institute of Technology (GNIT) among others. Can you share more details for our readers and future engineering aspirants?

A: Guru Nanak Institutions Technical Campus (GNITC) was established in year 2001. It was conferred with Autonomous status by University Grants Commission in 2016. It is also NAAC A+ accredited and most of the courses are NBA Accredited. Under GNITC we have schools of Engineering, Pharmacy and Management Studies.

Guru Nanak Institute of Technol-

> With its quality and world-class education, GNI has over the years become the most sought after institute of higher education for international students from 14 countries, mostly from Africa. Students from Sudan, South Sudan, Nigeria, Somalia, Uganda, Kenya, Egypt, Palestine, Jordan, Qatar, Yemen, Nepal, Afghanistan, Bhutan etc. enrol in the 10 per-cent quota earmarked for them

ogy (GNIT) which is affiliated to JNTU has schools of Engineering and Management Studies. Also there is Guru Nanak Business School (GBS), an autonomous institution approved by AICTE. Panineeya Institute of Dental Sciences, hospital and research centre, affiliated to KNR University of Health Sciences, also is part of our GNI.

Q: What is the USP of Guru Nanak Institutions?

A: GNI believes in imparting education on international standards. Hence, it provides top notch facilities for holistic learning process. We have a green campus, expansive play grounds, gymnasium, and one of the largest libraries in the country at Ibrahimpatnam campus. Separate hostels for girls and boys serve the best cuisine. We entered into Global partnerships with reputed international universities like Pittsburg State University, Valparaiso University Deakin University, Federation University, Campbellsville University etc. driven by share interests of academics instruction, teaching and research. Also foreign study tours are arranged to provide international exposure to students. GNI students from various branches of engineering had the privilege of visiting Pittsburg State University Rowan University (New Jersey) and South Illinois University, Edwardsville (all in USA).

Q: GNI is known to conduct conferences, workshops and faculty development programmes, across all branches, wherein delegates from across the country and abroad are invited. This has become an annual affair. Can you throw more light on this?

A: In order to provide the engineering faculties and students international exposure in the areas of research and innovation, every year GNI conducts International Conferences wherein delegates of world repute are invited from across India and abroad. Research papers of various research scholars are included in these conferences after a thorough scrutiny by expert panel. Apart from this, all departments regularly conduct national conferences, self-supported and AICTE sponsored Staff Development pro-

grammes. Eminent persons from the industry, research laboratories and universities are invited to deliver guest lecturers in recent technological developments in industry and research fields.

Q: GNI is promoting diversity with presence of local and global students and teaching faculty hailing from different parts of the country. It is one of the few private institutions in Telangana that has a large presence of international students?

A: Most of the foreign students prefer to join engineering in CSE, ECE, EEE, Mechanical and Civil as well as B. Pharmacy. Also, students from North-East States like Assam, Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura, Meghalaya, and Mizoram seek admissions. GNI has many hostels where different forms of cuisine are prepared. We have trained chefs to cook specialised and authentic cuisines like Continental, Chinese, Arabic, Italian and North Eastern Indian Cuisine. We have trained cooks for the above cuisines and they can also prepare regional cuisines of India

Q: How is the placement scenario? What are the different companies recruiting students from GNI and pay packages offered to them?

A: Many MNCs have conducted campus recruitment drives for hiring graduates and post graduates in their final year of study. It has been credited to acquire 70 percent of placements in corporate and industrial sectors of repute for last 6 years. Infact, more than 100 companies including Infosys, NTT data , Mind Tree , Virtusa Polaris , ADP , Hitachi Consulting, Byjus, Zoho, Cognizant, Codeshare etc. to name a few conducted placement drives during last academic year. The highest package offered was 27.5 lakh by Directi while the average package was Rs 3.25 lakh. GNI Training and Placement Department works with students throughout their four year duration to make them employable by imparting skills as per corporate needs.

