



**SUSTAINABLE
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GOALS

KIIT Sustainable Development Report 2024



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SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



KALINGA INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY





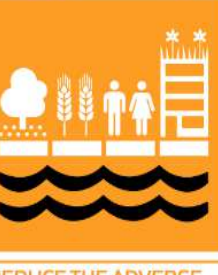




KIIT Deemed to be University

(Declared U/S 3 of UGC Act, 1956), Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India

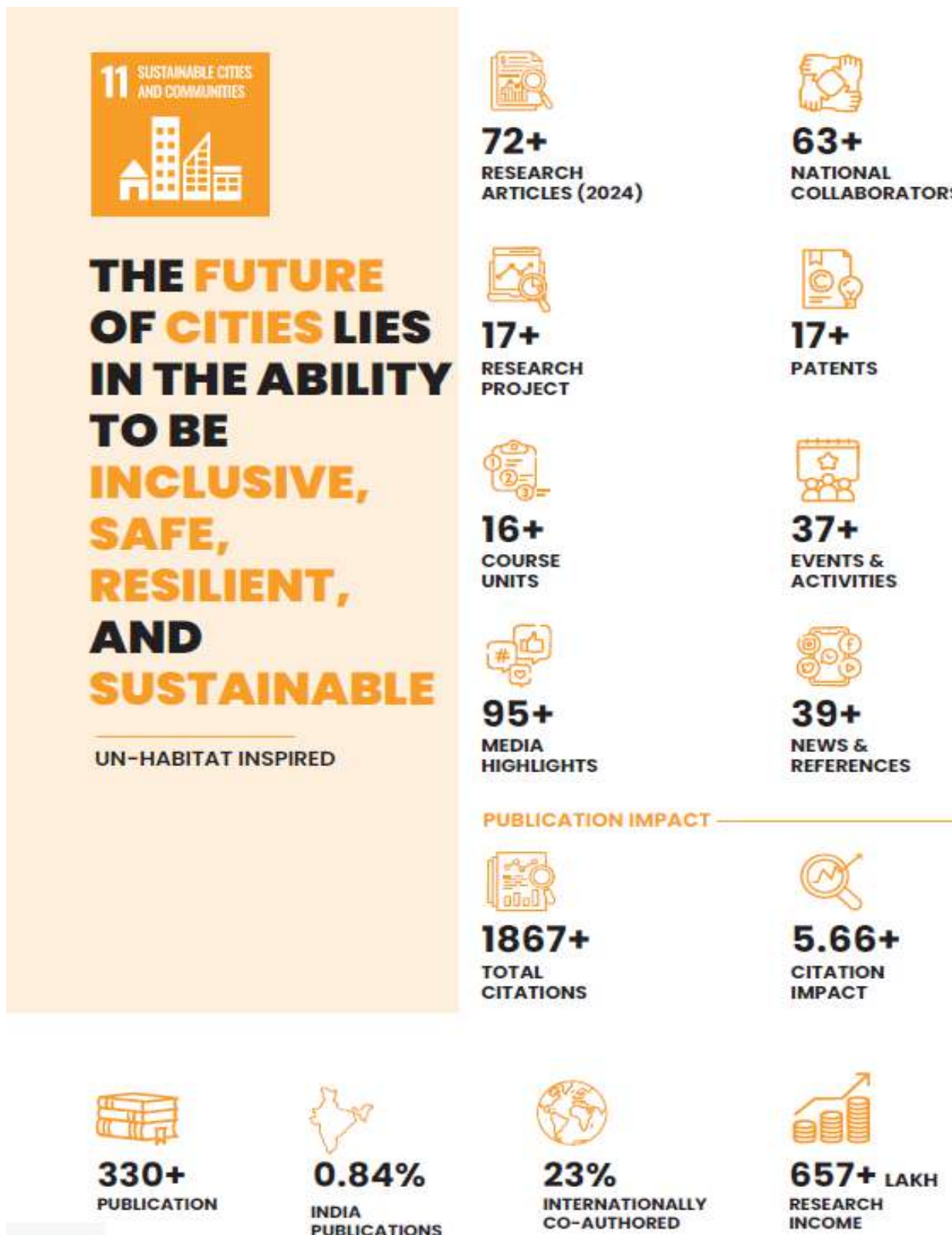
11. Introduction

KIIT University actively contributes to **SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities** through research, cultural preservation, and sustainable practices. The university conducts research focused on sustainable urban development, smart city solutions, and resilient infrastructure that promote environmentally friendly and inclusive communities. KIIT also supports the arts and heritage by organizing cultural programs, preserving local traditions, and promoting creative expression, thereby strengthening social cohesion and cultural identity. On campus, sustainable practices are rigorously implemented, including green building designs, energy-efficient systems, waste management, and water conservation measures, creating a model for sustainable living. These initiatives reflect KIIT's commitment to building sustainable, vibrant, and inclusive communities that contribute positively to urban development and environmental sustainability.

The SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) report focuses on the progress, key initiatives, and impact achievements across the following targets:

TARGET 11-1  SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING	TARGET 11-2  AFFORDABLE AND SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT SYSTEMS	TARGET 11-3  INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION	TARGET 11-4  PROTECT THE WORLD'S CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE	TARGET 11-5  REDUCE THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF NATURAL DISASTERS
TARGET 11-6  REDUCE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF CITIES	TARGET 11-A  STRONG NATIONAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING	TARGET 11-B  IMPLEMENT POLICIES FOR INCLUSION, RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION	TARGET 11-C  SUPPORT LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT BUILDING	

11.1 KIIT's Commitment to SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities): Research Publications, Patents Filed, Global Collaborations, Citations Received, Events Organized, and Community Activities – Key Figures



11.2 Support of Arts and Heritage

KIIT University actively promotes arts, culture, and heritage by ensuring public access to its buildings, museums, libraries, and lush green campuses that serve as open community spaces. The university regularly hosts exhibitions, theatre performances, music concerts, and cultural festivals showcasing local and global art forms. Its libraries and art galleries are accessible to the public, fostering learning and appreciation of knowledge and creativity. KIIT also undertakes initiatives to document and preserve intangible cultural heritage—such as regional traditions, folklore, and indigenous knowledge—thereby nurturing cultural continuity and community engagement.

