

Toyota Technical Training Institute Celebrates its First Convocation Ceremony

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63 students graduate from TTTI. Students trained to be world class technicians. 40% of students receive fellowships for academic excellence. Students, industry-ready technicians on completion of training Bengaluru, July 30, 2010: Toyota Technical Training Institute (TTTI) today conferred academic degrees to 63 students - the first batch - on the successful completion of its 3 year training course (2007-2010). The convocation ceremony was graced by Dr Abdul Kalam, Former President of India. He toured the facilities at the institute and also spent time interacting with the students. The programme trains the students to be skilled technicians in auto manufacturing and plant administration thereby increasing their employment prospects. The academic course consists of a comprehensive, full time training in the following trades - Automobile Assembly, Automobile Paint, Automobile Weld and Mechatronics (a combination of mechanical and industrial electronics). The courses involve training at TKM plant where students are exposed to the practical experience of applying the world renowned Toyota Production System to the various manufacturing processes. The curriculum is designed to be a complete learning experience, with basic subjects and recreational activities, being included in addition to imparting knowledge on automobile manufacturing. The purpose of this technical training institute is to offer students an opportunity to acquire special skills of “Monozukuri” (“skilled manufacturing”). TTTI was established in 2007 as a part of TKM’s social initiatives. TTTI trains students from economically poor backgrounds, coming from various parts of rural Karnataka, who have the talent but cannot opt for higher education. The institute is a fully residential school providing education free-of-cost to the students. The students are also given a stipend. The deserving students receive fellowships in addition to the stipend. 40% of the students received fellowships for academic excellence this year. The institute not only trains students to be skilled workers, but also focuses on nurturing them to be good people. TTTI currently has 191 students. Additionally, 64 students have been selected from the 1380 applications, received this year. Furthermore, TKM will encourage potential graduates of Toyota Technical Training Institute to join the company as Team Members. “We wish that these talented students contribute to the society through the manufacture of automobiles and hope that these bright young minds will be able to further strengthen the Toyota Production System at the TKM plant. We desire them to become good corporate citizens. Good people make good products,” added Mr. Hiroshi Nakagawa, Managing Director, TKM. About TTTI : Institute name Toyota Technical Training Institute Location Outskirts of Bangalore, Karnataka State Establishment August 2007 Principal Somanath Tarikere Total Students 191