## CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF ODISHA, KORAPUT

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## **CUO Celebrates 76th Republic Day**

Our Target is Atma Nirbhar Odisha: Vice Chancellor

The Central University of Odisha Celebrated the 76<sup>th</sup> Republic Day with joyous fervour. The Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi unfurled the tricolour with the presence of students, staff and faculty members, Registrar and Finance Officer(I/C).

Speaking on the occasion Prof. Tripathi congratulated the CUO fraternity on the auspicious day. On this occasion we should remember the supreme sacrifice of our martyrs, especially the martyrs of Odisha and Koraput, he said. Due to India's age old civilization we are still alive, vibrant even after centuries of foreign rule, and now we are moving fast towards Vikshit Bharat in 2047. Many civilizations died, but Indian civilization remained intact, due to some of its unique social system like positive value system, good practices in families and related cultural traits. We had our unwritten Constitution of ethics since centuries that quided us as a civilization and the written Constitution we adopted after independence has been showing us the right path for our growth and development. The 17 pictures depicted on the first version of our written Constitution symbolizes our age-old glory and way of life, he said. We should always abide by the Constitution of India, he urged the University community. He said that as per the constitution of CUO we should work for two important aspects for the development of Koraput district as well as the KBK area. First is literacy development, particularly among tribal women and second, employment generation among the youth of Koraput. He further stressed the need for growth of research acumen among the students and teachers for the betterment of the University and also for the development of the state. We have knowledge about research, but its time to implement it properly, he said. He said that it is a matter of pride for all of us that we could translate the entire literature of Utkal Gourav Madhusudan Das from Odia language to Hindi and English. He also assured the students that within two-three years the status of CUO will be changed completely. More staff will come for the purpose. He also assured all support for development of sports and other co-curricular activities inside the Campus. There is no dearth of talents in CUO, but its our duty to polish the students for exposing the hidden talents, he said.

On the occasion, the Vice Chancellor also handed over prizes to the winners of various competitions held in the University for Republic Day. Dr. Debabrata Panda, faculty of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources Department was awarded on the occasion for having successfully conducted an International Seminar on Millets. Others present on the occasion were Chairman of the event Dr. Padma Charan Mishra, Coordinator of the event Dr. A. Thotapally, Prof. Narasingh Charan Panda, Dr. Manoj Singh, Prof. Bharat Panda, other faculty members, students and staff of the University. Dr. Kakoli Banerjee, Dr. Chakradhar Padhan, Dr. Gourav Ranjan and Dr. Prasenjit Sinha coordinated the event.

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