<https://kiit.ac.in/open-day/>



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11.2.1 Public Access to Buildings: KIIT allows visitors to access culturally significant buildings and heritage sites on campus.

1. Sculpture Garden: KIIT University's Sculpture Garden is an open-air art space displaying works by renowned and emerging artists, blending creativity, culture, and nature to inspire learning and artistic appreciation.



2. KIIT Souvenir Gallery: The KIIT Souvenir Gallery showcases artworks, crafts, and memorabilia that capture the university's heritage, achievements, and creative spirit, offering visitors a glimpse into KIIT's cultural journey.



3. KIIT Sports Complex – Open for Public Use: KIIT University has established itself as a leading hub for sports and fitness, featuring a sprawling complex equipped with world-class indoor and outdoor facilities. With a vibrant sporting culture, the university promotes physical fitness among students while also opening its premier infrastructure to the local community. Schools and the general public regularly use KIIT's stadiums, courts, swimming pools, and training arenas for coaching, events, and recreation. While access to sports facilities is free, professional coaching and training are offered at a minimal fee. By extending its resources beyond the campus, KIIT fosters youth participation, nurtures local talent, and promotes community well-being—reflecting its deep commitment to social responsibility, inclusivity, and holistic development.

<https://kiit.ac.in/sports/>

<https://kiit.ac.in/student-support-services/>

Facilities Named After Legends



Dutee Chand Athletics Stadium



Dilip Tirkey Hockey Stadium



Rahul Bose Rugby Stadium



Minati Mohapatra Cycling Velodrome



Viswanathan Anand International Chess Hall



Leander Paes Tennis Stadium



Sradhanjali Samantaray Football Stadium



Debasish Mohanty Cricket Stand



International Standard Olympic Size Swimming Pool



International Archery Stadium



Abhinav Bindra Indoor Shooting Range



Pramod Bhagat Badminton Indoor Hall



11.2.2 Public Access to Libraries: University libraries are open to the public, offering books, publications, and research resources.

❖ **“KIIT Public Library”** for the general public to share the knowledge in various fields along with Spirituality, Competitive, Arts, Science, General knowledge, Language, Commerce and Management. It is open to local students from schools, colleges, institutions and local community people.

- **Magazine and News Paper Lounge Facility**

The University also has its own magazine lounge called “KEN”. The magazine lounge, one of its kind, has rich collection of national and international magazines. The students, staff and the general public have the opportunity of reading magazines from around the world. Magazines cover a wide range of literature genres- social, sports, fashion, health, financial, political, geographical, besides women, and lifestyle magazines. The Detail of the lounge is available at <https://library.kiit.ac.in/print/magazines/>. The leading international, national and regional newspapers have been made available to the public online through the <https://library.kiit.ac.in/print/news-papers/>



- **Free Access through Digital Library**

KIIT Deemed to be University provides knowledge accessibility by offering free access to its digital library resources, including e-journals, e-books, e-dissertations, and theses, to individuals not currently enrolled in the institution. This commitment to open access exemplifies our dedication to ‘Education for All.’ It empowers learners, researchers, and knowledge seekers beyond our campus, fostering a culture of continuous learning. The digital library serves as a gateway to a wealth of academic information, encouraging intellectual exploration and research. KIIT’s mission is clear: to ensure that quality education and valuable resources are within reach of everyone, promoting lifelong learning and intellectual growth.

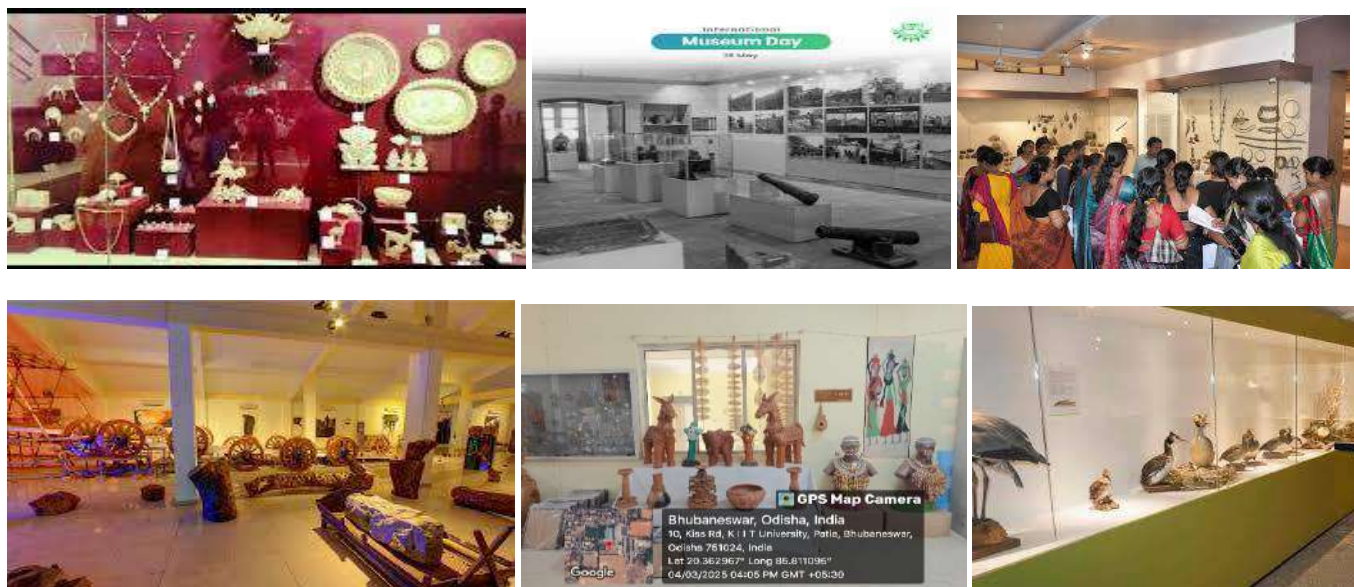
Digital Library provides the following learning resources as:

