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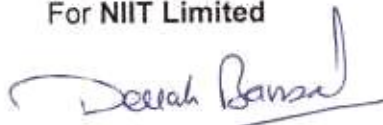
Please find enclosed a copy of the press release titled “NIIT unveils ‘Centre of Excellence’ in Bangladesh”.


This is for your information and records.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,
For **NIIT Limited**



 **Deepak Bansal**
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NIIT unveils 'Centre of Excellence' in Bangladesh

- *Introduces future ready Digital Transformation Programs under the revolutionary digiNxt series aligned to the vision of Digital Bangladesh*
- *To train youth in Big Data, Digital Marketing, Java Enterprises with DevOps, .Net Technologies, Mobile App Development and many more.*

Dhaka, Bangladesh/New Delhi, India, 1st May, 2017: Revolutionizing the IT training and education landscape, NIIT a global leader in skills and talent development unveiled a Centre of Excellence in Dhaka, Bangladesh. The first of its kind NIIT Centre of Excellence was inaugurated by Mr. Nurul Islam Nahid, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Also present on the occasion were H E Mr. Adarsh Swaika, Deputy High Commissioner, IHC to the People's Republic of Bangladesh; Mr. Abdul Gaffar Chowdhury, Eminent Journalist and Columnist; Mr. Sanjay Tickoo, Head, International Education Business (Emerging Markets), NIIT Limited & Mr. K. Khaled, Chairman, GETCO Group.

Aligned to the vision of Digital Bangladesh, the 'NIIT Centre of Excellence' will offer array of programs in Digital Transformation to create a talent pool trained in futuristic technologies. These technologies under the revolutionary digiNxt series have been introduced by NIIT with a profound understanding of the changing workforce requirement of the Global and Bangladesh IT industry.

Inaugurating the NIIT Centre in the country, **Mr. Nurul Islam Nahid, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh,** said *"I am delighted to unveil NIIT's Centre of Excellence that is in line with our vision of creating a Digital Bangladesh. The present government of Bangladesh came to power with the promise of realizing VISION 2021. Our aim is to build a Bangladesh free from poverty, illiteracy, backwardness and corruption by that time. Our goal is to graduate Bangladesh to a middle-income level country within this timeframe where we can ensure prosperity and a minimum living standard of life for each and every person of the country. We fully understand the challenges ahead of us in realizing this goal and are ready to put every bit of our efforts to achieve the target."*

H E Mr. Adarsh Swaika, Deputy High Commissioner, IHC of India to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, said, *"India attaches great importance to its relations with Bangladesh, and the extent of our engagement is a testimony to this fact. It is our endeavour to further strengthen the bonds of friendship and cooperation, and facilitate trade, investment and people-to-people exchanges between our two countries. NIIT has pioneered the category of IT training by creating a digitally savvy workforce, to empower the IT industry. The new NIIT Centre is yet another example of Indo-Bangla cooperation and how both the countries can work together in developing new-age talent for the digital economy."*

Information technology has changed the way people work and the next ten years will be about transforming the businesses across all industry sectors. Global spending on digital transformation technologies is expected to cross \$2.1 Billion by 2019. By 2018, 35% of IT resources will be spent to support the creation of new digital revenue streams, and by 2020 almost 50% of IT budgets will be tied to digital transformation initiatives.



In 2002 Bangladesh identified ICT as a "thrust sector" as it represents potential for quick wins in reforms, job creation, industry growth, improving governance and facilitating inclusion, and it has high spillover effects in other sectors. Today, in Bangladesh, the overall IT/ITES sector is valued at USD 650 million, with export claiming 39% (\$250 million) of that value. The overall IT/ITES industry has enjoyed a high growth rate of 40% over the last five years and this trend is expected to continue. NIIT along with the government of Bangladesh will work towards skilling the youth with futuristic skill-sets in digital transformation to help carve meaningful careers in today's digital economy.

Mr. Prakash Menon, President, Global Retail Business, NIIT Ltd., remarked, "The world is going through an intensive phase of digital transformation. All existing industries and economies are being disrupted, and this has presented us with great opportunities as well as unique challenges. With our keen understanding of the changing skills requirement of the industry, NIIT is committed to support 'Digital Bangladesh' by helping create a talent pool to facilitate digitalization of the country."

