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**Address by Guest of Honor
Dr. S. Arumugam Ph.D., D.Sc.,
Vice Chancellor Tamil Nadu
Open University (TNOU),
Chennai.**

Vanakam & Happy Morning To ALL!

***Her Excellency
Madam Chancellor
Shrimati Droupadi Murmu
Honorable President of India***

***Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
Honorable Minister
Education; Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
Government of India***

***Prof. Nageshwar Rao
The Vice Chancellor
Indira Gandhi National Open University***

***Dr. K Panneerselvam
Sr. Regional Director
IGNOU Regional Centre, Chennai***

***Distinguished Guests, faculty, Graduating students, Press, Media, Ladies
and Gentlemen***

Let me at the outset congratulate everyone graduating today. You are experiencing a time of immense happiness and fulfilment right now. Your efforts in learning have paid off. With this, one phase of your life comes to an end, and another is ready to start. Many of you will soon be stepping out into the ups and downs of the real world. Although the transfer process will present some challenges, I am certain that you will be able to confront the world with confidence thanks to the training and value system you have gained at this premier university IGNOU.

Online learning and the latest innovations in online education were already on the increase before the COVID-19 epidemic, but the globe has been compelled to fast react because of the catastrophe. The move from in-person to online learning has been very seamless and has made education more accessible to everyone because of the technology that has been developed to support online interactions.

A more adaptable learning environment has been produced via online learning. A live class is a less stressful approach to clear up issues by asking them in the chat, and students may access course information and study from wherever suits them best. The schedules of the students may be accommodated by this sort of instruction.

The integration of artificial intelligence into the educational system has increased the personalization of instructional content. Modern learners will profit from personalized learning, obtaining suggestions for courses and content based on their performance, behavior, and profile.

Given that it is based on cognitive technology, machine learning has made it possible to customize online education to the needs of students. AI has made it possible for personalized teaching to deliver information and real-time feedback depending on student performance.

The use of game-based learning techniques in online instruction has improved the learning experience. Some of these tactics include scorecards, leaderboards, and badges for activity participation. Teachers have resources at their disposal to create games out of lessons. As it makes learning appear enjoyable, game-based learning helps to inspire and encourage pupils to learn. According to a piece from the Educational Technology Journal, it also helps raise students' interest in the subjects taught in class and can enhance behavioral and cognitive skills.

Over the years, IGNOU has left a lasting impression in the fields of higher education, community education, and ongoing professional development. To strengthen the educational possibilities it provides, it has formed partnerships with reputable governmental institutions and commercial businesses. The Commonwealth of Learning (COL) Canada has given it honors for distinction as a global leader in distance education. Consequently, you should be delighted to receive your degrees, diplomas and certificates from IGNOU.

We are pleased to have you join us as the nation's newest researchers, economists, managers, and leaders. May you develop into a strong leader for this

century. Your future is perhaps tied to the future of this nation. Additionally, you have the chance to influence it. Younger people are motivated by ideals and ambition. Without ambition, idealism may not accomplish much, but without ambition, idealism may be hazardous. Please mix the two in the appropriate ratio.

Bill and Melinda Gates in the Wall Street Journal essay 2022 "**The Better World That You Will Build.**" Said

**"Whatever your professional goals,
wherever you live, whoever you are,
there are ways, big and small,
that you can participate in making the world better for everyone."**

Hence, Friends Don't worry about your profession, the place, and your ethnicity but try to make the world better for you and others. "Empathy and kindness are the true signs of emotional intelligence. **""You may succeed. You may fail. But make it your life's work to remake the world because there is nothing more beautiful or more worthwhile than working to leave something better for humanity."**

Luck is great, but life is meant to be experienced. Sometimes the only way out of stress is through it; face a struggle to overcome challenges in life. Many times, battle happens to help teach us a lesson. We can either learn from that lesson or deny it.

God has been extremely good to me, and thanks to the blessings of my elders and teachers, I have had the chance to travel to several nations on all seven continents. Through our contacts, I have discovered a lot about their culture and values. I can tell you one thing: success depends on careful planning, diligence, and sincere commitment to the task at hand. So, graduands now is the time to be deliberate and make plans. After making a plan, put in a lot of effort and honesty into it. Success will come to you in life. It may take some time for some people and happen rapidly in certain circumstances. If it's not happening right away, don't be disheartened or disillusioned; just know that persistence will eventually lead to success. You will be successful in life if you continue to work hard and with integrity.

“Learning gives creativity
Creativity leads to thinking
Thinking provides knowledge,
Knowledge makes you great.”

Dear Graduands, Let me recall some of the great lines by our former President, **Bharat Rathna, Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam**. Dream, Dreams transform into thoughts and thoughts result in action. Dreams are not those which come while we are sleeping, but dreams are those when u don't sleep before fulfilling them.”

So, friends, dream High Boldly go in the direction of your dreams. Stand tall and show the world what you are made of. When the world beats you down, find a reason to get back up again. Never give up on success. **Try, try, try, and try again**. Feed your mind with ideas of success, not failure. Remember, the only way you can fail is if you give up. Every time you fail, you come one step closer to success. You are not scared; you are courageous. You are not weak; you are powerful. You are not ordinary; you are remarkable. Do not back down, do not give up. When you look back on your life, don't have regrets.

Believe in yourself, believe in your future, you will find your way. A fire burning inside you is mighty; it is waiting to burn bright. You are meant to do great things. Following your dreams can be both terrifying and exciting. Courage is facing fear. Fear of failure holds most people back. You are not like most people. Persist and persuade others about your plans, as they are real.

Nobody can do this but you. Nobody will get in the way of our dreams. Most people master the obvious; you create something that wasn't there before. It's bold, it's beautiful, and it's you. Give it your best, and your dreams will come to life. Success is yours. Go for your dreams; it is your turn.

Thanks to
IGNOU for Giving me this opportunity
I wish You all
Great success in Life
My congratulations!
To all Graduands Once again, Jai Hind!!!