Guru Nanak Institutions, Nagpur organized its first National Conference titled "Recent Advances in Technology and Management for Integrated Growth (RATMIG) 2013" on 9th and 10th December. The conference was well attended by eminent academicians, faculty members and students from various educational institutions and representatives from industry.

The inaugural ceremony was on 9th December 2013 by lighting the lamp. The Organizing Secretary, Dr. Akhilesh A. Nimje delivered the welcome address.
Mrs. Tanpreet Kaur Tuli, Managing Director, GNI, congratulated the organizing team of RATMIG to host the National Conference. Dr. N. V. Deshpande Principal, GNIET expressed such conferences as a pool of knowledge sharing and exchange of ideas. Dr. Maheshkumar Yenkie, Honb’le Pro. Vice-Chancellor of Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur was the Chief Guest. In his inaugural address, he praised the Management and the Administration of the Institute for hosting a National Conference.

Dr. D. P. Kothari, Director – Research, MVSR College of Engineering Hyderabad was the Guest of Honour. He shared his views in keynote address on “Energy and Environmental Problems Facing the World and Their Probable Solutions for Sustainable Development”. The conference Souvenir with proceedings CD was released by the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Pravin Bhise, Convener, RATMIG 2013. He thanked management, guests, session chairs, sponsors, participants, authors, co-authors, faculty, staff and students of GNI.

In four technical sessions, seven different categories titled Applied Science & Humanities, Civil Engineering, Computer Science & Information Technology, Electronics & Communications, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Management were held over two days. The total numbers of
papers presented in all categories were 64. Experts and resource persons from academic Institutions and Industry were the session chairs.

The conference received sponsorship from **Bharat Tours** and **Srinivasa Constructions**, Nagpur. It was co-sponsored by **INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF APPLICATIONS or INNOVATIONS IN ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT (IJAEM)** with an ISSN No. 2319-4847. The selection of best papers from RATMIG 2013 will be published in IJAEM.

During the valedictory function conducted on 10th December 2013, Organizing Secretary **Dr. Akhilesh A. Nimje** presented brief report about RATMIG 2013. **Sardar Navneet Singhji Tuli**, Honourable Chief Managing Director, GNI, Nagpur motivated the organizing team to conduct such events in GNI. **Dr. N. M. Kanhe**, Principal, GNIEM, Nagpur expressed proud for organizing team for their untiring efforts, dedication and appreciated them for putting their heart and head to provide this platform to the research community. The Chief Guest **Mr. Nitin Pande** Solutions Architect, Persistent Systems Limited, congratulated the Institute and the Management for organizing a National Conference on a contemporary relevant theme and offered their help and support in organizing such programs in future. The certificates to the participants were distributed. A few participants who gave their feedback on the conference praised the Institution for hosting its first ever conference in such an impeccable manner and said that they were overwhelmed by the hospitality offered. **Dr. Nitu S. Gupta**, Co-convener, thanked all the sponsors, delegates, representatives from Industry, faculty and students for their magnanimous support and assured that GNI will organize more such events in future.

After the valedictory program, the conference came to an end with high tea, leaving fond memories in the minds of guests and delegates and a great sense of
satisfaction and accomplishment in all faculty, staff and students who were associated in its preparation over a period of two months.