**74th Independence Day Message:**

Good Morning and Happy Independence Day and hearty welcome to my dear patriots.

On the occasion of 74th anniversary of our Independence I extend my warm greetings to the august gathering. This day is meant for celebrating the glory of free India and uphold the pride and honor of being an Indian. It is also celebrated to commemorate and to pay homage to all the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for India struggle for freedom.

***One individual may die for an idea: but that idea will, after his death incarnate itself in a thousand lives.***

*This quote by* ***Netaji*** *means that we are the human incarnation of the ideas that our ancestors have thought of. We must strive harder everyday of our life for a better India, that is prosperous and equal to all its citizens.*

*As citizens of this country should always keep the past, present and future glory alive in every moment of this day.*

I express my sincere gratitude to all those who fought in the freedom struggle.

The founding fathers of this nation, along with the numerous freedom fighters who gave their lives to the country, wanted this nation to be independent and happy.

We shall be failing our responsibilities as citizens of an independent nation, if we do not dedicate ourselves to the service of this nation. Patriotism can form unity, irrespective of religion, language, caste, customs and traditions. Patriotism only can save the freedom of our nation.

 Let us welcome the **National Education Policy 2020** in developing good human beings capable of rational thinking and action, possessing compassion and empathy, courage and resilience, scientific temper and creative imagination, with sound ethical moorings and values. It is the time for us to increase and improve the teachers and learners with digital skills. It is the time to bring technology integration in supporting **National Education Policy** and hopefully improve the quality of the education with immense social responsibilities.

 In Universities we are paving a path to implement hardware integration of digital tools in the curriculum , teachers readiness in using technology effectively and act upon that. All of this can be strengthening the future education system in our country.

Currently we have to overcome the learning crisis already facing and respond to the pandemic **Corona** as the education system cope with this crisis, we are planning to meet and renew sense of responsibility with better understanding and sense of urgency of the need to close the gap in opportunities and assuring the learners have the same chances for a quality education with the help of **Online classes.**

Blended learning approaches will be tried, tested and increasingly to be used in the classrooms. Teacher collaboration will grow and help improve learning. This COVID crisis will help us come together across boundaries to meet the future challenges in educational field.

Times are changing and we have to accept that, let us ban the foreign goods and make the local products attractive. May more export hubs emerge.

Wealth creation is a great national service. Only when wealth is created wealth will be distributed. The youngsters must be boosted up to come up with startup ideas in order to create wealth. Those who create wealth are India’s wealth and we respect them. In a recent survey of young people in India, a third of the respondents indicated interest in **Entrepreneurship** as a career. India was recently ranked as having the third largest start-up ecosystem.

India is the country with a society increasingly defined and shaped by youth. Their energies must be channelized in so many directions in a quest for excellence from sport to science, from scholarship to soft skills. The future generations must be encouraged and institutionalized a culture of curiosity especially in the classroom.

India has the third largest scientific and technical man power in the world. Around 162 universities award 4000 doctorates and 35,000 post graduate degrees and the Council of Scientific and Industrial research runs 40 research laboratories that have made some significant achievements.

In the field of missile launch technology India is among the top 5 nations of the world. Science and technology is used as an effective instrument for growth and change. The science and infra structure in the country accounts for more than 1 percent of the GNP.

Today science and technology in India is entering a new frontier showing advancements in the fields of atomic energy, space electronics, oceanography, biotechnology, IT, telecom, E-governance and industries. The major research and

development initiatives of India has been in the development of Linac tubes, automation and intelligent transportation systems technology setting up of nano electronics centers and generic nano metrology facilities.

Information technology is contributing and creating a revolution through which mankind has benefitted. 5G technologies is definitely going to get a boom in near future. In the modern times agricultural technology must help the farmers to promote soil productivity, genetic architecture, mutation technology, gene sanctuaries, farm machinery,biodiversity characterization and accelerated irrigation benefit programs.

