Press Release

NIIT University organises 10th Convocation Ceremony in Virtual Reality (VR) mode

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Neemrana, October 18, 2020: 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) organised its 10th Convocation Ceremony in the Virtual Reality mode, keeping in view the safety measures triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Virtual Convocation Ceremony was attended by outgoing students and their parents, current students, industry leaders, prominent guests, and faculty members.

NIIT University's Virtual Convocation ceremony which is immersive and real time has been created using a combination of three-dimensional data and panoramic photos collected from the campus. The students with their families at home joined the Convocation and interacted with their friends live using their 3D personalized avatars inside a virtual NIIT University campus. Personalized avatars of each graduate received the degree certificate from the personalized avatar of Dr. Prabhu Aggarwal, President (Vice Chancellor), NIIT University and medals from the avatar of Mr. Nandan Nilekani, Chairman & Co-Founder of Infosys and Chief Guest on the occasion. Mr. Nilekani delivered his speech live during the convocation.

At the 10th convocation ceremony, 298 students were awarded degree certificates for successful completion of various programmes. Living up to NU's 100% placement record, the students who were eligible and opted in for placements have been placed with leading organizations like IBM, PwC, EY, Airtel, HCL Technologies, Cognizant, Big Basket, Byjus, to name a few.

Mr. Nandan Nilekani, the chief guest on the occasion, congratulated all the students on their success. He hailed NIIT University for keeping technology as one of the core principles and using cutting-edge tech to overcome the challenges in these difficult times.

Mr. Nilekani said, *"NIIT University truly represents the University of the Future. In a short period of time, NU has become one of the most respected institutions in India. I congratulate all the graduating students of NU who are stepping into the world in very uncertain times. However, I am confident that the fabulous education they have received at NU has well prepared them for the future."*

Speaking on the occasion, **Mr. Rajendra S Pawar, Founder, NU and Chairman, NIIT Ltd.** said, *"I heartily congratulate all the students and wish them success in the years to come. I am confident that industry-aligned and research-oriented higher education that they have received at NIIT University will guide them through their lives. The learnings at NU will help them stand tall even during the times of crisis."*

Dr. Prabhu Aggarwal, President (Vice Chancellor), NIIT University, said, *"I heartily congratulate all the students and wish them success in the years to come. This is a proud moment for all us to*

witness our students take the first step successfully in the real world. We are delighted that NU has yet again achieved 100% placement for eligible students who opted in for placements."

Virtual Reality allowed all the participants to network live with each other using virtual proximity-based audio, thus enabling several parallel conversations in the virtual meeting. Simultaneously, the VR experience was streamed live on social media channels like YouTube, Facebook and Twitter for greater reach.

Conceptualized as an institution of excellence, NU provides exceptional education based on the Four Core Principles that make learning **Industry-linked, Technology-based, Research-driven and Seamless**. NU is well poised for meeting the emerging needs of the knowledge economy through its focus on building strong industry linkages and a research-oriented approach.

About NU:

Established in 2009, NIIT University (NU) is a not-for-profit University covered under section 2(f) of UGC Act and notified by the Government of Rajasthan. A premier institution of higher learning and research, NU seeks to create original thinkers who will lead the knowledge society of the future. The University inherits four decades of rich expertise and global know-how of - the NIIT Group.

Nurtured by some of the foremost thought leaders and corporate-practitioners of the country, the multidisciplinary University focuses on emerging areas of technology and management. NU is a part of a 100-acre campus at Neemrana, Rajasthan, 90 minutes from Delhi Airport.

Nestled in the Aravalli hills, the fully residential green campus offers an idyllic and intellectually vibrant environment for pursuing higher education and research. Set up with the vision to be the role model of learning, research, innovation and sustainability for the knowledge society, NU is dedicated to building great careers and ensuring excellent job opportunities for all its students. It has been developed as an institute of excellence to provide exceptional education based on its Four Core Principles that make learning Industry-linked, Technology based, Research-driven and Seamless.

NU offers the entire spectrum of academic programs. At the undergraduate level, it offers BTech (Computer Science & Engineering, Electronics & Communication, Biotechnology), 4-year Integrated MBA (Marketing & Marketing Analytics, Entrepreneurship, Finance Banking & FinTech, Business Analytics, Communication & Media studies, Digital & Social Media Marketing), 4-year Integrated MSc (Computer Science), 5-year Integrated MTech and M. Tech (Educational Technology and Geographic Information Systems). In addition, NU also offers MBA, PhD programmes and several Industry Sponsored Programmes.

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