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Are our politicians world class, Jairam asked

IIT teachers agree to disagree with Jairam

Neha Pushkama | TNN

New Delhi: Environment minister Jairam Ramesh's pitiless trashing of the quality of teachers at ITs has stirred a horner's nest. While the faculty are understandably loath to criticism of their teaching standards, many agree that their research output leaves a lot to be desired. They have their reasons, though — pressures of undergraduate teaching; low salaries and not enough support of industry.

Jairam, an alumnus of IIT, Bombay, had recently said there was hardly any worth-while research from the IITs.
"The faculty is not world class." It's the students who are world class." It's the students who are world class." But a student who are world class." The faculty is not world class.

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A former dean in IIT, Delhi gave his perspective. "There are two kinds of research: academic and applied. As an institute of technology, we need to focus more on research in collaboration with industry. We are lacking there. That's because our funding comes from the government, not industry. Faculty in world-class institutes works closely with industry on R&D," he said, wishing toremain anonymous.

Many faculty, members.

Many faculty members complain that a bulk of their time is spent on teaching undergraduates instead of research. "We take tutorials, grade students, and do a lot of administrative work," said a professor with the textile department.

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However, a bristling Anil
Gupta of IIM-A said the minister knows little about the intel-



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lectual capabilities of ITS.
"Brilliant students have common sense and they know
where they will find good faculties. If the best faculties are
in private institutes as the minister said, then the students
would head there," he said.

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Kanpur agreed: "What competence does the minister have to
talk about IIT teachers? The
faculty won't improve unless
government stops interference. We'd like to do away
with BTech programmes to fo-

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A mechanical engineering in IT, Delhi, disappointed with his teachers, said, "Our teachers are good but not world class. They do not motivate us and easily give up on students who do not perform well. We can't have an informal equation with them. They don't care what we become once weleave IIT."

But other IIT alumni

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But other IIT alumni backed Jairam's remarks on the quality of teachers in IT's saying only government can turn things around by providing better working conditions

and salaries.

"Even fresh ITI graduates get more money than their teachers They earn much less than a joint secretary in the government. I think teaching is the last option for many The government raised the number of OBC students and opened new ITIs. But what investment have they made in getting good teachers" said YPS Suri and ITI Kharagmur altronic

IIT Kharagpur does research worth more than Rs 150 crore annually "If's because of the government and industrial projects that we attract, that we are able to earn. I object to the minister's remark," said A K Majumdan,deputy director of IIT, Kharagpur.

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institutes." He added, "Our students are very good. But when you get down to it, faculty play a very important role. We may not be world class, but we are not doing badly either. I will turn to a mathematical analogy of normal distribution to describe this situation. We have a normal distribution of faculty just like all our alumnus. Our average is higher than the national average."

Ramesh's comment fires up Twitter

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The words were barely out of Jairam Ramesh's mouth and the tweeple had already pounced on them. The 57-year-old Union minister's comment — "The faculty in the IIT is not world class. It is the students in IIT's who are world class. So the IT's and IIMs are excellent because of the quality of students not because of quality of research or faculty"—has sparked off an online debate with terms, "Jairam Ramesh" and "IIT/ IIM," trending on the micro-



blogging site last evening.

Best-selling author Chetan Bhagat, an alumnus of

Before Jairam Ramesh talks about IIT/IIM faculty being world class, he should comment if our politicians are world class

Chetan Bhagat 🔗 🦿

both IIT and IIM, seemed incensed by Ramesh's suggestion and tweeted, "Before Jairam Ramesh talks about IIT/IIM faculty being world-class, he should comment if our politicians are world-class." The terse message became a "top tweet" on Twitter, indicating it was a part of "widespread conversation".

class." The terse message became a "top tweet" on Twitter, indicating it was a part of "widespread conversation". While the biggies battled it out, the aam netizen too participated in the students versus faculty debate with Ramesh getting as many bouquets as brickbats. Many, like Bhagat, turned the spotlight on the political class. "Pis also comment on having world class politicians in India. Unlike IIM faculty, they make crores," tweeted user "tanaishaa". According to Twitter user "ifc_ind", it was rather "odd that Jairam Ramesh slams IITs and IIMs when his political colleagues have done everything possible to destroy these fine institutions."

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Notall were opposed to the minister's opinion. "Seems like Jairam Ramesh has gotten himself into another controversy. I agree with him though. More than incompetence its the lack of vision," tweeted user "teknicsand".

Congress plays safe, BJP attacks minister

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: Congress distanced itself from Jairam Ramesh's criticism of IITs and IIMs, saying the elite institutions had made a big contribution to academics in the country.

the country.
Environment minister Ramesh touched a sensitive nerve when he told reporters on Monday that IITs were not producing any worthwhile research and the institutes were good because of its students and not the faculty.

the faculty. While the assertion came in for sharp criticism from BJP, Congress kept its distance from Ramesh's remark while underlining its respect for contribution of IITs and IIMs to academics and to global institutions.

AICC spokesman Manish Tewarl said, "I do not know in what context and what circumstances Ramesh made the remarks. Whether it has been taken in context or out of context, he is the best person to be really be able to answer this question." But he added, "So far as IIMs and IITs are concerned, there is no question or ambiguity about their contribution to

Indian academia and even to building some of the prime institutions around the world." AICC found it out of place

that Ramesh should comment on the jurisdiction of the education minister. The comment was seen as having a shade of turf encroachment. The issue has rankled the party leadership recently because of rivals using interministerial confrontations to claim dissonance in IPA-2.

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BJP spokesman Rajiv Rudy
slammed Ramesh, saying,
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that it is proud of our IITs and

IIMs." He pointed out that there was hardly a Fortune 500 company which was not headed by or had a senior position occupied by an IITian or IIM alumni.

