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Bhubaneswar: The 2-Day NUA Odisha Global Summit on Growth & Employment at Bhubaneswar concluded on Tuesday. The summit served as a platform for thought churning and exchange of ideas, best practices, and innovations in the field of skill development and employment generation while accelerating the growth of the state.

Organized by the Department of Skill Development and Technical Education (SDTE) Govt of Odisha, the first-of-its-kind summit saw the participation of over 500 delegates including 100 plus industry captains and HR heads along with academia and skill sector stakeholders. A total of 16 different sessions during the summit were made vibrant with ideas, insightful discussions and deliberations leading to a long-term impact on the growth and employment in the state.

At a press conference after the event, Smt. Usha Padhee, Principal Secretary SDTE Dept, Government of Odisha, said "Odisha possesses significant potential to establish modern industries. The state government's dynamic industrial policy attracts many investors. In addition to traditional industries, Odisha has vast potential in IT and ITes, manufacturing, FMCG, logistics & supply chain, and various service sectors. Furthermore, under the 'Skilled In Odisha' initiative, our state is actively preparing youth for the future to cater the demands of tomorrow. The thought churning held over the two-day event shall play an important role in shaping the roadmap for our future initiatives."



While inaugurating the summit on Monday, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik expressed that the program will pave the way for the state's long-term development and capacity building of youth for the future of work. Karik Pandian, Chairman ST and Nabin Odisha also joined in and presented insights on the new era of Odisha's transformation.

On day-1 of the event, Pritiranjana Ghara, Minister of Skill Development and Technical Education emphasized that by building 'Skilled In Odisha' as a global brand, Odisha is now recognized as a significant skill development hub.

On the 2nd day of the summit, an interactive session on 'Championing Women's Empowerment' with Smt Sujata Rout Karthikeyan, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Mission Shakti highlighted the impact of women empowerment programs in the state. She elaborated on how the strength of over 70 lakh women contributes to the growth of Odisha.

Earlier in the day, former corporate leader and current BJD National Spokesperson Dr Santrupt Misra, and Hemant Sharma, Principal Secretary Industries Department, participated in the different sessions.

The valedictory session was graced by Smt. Usha Padhee, Principal Secretary SDTE Dept GoO, Smt. Alka Misra, Chairperson Odisha Skill Development Authority (OSDA) and Reghu G, CEO OSDA. The state government expressed gratitude to the galaxy of stalwarts present from diverse sectors nationally and internationally for their valuable input.

A coffee table book showcasing the stories of nano entrepreneurs from the hinterlands of Odisha nurtured under the flagship 'Swakalpa' initiative of the state govt was released on the occasion.

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