**PRESS NOTE**

**IIPE HOSTS ITS 2ND ANNUAL CONVOCATION**

**Date : 07.09.2022**

Indian Institute of Petroleum and Energy (IIPE) Visakhapatnam has conducted its 2nd Convocation on 07th September, 2022 from 10:30 AM at VMRDA Children’s Arena, Visakhapatnam.

The event was held in the presence of the Chief Guest Ms. Hemalatha Annamalai, Founder and Vice-Chair, Green Collar Agritech Solutions Pvt. Ltd and Founder and Former CEO, Ampere Vehicles Pvt. Ltd., Prof. PK Banik, President, Board of Governors, IIPE, Prof. Shalivahan, Director of the Institute, Dr. B. Muralikrishna, Registrar, IIPE, Board members, Senators, faculty, staff, students and their parents and guests.

In the present convocation, 87 students (45 students from Petroleum Engineering & 42 students from Chemical Engineering) were awarded with the degrees. Two students from each branch have received gold and silver medals for their academic excellence.

The medal winners are Ms. Kumari Agrani, (Institute’s gold medal in Petroleum Engineering); Mr. Chidurala Hruthik, (Institute’s Gold medal in Chemical Engineering); Mr. Priyanshu Agarwal (SBI Silver Medal in Petroleum Engineering); Mr. Avik Roy (SBI Silver Medal in Chemical Engineering). Ms. Kumari Agrani also received President’s Gold medal based on her academic excellence and merit in extra-curricular activities.

Delivering the convocation address, the Chief Guest Ms. Hemalatha Annamalai congratulated all the baccalaureate students and welcomed them as our next generation Energy leaders. She urged the students to strive for eradicating the Energy-poverty. Energy-poverty is due to as the poor people are the least likely to have access to power and they are more likely to remain poor if they stay unconnected. She also emphasized on a strong enabling environment in place to encourage greater investment especially in renewable forms of energy.

Prof. PK Banik, President, Board of Governors, IIPE congratulated the students and proud parents on this occasion. He praised the institution and all its stakeholders for maintaining the high academic standards and on achieving almost 100% placements. He urged the students for strong alumni support for the institute’s development.

Prof. Shalivahan, Director, IIPE spoke on the institute’s activities. He highlighted some of the achievements and accomplishments of the Institute in his report.

The program is also live telecasted through IIPE YouTube channel (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RvbS3LChEJ8)

The convocation ceremony concluded on a high note after Prof. PK Banik declared the 2nd convocation closed.

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