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Taking a dig at Ramesh for saying IITs and IIMs were not world class, be said, "We cannot have world class institutions unless we have world class ministers." Rudy's remark met with a strong response from Congress with Tewart saying, "We do not appreciate unsolicited advice from third-class

do not appreciate unsolicited advice from third-class people as to who should be first class or who should be third class." Let Jairam have his opinion, says Sibal



HRD Kapil Sibal also joined the debate, asking if there's any truly world-class institution in India. "Jairam has an opinion." he said. TNN

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Ramesh draws ire for saying IIT, IIM are not world class

fe Bureau New Delhi, May 24

NION environment minister Jairam Ramesh, an alumnus of IIT Bombay, got a sharp retort from his alma mater, albeit the Kanpur branch, for his comment on Monday that the elite IITs and IIMs were "not world-class".

Said IIT Kanpur chairman M Anandakrishnan: "He (Ramesh) doesn't have the academic credentials to judge the IITs and the IIMs and (he) has hardly understood what world-class means. He sometimes seeks cheap publicity by making unsubstantiated comments. He has run down and denigrated these eminent institutions that have received international awards. He must see how many international awards have been won by the IIT faculty."



Jairam Ramesh

IIM Ahmedabad professor Anil Gupta said the remarks reflected Ramesh's ignorance. "It shows that Jairam Ramesh has shown tremendous ignorance about the intellectual capabilities of these institutions. I would not deny the fact that these institutions need to do much more," said Gupta.

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However, Gupta said, it was not right to say that the faculty was not contributing.

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An IIM director, who did not wish to be named said he was "upset" by the remarks, merely saying: "Why should I comment on what the minister has to say?"

HRD minister Kapil Sibal too tried a side swipe at Ramesh, while simultaneously conceding his main point. "He

(Ramesh) is himself an IITian. He might be having inside knowledge. Even otherwise, do we have world-class institutions? As education minister, I am striving towards achieving world-class standards for our institutions. It is a fact that our institutions don't figure in the top 150 list," he said.

The BJP, however, took up the cudgels on behalf of the IITs and

IIMs. BJP spokesperson Rajiv Pratap Rudy said that "there is hardly a Fortune 500 company which does not boast of an IITian and an IIM alumnus in its top decision-making echelons."

"I can count many world-class achievers from these institutions including BJP member and former Goa chief minister Manohar Parikkar who is an IITian," he said.

OPPN LIVID, FACULTY SLAMS RAMESH OVER IIT-IIM REMARKS

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NEW DELH: A day after he said students and not faculty made the IITs and IIMs world-class, environment minister Jairam Ramesh found himself under attack from various quarters and with just one supporter in his corner.

While HRD minister Kapil Sibal agreed no Indian institution ranked among the top 150 universities globally, the BJP, the targeted faculty and even his own colleagues tore into Ramesh.

"The comments are unfortunate," said junior science and technology minister Ashwini Kumar. "I am better equipped to comment on scientific capabilities of public sector institutions. I don't agree with the approach of decrying the IITs and IIMs lock, stock and barrel."

Ramesh had on Monday said students, not faculty, made the Indian Institutes of Technology and Indian Institutes of Management world-class. "There is bardly any worthwhile research from IITs... The IITs and IIMs are excellent because of the quality of students, not the quality of research or faculty."

BJP spokesperson Rajiv Pratap Rudy retorted: "We can't have world-class institutions till we have world-class ministers." He went on to say the BJP was proud of the two institutions that contributed senior-level staff in top companies.

The Congress distanced itself from Ramesh but slammed the BJP. "We don't appreciate unsolicited advice from third-class people as to who should be first class or third class," spokesperson Manish Tewari said.

The faculty pointed out that India was investing far less than the developed world in scientific research. "Has the minister done his homework? Does he know the reality of these institutions," asked Prof Anindya Sen, former dean, IIM-Calcutta.

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Ramesh's IIT-IIM barb kicks up storm

MOUSHUMI BASU III NEW DELHI

Environment Minister Jairam Ramesh's controversial remark on the quality of the faculty members of the IIT and IIM has triggered major row with outraged professors pouring their feeling on cyber net work and in public.

The faculty members of the nation's prestigious Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) and Indian Institutes of Management (IIM) have also received support from Ramesh own colleague, Minister of State for Science and Technology Ashwani Kumar, as well as the main Opposition BJP. The Congress on the other hand chose to play safe by distancing itself from the acerbic Minister.

Ramesh on Monday had stated that the faculty members of these premier institutes are not world class.

"Does the Minister know of the trying circumstances in which we have to work? Professors do not even have a secretary and are compelled to do everything — from typing, performing administrative jobs to teaching, why does the Government not provide us with world class ambience and facilities to work?" shot back Professor SS Murthy, president, IIT Delhi Faculty Forum.

Taking a dig at Ramesh, Prof Murthy said, "Let us bring students from the other lesser known technical institutes in the country to IITs and in send our students to study there for four years, the Minister for himself can see the difference."

According to him it is the teaching process in IIT which makes it a class apart and this could not have been possible without the quality of the faculty members.

Joining the debate, Anil Gupta, a professor with IIM-Ahmedabad, said, "It (the remarks) shows that Jairam Ramesh has shown tremen-



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dous ignorance about the intellectual capabilities of these institutions. I would not deny the fact that these institutions need to do much more."

Another senior professor of IIT said on the condition of anonymity, "In the first place IIT/IIM faculty largely comprise their own students whom Jairam holds as great. He added the faculty here is from the top bracket of IIT/IIM students, or from the best PhDs from US or outstanding Indian PhDs.