In this pandemic situation promotion of technology in health care would help improving various processes like patient diagnosis, data management, E-prescription, pathology lab management appointment scheduling, tele medicine and case analysis.

Illiteracy, poverty, corruption, terrorism, unemployment, pollution, child labor, over population is the major threats posed by the country. Let us get rid of all these threats by standing unitedly and promote quality education inculcating moral and ethics with good number of institutions

We shall promise to keep the head of our farmers, soldiers, doctors, industrialists and government bodies high. And we shall promise this till perpetuity.

 It’s a matter of pride to spectate the immense growth and remarkable changes of JNTUK from its inception. The entire credit goes to the Former &Late Chief Minister of AP, Dr. YS. Rajasekhar Reddy garu in whose guidance the University got established in 2008.

Let us fulfill the vision and mission of our **Hon’ble Chief Minister Sri .YS. JaganMohan Reddy** who is facilitating Jagan Vidya Deevena, JaganVasati Deevena , Vocational courses, Skill development programs, Professional education with outcomes, market driven courses to the 2.5 lakh Engineering students of JNTUK Kakinada with lifelong learning abilities to make them employable globally.

**Developments at JNTUK**

Conducted 7th Convocation in the month of August 2019.

* Partnership 2020 with Missouri University. JNTUK and its affiliated colleges will be provided an international grant of 45 thousand dollars from US government to promote research in the new technological fields like Block chain, Big Data to face future challenges and in turn provide solutions to the societal problems.
* Initiation of Jungle book classroom under Green Initiative Directorate to promote environmental education.

 Designed R-19 curriculum for UG and PG courses.

 Conducting online coaching classes for the students appearing for GATE and GPAT entrance

 exams.

* Celebrated Platinum Jubilee for University College of Engineering Kakinada, JNTUK.
* The Examination Branch of JNTUK has started issuing online certificates for UG and PG courses.
* AP government has allocated land to the University for the establishment of new college and arrangements have been made to set up JNTUK Constituent Engineering College at Kurpam, Vizinagaram district.
* Planning to conduct online classes from Aug 17th for II, III, IV B-Tech students.
* Foundation stone will be laid on August 17th on the campus of University College of Engineering, Narasaraopeta, Guntur District. Plans are afoot to construct college buildings, hostels, Academic and Administrative buildings.
* Foundation stone will be laid for RUSA PG Block a project of 10 crores.
* Supplementing budding Engineers employability skills for industry readiness through skill Development centers.
* Vision to make the University a topnotch Knowledge Hub.
* The university is successfully stepping forward in all spheres of academic life with the valuable co-operation and co-ordination of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education.

Dear young friends, I have a message to you quoted by the inspirational poet- **Subramanya**

**Bharati** who gave voice to our freedom moment and its expansive goals.

 **We will learn both scripture and science**

 **We will explore both heavens and oceans**

 **We will unravel the mysteries of the moon**

 **And we will sweep with our patriotism**

 Fellow citizens May those ideals and May that urge to learn and to listen and to become better

 May that curiosity and May that fraternalism always be with us.

Before I conclude – I want to advise **Wear a Mask. Save lives. Wash your hands. Keep a safe social distance.**

Calling medical attention in advance allows your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. This protects you and your family from viruses and other infections.

I also acknowledge the Police force who work day and night for the safety of the people. I express my heart felt gratitude to the doctors and nurses who are striving a lot to save the patients from COVID-19 clutches. Like we chased British out of India and got independence we should take precautions so that we can chase COVID-19 out of India.

**Celebrate the freedom and rejoice in the spirit of independent India. May this Independence Day fulfill your life with happiness and prosperity.**

May our goal be the limitless heights of the sky! May our feet be on the ground!

May our minds be full of unyielding determination! May our hands be clasped together! May our resolve be to march together!

If we do this, our victory is certain.

I wish you a bright future and a successful career growth.

Please join me in saying - JAI HIND, JAI HIND, JAI HIND

Thankyou