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## विदेशी इंजीनियरों से बेहतर हैं भारतीय इंजीनियर

### सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी पर एनआईटीसी में नेशनल कॉन्फ्रेंस

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नई दिल्ली। तकनीकी के इस युग में भारतीय इंजीनियरों को किसी भी स्तर पर कम नहीं आका जाना चाहिए। आज का भारतीय इंजीनियर विदेशों में रहकर वहां के सॉफ्टवेयर इंजीनियरों को कड़ी टक्कर दे रहे हैं। हालांकि भारतीय इंजीनियर विदेशों में ज्यादा पैसा कमाते हैं, लेकिन अकेलापन कहीं न कहीं उन्हें रूलाता है।

यह बात आईटीई के प्रेजिडेंट आरके गुप्ता ने एनआईटीसी में आयोजित नेशनल कॉन्फ्रेंस में बतौर मुख्य अतिथि के तौर पर बोलते हुए कही। इस मौके पर दिल्ली-एनसीआर से कई इंजीनियरिंग कॉलेजों के प्रमुखों ने भी हिस्सा लिया।



आरके गुप्ता ने इस मौके पर बोलते हुए कहा कि आज के भारतीय सॉफ्टवेयर इंजीनियर बेशक विदेशों में नौकरी करने जाते हैं। वहां उन्हें भारत के मुकाबले ज्यादा पैसा भी मिलता है। लेकिन वहां उन्हें माता-पिता और परिवार की कमी महसूस

होती है। यदि भारतीय सॉफ्टवेयर इंजीनियर को यहीं पर ही उचित मौका दिया जाए तो, पारिवारिक माहौल में वे अच्छा करने में ज्यादा सक्षम होंगे।

उन्होंने छात्रों को सलाह देते हुए कहा कि छात्र लाइब्रेरी में जाकर

**दिल्ली-एनसीआर  
के इंजीनियरिंग  
कॉलेजों से जुड़े  
तमाम अधिकारियों  
ने लिया  
कॉन्फ्रेंस में हिस्सा**

ज्यादा से ज्यादा किताबों का अध्ययन करें। आज भारत ऑउटसोर्सिंग का रूप में उभर रहा है। अमेरिका, यूएस, ऑस्ट्रेलिया और यूरोप भारत के इंजीनियरों को आउटसोर्स कर रहे हैं। इस मौके पर डीआरडीओ के

डायरेक्टर डॉ. पीके सक्सेना (एसएजी) ने सम्मानित अतिथि के रूप में शामिल होकर कार्यक्रम की शोभा बढ़ाई। गौतमबुद्ध विश्वविद्यालय के प्रो. डॉ. कपिल शर्मा प्रो. मुनीश त्रिवेदी, डीआईटी गौतमबुद्ध नगर से, आईएमएस गाजियाबाद से प्रो. आरके मनोचा के अलावा अन्य गणमान्य लोगों ने भी हिस्सा लिया।

सभी वक्ताओं ने एनआईटीसी के छात्रों को प्रोत्साहित करते हुए कहा कि उनका प्रदर्शन कम समय में काफी अच्छा रहा है। कड़ी मेहनत कर कॉलेज के परिणाम को और अच्छा बनाए। इस मौके पर कॉलेज के सीईओ एसएन गर्ग और डायरेक्टर प्रो. एससी गुप्ता ने 31 शोध पत्रों के साथ एक पुस्तक का विमोचन भी किया।

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COMMON MEDICAL ENTRANCE

# Exam board wants complete freedom

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NEW DELHI, MARCH 24

The National Board of Examination (NBE) has in principle decided to conduct the Common Entrance Test (CET) for post-graduate (PG) medical students with a condition that the NBE should be given total "freedom" to conduct the exam.

After the All-India Institute of Medical

Sciences (AIIMS) expressed its inability to conduct the exam citing lack of manpower, the Union health ministry had approached the NBE to conduct the exam for them early this year. Sources said that while the governing body of the NBE in principle decided to conduct the exam, they have also asked the government that they should be given full freedom as far as the

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"choosing the method of the exam, setting up the question papers, centres etc are concerned," sources said.

Officials believe that "freedom" is needed for conducting the exam as involvement of too many agencies could lead to leakages. "The NBE is an independent body and would want to work like that. There should be a watertight system. The exam should be handled by one

organisation so that there are no leakages. One agency should be given the freedom."

The NBE has also asked the government to come out with "clear-cut" responsibilities, and that it should be documented for the agencies so that there is no duplication and confusion. "There could be a MoU between the agencies involved so that there is no confusion," sources said.

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# Oxford calling for Indian students

statesman news service

KOLKATA, 24 MARCH: Oxford University will collaborate with Calcutta University on a number of research projects which will benefit east India and Kolkata.

While visiting CU and neighbouring Presidency University today, Prof. Andrew Hamilton, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, said: "The partnerships will not only sustain the relationship between the two universities but

will also strengthen it."

However, a partnership with Presidency University is yet to be explored. "Our university is 900 years old. Presidency is only two years old. We have to explore the possibility of potential collaborations. We would love to have students of this university."

