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entre for Advanced Study in Computer Technology (CASCT) was launched in ICFAI University on Oc-

Highlighting on the significance of establishing CASCT at the launching programme, Dr. CP Alexander, Pro VC of the University said, 'Any study should not only focus on providing and developing of general knowledge but that should yield innovation which is useful to the society.' He stressed that contribution of innovative ideas and technology by the youth is the present thrust of the society.

He has cited examples of many eminent persons like CV Raman, Bose, and APJ Abdul Kalam who became ideal persons because of their contribution in innovation and technology.

He said Information Technology

not only reduces the cost of production of goods and services but supports one's life either directly or indirectly and makes life easier. He said 'Today, the world demands more skilled persons rather than a person with lot of knowledge.'

Dwelling on CASCT, he said it would provide a platform to all young generation in acquiring and developing skills. He added that CASCT curriculum was not pre developed but rather contributed by the students through their innovative ideas according the current need of the society. According to him, it would provide opportunities to the students to think out of the box, acquire, develop and disseminate skills. CASCT would provide practical training in the field of science and technology.

Sanjib Das, Coordinator of CASCT cum Assistant Professor, Department of IT & Mathematics, and Kamal Hussain, Lecturer, Department of IT & Mathematics, have stressed on the rapid pace of changing technologies and the concept of teamwork in technological innovation.

CASCT would offer course on (i) Training in computer hardware & networking (ii) Provide computer hardware workshop programme for different banks in Nagaland on campus/ off campus (Banks needs to apply to the University) (iii) Provide computer hardware workshop programme for defence personnel in Nagaland on campus/ off campus (Needs to apply to the University) (iv) Provide computer security awareness to different higher secondary & colleges in Nagaland (v) Develop computer programmes & software for different organisations in Dimapur (Needs to apply to the University on demand) (vi) Campaigning for computer security risk & awareness in E-Governance, E-Commerce and digital marketing (vii) Self-reliance promoting innovations (viii) Promotional skills to the students and (iv) Eco-friendly technology