- e-journals and databases of leading publishers for all educational area.
- Enriched with 2,35,949+ E-books on the subjects as: Business and Economics, Computers & IT, Engineering and Technology, History and Political Science, Humanities & Language, Literature and Linguistics, Education & Interdisciplinary Area, Law, International Relations and Public Policy, Life Sciences & Physical Sciences, Medical, Nursing and Allied Health, Psychology and Social Work, Religion, Philosophy and Classics, Sociology and Anthropology
- E-Dissertation and Theses: 5.5 million+ e- dissertations and theses from 1700 leading academic institutions of the world. The subjects covered in this collection are as under: Business, Economics & Law, Medical Sciences, Science & Technology, Agriculture, Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences.

11.2.3 Public Access to Museums: Museums, exhibition halls, and art galleries showcase artworks and artefacts for community viewing.

The KIIT Museum is the "**Kirti Kalpa- The KIIT Art Gallery**," a public contemporary art gallery located on the KIIT campus in Bhubaneswar. It features a variety of art, including paintings, stone and wooden sculptures, and tribal artifacts, and is open to the public daily from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, except for Sundays and public holidays.

Exhibits: Paintings, abstract paintings, granite stone sculptures, wooden sculptures, art installations, artifacts, tribal artifacts, and ceramic sculptures.



11.2.4 Public Access to Green Spaces: KIIT's open and eco-friendly green spaces are freely accessible to the public.

The campus includes lush green areas, a rose garden, and a sculpture garden, contributing to a serene environment.



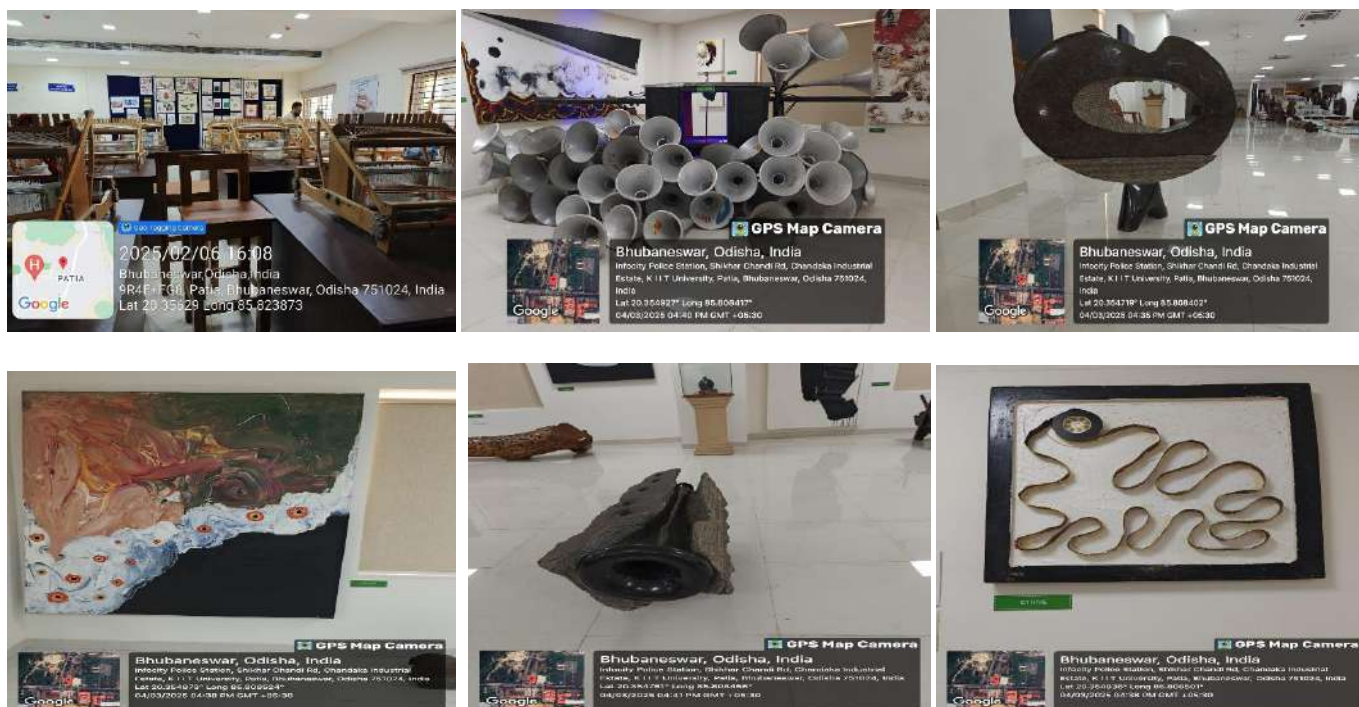


11.2.5 Arts and Heritage Contribution: The university organizes public performances—choirs, theatre, and cultural shows—promoting local and global arts.

KIIT supports various initiatives to preserve and promote Indian arts and heritage:

- **Annual Cultural Festivals:** These provide a platform for traditional music, dance, and visual arts.
- **Student Heritage Clubs:** Actively involved in organizing exhibitions, workshops, and performances.
- **KIIT Souvenir Shop:** Offers local handicrafts, artworks, and university memorabilia that promote local artisans and cultural heritage.