He also asked if IIT/IIM faculty is not good, then what is the magic in the system that causes a number of top world-class students to crowd around these institutes? "Alternatively are we to surmise that these world-class students are fools to

head to institutes which have non-world class faculty? "

A professor from IIM Indore pointed out: "We are clubbed with all kinds of non-teaching duties apart from teaching which is not done in any of the world-class institutes, the comparison should be on level playing field, besides our salary too is peanuts compared to them."

The enraged academic fraternity of these institutions found support in the Minister of State for Science and Technology Ashwani Kumar, who termed Jairam's remarks as "unfortunate", adding that these institutions had done india proud on many occasions.

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"I am the Minister for Science and Technology... I am better equipped to say that out scientific and technological institutions have done us proud... It is time to loudly celebrate achievements of the Indian establishments," he asserted.

Kumar said while he agreed that there could be inadequacies, "We cannot demoralise our scientists... I cannot appreciate the statement that lock, stock and barrel condemns our public sector institutions and IITs."

Meanwhile, a wary Congress chose to distance itself from the acerbic Minister. "I do not know in what context and what circumstances Jairam Ramesh has made the remarks," said Congress spokesperson Manish Tewari, He, however, clarified that there is no doubt on the academic contributions of these institutions.

BJP spokesperson Rajeev Pratap Rudy, on the other hand, lashed out at Ramesh saying that several top honchos of Fortune 500 companies from these institutions have proved their contribution in the field of education. Turning the tables further at him he said, "How can we have world-class institutes if our Ministers are not world class"?

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Ramesh slammed for IIT, IIM remarks

∍'statesman news service

NEW DELHI, 24 MAY: The controversial Union environment and forests minister, Mr Jairam Ramesh's remarks that the faculty of India's premier educational institutions, IITs and IIMs, are "not world class" today drew flak from beir dons and the BJP, even as his own party Congress as well as the UPA government snubbed him too.

An IIT alumnus himself, Mr Ramesh, known for frequently stirring up at hornet's nest by commenting on a wide range of issues, yesterday sparked off this new controversy by claiming: "There is hardly any worthwhile research from our IITs. The faculty in the IIT is not world class. It is the students in IITs who are world class. So the IITs and IIMs are excellent because of the quality of students not because of quality of research or faculty."

A slew of teachers from IITs and IIMs dismissed Mr Ramesh's view as "simplistic" and "betraying tremendous ignorance". Declining to comment on Mr Ramesh's position, the IHRD minister Mr Kapil Sibal said.

"Jairam has an opinion. Let Jairam "have an opinion."

But, the Congress leader and Union minister of state for science and technology, Mr Ashwani Kumar, rejected Mr Ramesh's statements as "unfortunate" while breaking into a tirade against him.

"I am the minister for science and technology... I am better equipped to say that our scientific and technological institutions have done us proud... It is time to loudly celebrate achievements of the Indian establishments," Mr Kumar said. "We cannot demoralise our scientists... I cannot appreciate the statement that lock, stock and barrel condemns our public sector institutions and IITs."

IITs and IIMs dons dismissed Mr Ramesh's position, even though they conceded that there were inadequacies, including research funding, in these elite government institutions.

"Fifty per cent of my current faculty strength can get jobs in the best of the institutes in the US and other parts. However, they have preferred to teach here," said the IIT Madras director Mr M S Ananth.

In the same vein, the IIM-Ahmedabad professor Anil Gupta said Ramesh's remarks have "shown tremendous ignorance about the intellectual capabilities of these institutions,"

"I would not deny the fact that these institutions needs to do much more... But to say that faculty is not making any contribution and and it is just because of the quality of students... then

people should take the CAT scores and give job to them. Why don't companies give jobs on the basis of CAT scores," Prof Gupta said.

Another IIM-Ahmedabad professor, Sebastian Morris said: "If you look at it, a fairly significant part of the faculty in IIMs and IITs would be having same qualification and same background as the faculty in the top class institutions, which means they have done their PhDs abroad."

Mr Ananth also debunked Mr Ramesh's comments that there was hardly any worthwhile research from IIIs, saying IIIs are "active" in research.

Picking up the issue, the BJP hit out at Mr Ramesh while asserting that the party is "proud of our ITIs and IIMs".

"There is hardly a Fortune 500 company which is not headed by or has somebody in a senior position who is a former IITian or an IIM pass-out," the BJP spokesman Mr Rajiv Pratap Rudy claimed. Railing against Mr Ramesh, Mr Rudy said: "We cannot have world-class institutions unless we have world class ministers."

Firmly distancing the ruling party from Mr Ramesh's comments, the Congress spokesman Mr Manish Tewari said: "There is absolutely no question about the contribution of our IITs and IIMs to known institutions in India and around the world."

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Don't need certificate from you, faculty to Ramesh

IIM, IIT teachers ask minister to refrain from making 'insensitive' statements

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New Delhi, May 24

Union Environment Minister Jairam Ramesh's dismissal of the faculty's contribution in making the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) world-class institutions sparked a debate today, with teachers at

these institutes asking Ramesh to refrain from making "insensitive" statements.

Incensed at the conclusions the Minister drew yesterday, the IIT and IIM faculty today said they needed no certificate of performance from Ramesh and his remarks that these institutes were excellent because of their students and not teachers were "misplaced".

"My question to the minister is: Why would an excellent student go to an institute that is not excellent? His statement defies logic. Moreover, he has no right to sit in judgment of the IIMs of which he was never a part. Let us not forget that global corporate firms pay a premium on students who pass out of the IIMs and not those that enter them," Professor

Himanshu Rai of IIM Kanpur today told The Tribune. A student of IIM Ahmadabad who went on to teach at IIM, Kanour, Rai also questioned Ramesh's poor opinion of research outputs at the IIMs and IITs.

