NATIONAL SEMINAR ON "PANCHAYATI RAJ INSTITUTIONS AND RURAL MANAGEMENT (NSPRM-2014)"
5th-6th MARCH, 2014

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About the Institute:

Kalam Institute of Technology is a premier technical and management institute was established by group of young visionaries in the year 2008 with the approval of AICTE, New Delhi and affiliated to BPUT, Rourkela and recognized by Employment and Technical Education & Training Dept. Govt. of Odisha. It has its own locational advantage that is close proximity Berhampur University, Bay of Bengal and Gopalpur-on-sea. It is about 10 km away from Berhampur Railway station and 8 km from Berhampur City Bus stand and 150 km from International Airport, Bhubaneswar. It enjoys the ISO 9001-2008 certification. The campus is an eco-friendly surrounded by lush-green area, 24x7 free cold breeze and noise-free environment conducive for teaching, learning and research. The Institute offers two year PG course in MBA and four year B.Tech. Degree courses in ME, CE, EEE, ECE and CSE.

Our institution regularly organizes various state level and national events which contribute for the Development of faculties, students and ultimately for the Society.

Department of MBA
The Department of MBA of Kalam institute of Technology, Berhampur was established in the year 2009. The Department shapes the creativity and innovative personality of the students to develop and
to produce ignite minded new blood for Nation building. The Department Aims to help students to develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and values appropriate to the corporate world. The Department makes serious efforts to develop skills related to research, training and development and capacity building by providing platform to both faculties.

**About the National Seminar:**

Mahamta Gandhi dreamt of Gram Swaraj, an India where each and every village would be self sufficient and effectively manage its own affairs. Panchayati Raj is a reflection of this dream and is an important pillar of democratic India that focuses on last mile delivery to its citizens.

Today, along with “Panchayati Raj”, an equally important concept in the context of transforming rural India is to achieve rural development. In this era, rural development is essentially synonymous with inclusive development, where rural areas are no more isolated from emerging towns and cities. The term basically encompasses: development of infrastructure–social or otherwise, livelihood creation and promotion and decentralized governance in the rural areas.

Rural India in the past decades has seen major changes. The idyllic village has given way to a dynamic one which is a birth place for innovation and progress. With 68% of population of India still living in villages, by sheer number they determine the future of the nation. In this context, rural governance becomes very important and it is necessary to provide all the facilities and amenities to the rural people. In fact, the focus should now be on providing urban-like facilities in rural areas.

Government of Odisha has given birth to many novel schemes declared in the recent years. It was one of the pioneers in putting in place a three-tire Panchayati Raj with adequate devolution of powers and reservations. Its latest success is the “Mission Shakti” scheme which has shown the way to empower rural women, make them entrepreneurs and bring about rural transformation. At present, most of the schemes implemented at the grass-root level either centrally sponsored or state sponsored. However, there is little independence of the local governments to raise their own resources and have their own scheme.

Today, the globalised world requires stakeholders to adopt multipronged approach towards rural India. Continuous up-gradation of policies and constant learning has become indispensable for both policy makers and academicians to stay abreast with the ever changing rural Indian scenario.

Rural India as a whole is stepping towards a brighter future. Along with its prosperity, new challenges have also emerged which have to be tackled and overcome. The National Seminar on “Panchayati Raj Institutions and Rural Management” will be the ideal platform to study
global trends, understand best practices, share success stories and brainstorm together to find solutions for the challenges that modern rural India has to face.

OBJECTIVE:
National Seminar on Panchayati Raj Institutions and Rural Management (NSPRM-2014 has been organized to observe Panchayati Raj Day in Odisha on 5th-6th March, 2014. It has following objectives:

• **Aimed** at academicians, government agencies, beneficiaries, NGOs and PANCHAYATII raj members from all over the country
• **Evaluate** schemes. Policies and the current rural scenario in areas of Employment generation, livelihood promotion, people participation and women empowerment for rural development
• **Examine** the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Natural Resource Management
• **Identifying** challenges, opportunities and risks for sustainable development
• **Opportunities** for both paper presenters and participants to disseminate new research findings to be used in future policy making

THEMES:
Papers submitted may either be on theoretical issues, new ideas, thoughts and empirical studies or case studies on Panchayati Raj institutions and Rural Management. Research papers submitted to the NSPRM-2014 may include the following sub-themes:

- Panchayati Raj and Rural Governance
- Panchayati I Raj and Women Empowerment
- Panchayati Raj and Devolution of Financial Resources
- Panchayati Raj and Common Property Resources

EXPECTED OUTCOMES:
1. Selected papers will be published in an edited book with ISBN after the peer review process.
2. In addition, a brief policy document will be prepared and sent to government agencies.

TECHNICAL SESSION
The seminar will propose to have an inaugural address by the Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Berhampur University, key notes by the eminent personalities and subject experts like Director of SIRD, sharing of practical experience of peoples involved in Panchayati Raj Institutions. The inaugural session will be followed by the deliberations on different subjects in the two technical sessions stretching on 5th and 6th March, 2014. The proposed Valedictory session will be graced by Mrs K. Madhabi, Mayor, Berhampur Municipality Corporation. End of the
each day a cultural programme by the students of Department of MBA will be conducted.

**PAPER SUBMISSION:**

The paper contributors have to send the complete paper with an abstract (max 250 words) to the convener, NSPRM-2014 on or before 28 February 2014 preferably by e-mail (nsprm@gmail.com). The paper should describe the motivation / rationale, related to literature, objectives, data and methodology, results and conclusions; and the length should not exceed 3000 words including tables and reference. The authors may kindly send the papers in MS word, double space, Font Times New Roman, Size 12. Two hard copies, along with a soft copy (CD) of the papers should be sent to Convener at the mentioned address latest by, 28th February, 2014.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Abstract Submission Deadline: 25th Feb, 2014
- Communication about the paper conformation: 26th Feb, 2014
- Full Paper Submission Deadline: 28th Feb, 2014
- Seminar Date: 5th-6th March, 2014

**REGISTRATION:**

Participant to this seminar is open to all academicians, students, NGOs, persons working with rural development sector, beneficiaries, and members of Panchayati Raj Institutions. All the participants are required to register in advance by sending the filled in registration form along with the registration fee of Rs 300/- in shape of crossed ‘Demand Draft’ Drawn in favour of ‘Kalam Institute of Technology’ and payable at Berhampur (Ganjam).

**ACCOMMODATION:** Accommodation to outside delegates will be provided on request on payment basis.

- A/C Single Room: Rs. 600/-
- A/C Double Room: Rs. 1000/-
- Non A/C Single Room: Rs. 400/-

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