Convocation Ceremony of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University, Ranchi

(On 22nd February, 2024)

I touch and salute the holy feet of Bharatmatha.

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- 1. On this auspicious occasion of the 1st Convocation of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University, I extend my warm greetings and heartiest congratulations to everyone.
- 2. First, I want to congratulate all the degree recipients today. This is a momentous achievement, and it's not just your success but also a proud moment for your parents, the faculty members, and the staff who have supported and guided you along the way. As the Chancellor of this university, it brings me great pleasure to be with you all to share this joy.
- 3. Dear students, today marks a significant milestone in your academic journey. This moment of joy and satisfaction will forever be engraved in your memory. However, let me remind you that your education doesn't end here; it's the foundation upon which you'll build your future endeavors. The knowledge and values you've acquired here will guide you through the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

- 4. Remember to dream big. Success doesn't happen overnight; it results from hard work, determination, and perseverance. As our former president, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, said, "You have to dream before your dreams can come true." I have complete confidence in your abilities to overcome any obstacles that come your way.
- 5. My dear Students, education is not just about personal gain but also about contributing to the betterment of society. Have you thought about how you can make a difference? Please consider the importance of ethics and social responsibility in all your activities.
- 6. Use your education and skills to impact your community and society positively. Extend your help to students from the economically weaker section of the society and help them of access better education opportunities. Your achievements should not only benefit you alone but also uplift those around you.
- 7. As you embark on this new phase of your life, remember the words of visionary leader, an eminent politician, and a distinguished academician who played a significant role in shaping modern India Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee: "Education is the development of one's personality and individuality." Carry these words with you as you make great efforts to achieve success in your life.

- 8. As the Chancellor of the State's universities, I am committed to providing a quality education to our students. Our universities must play a crucial role in building a strong education system. This era is of competition and knowledge. Individuals with technical and scientific knowledge will always be in demand and respected.
- 9. This institution should help the students to achieve their potential. Just the building or infrastructure cannot measure the identity of the institution. It is the performance of the students that establishes the identity of the university. The youth of our country have designed the growth story of Bharat. Today, the world views our country as an emerging superpower under the visionary leadership of our most respected Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi Ji. Our country is actively marching towards 'Viksit Bharat" by 2047. Each one of us has a vital role to play in this journey.
- 10. Once again, congratulations to all the graduates. May you move forward with courage, confidence, and a commitment to excellence. And may Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University continue to shine as a beacon of academic brilliance, inspiring positive societal change.

Thank you, and best wishes for your future endeavors.