"Research doesn't happen in thin air. For good research, you need good money and that money must come from the government of which Jairam Ramesh is a part," Rai said, Professor Saugata Ray, acting Director of IIM Kolkata in tow. Both said Ramesh was no one to judge them.

Even within the IIT system of which Ramesh is a part (he studied at IIT Bombay), the faculty was "incensed", with top administrators reportedly SMSing their disappointment to officials in the HRD Continued on page 8

Ramesh's remarks irk IIM, IIT faculty

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Ministry. They say the Minister is not attuned to the recent strides in research the IITs have made despite their resource constraints," a Ministry official said.

Professor Vinod Tare of IIT Kanpur, Coordinator for "Clean the Ganges Project" which the Ministries of Environment and HRD are running with the IIT Consortium, today said Ramesh is mistaken in his conclusions that students alone make the IITs world-class.

"At any institute of excellence, the faculty and students share a symbiotic bond. One is incomplete without the other," he said. MUMBAI: At the IIT Mumbai from where Ramesh himself qualified, the ministers remarks have drawn criticism from the organisation. "Jairam Ramesh is within his rights to voice his opinions on the quality of faculty at the IITs. However our record speaks for itself. The alumni from the IIT are have succeeded in all walks of life," a spokesperson for IIT Mumbai said. Members of the faculty who were busy with the summer projects of students resident

at the IIT hostel at Powai were clearly unhappy at the minister's remarks.

"The faculty at various IITs in the country are staffed by alumni. So the minister's remarks were not in good taste," a professor told this reporter. However, senior members of the faculty felt that the institutes were not drawing the best of talents.

"The minister should look into the pay scales at the IIT which make it difficult for them to hire experts from corporations in India and abroad," one member of the faculty said. (With inputs from Shiv Kumar)

5-BJP spar over mesh's IIT barb

By Kavita Chowdhury in New Delhi

ENVIRONMENT minister Jairam Ramesh's disparaging comment on the quality of faculty and research in the IITs and IIMs has sparked off an ugly debate. Both the BJP and the Congress have come out with guns blazing, taking potshots at each other and the debate that should have best been conducted at the academic level, has been reduced to a streetfight.

Ramesh had on Monday made a flippant remark about the premier technical and management institutes in the country.

"There is hardly any worthwhile research in our IITs. The faculty in the IITs is not world-class. It is the students who are world-class. So, the IITs and IIMs are excellent because of the quality of students not because of the quality of research or the faculty," Ramesh had said.

The Congress tried to clear the air as the environment minister's remarks have already raised a storm in the IIT-IIM community.

Congress spokesperson Manish Tewari said: "So far as IIMs and IITs are con-cerned, there is no question or

ambiguity about their contribu-tion to Indian academia and building some of the finest insti-tutions around the world."

Sibal fails to defend the institutions

However, in a scathing attack on the BJP he said: "We do not appreciate unsolicited advice from third-class people as to who is first class and who is not.

What triggered off these retort was BJP spokesperson Rajiv Pratap Rudy's snide remark: "We cannot have world-class institutions unless we have world-class ministers."

Rudy, who started his career teaching economics at Patna College, refuted Ramesh's stand and instead said: "The BJP is proud of these elite institutions which have produced 'famous names'"

However, the Congress left it to Ramesh to defend himself. Tewari said: "I do not know in what context and in what circumstances Ramesh has made



Ramesh has kicked up a storm with his unsolicited remark on the state of IITs and IIMs.

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- MANISH TEWARI

Congress spokesperson, reacting to the comment from BJP's Rajiv Pratap Rudy

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"Whether it has been taken in context or out of context, he is the best person to be able to answer this question."

Human resource development minister Kapil Sibal — it was his turf that Ramesh had brazenly encroached by commenting on the IITs and IIMs — instead of slamming him for his condemna-tion of the country's prestigious institutions, chose to show his indignation with a bit of sarcasm.

"Of course Jairam is talking about himself because he is a world-class student and he is an IITian himself, so he has insider knowledge himself," Sibal said.

He and his cabinet colleague Ramesh are not known to be the best of friends and have often

crossed paths.

Ramesh, an IIT Bombay alumnus, justified his view saying "a world-class research centre cannot be built in a governmental set-up." He went on add that

because of this his ministry is setting up a marine institute in

public-private partnership mode with Reliance Industries.
Sibal, though, agreed with Ramesh on the absence of any world-class institutes in India.

"In today's scenario is even one of our institutions world class? If it is world class, it must be in the top-100, 150 institutions in the world. That is not evident," Sibal said.

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BJP SLAMS REMARK ON IIT, IIM FACULTIES

Sibal backs Jairam, but others will not

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NEW DELHI

May 24: It appears that a war has broken out in the government over environment minister Jairam Ramesh's controversial remarks on the faculty of the premier IITs and IIMs. While minister of state in planning Ashwani Kumar, who is also in-charge of department science and Technology, trashed the claim, HRD minister Kapil Sibal came out in Mr Ramesh's defence.

Terming Mr Ramesh's remarks "unfortunate", Mr Kumar was of the view that it could at best be treated as environment minister's personal opinion and the government has nothing to do with it.

He said, contrary to the view expressed by Mr Ramesh, government scientific and technological institutions have done India proud. I am the minister for science and technology... I am better equipped to say that our scientific and technological institutions have

done us proud... It is time to loudly celebrate achievements of the Indian establishments," Mr Kumar said.

Mr Kumar, who agreed that there could be inade-quacies, said, "We cannot demoralise our scientists... I cannot appreciate the statement that lock, stock and barrel condemns our public sector institutions and IITs".

