



## PROF. ACHYUTA SAMANTA

Founder & Mentor – KIIT & KISS  
KISS Foundation India, UK & USA  
General President, ISCA (2017-18)

- ⦿ Born in 1965, obtained Master' Degree in Chemistry in 1987 from Utkal University and started teaching at the age of 22
- ⦿ 30 years of teaching experience and counting
- ⦿ First Chancellor of KIIT University and the youngest Chancellor of any Indian University
- ⦿ Served as a member of two apex Educational bodies of India, University Grants Commission (UGC) for two consecutive terms (2008-11 & 2011-2014) and Executive Committee of All Indian Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
- ⦿ First Odia to become Member of UGC and the first Indian to be Member of both UGC and AICTE simultaneously
- ⦿ Served as a Member of several other Government of India bodies like NCTE, ISTE, ISCA, COIR BOARD, CAPART etc.
- ⦿ Served as a Member of the Academic Council of Central University of Assam and Odisha
- ⦿ Currently, General President of Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) - 2017-18
- ⦿ Delivered nearly 100 motivational speeches, including convocation address, keynote address and foundation day lecture in different institutions and organizations across the country and abroad
- ⦿ Conferred with **33 Honoris Causa Doctorate Awards** from prestigious Universities across the globe
- ⦿ Decorated with Civilian Awards from countries including Gusi Peace Prize International, the highest **Civilian Award from Bahrain** besides over 50 National and International and over 200 State Honors and accolades
- ⦿ Founder of Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT University) - [www.kiit.ac.in](http://www.kiit.ac.in) - and Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), Bhubaneswar - [www.kiss.ac.in](http://www.kiss.ac.in) - fully free and fully residential tribal institute
- ⦿ KIIT started with Rs. 5000/- (100USD) in a two-room rented apartment has now grown into one of the most promising professional Universities in the Country with global acclaim having 27,000 students
- ⦿ KISS has become the largest Residential Tribal Institute in the world providing free Education from Kindergarten to Post Graduation, a home for 35,000 tribal children (25,000 existing students and 10,000 graduated)
- ⦿ KIIT and KISS chronicled in the Limca Book of Records and Guinness World Records on many counts
- ⦿ Immense contribution in the field of Education, Professional Education, Health, Art, Culture, Literature, Rural Development, Social Service and Spiritualism
- ⦿ Transformed the remote village 'Kalarabanka', Cuttack into a **Smart Village** and the entire Manpur Panchayat into a **Model Panchayat** (cluster of villages)
- ⦿ Working to establish 20 branches of KISS in different districts of Odisha besides establishing KISS-Delhi in 2013 for the underprivileged sections of the society
- ⦿ Providing employment to around 10,000 directly and over one lakh indirectly
- ⦿ Created 100 successful Entrepreneurs across the country
- ⦿ Lost father at the age of four struggled poverty and hunger, but now is an iconic educationist, an emblem of service to humanity, a beacon of light for social transformation, and a redeemer of the fallen, the oppressed and the marginalized leading a simple and sacrificed life as a bachelor
- ⦿ Hobby is to spread happiness and peace in the society and to see smile in the face of poor children
- ⦿ Prof. Samanta - [www.achyutasamanta.com](http://www.achyutasamanta.com) has been working relentlessly to achieve **Zero Poverty, Zero Hunger and Zero Illiteracy**

