The journey of Centurion began in 2005 by a group of ambitious professionals having aspirations to take it to the pinnacle of quality education, nationally and internationally. The first foray in this respect was the takeover of a failing engineering college in Parlakhemundi, Gajapati: the Jagannath Institute for Technology and Management (JITM). Gajapati is the poorest district of Odisha State, and appears in the Prime Minister’s “100 poorest districts” and “31 most extremist affected districts” list. Since then, committed efforts have been made to bring about a difference to this area; both academically and socio-economically.

Today, the Centurion University has five campuses at Parlakhemundi, Bhubaneswar, Bolangir, Rayagada, and Chatrapur offering B. Tech., MBA, +2 Science, ITI, Primary and Secondary Education in addition to Skill and Vocational Training and Social Entrepreneurship initiatives.

Centurion University (through its social outreach entity, Gram Tarang) is one of the first partner to National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to set up over 50 Skill Training and Capacity Building Centres across the country. We are proud to have entered into partnership with Government of Odisha, Government of India and non-government agencies to provide vocational training with job assurance for BPL, SC & ST youth, who would otherwise be unemployed and unemployable due to lack of adequate education and/or skills.

The focus has been and shall remain the conduit for ameliorating livelihood through self-employment unemployability of marginalised communities of rural and remote areas. The University will continue to address the problem of naxalism, which is considered to be more a socio-economic challenge than a law and order issue. The Centurion University’s training programmes have also been nationally recognised. In August 2010, Gram Tarang Employability Training Services has received the “Best Skills Project in Rural Communities” award at the UK-India Skills Forum Awards 2010.