Putting forth a few examples like contributions made Professor Manindar Agarwal of IIT Kanpur on "primality of number" and Bengaluru-based Institute of Science professor A.K. Sood's work on "carbon nano tube", Mr Kumar asserted that several cutting edge technologies had been developed by a number of institutions. including IITs.

Mr Ramesh, an IIT alumnus himself, had on Monday kicked up a controversy claiming the faculty of the premier IITs and IIMs are "not world class" but that these institutions are "excellent" because of the quality of students. Mr Sibal, while backing Mr Ramesh's con-

tention, said, "Given the prevailing situation in the country, can we call even one of our institutions world class? If any one of them is world class, it must be in the top 100, 150 institutions in the world. But that is not evident." In lighter vein the HRD minister said that Mr Ramesh might be talking about his own experience. "Of course, Jairam is talking about himself because he is a world class student and he is an IITian himself, so he is an insider," he said.

Meanwhile, the Opposition BJP, while taking a swipe at Mr Ramesh for his remarks, said, for having "world-class institutions we have to have world -class ministers". Reacting on the issue, BJP spokesperson Rajiv Pratap Rudy said, "A minister, who is considered to have the image of a bright and well-educated politician, has said IITs and IIMs are not producing high-quality professionals.... He has himself studied in an IIT. The BJP wants to say categorically that it is proud of our IITs and IIMs."

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Jairam take on IIT, IIM faculty unacceptable, says **S&T** Minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, MAY 24

TWO MINISTERIAL colleagues of Environment Minister Jairam Ramesh today criticised his remarks about the faculty and quality of research at IITs and IIMs, and the BJP and Congress turned the issue into a debate over "world-class" institutes and "third-class" people.

Minister for Science and Technology Ashwani Kumar called the remarks made by Jairam yesterday "unacceptable". HRD Minister Kapil Sibal wondered whether India had any world-class educational institute.

The BJP observed that what India really needed was "world-class ministers", and specified "categorically" that "the party was proud of our IITs and IIMs".

The Congress called the BJP's remarks "naive". "We do not appreciate unsolicited advice from third class people as to who should be first class or who should be third class," spokesman Manish Tewari said.

Ashwani Kumar said no one should demoralise the scientists; the achievements of the scientific community were

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Jairam attack unacceptable, says S&T Minister

"far too many to be ignored". "...For anyone to say that Indian research and development set-up can't match world class standards is not acceptable to me. We cannot demoralise our scientists. I cannot appreciate the statement that lock, stock and barrel condemns our public sector institutions and IITs," Kumar said.

He added, "I don't think that (Jairam's) is a correct view at all to take." He cited the inputs of many IITs to India's space technology and of other scientists in the spheres of microbiology.

The BJP's Rajiv Pratap Rudy too mentioned the number of IIT and IIM achievers to counter Jairam.

While attacking the BJP for its remarks, the Congress left it to Jairam to fend for himself over the controversy. However, it too joined others in hailing the contribution of the institutes.

"So far as IIM and IITs are concerned, there is no question or ambiguity about their contribution to Indian academia and even to building some of the primest institutions around the world," Manish Tewari said, adding, "I do not know in what context and what circumstances Jairam Ramesh has made the remarks."

Jairam Draws **Flak for Remarks** on IIT, IIM Faculty

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NEW DELHI | AHMEDABAD

Environment minister Jairam Ramesh, who triggered a controversy with his remarks that faculty at IITs and IIMs were "not world class", drew sharp criticism from politicians and academics on Tuesday.

While the BJP went on the offensive, professors at IIM-Ahmedabad said the minister's assessment was "simplistic" and showed "tremendous ig-

norance", though they agreed that research was lagging.

BJP spokesperson Rajiv Pratap Rudy said, "We cannot have world-class institutions till we have world-class ministers." He said the party was proud of the IITs and IIMs, adding that "ministers should refrain from

making such statements"

Terming Ramesh's remarks as "un-fortunate", minister of state for sci-ence and technology Ashwani Kumar said government scientific and technological institutions have done In-dia proud. "I am the minister for science and technology... I am better equipped to say that our institutions have done us proud... It is time to celebrate their achievements."

HRD minister Kapil Sibal said, don't know the context in which Jairam said this, but he must be having inside information since he is from IIT. None of our institutions are world class but we are putting things in place to make some of them world class and hope to achieve it in two to

three years.'

IIM-A director Samir Barua said the faculty was too burdened with teaching work to focus on research. "There is no doubt that the quantum of research done by top engineering and management schools in India is not adequate. However, institutes like IIM-A have been dealing with shortage of faculty and due to this research has taken a backseat.

Barua said the quantum of research done should not be the only criteria for judging the faculty, as there were other aspects, such as quality of teaching, advice to the practicing world, and inputs to policy-making.

Anil Gupta, professor at IIM-A, said, "Ramesh has shown tremendous ignorance about the intellectual capabilities of these institutions. I would not deny the fact that they need to do more. But to say that faculty is not making any contribution and it is just because of the quality of students... then people should take the CAT scores and give jobs to them.

Sebastian Morris, another professor at IIM-A, described the remarks as "simplistic". "Most of the faculty would be having same qualification as the faculty in top-class institutions, which means they have done their PhDs abroad," Morris said.

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Get foreign politicians!

Sir — This refers to the news report, "Ramesh criticises faculty of IITs, IIMs" (May 24). The unfortunate comments made about the faculty of the prestigious IITs and IIMs by Union Minister for Environment Jairam Ramesh bring bad name to the students of these institutions which are centres of excellence. The faculty at IITs is among the best in India and compare favourably well with MIT and other institutions. The Minister must know that whatever is foreign need not be better. Foreign faculty is not welcome in India as we have better teachers available at home. Let's look at the problem in a different way. The quality of many of our politicians is not good as many are involved in scams and corruption. Shall we then resort to importing politicians from abroad? Of course not. Similarly, we must provide better facilities and remuneration to our faculty members in the IITs and IIMs and give them due respect. A student is a product of the hard work of his teachers. He or she cannot become world class on his or her own.

