

Press Release

IIM Jammu organises 3rd and 4th Annual Convocation



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Jammu: The Third and the Fourth Convocation of IIM Jammu was held in Jammu on 9th April 2021 at the Convention Centre, Jammu. A total of 58 students from 2018-20 batch and 90 students from 2019-21 batch were conferred with their MBA Degree. IIM Jammu confers the Chairman's Gold Medal, Director's silver medal and Chairperson MBA Bronze Medal to the meritorious students for their scholastic performance. The following students were awarded the respective medals:

S.no	Medal	Batch-2018-19	Batch 2019-21
1.	Chairman's Gold Medal	<i>Aditya Doshi</i>	<i>Ashish Mann</i>
2.	Director's silver medal	<i>Arjab Sarkar</i>	<i>Jerin Baiju</i>
3.	Chairperson's MBA Bronze Medal	<i>Versha kaushik</i>	<i>Ruchit Kevadiya</i>

Hon'ble Vice President of India, **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu**, the Chief Guest for the Convocation, presented the medals to the students. **Dr. Jitendra Singh**, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (IC) and **Shri Manoj Sinha**, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, J&K were the Guests of Honour at the Convocation.

Dr. Milind Kamble, Chairman, Board of Governors, IIM Jammu presided over the event and **Prof. B.S. Sahay**, Director IIM Jammu warmly welcomed the guests and the gathering at the convocation.

After the arrival of the dignitaries, the event started with the national anthem and Convocation was declared open by the Chairman, BoG, IIM Jammu Dr. Milind Kamble.

While delivering the convocation address, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu emphasized on various aspects that hold importance in our lives. The prestigious degree, earned through hard work and dedication, gives the students wings to fly, but that doesn't come without a sense of responsibility and humanity. He urged students to focus on nature and culture for their and nation's bright future. He spoke about

the importance of Skill and quality education and reforms in higher education through National Education Policy. The Vice President also emphasized on the importance of Peace as pre-request for progress of any nation. He reiterated the need of technology and education in the agriculture and asked the institutes of national importance to play their role in supporting Agricultural growth and prosperity in the country. He advised students to develop Nation first as attitude and take pride in their mother tongue. The Vice President also called for more Academia and industry collaborations.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (IC), encouraged the student to make learning a life-long process. It is one's ability and willingness to learn and should make it an asset for themselves. He was specific about the mode of gaining the knowledge, that are books. One must not assume all the answers but read to become an expert.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (IC), talked about growth of Jammu as educational hub in the northern region with IIM, IIT, IMC, AIIMs and several medical colleges at one place. He also talked about several new projects initiated and coming up in Jammu which will add to the better ecosystem supporting several activities in the region. He suggested other B schools to collaborate with IIM Jammu for better output of institutes in the region. The Union Minister talked about the demographic changes in the administration where toppers have been from states which were under represented earlier, including Haryana and J&K. The increased representation of female candidates in various competitive exams was another thing that Minister took lot of pride in announcing. He suggested students to not consider language as a barrier in their growth and asked institutes like IIMs to facilitate methods to support students from diverse backgrounds into the system without language acting as a barrier to compete. He advised students to act as torch bearers of Prime Minister's vision of New India.

Sh. Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lt Governor, Jammu and Kashmir referred to the MBA degree as one of the elite degrees of the countries which will garner many privileges for the students. Addressing the students, the Lt Governor called upon them to understand the true virtues of life and make valuable contributions towards Nation Building and AtmaNirbhar Bharat. Learning is a lifelong experience. Tackle any challenges with adaptability and keep the thirst of knowledge with you throughout your life, added the Lt Governor.

"We need to produce Future Business Managers as per the Market demand. Overhauling the entire business management ecosystem and orientation of youth is the need of the hour to complement the dynamics of market trends", said the Lt Governor. The Lt Governor noted that many experts from the management field have identified Management Strategy and innovation; Management tools & Technology, and Interpersonal Skills as the crucial growth drivers in the post-Covid scenario. The Lt Governor congratulated IIM Jammu for making a distinguished place for itself in management studies. He also expressed gratitude to the Hon'ble Vice President for attending the convocation and boosting the morale of the students. He congratulated the parents and family members of the students as well.

Dr. Milind P. Kamble, Chairman, BoG, IIM Jammu gave the overview of the Institute for the last two years and said that IIM Jammu provides a conducive environment for nurturing talent, excellence and innovation.

Prof. B. S Sahay, Director IIM Jammu presented highlights of the progress of the institute in past two years where he talked about higher output in the form of publications, infrastructure development, setting up of new campuses, signing of MoUs with national and international partners.

The event was attended all the Faculty members, graduating students, their respective family members and media personnel. A live webcast of the event was done through National Informatics Centre (NIC).

The convocation was formally closed by Chairman, BoG IIM Jammu.