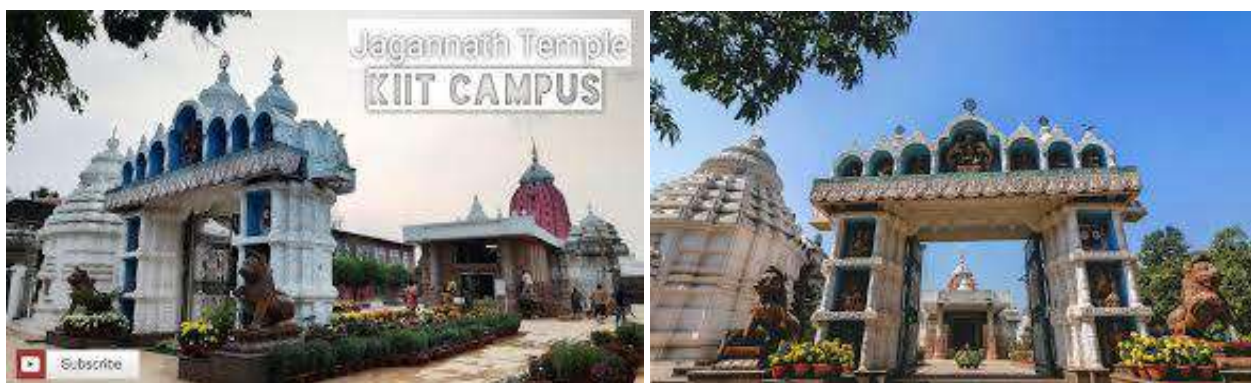
<https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/student-led-society/>





11.2.6 Record and Preserve Cultural Heritage: KIIT documents and preserves regional folklore, traditions, and indigenous knowledge, safeguarding cultural heritage.

- **Consultancy for Heritage Sites:** KIIT's School of Architecture and Planning has worked with the National Monuments Authority (NMA) on a project to develop heritage byelaws for centrally protected monuments in Odisha.
- **Contributing to Preservation:** This involves site-level surveys, assessments, and recommendations to help preserve cultural and architectural significance of sites like the Konark Sun Temple.
- The serene **Jagannath Temple** located within KIIT's campus is open to the public, serving as both a spiritual center and a symbol of cultural heritage. The temple encourages harmony, with visitors and students alike finding solace and inspiration.



11.4 Sustainable Practices

❖ KIIT Green Campus

KIIT Green is a flagship environmental initiative by KIIT University aimed at reducing pollution and fostering a healthy, sustainable campus ecosystem across its 25 sq. km. area. The university is working towards a completely vehicle-free campus, beginning with the restriction of two-wheelers and providing efficient alternative transport options. It has also adopted paperless administration and conducts annual Green Audits to monitor progress. Complementing these measures are large-scale plantation drives, rainwater harvesting, water management, sewage treatment, bio-gas generation, and solar energy use. By prioritizing pedestrian pathways, green landscaping, and eco-friendly infrastructure, KIIT Green enhances air quality and promotes a cleaner, more sustainable learning environment.

<https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/climate-plan/>

<https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Carbon-Reduction-and-Fossil-Fuel-Divestment-Policy-compressed-1.pdf>



❖ Affordable Housing for Students and Employees

KIIT provides well-maintained and affordable hostel accommodations for over 30,000 students. According to the official university website <https://kiit.ac.in/campuslife/hostel/>, hostel facilities include 24-hour internet access, study areas, sports amenities, hygienic dining halls, and both standard and air-conditioned rooms. The university's effort to provide secure and affordable housing ensures inclusivity across students from varied socio-economic backgrounds. This support allows students from remote and tribal areas to access world-class education without undue financial stress.

For employees, KIIT is encouraged to further institutionalize affordable housing through formal HR policies. While employee housing is not detailed extensively in public domains, the institution offers a supportive working environment and facilities for its academic and administrative staff.

A sister initiative, **Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)**, complements this mission by providing free residential, educational, and healthcare facilities to over 30,000 tribal students, making it one of the world's largest fully free residential institutes for indigenous communities. The integration of KISS under the same institutional vision reflects KIIT's dedication to inclusive and affordable living for all associated groups.

KIIT provides quality, affordable housing options, with a focus on inclusivity:

- Over 30,000 students accommodated in hostels with amenities like 24/7 internet, study rooms, sports facilities, and hygienic dining areas. <https://university.kiss.ac.in/campus-life/residential-life/>
- About 30% of rooms air-conditioned to support comfort.
- Strong support for students from diverse economic backgrounds.
- For employees, the institute is encouraged to formalize affordable housing policies to support staff welfare.

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❖ Remote Working Opportunities