Prof. Hamilton said: "Since our university does not have a large endowment, we cannot provide generous scholarships like the universities of

America. But we are working hard to raise more funds so that we can provide handsome scholarships to Indian students. We are also pressing the government for post-study work visas."

Yesterday Prof. Hamilton, at IIT Kharagpur, had declared the new policy of Oxford University to open its gate to ISC and CBSE students scoring at least 90 per cent.

Collaboration of departments like English, Law and History between CU and Oxford University are on cards.

Meanwhile, CU has already received a grant of 70,000 pounds from the Welcome Trust, UK, for a project on the history of science and public health. With the aid of 12,000 pounds from the British Council, CU will initiate a project on knowledge transfer with Oxford University.

Commenting on the politicisation of education in the state, the V-C said: "I do not think depoliticisation is a realistic idea. Politics is everywhere. But I oppose violence."

# "Do not discuss, just do your job"

More than 300 Ph.D. scholars get degrees at Delhi University convocation

Vijetha S.N

**NEW DELHI:** "I am an ordinary guy with an extraordinary story. I will tell you my story and what education and learning meant to me, but there may or may not be a lesson there," said Dr. Sam Pitroda, adviser to the Prime Minister on Public Information, Infrastructure and Innovations, before addressing Delhi University's 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation here on Saturday.

More than 300 Ph.D. scholars dressed in red robes with matching mortarboard caps and yellow cravats received their degrees from the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dinesh Singh, who after awarding the degrees declared, "I, with the powers vested in me as the Vice-Chancellor...confer these degrees to those present and in absenteism," before reverentially introducing Dr. Pitroda in Hindi: "I can only think of Dr. Pitroda as a young man of 20 years with all the many things that he does."

Thereafter it was the turn of the young ladies and men in black robes with matching mortarboard caps and yellow cravats to come on to the stage to receive the 150 medals and 50 prizes for academic



**MOMENT OF JOY:** Students celebrating after receiving their degrees at the 89th annual Convocation of Delhi University on Saturday. - PHOTO: RAJEEV BHATT

excellence from Dr. Pitroda.

Some of the students walked away clutching three or four medals each and several prizes. "I have two gold medals and one silver medal and I intend to get an M.Phil. followed by a Ph.D.," said a gleeful mathematics student Nikita Garg. Her friend Archana Chandrashekar also got two gold medals for sociology and says she will one

day ace the Civil Services exams, whereas Mansi Bhargava, also armed with two gold medals for corporational research, wants to top the NET exams.

Dr. Pitroda had a very special message for these very ambitious young ladies and their peers. "The most important thing for you is to build up a strong self. Many in India have fragile self-esteem

and everybody is ready to be hurt. You should build a strong, able self that cannot be shaken...Get out of your self, don't think about things like 'how would I look if I do it? Who would insult me? How do I show off?' Education does not teach you about the self, it just gives you a strong foundation to build the self," he said after relating his life story which began in

the April of 1962 when he had just graduated in physics.

"I was young, energetic and stupid," he said, and, after the laughter had died down, began to explain his extraordinary journey from an obscure village in India to his current position as the Prime Minister's adviser. He is also credited with heralding the telecom revolution in India in the 1980s as technology adviser to the then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

"In the 1980s I came back to India, tried to unsuccessfully make a telephone call to my wife in Chicago. So with a little arrogance and lots of ignorance, I decided to fix telephones in this country over the next decade," he said, adding that if he had foreseen the labyrinth of bureaucracy that he would have to contend with to achieve his goals he would never have attempted anything. A heart attack and bad finances forced him to leave the country for another decade.

"Do not discuss, just do your job and do it against all odds. Bureaucracy and rules are there as barriers, never be afraid of a big dream that looks wild...this is my final message for all those who start their journey today," he concluded.



After the convocation at Vice Regal Lodge, North Campus. TASHI TOBGYAL

## Teachers should be mentors: Pitroda at DU convocation

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THE UNIVERSITY of Delhi hosted its 89th annual convocation at the Vice Regal Lodge at the North Campus on Saturday.

The ceremony, during which 414 PhDs and more than 200 medals and prizes were awarded, was marked by old world tradition. It began with a colourful procession of students and teachers — the chief guest Dr Sam Pitroda, Vice-Chancellor Dinesh Singh and other top DU officials in purple robes, Executive Council members and PhD awardees in red and medal winners in black — taking their places inside the convention hall.

“The advent of Internet and communication technology has altered higher education forever, and has also changed the role of teachers,” Pitroda said in his address. “(Earlier) Teachers spent most of their time creating and delivering content. Today, I don’t need teachers to to deliver content. Content prepared by the best of people from all over the world is available online. Today, I need a teacher as a mentor,” he said.

Pitroda, advisor to the Prime Minister in Information, Infrastructure and Innovations, was the chief guest. Pitroda, in his address, was nostalgic about his early years in a small village in Odisha.

# Private colleges looking to shut down triple in a year

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**NEW DELHI:** As many as 138 private institutes across the country, including 65 management and 15 engineering colleges, have sought permission to close from the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). This is more than three times the number of institutes that had come up with the request last year.

