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Ladies and Gentlemen.

2. It gives me great pleasure to be present today in the first ever held Graduation Ceremony of the Institute. It is on the records that the Institute made a humble beginning in 1972 under the control of Ministry of Home Affairs. In 1976, it became an independent department with a wide mandate which included promotion of Criminology and Forensic Science through training, teaching and research.

3. Since, its inception the Institute has made a significant headway in training and research in the applied aspects of the two subjects. It has elevated its status of an International Institute by way of imparting training to senior level officers of many neighboring countries in Asian region.

4. From 2004, in pursuance to one of its important objectives, the Institute has started Post-Graduate teaching in M.A. Criminology and M.Sc. (Forensic Science) with the affiliation of Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi. Till now eight batches of students have passed out. Many of them have been pursuing researches in their respective fields and others are serving in many organizations.

5. I have come to know that in 2011, the Institute had revised both the syllabi of M.A. Criminology and M.Sc. Forensic Science with the main objectives of empowering students with practical exposure to the real problems in the fields with strong theoretical inputs. In the process of revision several experts both Indian and foreign were consulted. The new syllabi, thus, evolved is considered to be the best syllabi in the country in the subject of Criminology & Forensic Science.

6. The syllabi contains three specializations in M.A. Criminology namely (i) economic Offence Prevention, (ii) Security Management and (iii) Human Rights. M.Sc. (Forensic Science) syllabi have four areas of specialization

namely (i) Forensic Ballistics, (ii) Forensic Documents, (iii) Forensic Chemistry and Toxicology and (iv) Forensic Biology, Serology and DNA Profiling. Specialised studies start from second semester in case of Forensic Science and third semester in case of Criminology. In addition to specialized papers, students are to study several core papers covering different aspects of the subjects.

7. I am very happy to note that Institute, at present, is in expansion mode. It has proposed to build staff and Faculty accommodations and to implement UGC Pay scales for its faculty for drawing more talented persons in the Institute. Institute's proposal for setting up the 'Crime Control Research Centre' under 12th Five Year Plan will undoubtedly invigorate the research initiative in the field of Criminology and Forensic Science.

8. All the proposals of the Institute are under active consideration of the Ministry of Home Affairs which is committed for fully support the NICFS. Ministry of Home Affairs is very keen to develop this Institute as a Centre of Excellence in the field of Criminology and Forensic Science in the country.

9. I heartily congratulate all the successful students who have received degree today and I am confident that wherever they will serve will contribute substantially on the strength of their professional skills and specialized knowledge which they have gained during their student hood in the LNJNI National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science.

I wish all the best to all the Students for their future professional life.