Digital Bangladesh is a significant initiative that aims to address the problems of unemployment and under employment by creating an ICT enabled digital economy. The initiative will implement IT for management, administration and governance to ensure transparency and accountability at all levels of society and state. To give shape to Digital Bangladesh, development of countrywide ICT infrastructure and human recourse trained in digital skills are the basic needs. The Bangladeshi government's Digital Bangladesh initiative looks to transform the country into a modern, knowledge-based society by 2021.

Sanjay Tickoo, Head, International Education Business (Emerging Markets), NIIT Ltd, said, "This is indeed a very proud moment for us as we are at the threshold of a transformation, driven by Digital Bangladesh initiative of the Government. Through the launch of 'NIIT Centre of Excellence' we are committed to support Bangladesh in its human capacity building initiative in line with the vision of Government of Bangladesh. We will be offering cutting edge programs in Big Data, Java Enterprise Apps with DevOps and diginx-MMS to help create a talent pool armed with futuristic skill-sets aligned to the industry needs. We look forward to further strengthening this initiative, by empowering more and more students and working professionals in the coming years."

To meet the growing demand of professionals for the fast-evolving ICT industry in Bangladesh, NIIT will offer career programs in Java Enterprises with DevOps, Big Data, Digital Marketing, .Net Technologies, TallyERP.9, Software Engineering, Infrastructure Management, Project Management, Programming Languages, Web Design and Development, Mobile App Development, Microsoft SQL Server, Microsoft Window Server, Share Point, Hardware, Networking & Security, Multimedia and many more. Graduates and graduating students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics will be eligible to apply for these programs.

The centre has been launched in association with GETCO, a well renowned conglomerate in Bangladesh having diversified business. GETCO was established in 1972 as a private limited company. Over these years, it has built effective business relationship with various government and semi-government organizations as well as private companies. GETCO is keen to foray in education in a bigger way and contribute to Digital Bangladesh and Human resource development resulting in Nation Building.

Mr. K. Khaled, Chairman, GETCO Group said, "Over the last three decades, NIIT has played a pioneering role in making available job-ready talent across the globe. NIIT's revolutionary programs in digital transformation will go a long way in helping build a Digital Bangladesh. It is indeed a great

honour to partner with NIIT to work towards the greater goal of creating a modern and prosperous Bangladesh."

About NIIT

NIIT is a leading Skills and Talent Development Corporation that is building a manpower pool for global industry requirements. The company, which was set up in 1981 to help the nascent IT industry overcome its human resource challenges, today ranks among the world's leading training companies owing to its vast and comprehensive array of talent development programs. With a footprint across 40 nations, NIIT offers training and development solutions to Individuals, Enterprises and Institutions. 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 **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 **Digital Transformation**, Banking, Finance & Insurance, Soft Skills, Business Process Excellence, Retail Sales Enablement, Management Education, Multi-Sectoral Vocational Skills, Digital Media Marketing, and new-age IT. As NIIT's wholly owned subsidiary for its K-12 school learning initiative - **MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)**, provides futuristic NIIT nGuru range of learning solutions for schools comprising, interactive Classrooms with digital content, technology-driven Math Lab, IT Wizard programs and Quick School - an Education Resource Planning software. The **Training.com** learning platform is an NIIT initiative for advanced career programs, which are delivered live by industry experts in an immersive and interactive online mode, combining instructor-led classrooms with the convenience of accessing the training sessions from anywhere.

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. NIIT.tv - a disruptive innovation by NIIT, won the prestigious award for 'Educational Technology, at the Indo-American Education Summit 2016.

About GETCO

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Since its inception, GETCO has dedicated its resources in developing a high level of expertise in marketing and sales of engines, machines, generators, telecom products & services, IT related products & services. It also deals with other products & services related to oil and gas, power, agriculture, railway, aviation and defense sectors. In doing so, GETCO has built an enviable reputation for integrity, reliability, resourcefulness and services. GETCO also has footprint in education and has schools, institutions and university under its umbrella. GETCO is keen to foray in education in a bigger

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