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**Speech of the Honourable Governor of Assam for convocation of
MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY**

Distinguished Dignitaries on the dais, Invited Guests, Recipients of different degrees, MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY family, Ladies and Gentlemen present here and my dear students present here.

I deem it my privilege to be in the midst of you in the second convocation of Mahatma Gandhi University. My joy has been doubled because of the fact that I am present at a function which will see several graduates coming out of the university and stepping into a larger society to pursue your future.

Graduation day is an important event in one's life. It is a day when you step out in the open from an intellectually stimulating environment of University into the real world, full of contradictions, astounding possibilities and tough challenges. Today, India, is one of the fastest growing economies in the world. But our nation of more than a billion people is still far from achieving many of its goals. That is where brilliant minds like you, will make a difference.

To begin with, I offer my gratitude to all of you for inviting me to deliver the 2nd convocation address of the MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY. I am happy to be a part of this historic occasion .MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY as we all know has emerged in recent time as a global university with discernible distinctive strength in education and entrepreneurship. Proven performance of the MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY is going to make it one of

India's leading universities in future with an acknowledged reputation for excellence for teaching and research.

With the moral inspiration and ideal of heroes of the past, MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY aims to build the leaders of tomorrow. I must admit that the University's foremost goal to reach all the sections of the society as far as education is concerned is praiseworthy.

Its diverse course structure along with strong faculty group supported by well defined infrastructure is also impressive. I am very much assured of the fact that the university will continue to provide quality education and emerge as a pioneer centre for excellence in North East Region.

Therefore, on this auspicious day of convocation, I congratulate the entire fraternity. I also congratulate all the recipients of degrees who are ready to enter their next course of journey. I am really delighted to see a large number of graduating young faces from the north east region and other parts of the country.

Convocation of a University is not merely a formality. It is a memorable occasion for the university and also for its students. Convocation is a moment of fulfillment and making a promise for successful future. It is an occasion for the students to bring gifts of happiness to their parents. The all round education that you gather today is expected to guide you in your future life. I believe,

Convocation is a time to celebrate the achievements of our new graduates. Before I proceed further, I congratulate all the young graduates who have received the degrees and honors today, I wish all of you a very productive and meaningful career.

Dear graduates, you should choose the area you would like to excel in. The Society will appreciate your efforts on how best you can serve the society at large. I urge upon you all not to be satisfied with whatever you have acquired so far, because acquiring degree is not the end but beginning of life. Your contribution would be judged on what you achieve hereafter.

I believe, all of you have meticulously chosen your fields but you need to strive hard further with consistent efforts, commitment and integrity in order to reach your goal. Finally, remember that words mean nothing unless backed by actions. Henry Ford often said, "You cannot build a reputation on what you are going to do". Therefore, build your reputation with your achievements. The nation needs you.

Thank you JAI HIND..