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President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated newly-constructed campus of IIM-Nagpur at MIHAN on Sunday. Union Ministers Nitin Gadkari and Dharmendra Pradhan, State Minister Subhash Desai, Guardian Minister Dr Nitin Raut, Leader of Opposition Devendra Fadnavis, MPs Krupal Tumane and Dr Vikas Mahatme also are seen. (Pics by Satish Raut)

■ President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurates newly-constructed campus of IIM-Nagpur in 132 acres at MIHAN

■ Staff Reporter

PRESIDENT Ram Nath Kovind, on Sunday, said that the foray of start-ups in education and health sectors could be a game changer for the country.

"The stories of various unicorns or start-ups reportedly worth around one billion have scripted new history. From food delivery to picking up odd



President Ram Nath Kovind addressing the gathering.

things are being provided by start-ups and app-based serv-

ices. Hitherto, unexplored territories like education and health have now become part of these new enterprises. Such enterprises can help unlock the largely untapped knowledge base in the country," said President Kovind after inaugurating the new campus of Indian Institute of Management Nagpur (IIM-N) in MIHAN. The premier institute was established at Nagpur in 2015.

Union Minister for Road Transport Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Education Dharmendra Pradhan, Maharashtra Minister for (Contd on page 2)

Satish Raut

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Dr Bhimaraya Metri explaining details of the model of IIM-Nagpur to President Ram Nath Kovind. Union Minister Nitin Gadkari and others look on. (Pics by Satish Raut)



Military Band from Guards Regimental Centre, Kamptee, playing a ceremonial tune at IIM-Nagpur campus, MIHAN.

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Industries Subhash Desai, Guardian Minister Dr Nitin Raut, Leader of Opposition Devendra Fadnis, MPs Krupal Tumane and Dr Vikas Mahatme, C P Gurnani, MD and CEO, TechMahindra, and Chairman, Board of Governors, IIM-N, Director Dr Bhimaraya Metri were present on the dais. In his 11 minutes speech, President Kovind shed more light on start-ups and education and he congratulated IIM-N for their projects and appealed students to never forget the spirit and ethics of our country.

Addressing the gathering, President Kovind further said that both innovation and entrepreneurship have the ability to not just ease our lives through technology but can also provide employment opportunities to many people. "I am sure that the eco-system at IIM-N will promote among the students the mindset of becoming job-creators, instead of being job-seekers", he opined.

What is required is a spark from bright minds like you to bring these together," the President added further.

Speaking on the education sector, the President said, educational institutes are not just mere places of learning. These are the places which polishes the inner and sometimes even hidden talents in each one of us. The curriculum provides us an opportunity to introspect within ourselves the purpose, the ambition and work towards fulfilling our dreams.

President also told students that they live in an inter-connected world and will soon be globe-trotters as professionals. However, in this pursuit, never forget the motherland, it enshrined values and eco-system and remain indebted to the country. "You would be the emissaries of Indian culture and wisdom around the world and your performance would be the standard set for the entire country," he said.

He also appreciated IIM-N for setting up IIM Nagpur



District Collector R Vimala, Acting Divisional Commissioner Madhavi Khode-Chavre and other dignitaries at the event.

Foundation for Entrepreneurship Development (InfED) under which women entrepreneurs are enabled to graduate from Women Start-up Programme and applauded that six of them have even launched their enterprises. "Such programmes provide an effective platform for women empowerment," he opined and added that it was the true tribute to the land of Savitribai Phule and Dr Anandibai Joshi who were the first few stalwarts in the field of education and medicine.

President further stated that as the country's celebrating 75 years of India's Independence in the form of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, it should be the duty of every citizen to work for the betterment of our people. "It should be our sole aim that when we celebrate 100 years of Independence in the year 2047, we are a country of opportunities and development, promise and resources and contentment and pride," the President said.

Pradhan: Union Minister of Education Dharmendra

Pradhan told the MBA students, that the world economies are looking at India with respect for innovative ideas. Saying that current atmosphere in country enables one to utilise their talent to work for fulfilling their ideas by trying hand at entrepreneurship. The Minister also suggested IIM-N to adopt a backward village in Vidarbha and reach out to students there and provide them guidance so that they took can aim high.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari said, it was his dream to make Nagpur a hub of education, health and cargo sectors. He termed IIM-N as a world class institute and opined that IIM-N would contribute in fulfilling his dream.

Ex-CM Padnavis informed that the proposal to set up IIM at Nagpur was sent by him while serving as Chief Minister. Maharashtra Industries Minister Subhash Desai also extended full support to the IIM-N on behalf of Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray.

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