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Press Note:

More investment needed in research and innovation in Higher Education – Governor Biswa Bhusan Harichandan

- Andhra Pradesh Governor Biswa Bhusan Harichandan participated as Chief Guest at a Symposium on NEP-2020 organised by NIT Tadepallegudem Vijayawada, October 29: Andhra Pradesh Governor Sri Biswa Bhusan Harichandan participated as Chief Guest at the Symposium on “Vision of NEP-2020 on research and extra-curricular parameters for holistic education” organized by the National Institute of Technology (NIT) Tadepallegudem, in virtual mode from Raj Bhavan on Friday. Speaking on the occasion, Governor Sri Harichandan said that the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) is one of the important policies brought out by the Government of India with a far-sighted vision to nurture and orient the younger generation of the country, in the path of development.

The Governor said that the NEP-2020 is an inclusive framework focusing on revamping the education system in the country with an objective to achieve 100 per cent Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER), in school education by 2030. The NEP 2020 emphasizes on the holistic and multi-disciplinary education and development of future generations as the country is moving towards a knowledge economy and society as more and more young Indians aspire for higher education, said the Governor. He further added that despite the critical importance of research, the research and innovation investment in

India, at the current time, is only 0.69% of GDP as compared to 2.8% in the United States of America, 4.3% in Israel and 4.2% in South Korea.

Governor Sri Harichandan appreciated the steps taken by the NIT Andhra Pradesh to orient its Ph.D. research scholars in this direction, since the past one year.

Prof. C.S.P. Rao, Director of NIT, Tadepallegudem, said the symposium on "Vision of NEP-2020 on research and extra-curricular parameters for holistic education" held today was one of the two symposia organized by the Institute as part of the Conclave, under the umbrella of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. Directors of other NITs, Faculty, Staff and students of NIT Tadepallegudem, also participated in the Symposium.

Sri R.P. Sisodia, Special Chief Secretary to Governor, also attended the programme from Raj Bhavan.