> CK Sharma Ghaziabad

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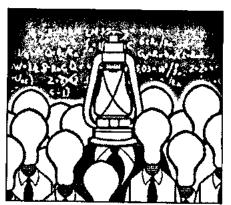
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Aim For World Class

More autonomy and competition needed to unleash dynamism in higher education

India's IITs and IIMs produce quality graduates, but why do they not give rise to quality research and raise the country's innovation quotient? Environment minister Jairam Ramesh isn't the first person to raise this question. His statement that research and faculty at IITs and IIMs are not world-class has stirred controversy. But it is telling that not a single Indian university figures among the top hundred in the 2010 QS World University Rankings. Neither do the IITs and IIMs make it to the top ranks in similar international surveys of research institutions.

The essential reason for this is the lack of quality research facilities and guidance even in some of our best institutes of higher learning. Apart from the skills gap that must be plugged to generate quality jobs for our youth, this is one more reason to remove the bottlenecks in the higher education sector. But our state of readiness for needed innovation is evident from Delhi University teachers striking work against the semester system!



The focus needs to shift from churning out degree holders to creating knowledge hubs, or clusters of universities which conduct world-class research and impart high-grade skills to students. Among neighbours, Singapore and Malaysia are creating hubs of this kind. In India the primary problem is excessive bureaucratic control in higher education, surpassing that of authoritarian China which has dramatically improved the quantity and quality of its research output. A statist compulsion to micro-manage administra-

tive processes, under the garb of socialising education, has led to loss of operational freedom and diminished the incentive to innovate in Indian institutions. A centralised process of faculty recruitment combined with fixed salaries has entrenched complacency. With little initiative to pilot highend research, industry too misses out on leveraging university research to solve practical problems. That there is a strong demand for quality universities is evident from the massive annual outflow of foreign exchange – to the tune of \$10 billion—due to students going abroad for higher studies.

Systemic reforms are in order if this brain drain is to be reversed. Quickly passing into law the Foreign Educational Institutions (Regulation of Entry and Operations) Bill, 2010, will be a step in the right direction, despite restrictive provisions in the Bill. It is extremely important for educational institutes to cater to market needs. This doesn't mean that the government should not have any stake in education. There is no reason to see the public and private sectors in education as antithetical to each other. What is required is a tweaking of government policies to provide more autonomy to institutions, a conducive environment for private investment in education, and more synergy between aided and unaided institutions.

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Errors in IIT-JEE could play spoilsport for AP

DC CORRESPONDENT

HYDERABAD

May 20: Will the errors admitted to by the IITs in the recent JEE question papers, worth 36 marks, ruin the prospects of Andhra Pradesh students bagging the top ranks this year? Last year, AP students bagged seven out of the top 10 ranks in IIT-JEE including the all-India first rank for the first time ever.

According to senior lecturers engaged in IIT coaching. as many as 50 students from Andhra Pradesh who had the chance of sweeping the top-100 ranks would be affected on account of errors seats available in 15 IITs

this year both in question · nation-wide, students from papers and the 'initial key' announced by the IITs on May 15.

Sensing trouble, several parents and students are planning to file petitions in the AP High Court questioning the errors both in question papers and the initial kev.

The IITs have admitted errors in question papers worth 28 marks in mathematics and another 8 marks in physics in the JEE conducted on April 10.

Of the 2,610 students who qualified from the IIT-Madras zone last year, 2,095 were from AP. With 9,059

AP got 22 per cent seats. Which means that almost every fourth student joining the IITs last year was from AP.

However, the senior lecturers foresee adverse results this year, thanks to errors both in question papers, which resulted in wastage of precious time in the exam centre, and in the initial key.

The IITs have offered marks in three questions to all of the 4.8 lakh candidates who appeared for the exam. But the students are tense about the remaining erroneous questions, where the IITs awarded marks to some students and not to others. Asian Age ND 25-May-11 P-5

IIT entrance exam results out today

STAFF REPORTER MINEW DELHI

The results for the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), entrance exams will be declared on Wednesday. Nearly five lakh engineering aspirants had appeared for the prestigious Joint Entrance Exam (JEE) to make through the 9600 seats in the prestigious IITs, IT BHU and ISM Dhanbad. There is a total of 15 IITs in India.

The entrance exam for IITs was held across 131 cities at 1,051 centres all over India on April 10. This will be the first year when the Optical Response Sheets (ORS) of the candidates with all the details and the answer key of the JEE 2011 is to be uploaded on the IEE website. The solution of the model paper was put up on the JEE website on May 15, giving an opportunity of self assessment to the students. After the results are declared on Wednesday the scanned image of ORS of all the candidates will be put up on the website. The candidates can enter their roll number and view their ORS.

No stay on results of IIT exams

AGE CORRESPONDENT

NEW DELHI

May 24: The Supreme Court on Tuesday refused to stay the declaration of the IIT entrance exam result scheduled to be declared on Wednesday on the plea that wrong answers were included in the objective type multi-choice question paper, which might jeopardise the chances of many students.

"We are not going to consider the stay of the results. Question does not arise," a vacation bench of Justices G.S. Singhvi and C.K. Prasad told senior advocate Nidesh Gupta, who took up a petition of Abhishek and some other students from Kanpur.

However, the bench permitted the students to make the representation to the director of IIT Kanpur, who would consider their applications within seven days of the receipt and form any opinion on them.

