CUTM inks pact with TAFE Commission of NSW Australia for skill development

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A new and very important milestone has been achieved with the signing of MoU for collaboration between Centurion University of Technology and Management (CUTM) and Technical and Further Education (TAFE) Commission of New South Wales of Australia TAFE-NSW. CUTM and TAFE-NSW through this agreement are exchanging knowledge and the best practices in technical vocational education & training especially focused on integration of skill development with mainstream education, said Prof. Mukti Mishra Chairman Gram Tarang and President Centurion University.

TAFE New South Wales is the largest group of TVET (Technical Vocational Education & Training) institutes of Australia with over 500,000 students across the globe imparting high quality and industry relevant technical and vocational education in sectors such as automotive, healthcare, construction, hospitality, beauty and wellness, business & management, aboriginal studies among others. The collaboration between the two institutions, i.e. CUTM and TAFE NSW centers on collaborative learning, identifying best practices in skill training and development of curricula especially in the context of taking TVET to aboriginal & tribal communities.

Both the parties have expressed willingness to facilitate cooperation over the next five years in jointly planning, delivering and evaluating vocational training in India, building the capacity of CUTM students to compete in global world skills competition, providing opportunities for students and staff exchange programmes, exploring industry partnerships for the benefit of both the organizations; providing certification of Australian Qualification Framework for Indian Vocational Students and any other areas as may be agreed by both the parties.

TAFE gets funding support from Australian Federal Government each year for worldwide collaborative learning through reputed institutions of excellence. This year, out of hundreds of applicants, only six were selected by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Federal Govt of Australia through TAFE and Centurion University is one among those six institutions.

Both, TAFE and Centurion University shall share expertise on best practices for training youth from Indigenous communities.

Last year in December 2018, a 5-member team from Gram Tarang, Centurion University visited the TAFE-NSW to experience and learn their way of skill training and delivery. In return, a 5-member team from TAFE-NSW consisting of Institute Director Catherine Mary Baxter, Director Aboriginal Education Rodney Towney, Head Teacher Aboriginal Studies Connie Ansee, Head Teacher Construction and Tracy Goodwin, Head Teacher Aboriginal Health Matthew White, are visiting Centurion University, said Mishra.

Centurion University is the youngest University in the country to have been accorded Grade-A by NAAC and 12 (b) status by UGC and widely acclaimed as a leader in the field of skill training. The education model of Centurion University has been commended by the Committees of Chief Ministers of Niti Ayog in the report on Skill Development published mid-last year. Centurion’s model has earned outstanding accolades from and been cited eloquently in national and international forums such as, the UN General Assembly (2012), UNESCO, The times Higher Education, The New York Times, World Bank British Council, etc.