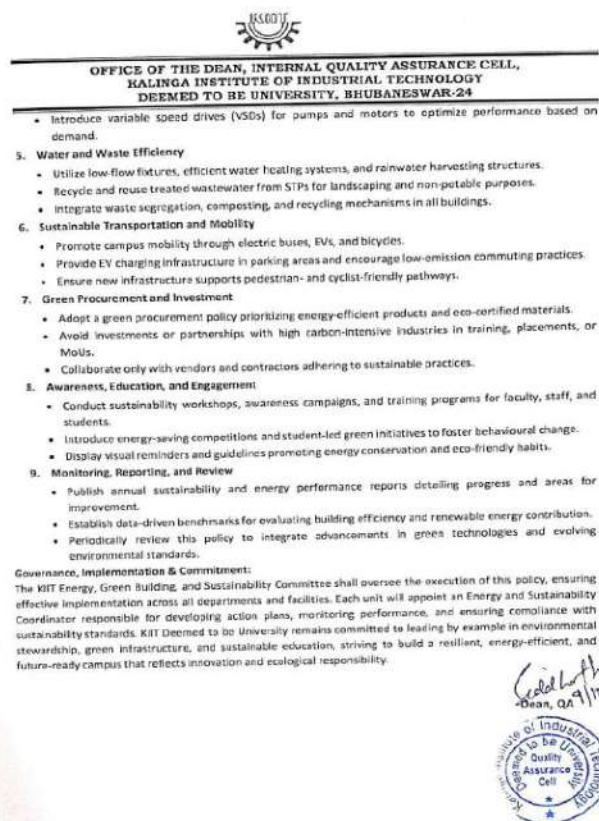
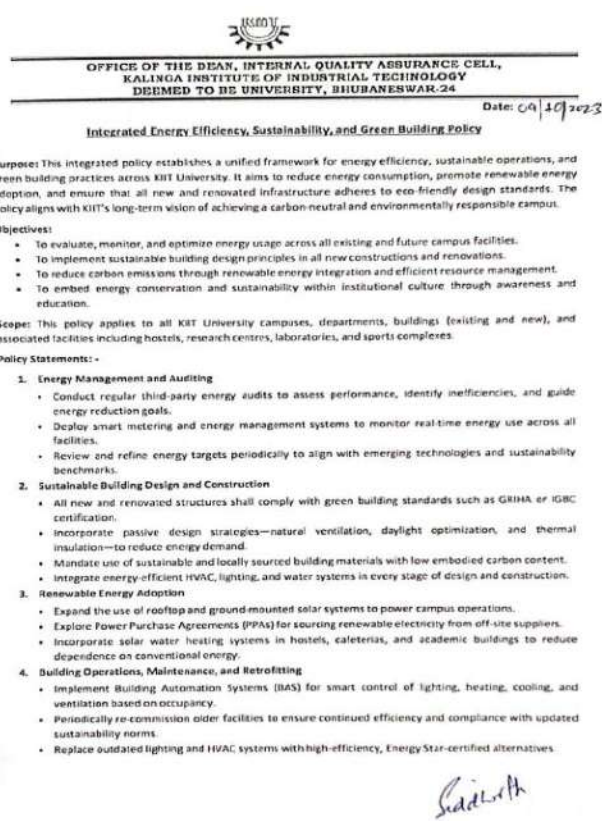
Although not explicitly stated in public policy documents, KIIT has demonstrated strong capacity in digital infrastructure and ICT-based learning, especially during the pandemic years. The campus is equipped with high-speed internet and smart classrooms, and students enjoy 24x7 intranet access in hostels. These digital resources provide a foundation for implementing flexible work and learning models. By formalizing remote working policies particularly for eligible administrative and academic roles — KIIT can support work-life balance, reduce commuting emissions, and enhance productivity. This area presents a strong opportunity for institutional growth and sustainability, particularly in alignment with global workforce trends.

❖ Sustainable Planning and Building Standards

As part of its commitment to sustainable development, KIIT has integrated green building concepts into its campus infrastructure. Many university buildings have been designed with passive cooling, natural ventilation, UV shading, and large daylight-access features to reduce reliance on artificial lighting and HVAC systems. The campus also incorporates solar panels and has implemented biogas plants to minimize dependence on non-renewable energy. These steps reflect the standards outlined in KIIT's sustainability and climate action plans <https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/climate-plan/> and contribute to operational efficiency and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

KIIT integrates sustainability into campus infrastructure through:

- Use of passive design elements: natural lighting, ventilation, and UV shading.
- Installation of solar panels and biogas plants to utilize renewable energy.
- Energy efficiency measures reducing overall consumption and emissions.
- Commitment to aligning new constructions with green building certification standards like GRIHA or IGBC is encouraged.



Looking ahead, KIIT has the opportunity to institutionalize more rigorous green building standards by adopting nationally recognized frameworks like GRIHA or IGBC. Ensuring that all new constructions meet specific energy efficiency ratings will support long-term sustainability while reinforcing KIIT's leadership in campus planning and development.

https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Energy-Efficiency-and-Green-Building-Policy_compressed.pdf

❖ Collaboration with Local Authorities and Community Engagement

There is publicly available information regarding KIIT's formal collaborations with local urban planning bodies or municipal authorities. However, the university has demonstrated community engagement through job fairs, rural outreach, and educational partnerships — such as organizing a job fair in Patia village for local youth. KIIT is encouraged to strengthen its partnerships with local planning departments to co-develop sustainable infrastructure solutions, especially in areas of public transport integration, water resource management, and traffic control in nearby urban neighborhoods.

<https://kiit.ac.in/collaborations/>

By establishing Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with local authorities, KIIT can contribute to more cohesive urban planning while ensuring that its expansion aligns with local development goals. This collaboration is particularly crucial given the institution's rapid growth and its influence on the socio-economic landscape of Bhubaneswar.

KIIT actively collaborates with local communities and engages in development efforts:

- Organizes community job fairs and educational outreach programs in neighboring villages.
- Encouraged to formalize partnerships with local urban planning bodies to support integrated infrastructure development such as sustainable transport, water management, and waste disposal.
- Collaboration would ensure campus expansion aligns with Bhubaneswar's urban growth plans.

https://sustainability.kiit.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Aquatic-Food-Sourcing_compressed.pdf

❖ Advancing Sustainable Practices in Alignment with SDG 11

• All India Rose Convention and Rose Exhibition Kicks off at KIIT

06.01.2024 – 09.01.2024 | KIIT Campus-7

KIIT's 40th All-India Rose Convention opened with the debut of four new varieties—Lord Jagannath, Lord Lingaraj, Shephali and Radha—unveiled by founder Dr Achyuta Samanta, who lauded roses' 3.3-million-year heritage and mood-lifting beauty. The three-day event features a public mega show of diverse potted roses, organized with horticultural partners and enthusiastic participants.



