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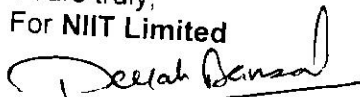
Please find enclosed a copy of the press release titled "NIIT unveils Flagship Training Centre at Tongren Polytechnic College in China."

This is for your information and records.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,  
For NIIT Limited



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## NIIT unveils Flagship Training Centre at Tongren Polytechnic College in China

- *To develop Human Capital in line with China's vision to promote Guizhou province as a center for Big Data industry*

**New Delhi, September 21, 2016:** NIIT, a global leader in skills and talent development, unveiled its **Flagship Training Centre at Tongren Polytechnic College** in China to develop a pool of next generation IT professionals in the field of Big Data and Analytics. Earlier in April 2016, NIIT entered into a strategic agreement with Guizhou province to help the provincial government build global quality talent in IT services and Big-data industry. Under this agreement the company now launches its flagship centre at Tongren, the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest city in the Guizhou province. The centre was inaugurated by Mr. Chen Yan, Mayor of Tongren City and Rahul Patwardhan, CEO, NIIT Ltd.

Tongren Polytechnic College is the foremost national level 12+3 education system college in the city. The flagship centre at the college is a part of public-private-partnership between Tongren municipal government and NIIT. Focused on developing talent in IT and Big Data, the centre will offer programs on IT software development and Big Data Technologies. For the first time ever, young professionals and students will have the flexibility to choose options from a range of multiple new-age career programs, aligned to the evolving needs of the knowledge economy. The smart and vibrant flagship centre is spread across 5000sq ft with a capacity to enrol 250 students.

Today, the world has entered the era of intelligent big-data economy (IBE). An economy in which the four previous productive sectors of agriculture, manufacturing, services and non-intelligent software services, are simultaneously being disrupted by the power of real-time massively-connected big-data intelligence (RMBI). Hence to ensure the continued fast growth towards developed high income country status and become the economical as well as technological powerhouse of the world for the next 100 years, it is imperative for China to adopt the next large emerging economic sector - IBE.

Speaking on this significant launch **Mr. Rahul Patwadhan, CEO, NIIT Ltd** remarked, ***"As part of the strategic deal signed with Guizhou province to help develop high quality scalable human capacity building model that will accelerate the pace of new technology adoption & skilling in the province, NIIT has initiated its flagship centre at Tongren. With our keen understanding of the changing skills requirement of the industry, NIIT is committed to support China in its human capacity building initiative."***

NIIT in China works through a very unique model called the "NIIT Inside model". Under this model NIIT programs are embedded in University/College IT curriculum. Students may undergo a 4-year Bachelor Degree program or a 3-year Associate Degree program post 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Information Technology. Currently, NIIT curriculum is embedded into both these programs across multiple Universities and Colleges in China. While the University system continues to teach the rest of the subjects that a student undergoes such as Chinese language, science etc. to obtain a Bachelor Degree, the IT portion is completely from NIIT. The students get the degree or the associate degree from the University/Government and also receive a certificate from NIIT.

Speaking on the occasion **Mr. Prakash Menon, President, Global Skills and Careers Group, NIIT Ltd**, said, ***"By setting the Flagship centre in Tongren, we are laying the foundation for the next phase of our growth in China and re-committing to create a talent pool armed with futuristic skill-sets aligned to the IT industry."***



Today, China has the opportunity through a planned transformation agenda, to reach full development status as an economy and society, by ensuring that it takes a leadership position in the emerging intelligent big-data economy (IBE). The most critical factor to ensure success is in having the right nation-wide skill development strategy. Towards this NIIT will help support the vision of the Government and would train students to develop the next generation of data scientists and business analytics professionals for opportunities in the Big Data industry.

NIIT, a global leader in skills and talent Development, established its presence in China in 1997, becoming the first Indian IT enterprise to do so. Over the years, NIIT has been training skilled IT professionals for China's software outsourcing industry. With the support of its outstanding partners and institutions, it has trained more than 150,000 students in the country.

