

**Action Report on the address by the president of India to students and faculty of higher educational and research institutions and officer trainees at civil service academies through video conferencing on the topic 'innovation: a way of life' on 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2016**

The particulars of the programme given below:

1. **Date:** 10-08-2016
  2. **Duration:** 1 hr (12-30 P.M-1-30 P.M)
  3. **Venue:** ATIC Hall, College of Fisheries, CAU, Lembucherra
  4. **Number of Student Participants:** 140
  5. **Number of Faculty Participants:** 10
  6. **Number of Staff Participants:** 10
  7. **Programme:** As per the direction from our University the Interaction/address by the president of India to the students and faculty of higher educational and research institutions and officer trainees at civil service academies through video conferencing on the topic 'innovation: a way of life' was linked with the NKN platform to enable the students/faculty/staff members of the college to view the programme at ATIC Hall of the college.
- At the very outset the Hon'ble president of India welcomed all the students who are new to universities and other centres of higher learning, the officer trainees who are undergoing their probationary training at their designated academies. He felt that in the networked environment of today, we need the power of youth to realize the full potential of an aspirational India. For this, creative thinking and a desire for innovation must become a part of our day-to-day lives. He also expressed the importance of the cutting edge technologies for rapid creation of world-class infrastructure and its maintenance. He mentioned the need to change the approach, the design, the delivery method and the means to adopt global model which has to be linked to the aspirations of our people and must respond to their needs for development. Innovations must preserve the diversity and benefit the wider spectrum of the society. He also described different forms of Innovations like *transformational innovation*, *'pro-inclusive'* innovations, *'grassroots' innovation*. He suggested nine *sutras* to invigorate India's march towards a more inclusive, diverse, sustainable and innovative society. He interacted with students/faculty/officials and resolved their queries. Lastly, he has shown us a path to overcome some of our inertia by ending complains always about what is wrong around us and instead focusing on what is right, bright and creative; to change our work culture and the mindset. The programme was ended with the vote of thanks of the organizer.
8. **Programme Coordinator:** Dr. P.Pal , i/c, IT Cell