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## **Prof. Kshiti Bhusan Das joins Central University of Odisha as the Pro Vice-Chancellor**

A distinguished educationist, Prof. Kshiti Bhusan Das assumed office as the Pro Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Odisha today the 18 January 2021 at the CUO permanent campus, Sunabeda. In exercising the power conferred on it, the Executive Council of the CUO appointed Prof. Das as the Pro Vice-Chancellor of the University. Prof. I Ramabrahmam, the Vice-Chancellor conveyed his best wishes to Prof. Das.

Prof. Das has very vast and impressive academic as well as administrative experience. Prior to joining the CUO he was the Pro Vice-Chancellor of the Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi. He has about 38 years of teaching experience as the Dean and Professor of the Commerce and Management, Utkal University and SOA University. During his career he held different positions such as Director, College Dev. Council, Registrar, Dean, Head of the Department, Programme Co-ordinator at the Utkal University.

Prof. Das did his PhD and Post Doctorate (D. litt.) in Commerce from Utkal University. He has to his credit 5 books including "Role of Commercial Banks in Financing Weaker Section- 1998", "Financial Services for Rural Development- 2006", "Business Studies part I- 2008" and "Business Studies part II- 2008", "Fundamental Principles- 2009" and "Inclusive Growth Through Financial Inclusion- 2012". He has published about seventy numbers of high valued research papers in National and International Journals. He has also supervised more than 20 scholars and completed many research projects.

He was the Visitor's Nominee of North Eastern Hill University, Shillong and Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh. He was nominated as the Member, UGC Expert Committee for conducting Academic Audit of Central University of Allahabad and HNB University, Uttarakhand; Member of Governing Board, National Institution of Open Schooling, New Delhi; Member (Coordinator) of Peer Team, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC); Member, Higher Education Council, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh; Member, Special Working Group, (Planning Commission), Chhattisgarh; Member, Expert Committee, Skill and Technical Education Department, Govt. of Odisha and AICTE Nominee of Governing Board, BPUT

Prof. Das lectured at many of leading Universities in India and abroad including University of Mauritius; Japan Economic Policy Association (Centre for National University of Finance and Management, Tokyo); Tribhuban University, Nepal; Panel Member – BESI, Antibes, France and University of Hull, U.K

Prof. Asit Kumar Das, Registrar, Shri K. Kosala Rao, Finance Officer I/c., Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Dean; Prof. Saroj Panigrahi, HoD, Mathematics; Dr. Phagunath Bhoi, Public Relation Officer and all the staff of the University were present on the occasion.

Dr. Phagunath Bhoi, Public Relation Officer