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Exclusive interview of Dr. KL Dingra, Director, National Institute of Bank Management with Focus News



Focus News: Let us know some details about NIBM.

Dr. KL Dingra: National Institute of Bank Management has been established by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in 1969. This institution was established with the approval of RBI and also cooperations of the government-owned banks. The purpose of the institution is to conduct training and capacity building exercise of the higher officer of banking and financial sector. We are working in this direction unitedly since last 50 years.

Focus News: The campus of the institution looks beautiful. We want to know that how do you maintain the campus with such grandeur?

Dr. KL Dingra: We always try our best to maintain the lush green lawn of the campus neat and clean. Earlier, there were six or seven peacocks in the campus. Now, the number increased to 22. Number of rabbit increased to 10. We hoped that the number of peacock will be more than 30 in six to eight months. And we try our best to keep the environment of the campus in such a standard that the overseas students could not find its comparable anywhere in the world.

Focus News: Whatever I came to know about you, you were in top position in several organizations and you made all profit-making. How do you achieve that?

Dr. KL Dingra: I have use all my previous experience to run an organization. When I joined Indian Rare Earths, it was running with loss. But, it revived to profit making organization within 6 months. Indian Telephone Industries (ITI), which was

running with loss since 2003. The government sanctioned Rs 4156 crore for the revival of the organization in my tenure and as result ITI became profit making organization. As far as Hudco concerned, when credit rating of most of the organizations were falling down, Hudco got the AAA rating on stand alone basis. I have got the experience of all these precedence to apply in NIBM. Subsequently, in 2017 we started a new venture of E-Certification in NIBM. Our income and surplus remain all time high in 2018-2019 and first time we made the operating surplus more than five crore. Where as the government owned banks are going through slow down due to NPA. But, our overseas participants increased to 100 per cent in last 3 years.

Focus News: The way Prime Minister Narendra Modi turned up the fame of the country to international level with hard work, I hope you may also manage to keep the name of the institution in such a level,

Dr. KL Dingra: You can recall that when the Prime Minister first time decided to discuss with the head of all the government-owned banks, the seminar was held in our campus. The name of that seminar was "Gyan Sangam". So the first "Gyan Sangam" was held in NIBM campus. The "Indradanush" scheme was evolved in that seminar only, in which the government decided to recapitalization th public sector banks. We are now trying to organize the next "Gnan Sangam" programme in this campus again. The NIBM has stepped to 50 years and we pleaded the President of India to become the Chief Guest of the anniversary programme.