Minority Affairs Ministry asked to arrange land, funds for new varsities

Union HRD Ministry is planning to set up three universities

Aarti Dhar

NEW DELHI: Union Human Resource Development Ministry (HRD) has asked the Minority Affairs Ministry to make available land and additional resources if its proposal for establishing three universities - in Bihar, Rajasthan and Karnataka - was to be pushed in the Twelfth Five Year Plan. The HRD Ministry has already given in-principle approval to these universities meant to address the "very high deficit as far as Muslim participation in higher education was concerned."

The Minority Affairs Ministry proposes to set up three universities on Wakf land at Bangalore, Ajmer and Kishanganj - to be known as Tipu Sultan University of Science and Technology (Karnataka), Khwaja Gareeb Nawaz University of Professional, Technology, and Vocational Education (Rajasthan) and Rafi Ahmed Kidwai University of Health and Medical Sciences (Bihar).

While conveying its inprinciple approval, the HRD Ministry had pointed out that the proposed universities could not be accommodated

- HRD Ministry seeks to address the "high deficit as far as Muslim participation was concerned"
- Expert panel leaves Minority Affairs Ministry with option of setting up varsities

in 11th Plan unless additional financial resources were made available as plan outlays are being used up in the 16 new Central universities already established by it and it was the fag-end of the plan period.

During inter-ministerial consultations on the proposed universities, the Minority Affairs Ministry had three options of either starting the universities by the minority community itself on Wakfland and declared as deemed university under the University Grants Commission Act, or to be established under an Act of Parliament declaring them as minority institutions such as the Aligarh Muslim University (AMU), where the Act was amended in 1981 to define the university as established by the Muslims. The third option was to set up the universities as collaboration between the government and the Wakf Board where the latter could contribute by way of land while financing would be done by the government, and Wakf Board representatives would be included in the Senate and managing bodies of the universities.

In the last named collaborative model, one option was that while the universities would be set up under an Act of Parliament, they will not have any explicit minority character; however as provided in Article 46 of the Constitution, a special dispensation could be made for preference to candidates of economically weaker sections.

Another option in the third model was to examine if it was legally permissible to admit Muslim minority students in recognition of the contribution of Wakf land for the purpose.

The expert committee ruled out the option of deemed university; the Ministry of Law and Justice ruled out the second option as it would have been inconsistent with the Aziz Basha judgment of Supreme Court and the Ministry of Minority Affairs is left with the third option.

The HRD Ministry is willing for setting up these institutions in any of the modes - as deemed university if otherwise eligible as per the new UGC Regulations for Institutions Deemed to be Universities, 2010 or as Central Universities, subject to 'Aziz Basha' or as collaboration with Wakf Boards, subject to land being made available free of cost and free of any encumbrances (particularly satisfying the purpose for which the land was in Wakf).

The HRD Ministry had also suggested an alternative of accommodating the three universities within the AMU as part of ongoing expansion of instead of setting up new universities. The suggestion to establish campuses of AMU at the three places was not agreed to on the ground that the ongoing expansion of AMU has serious misgivings amongst the alumni who feel that off-campuses would dilute the residential character of AMU.

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Karnataka Vidhan Sabha

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Home to some of the best institutions such as the IIT and IISc, Bengaluru is popular among students from all across the country

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Shruthi Balakrishna

t's hep, happening and cool. That's how youngsters describe the 'Garden City' of Karnataka. Magnificent weather, cosmopolitan culture, multi-cuisine restaurants, mushrooming of IT and BT firms...you name it and Bengaluru has it.

has it. Besides being associated with verdant greenery, the city has also earned various tags such as IT Capital, Pub City and Educational Hub. Though Bengaluru may not be very famous for its monuments, it still attracts tourists from different

parts of the country.

It's hard to miss some well-known landmarks such as the Bangalore-Laibagh Botanical Gardens, which is thronged by more than a thousand morning walkers; Cubbon Park; the Vidhana Soudha, home to the secretariat; the Karnataka High Court; Kempe Gowda Fort; MG Road and Brigade Road, which have the maximum pubs and shopping centres. Commercial Street, where everything is sold at a "fair price", is a favourite for window shoppers. Located 900 metres above sea level, the city has pleasant weather round the year.

Not just that. "For starters, the pace of the city is just right. It's neither too fast, nor too slow. The mix of people from all across the nation and the globe makes Bengaluru culturally-rich as well," says Aditi Galtonde, who works with a private firm. She hails from Mumbai and is settled in Bangalore for some years now.

Another Bangalorean, A Ravindra, agrees that the city may not have much to offer by way of historical monuments, but it is home to some famous temples. "The Bull Temple and Doddaganapathi are major tourist attractions. The fact that there are several pubs and clubs also add to the fun quotient of the city. Besides these, there are a number of resorts located on the outskirts of Bengaluru where families or students can enjoy some great weekends. A number of famous restaurants will offer you all kinds of

cuisines," he says.

The IT Hub is also a great place to pursue science and management education as it is home to the Indian Institute of Science and the Indian Institute of Science and the Indian Institute of Management. "The reason you have so many students coming to Bengaluru could be the great weather, opportunities and mush-rooming of firms. The cost of living is better and there are many good institutions here," says VG Joseph, chairman, Garden City Group of Institutions.