• KSCE Hosts Talk on AI & Sustainable Construction Innovation

18.01.2024 | KIIT

KIIT's Civil Engineering department hosted an industrial talk on AI-driven structural optimization, led by Mr. Kiran Kakde. The session highlighted green construction practices, patented technologies like Direct

Stress Path Mapping, and the future PAAS model. It fostered awareness about sustainability, tech, and modernization in engineering.



- KIIT Fest 7.0 Unites Tech, Culture, and Talent with Grand Celebration**

14.02.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT Fest 7.0, held from 14–16 February 2024, saw over 15,000 participants and 70+ events with ₹2.5M in prizes. Highlights included performances by EDM icon Nucleya and singer Jubin Nautiyal. The fest celebrated innovation, cultural diversity, and youth talent, making it one of Eastern India’s biggest university events.



- Indo-German Workshop Explores Blue-Green Mobility Solutions in Urban Bhubaneswar**

23.02.2024 | KIIT-DU

The Indo-German Workshop "Blue-Green Moves," held from 19–23 February 2024 by KIIT School of Architecture and TU Berlin, united Indian and German students to tackle urban mobility in Bhubaneswar’s Patia precinct. The programme focused on integrating blue-green infrastructure into mobility pathways to enhance sustainability and user experience.



- KISS-DU Explores Bhima Bhoi’s “Stuti Chintamani” in Lecture Series**

04.03.2024 | KIIT’s sister concern KISS-DU

The Bhima Bhoi Research Chair at KISS-DU organized the fourth edition of its Distinguished Invited Lecture Series featuring Dr. Satyananda Swain on “Stuti Chintamani.” The event fostered rich discussion on Mahima Dharma, included a felicitation, and released a previous lecture booklet, engaging scholars, faculty, and students from all disciplines.



- Dr. Saswata Biswas Highlights Barriers to Rural Toilet Adoption in Eye-Opening Talk**
 07.03.2024 | KIIT-DU

Dr. Saswata Biswas from IRMA delivered an insightful lecture on rural toilet adoption, emphasizing structural, psychological, and social barriers. Drawing from Swachh Bharat insights, he discussed gender roles, water access, cultural beliefs, and inadequate IEC strategies—encouraging future changemakers to rethink sanitation from a behavioral and socio-economic lens.



- KIMS Organizes Pulse Polio Immunization Drive, 2024**
 16.03.2024 | Department of Community Medicine, KIMS

KIMS participated in the nationwide Pulse Polio Immunization drive on March 3, 2024, administering drops to over 350 children. Extensive IEC efforts ensured awareness. The outreach drive at RHTC Kalarabank covered 100 children. Conducted smoothly by the Community Medicine team, the initiative aimed at polio eradication and public health awareness.



- KISS Hosts UNESCO Chairs Roundtable to Advance South Asia's Sustainable Development Goals**
 24.03.2024 | KIIT's sister concern KISS-DU

KIIT's sister concern KISS hosted a UNESCO Chairs roundtable on 18–19 March 2024, uniting 16 Chairs from South Asia to strengthen regional collaboration. Led by Prof. Amareswar Galla, discussions focused on

knowledge-sharing and supporting SDG efforts through education, heritage, and inclusive research. The event emphasized higher education's role in sustainable development.



- KIIT Law School Conducts Fire Safety Drill to Promote Emergency Preparedness**

14.04.2024 | KIIT

KIIT School of Law, through CSA and NSS, hosted a Fire Safety Drill during Fire Service Week 2024. Led by Fire Officer Sukanta Sethi, the event combined theory and hands-on training to raise awareness on fire types, extinguisher use, and emergency response, empowering students and staff in disaster preparedness.



- KAEWS Leads Earth Day Plantation Drive to Promote Green Future**

26.04.2024 | KIIT-DU

On World Earth Day, KAEWS of KIIT organized a Plantation Drive at Andharua, Bhubaneswar, promoting environmental sustainability. Supported by the Horticulture Department, the initiative aligned with Prof. Achyuta Samanta's "Go Green" vision, addressing climate change and biodiversity loss while fostering a greener future for coming generations.



- KISS Celebrates International Museum Day**

18.05.2024 | KISS

On International Museum Day 2024, Project K-MUSE, led by Dr. Achyuta Samanta, held its first international engagement with Australia's Chau Chak Wing Museum. Four faculty and 12 PhD scholars

from KISS participated in object-based learning and cultural exchange, strengthening global academic and museum partnerships through virtual collaboration.



• KIMS Marks World Blood Donor Day with Heartfelt Celebrations

20.06.2024 | KIMS

KIMS celebrated World Blood Donor Day 2024 under the theme “20 Years of Celebrating Giving,” honoring voluntary blood donors. Events included a hospital-wide donation drive, emotional tributes by transfusion-dependent children, and pledges for continued support. The initiative promoted regular, unpaid donations and community health awareness.



• KIIT-DU Hosts IASAS International Conference on Subalterns in South Asia

21.06.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT-DU and CASSS jointly hosted the IASAS International Conference on Subalterns in South Asia on June 21–22, 2024. Scholars from India, France, and South Korea discussed subaltern histories, tourism-led empowerment, and cultural narratives. The conference fostered global academic dialogue on marginalized voices, sustainability, and social inclusion.



• Rath Yatra Celebrated with Devotion at KISS Shrivani Kshetra

08.07.2024 | KISS

The annual Rath Yatra at KISS's Shrivani Kshetra was celebrated on 7th July 2024 with grandeur. Devotees witnessed traditional rituals and the ceremonial “Chhera Pahanra” by Dr. Achyuta Samanta. Thousands joyfully pulled the chariots of Lord Jagannath, Balabhadra, and Subhadra to the Gundicha Temple.



- **KSRM Hosts Talk on Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Tier 2/3 India**

24.07.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT School of Rural Management organized a guest talk by Mr. Anurag Dixit on July 18, 2024, highlighting innovation ecosystems in Tier 2/3 districts. He discussed startup support, digitalization, women-led enterprises, and sustainability through initiatives like Jagriti Yatra, promoting rural entrepreneurship and inclusive development.