Q: What are the future plans for GNI?

A: We would like to seek private university status in the future. Also opening a Homeopathy college is on top of the list. Other priority for us is attaining autonomous status for GNIT along lines of GNITC which got the status in 2016.

GNI-The right destination

- NAAC A+ accredited and autonomous college
- Most of the courses offered are NBA accredited
- Industry based training with 13 centres of excellence
- Wi-Fi enabled campus
- Campus with local and global students and faculty from across India
- Separate Wi-Fi enabled hostels for boys and girls with gym, indoor sports arena
- Spacious, pollution free and green campus
- Well-equipped laboratories with focus on R&D and Innovation
- More than 850 students placed in top corporates with plum salary packages

MD of Guru Nanak Institutions Dr H S Saini

'Techception' held at GITAM varsity

OUR BUREAU

Hyderabad: The Innovation Centre of GITAM Deemed to be University, Hyderabad organised a one-day 'Techception' on Wednesday. About 570 have participated in seven events and two games. The main objective of this event is the technology with fun.

The technical events like Geometric Charades, Display your Artistic Skills, Mind Games, Come, exhibit the potential of your brain's ROM and games like on the battle ground of PUBG & MINI-MILITIA have organised.

"I don't remember my college

result, but I can remember my college fun" quoted by A P JAbdul Kalam. He says that technical events will be the best events he remembers. If you want to get your best event than observe your college surrounding and before making any event finalise start analysing a question that what student want to learn (trending tech knowledge).

The interesting events like Hunt Royale (Treasure Hunt), Quiz (to demonstrate your competency) and Binary Hop (Try your luck with the logic gates) also took part in this event. Amazon gift vouchers and winner certificates have given away to the winners.

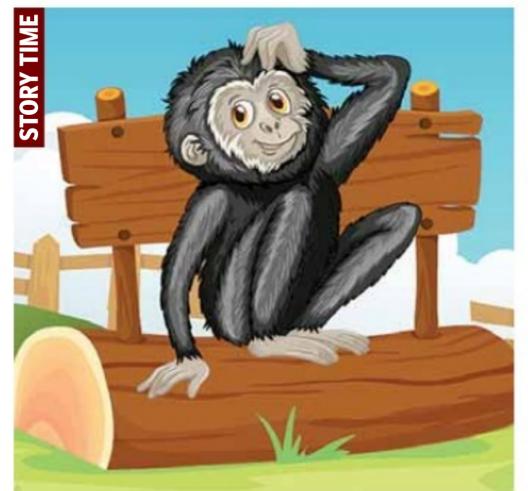

FLASH MOB AT ZOO

The students of Pallavi International school sensitising people on protecting animals, through flash MOB performance during a field trip at Nehru Zoological Park on Wednesday.

GRADUATION CEREMONY

Global Institute of Engineering & Technology and College of Pharmacy celebrating 6th Graduation Ceremony at the College Campus in Moinabad, Hyderabad. Chief Guest Prof. Dr N Kavita Daryani Rao of Jawaharlal Nehru Fine Arts University, Guest of Honour Prof. Dr N Murali Mohan, K M Arifuddin, Secretary, Minhajuddin, Dr VVVS Murthy, Principal, Dr. B Vivek, Dr R Tiwari and K M Minhajuddin were also present.

The Monkey And The Wedge

STORY TIME

A team of carpenters was working on building a temple near a banyan tree. The carpenters went on a lunch break, leaving their tools and materials at the site. At this time, a group of monkeys came to the site and started playing with the tools and the material. One monkey found a huge log of wood with a wedge in it. A carpenter half-sawed a log and put a wedge to prevent the slit from closing.

The curious monkey settled inside the slit and tried to remove the wedge. After a lot of effort, it succeeded in removing the wedge. The slit closed instantly, injuring the monkey gravely and preventing it from moving from there.

Moral: Interfering in other people's business results in more harm than good.

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