

Speech of Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand Smt. Droupadi Murmu on the occasion of First Graduation Ceremony of RIMS, Ranchi on 18th October, 2016.

I am delighted to be at the First Graduation Ceremony of the Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences. RIMS is truly a reflection of the advances our state has made in the area of medical science and health care.

We are here to felicitate the young minds who are graduating through this most prestigious institute. It is also the day to pay our heartfelt thanks to the faculty members and parents who have shaped and nurtured the brilliant minds we see assembled here today.

Dear students, Graduation Ceremony is not the end of your learning, rather you are now going from a closed and protected classroom to an open world. You should keep your mindset alive so that you can scale great heights in your respective fields.

Some doctors become popular because they develop bond with their patients, thereby giving them confidence and strength to fight the diseases they are going through. I urge the graduating students to follow the examples set by the doyens of the medical fraternity who have been working hard to serve the people.

I can suggest no better guiding light for a young doctor than the ideal of service to humanity at large, especially to the poor and needy person from rural background. We should aim at nothing less than making RIMS one of the best medical colleges in India. Though this is not going to be easy, but it can be done.

In our country as well as in Jharkhand, there is a growing need of medical education to meet out the needs and demands of the ailing people. The need of the hour is to produce professionals who address health not only from the perspective of the individual patient but as part of a team integrated into the larger health system. It has to be the key coordinate on which medical education will advance.

Our state needs many more health professionals of different categories to fill the huge short fall in the health workforce. RIMS and similar institutions which are leaders in medical education, have to show the way ahead.

I urge the member of the faculty, students and staff of RIMS to see themselves as part of a great enterprise for a change and work together in the larger interest of the institution. If we manage things for betterment, every program, department and centre of RIMS will have to imbibe a work culture that shuns factionalism

and unhealthy competition. At the same time, it should emphasize service orientation, promote creativity and be truly result-oriented.

I hope all those who are receiving their graduation and post graduation degrees today will contribute to the future of this great nation. I wish all the awardees a glorious future in their professional endeavors and dedication in the service of our nation. May God bless you all!

Jai Hind!

Jai Jharkhand!