- **KSRM Hosts Vibrant Freshers Welcome for Agri and Rural Management Students**

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- **KIIT Hosts IEEE IAS Lecture on Smart Energy Management for EVs**

30.07.2024 | KIIT

On World Hepatitis Day, KIIT Youth Red Cross Society held an awareness campaign in a Patia slum, educating residents on Hepatitis symptoms, causes, and prevention. Guided by KIMS doctors and students, the initiative emphasized health education and community engagement.



• Alumni Talk Highlights Solar Energy's Role in Sustainable Rural Livelihoods

09.08.2024 | KIIT

KIIT School of Rural Management hosted alumnus Satyapriya Sahu for a talk on Decentralized Renewable Energy (DRE). Drawing from his experience, he emphasized solar energy's impact on sustainable livelihoods and energy access for marginalized communities. He also shared SELCO Foundation's innovations, including the "Energy for Health" program's transformative reach.



• KIIT Hosts Workshop on Seismic Engineering Challenges and Opportunities

10.08.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT conducted a one-day workshop on "Challenges & Opportunities in Seismic Engineering" on 10th August 2024. Experts from industry and academia discussed active/passive systems, earthquake-resistant design, retrofitting, and disaster resilience. The event emphasized the critical role of seismic safety in infrastructure development and disaster management practices.



• KIIT SAP and UltraTech Host ADDA Lecture on Sustainable Construction

13.08.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT School of Architecture and Planning, with UltraTech Cement, organized the 2nd ADDA Lecture Series on "Sustainable Construction: +Ve Footprints." Experts shared insights on green cement and eco-friendly architecture. Awards recognized student excellence and faculty mentorship, highlighting KIIT's dedication to sustainable innovation and academia-industry collaboration.



• KIIT-DU Hosts National Conclave on AI for Viksit Bharat@2047

14.08.2024 | KIIT-DU

KIIT-DU's School of Economics & Commerce and IQAC held a National Conclave on “Making AI in India & Making AI Work for India” on 14th August 2024. Experts discussed AI's role in India's development, emphasizing human values, rural impact, and future focus on sustainable lifestyles and environment.



• Kraftovity Society Honors Independence Day with Handmade Tributes to Frontline Heroes

15.08.2024 | KISS-DU

Celebrating Independence Day, Kraftovity Society students crafted 3D models and handmade flags for the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign. These tokens of gratitude were distributed to security guards and police personnel across KIIT campuses, honoring their service. Around 50 student volunteers participated, fostering patriotism and community engagement.



• KIIT & KISS Celebrate National Sports Day, Reaffirming Sports-Education Synergy

30.08.2024 | KIIT-DU

On National Sports Day, KIIT and KISS celebrated their two-decade legacy in nurturing sports talent. Dr. Achyuta Samanta reaffirmed support for Olympic aspirants, promising global-standard facilities. Dr. Akhtar Badshah lauded Dr. Samanta's transformative vision, calling education the “third eye” for socioeconomic upliftment through world-class academic and athletic opportunities.



- **KSRM Alumni Panel Explores Innovation and Sustainability in CSR**

06.09.2024 | KIIT-DU

KSRM hosted an alumni panel on “Synergizing Innovations and Sustainability through CSR,” featuring Alok Pandey, Pritam Motilal, and Mashkoor Khan. Panelists shared insights on CSR laws, ESG integration, and grassroots impact. Emphasizing communication, community engagement, and strategic alignment, they highlighted essential skills and challenges in driving sustainable, impactful CSR initiatives.



- **Khwahishein Celebrates Hindi Diwas with Outreach and Cultural Showcase through ‘Abhivyakti’**

12.09.2024 | KIIT-DU

Khwahishein, KSAC’s Hindi Society, celebrated Hindi Diwas with a three-day event, including outreach programs at government schools in Bhubaneswar and its annual showcase “Abhivyakti” on 13th September 2024. Over 350 students participated. Poet Abhinash Mohanty graced the event, promoting Hindi’s cultural significance and creative expression among youth.



- **KISS-DU Hosts Lecture on NEP and Indian Knowledge Systems to Inspire Future Leaders**

20.09.2024 | KISS

KISS-DU and KIIT Law School hosted a lecture by Prof. Margaret L. Phillips on legal empowerment via community paralegals. Emphasizing access to justice as a human right, she proposed starting a Community Paralegal Program. Sessions also addressed Indigenous rights, customary laws, and collaborative opportunities between institutions.



- **KINS Observes International Day of Older Persons with Focus on "Ageing with Dignity"**

30.09.2024 | KINS

KINS, KIIT (DU) marked the International Day of Older Persons on September 30, 2024, highlighting the theme "Ageing with Dignity." Events included expert talks, panel discussions, and street plays promoting intergenerational care, social support, and respect for senior citizens. The program emphasized strengthening geriatric care systems globally.



- **Sharod Agomoni Celebrated with Art, Culture, and Unity at KIIT**

02.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

Marking Mahalaya, the Korus and SPICMACAY societies of KSAC delivered powerful performances celebrating the victory of good over evil. Kraftovity's stunning Durga art elevated the evening. With 500 students uniting across cultures, the celebration highlighted harmony, divinity, and the enduring power of art and tradition.



- **KIIT & KISS Observe Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 with Collective Commitment to Cleanliness**

02.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 was observed at KIIT & KISS, uniting staff and students in a shared mission for cleanliness and sustainability. The initiative highlighted the collective responsibility of maintaining a clean, green environment and fostering civic sense, reinforcing the institutions' dedication to environmental stewardship and community welfare.



