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## **Press Release**

**Dr Srikanta Mishra, distinguished alumnus of IIT (ISM) talks about “Vedic Graduation Advice and its Relevance in 21<sup>st</sup> Century” at IIT (ISM) during his address as part of Vikstit Bharat@2047 Talk Series.**

Dr Srikanta Mishra, a US based distinguished alumnus of B Tech (Petroleum Engineering) 1981 Batch of IIT (ISM) explained about the values, responsibilities, charity and respect as enshrined in our Vedic Scriptures. He was addressing a gathering of students, faculty members, officers and staffs led by Prof MK Singh, Dean (Academic) cum Officiating Director at the Penman Auditorium of IIT (ISM) this evening.

The talk on **“Vedic Graduation Advice and its relevance in 21<sup>st</sup> Century”** was organized by Corporate Communications office of IIT (ISM) as part the Viksit Bharat@2047 talk series.

The institute has already organized the talk of Captain Yashika Hatwal Tyagi, Kargil War Veteran as part of talk series on October 6 who spoke on Gender Equality.

Dr Mishra, after his arrival at institute yesterday has also been felicitated with Research and Academic Excellence Award for year 2022 as part of distinguished alumnus award of the institute by Prof JK Pattanayak, officiating Director IIT (ISM) in presence of Prof Dheeraj Kumar, Deputy Director and other others.

Addressing the gathering at the Penman Auditorium, Dr Mishra who retired from Battele during the last month and now working with TEXAS A&M University said, “I find myself drawn towards timeless Vedic words of wisdom found in ShikshAvalli of Taitirlya Upanishad”.

Dr Mishra, who has over 30 years of distinguished career in understanding and communicating data-and model driven insights for geo energy resource problems while elaborating about the Vedic Graduation Advice said, “the DikshAnta Upadesha of graduation advice was traditionally offered by AchArya to residents of Gurukul (residential school) upon the completion of their studies”.

“As per the AchArya talks the different values of life include, Satyam (truthfulness), Dharma (duty, righteous conduct), and self-study” said Mishra and added Satyam calls upon one to be truthful in speech, thought and action also maintain integrity.

“The dharma asks people to perform their duty properly while the Swadhyay tells that learning should be a lifelong process” explained Dr Mishra.

Regarding the responsibilities mentioned in the Vedic scriptures Dr Mishra said that it calls upon everyone to pay one’s debts towards his/her teachers, look after physical and mental wellbeing of his/her own, be a productive member of the society and take pride in cultural and spiritual heritage.



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“The charity part as mentioned in our traditional Vedic Scripts prescribes one to give to those who are less fortunate and also to give with respect, sympathy and modesty” further said Dr Mishra.

Elaborating about the respect as mentioned in Vedic texts he said that one should treat their mother, father, teacher and guest as god and they should show reverence to superiors. The Acharya sermons also advices one to seek guidance from those who are learned and more experienced.

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