### **About NIIT**

Established in 1981, NIIT Limited, a global leader in Skills and Talent Development, offers multi-disciplinary learning management and training delivery solutions to corporations, institutions, and individuals in over 40 countries. NIIT has three main lines of business across the globe- Corporate Learning Group, Skills and Careers Group, and School Learning Group.

**NIIT's Corporate Learning Group (CLG)** offers Managed Training Services (MTS) to market-leading companies in North America, Europe, Asia, and Oceania. The comprehensive suite of Managed Training Services includes custom Curriculum Design and Content Development, Learning Administration, Learning Delivery, Strategic Sourcing, Learning Technology, and Advisory Services.

With a team of some of the world's finest learning professionals, NIIT is dedicated to helping customers increase the business value of learning and development (L&D). Built on the sound principles of 'Running Training like a Business', NIIT's Managed Training Services and best-in-class training processes enable customers to align business goals with L&D, reduce costs, realise measurable value, benefit from rock-solid operations, and increase business impact.

**NIIT's Skills and Careers Group (SNC)** delivers a diverse range of learning and talent development programs to millions of individual and corporate learners in areas including Banking, Finance & Insurance, Retail Sales Enablement, Management Education, Multi-Sectoral Vocational Skills, Digital Media Marketing, and programs in digital transformation technologies. These programs are delivered through a hybrid combination of the 'Cloud Campus' online platform, satellite-based 'Synchronous Learning Technology' and a physical network of hundreds of learning centers in India, China, and select markets in Asia & Africa. The flagship multi-disciplinary course offerings include the industry-endorsed GNIIT – Digital Transformation program and a set of **DigiNxt** Programs for students from different streams, apart from a wide range of specialist short duration programs.

To further strengthen its SNC portfolio in India, NIIT has tied up with industry majors like ICICI Bank for NIIT Institute of Finance Banking Insurance & Training Limited, IFBI; leading business schools in India for NIIT Imperia; Genpact for NIIT Uniqua; and a joint venture with NSDC for NIIT YuvaJyoti Limited. Besides this, for the China market, NIIT has tied up with governments and software parks in Guian, Chongqing, Wuxi, Suzhou, Changzhou, Zhangjiagang, Haikou and Dafeng, for state-of-the-art public-private partnership centres.



NIIT has introduced - **StackRoute™**, an initiative to produce the world's best full stack programmers. StackRoute™ aims to create multi-skilled, and multi-disciplinary programmers who can become key members of high-performance teams in top notch product engineering companies, start-ups, and IT firms. Further the company has also launched **NIIT.tv** – a digital learning initiative that brings skilling from NIIT classrooms to every digitally connected Indian, for free, at any time and place of their choice. A disruptive innovation by NIIT for the education space. NIIT.tv will deliver for the very first time, skill-based live courses as well as on-demand courses to the masses, through the digital medium.

As NIIT's wholly owned subsidiary for its K-12 school learning initiative - **MindChampion Learning Systems Limited**, is providing technology based learning to around 2,000 private schools across India, reaching out to more than a million students. The futuristic NIIT nGuru range of learning solutions for schools comprises Interactive Classrooms with digital content, technology-driven Math Lab, IT Wizard programs and Quick School - an Education Resource Planning software.

As the Most Trusted Training Brand in India for 4th year in a row (Brand Trust Report, 2016), NIIT's learning and talent development solutions, continue to receive widespread recognition globally. NIIT has been named among the Top 20 Training Outsourcing Companies for the past nine consecutive years by Training Industry, Inc. USA. Further, leading Indian ICT journal Dataquest has conferred upon NIIT the 'Top Training Company' award successively for the past 20 years, since the inception of this category. NIIT has also been featured as the 'Most Respected Education Company'- 2016 by leading financial magazine, Business World.

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