- **Expert Lecture at KIIT Explores Probabilistic Methods in Structural Design**

04.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

Prof. Srinivas Sriramula from the University of Aberdeen delivered an insightful lecture at KIIT's School of Mechanical Engineering on "Uncertainty Quantification in Stochastic Structural Performance Analysis." The session enriched students, faculty, and researchers with advanced methods to enhance structural reliability using probabilistic and uncertainty-based design approaches.



- **KIMS Hosts Inspiring Blood Donation Camp on Gandhi Jayanti at Kalarabank**

05.10.2024 | KIMS

On Gandhi Jayanti, KIMS Blood Bank organized a blood donation camp at KEMS and KIMS, inspired by Dr. Achyuta Samanta's "Art of Giving." Led by school principal Mr. Biyat Bihari Mishra, the camp witnessed overwhelming participation, especially by women, showcasing unity, compassion, and community spirit in the Smart Village of Kalarabank.



- **KIIT-DU Organizes Heritage Walk to Chausath Yogini Temple for International Students**

19.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

The International Relations Office of KIIT-DU organized a heritage walk to the Chausath Yogini Temple in Hirapur with first-year international students. Held on October 19, 2024, the visit highlighted the temple's unique architecture and 64 yogini sculptures, with IRO Manager Mr. Bijaya Panda narrating their historical significance.



- **YRC KIIT Volunteers Join Cyclone Dana Relief Efforts with Indian Red Cross**

25.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

In response to Cyclone Dana, YRC KIIT volunteers, including international students, supported the Indian Red Cross Society's relief efforts on October 25 at Red Cross Bhawan, Bhubaneswar. Guided by Dr. Chitralekha Jena, they helped organize, load, and distribute essential food supplies to affected communities across Odisha.



- **KIIT Film School Hosts Filmmaker Vinoo Cholibarabil's Talk on "From Idea to Screen"**

29.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

Filmmaker Vinoo Cholibarabil spoke at KIIT on storytelling, realism, and technology's evolving role in cinema. Encouraging innovation, he praised KIIT's infrastructure. The event strengthened industry-student connections, inspiring future filmmakers to learn, unlearn, and grow, reflecting KIIT's dedication to nurturing creative talent and cinematic excellence.



- **Halloween 2024: A Spooktacular Night of Global Fun at KIIT**

29.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

The KIIT International Students' Society hosted a thrilling Halloween 2024 celebration with 400 attendees. Spine-chilling costumes, engaging games, dance, music, and a spooky ramp show culminated in the crowning of Mr. & Ms. Halloween. The night celebrated global unity, creativity, and cultural exchange in a fun, inclusive environment.



• KIIT-WRI Workshop Empowers Teens to Reimagine Urban Spaces

30.10.2024 | KIIT-DU

The School of Architecture and Planning, KIIT, in partnership with WRI India, hosted the “Young Urban Changemakers Conclave,” engaging 60 high school students to co-create adolescent-friendly public spaces. The workshop empowered youth voices in urban design, promoting inclusivity and creative solutions through interactive activities and stakeholder collaboration.



• KISS Hosts Global Dialogue on Indigenous Values in Sustainable Architecture

06.11.2024 | KISS

KISS, in collaboration with KIIT and global partners, held a Kalinga Conversation on “Indigenous Values in the Built Environment.” Keynote speaker Prof. Paul Memmott emphasized integrating indigenous knowledge into modern architecture. With global participation, the session promoted heritage-led sustainability and showcased Odisha’s potential in inclusive design innovation.



• KIITians Celebrate Chhath Puja with Devotion and Unity

November 5 to 8, 2024 | KIIT-DU

KIITIANS celebrate Chhath Puja with devotion and grandeur each year. This sacred festival, especially cherished in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, and parts of Nepal. It spanned four days: Nahay Khay (Day 1), Lohanda and Kharna (Day 2), Sankashti and Sandhya Arghya (Day 3). The third day is marked by offering “Arghya” to the setting sun. On the final day students offered prayers to the rising sun. Around 600 students came for the Puja and gave Arghya.



- **Kritarth 8.0 hosted by KSAC**

08.11.2024 | KIIT-DU

Guided by Dr. Achyuta Samanta's "Art of Giving" philosophy, Kritarth 8.0 celebrated creativity, inclusivity, and impact. With inspiring performances, diverse competitions, and Actor Ashish Vidyarthi's leadership talk, the three-day event fostered unity, compassion, and expression among 1,000+ participants, concluding with heartfelt cheers and a renewed commitment to social transformation.



- **Alumnus Highlights CSR's Role in Advancing SDGs**

06.12.2024 | KIIT-DU

Mr. Nipesh Ranjan Nath, KSRM alumnus, emphasized CSR's transformative potential in achieving the SDGs during his talk. He explored trends like environmental sustainability, ethical supply chains, and local engagement. Stressing accountability and innovation, he highlighted how CSR, shaped by regulations and societal needs, can drive inclusive, impactful development in emerging economies.



- **5th Kalinga Global Film Festival Celebrates Cinema, Culture, and Talent at KIIT**

13.12.2024 | KIIT-DU

The 5th Kalinga Global Film Festival at KIIT-DU showcased 45 films over three days, celebrating cinema's power to inspire and connect. With masterclasses and discussions, it empowered young filmmakers and highlighted Odisha's cinematic talent. Eminent filmmakers, actors, and cultural icons praised KIIT's contribution to education and creative expression.





ART OF GIVING

Giving education to the deprived is like
giving sight to the blind -Achyuta Samanta

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE

'Art of Giving' is a not-for-profit initiative for spreading, supporting and promoting the practice of giving around the world. It is based on the philosophy of life of **Prof. Achyuta Samanta**, who has struggled through an experience of poverty, hunger, humiliation in receiving and pleasure in giving from his childhood. He gives the credit of all his success to 'Art of Giving' and has been working relentlessly to achieve zero poverty, zero hunger and zero illiteracy since 1987.



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