

# CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF ODISHA KORAPUT

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### **Central University of Odisha is organizing a function on 'Contribution of Tribal Leaders in the Freedom Struggle of India' at Central University of Odisha on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022; His Excellency, Governor of Odisha, Prof. Ganeshi Lal Ji to inaugurate as Chief Guest**

The Central University of Odisha is hosting a function on the 'Contribution of Tribal Leaders in the Freedom Struggle of India' on the 10<sup>th</sup> of September, 2022. His Excellency, the Governor of Odisha, Prof. Ganeshi Lal Ji is will inaugurate the programme which is being organized jointly by the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) and the Central University of Odisha (CUO).

The Constitution of India has recognized the importance of tribals and their role in nation building by making special provisions for the protection of tribal culture and development of scheduled tribes. On the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Independence, the Government of India is emphasizing on reviving tribal cultural heritage by focusing on the traditional practice of tribal in the environment conservation, traditional knowledge and their role in freedom movement. The NCST & CUO initiative is an endeavor towards creating awareness in this area.

His Excellency, the Governor of Odisha, Prof. Ganeshi Lal Ji will grace the occasion by inaugurating an exhibition themed on 'Contribution of Tribal Leaders in the Freedom Struggle of India'. It will be followed by his address to the tribal students of the CUO. Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST, New Delhi will deliver his address on National Commission of Scheduled Tribes. Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Vice-Chancellor I/c of the CUO would preside over the meeting and deliver his welcome address and Dr A K Das, Registrar, CUO will propose the Vote of Thanks.

Dr. Jalendra Tripathy, Coordinator, NCST will introduce the seminar and the guests.

Sri Pabitra Kumar Kanhar, Vice-Chairman, TRIFED, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GoI will speak on the contribution of tribal leaders in the freedom struggle of India in the seminar to be held during the second part of the function. On the occasion, a video on Tribal leaders will also be shown, followed by felicitation of the guests.

The Central University of Odisha was established on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 under the Central Universities Act along with nine other central universities in the country. The CUO was set up in the tribal dominated Koraput district with a mandate to impart quality higher education and development in the KBK region of Odisha. Presently, the CUO is established as the prime centre of higher education in the region.

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