"We have received applications for closure from 138 institutes. But the final closure can be done only after we get a no-objection certificate from the state governments and the universities concerned," said SS Mantha, chairman, AICTE.

Of the 138 colleges that have sought permission in this

**MANY OF THESE INSTITUTE SAY THEY ARE UNABLE TO GET STUDENTS DUE TO POOR INFRASTRUCTURE**

regard, 53 are from Andhra Pradesh. As many as 3,800 engineering colleges and 4,000 management colleges in the country come under the AICTE.

Mantha said the council has received applications for opening 669 new institutes this year. "If we take this into consideration, I am sure there will be an overall increase in the number of institutes, even after closure of some that have applied."

Stating that a majority of the institutes say they are not able

to get students, he said, "Most of them are located in remote areas, possess poor infrastructure facilities, and have practically zero interaction with industries. The institutes will have to enhance interaction with the industry if they want to boost employment opportunities for students," he said.

In a bid to bolster industry-institute interaction and increase employment, the AICTE will identify private institutes across the country on a nominative basis, where industries can set up their research arms, Mantha said. "To begin with, we will identify 100 institutes where industries can set up research centres from the next academic session. This can later develop into clusters," he added.

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## Career Options for Engineering Graduates

Across generations and geographies throughout the nation, it is believed without doubt that career in Engineering is one of the most sought after options for bright students across the country. Mushrooming of several hundred engineering colleges in the recent years, along with presence of Ivy League colleges across the length and width of the country is a testimony to engineering being considered as the hottest career option among conventional and non-conventional careers available.

**Engineers**  
There has also been no dearth of opportunities for aspirants after graduation in engineering. The career options (for engineers) can range from esteemed Indian Engineering Services (IES) or, jobs in Public Sector Units (PSU) offering diversified, challenging and stable career options, to research and development, teaching and prestigious private sector lucrative jobs after Masters in respective discipline in engineering after qualifying Graduate aptitude test in engineering (GATE).

**Prestigious Indian Engineering**  
Among them, the best, prestigious and most coveted career remains the esteemed Indian Engineering Services (IES). Through IES a candidate will be able to start his career in some of the most reputed government depart-

ments like Indian Railways, Military Engineering Services, Central Engineering Services, Telecommunication Department, and Central Water Services among others. Out of approximately close to one lakh aspirants applying every year, only a few hundred are recruited every year. In IES, an engineer gets an opportunity to handle technically challenging roles and tasks which have a direct bearing on the building of infrastructure and services in our nation. It offers a highly satisfying career with an opportunity to make a technological impact on larger social

strata, high social status and not to mention good compensation and benefits for family and dependents.  
**Made Easy's role**  
In the light of above, the Made Easy has been standing tall as an undisputed best coaching/training centre for Engineering Services Examination. Made Easy was established (as IES Made Easy) way back in 2001 under the able guidance of its Managing Director Mr. B. Singh (Ex. IES). Mr. Singh is an alumnus of prestigious IIT - BHU with the distinction of qualifying Engineering Services Examination thrice.

His visionary leadership has transformed Made Easy from a humble education start-up in to a renowned education power house, known for churning toppers consistently year after year. The institute has a pan India presence with coaching centres at Delhi, Noida, Hyderabad, Bhopal and Jaipur. Made Easy also offers career guidance through Classroom and Postal Coaching Programmes in all the branches of core engineering like Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Electronics En-

gineering, Computer Science/IT and Instrumentation Engineering. Apart from that, the institution conducts Classroom Test Series, Postal Test Series, Online Test Series and courses for Interview Guidance. Made Easy also has a publishing unit called Made Easy Publications which publishes several competitive books for IES, GATE and PSUs which are available at leading book stalls across India.  
**Recruitment**  
Recruitment for the most coveted positions of Indian Engineering Services (IES) is

done through Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) through a combined competitive examination known as Engineering Services Examination (ESE). The recruitment is done as per vacancies requirement which UPSC receives from various departments before the notification of the exam. Recruitment is done in the branches of Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering. The minimum age for writing the ESE is 21 while the maximum is 20 years.

**Opportunities for**

Post engineering degree

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# Youth choose exam over protest

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**NEW DELHI:** Youths, who had participated in earlier fasts of Anna Hazare in the Capital, were missing from the protest venue at Jantar Mantar on Sunday.

Some students present at the spot felt that the protest was the poorly timed since most universities were in the process of conducting exams.

"I had told my friends to join me for the movement. But they didn't come since this is exam time. Students in most of the universities are busy with exams. Even though the cause

**I had asked my friends to join me at Jantar Mantar. But their exams are on**

**VIKALP SOOD**  
GGSIPU

is good, not many students have come because it means wasting precious study time," said Vikalp Sood, a student of GGSIPU. While exams at Delhi University (DU) and Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU) will begin next month, some students of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), who had fin-

**It is sad that the youth are not participating. Exams are just an excuse**

**PRITHVI DHINGRA**  
Delhi University

ished their exams, made a brief appearance.

Students have since long been a part of the movement. "We have been supporting the movement right from the time it started at the Ramlila Maidan in August last year," said Brij Kishore, a student of IIT (Delhi).

Some students, however, said exams were just an excuse.