

Editor's Note



Sixty long years of existence !

Certainly an indication not only of consolidation and growth but also endurance and grandeur. Such long years, meaningful of life or being has its own significance in the life of anyone, be an individual, institution or nation. Today the way we consume information is changing and so also is the Science. To me Science is the systematic knowledge and its pursuit leads to innumerable inventions and discoveries beneficial to each one of us.

As the UNESCO-Kalinga Prize completes its 60th year, an ambitious plan has been made to celebrate the event in Bhubaneswar. So be it, as the Prize deserves to be celebrated at international level because it is meant for promotion of Science among the common people. All the things which draw the attention now, are the things meant for the common masses.

As I write this note I am still thinking, how great the man must be who had thought about such an award six decades ago. As one thinks regarding the many scientific developments that have been achieved over the last one century, one concludes that owing to the effort of few visionaries the whole world is enjoying the benefits of science.

As we all know because of the unparalleled Odia pride of legendary leader Biju Patnaik he had a tendency to glorify Odisha throughout the world. He

did it in many ways and one such a way is the UNESCO Kalinga Prize. Earlier known as Kalinga Prize, the award was instituted in 1952. Since 2009 the prize has been renamed as UNESCO-Kalinga Prize and has become biennial instead of annual since then.

I would like to thank the Organizers for this historic event. This is an event which will make every Odia anywhere in the world feel proud. On behalf of all the Odias the Odisha Review would like to thank the eminent Scientist Mr. Rene Raul Drucker for having contributed to the popularization of Science and for having been nominated for this prestigious award.

The Odisha Review team would like to wish everyone a very happy 2012 with a thought to imbibe the spirit of the legendary leader who made every Odia proud.

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