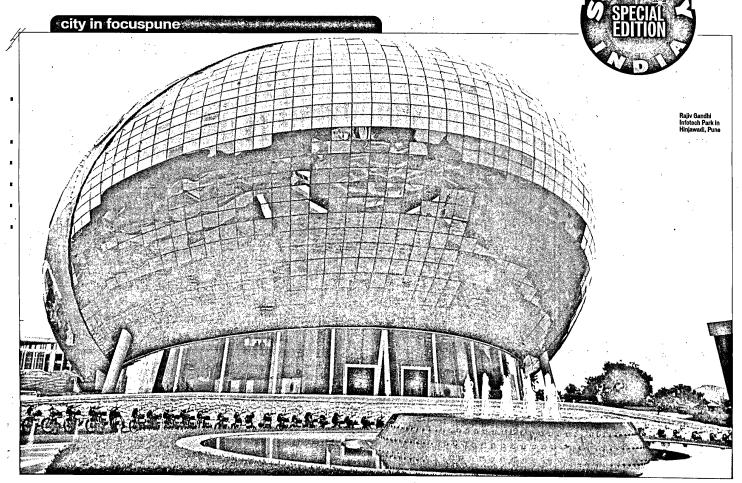
In his college alone, 78% of students are from outside Bangalore. They have students from 69 countries pursuing various programmes. Tushar K, a fourth semester bachelor of computer Application (BCA)

Tushar K, a fourth semester bache-lor of computer Application (BCA) student from Jhamshedpur study-ing In Bangalore, says that he had made up his mind to study BCA in Garden City College. "I wanted to study in Bangalore as it's the IT cap-ital," he says.

HOT HANGOUTS * -

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- Biossom bookstore (not a hang-out exactly, but one can get books at very affordable prices. (Youngsters give it a high five).
- Koshv's Restaurant
- Amoeba
- Brigade Road (shopping area and favourite among youngsters, KFC, Café Coffee Day, Pizza Hut, Planet M, McDonald's are located here)
- The Chocolate Room ■ Indoor Stadium Pool
- # Forum Mall, Koramangala
- Garuda Mall
- * Bangalore Central Mail





Pune has a whole variety of colleges for arts, engineering and management. Moreover, it's an upcoming IT hub and is an extremely safe city for women

Sharanya Misra Sharma

or many decades now, people all over India have known Pune as a major student destination in the country. So much so that many have called it the 'Oxford of the East.' If you go to Pune, you'll probably understand why. With the highest number of colleges in a city in India, one can see youngsters everywhere in Pune. They're in malls, theatres, college campuses, shopping complexes lege campuses, shopping complexes and most prominently on their two-

wheelers.

There are many reasons why students from all over India flock to Pune for college studies.

Firstly, there are a number of engineering instututes here, thus making entry into a difficult stream like engineering much easier than it is in other cities. Secondly, a number of good private institutions such as the Indira Group and the Symbiosis forup have established mary colleges for various strans. Thirdly, it stills retains its small-town charm, which gives a feeling of security to students and their parents. Moreover, Pune is considered to be a very

safe city for women.
You can find a good college for yourself here in almost any stream. There's Fergusson for BA, Brihan Maharashtra College of Commerce (BMCC) for BCom, Garware College for science and Symbiosis Law College and the Indian Law Society Law College. There are also many management institutes in Pune. While some of these colleges offer bostel facilities; rent in Pune is not too high. The rent of a 2BHK house in a decent area would be about U2,000 a month, affordable for three to four students sharing it.
"The reason students will like

spending their college life here is that the place offers educational opportunities and spaces to pursue other interests, too, "says Avantita Jakati, who has completed her BSc in botany from Fergusson College this year. "There are many exhibitions and plays going on at some theatrees and other places." Indeed, Pune is considered as a sort of cultural capital of Maharashtra. In arts courses, you get to select your 'majors' or specialisation in your second year of college. Every college has a limited number of search get admission majors and students get admission majors and students get admission approach to the control of the property of the prop

college has a limited number of seats for majors and students get admission on the basis of their first-year marks.

The public transport system is not easy on the pocket. Pune Municipal Transport buses are not frequent. Autos are very expensive for long distances. Most students have their two-wheelers but the traffic in Pune is very chaotic. So, a students safest option would be an auto-rickshaw.

HOT HANGOUTS

- 🛎 Mahatma Gandhi Road or MG Road 🔏 · Koregaon park
- FC or Fergusson College Road
- # Wanowrie # High Spirits nightclub

LOCAL TRANSPORT

Pune's public transport system can definitely be bettered and is not easy on the pocket. There are Pune Municipal Transport busses that are not frequent, Auto-rick-shaw are very expensive for long distances. Most students have gearless two-wheelers but the traffic in Pune is very chancic. So, the safets option to reach somewhere on time is an auto

Pune has night clubs, historical Pune has night clubs, historical stees, religious places, parks and other picnic spots – for people with different interests and tastes. Sinhagad, ealier known as "Kondhana" is a popular fort at village Donaje, 25 km from Pune. Other historic sights are the Agakhan Palace (used as a prison by the British). Shankvar Wada (a palace), Parvati hill temple, to name a few. You also have the Katraj Snake Park, Sambhaji Park, Appughar - Indira Gandhi Udyan, Peshwa Park, etc. Pune has a



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State's second IT institute proposal before Centre

Subrahmanyan Viswanath

BANGALORE, DHNS: The State government, which is planning to set up a second International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) at Dharwad, on the lines of IIIT-Bangalore, is sending the proposal to Centre's Information Technology ministry by the week-end.

Official sources told Deccan Herald, fine-tuning of detailed project report was currently on and soon government order issued after which the proposal would be sent to the Centre for formal clearance. A panel headed by former Infosys HR chief Mohandas Pai will be vetting these proposals, they added. The committee, they said, has suggested that only a consortium of three to five

firms be allowed to partner for each IIIT. Both IT and non-IT companies can also be partners. Each industry partner will have to invest at least Rs 2 crore.

Sources said the last date for proposals from various State governments to reach the Centre is May 31, 2011 and expect the Centre's clearance to the State's proposal to be through latest by December. The IIIT will become functional by next academic year, they added.

The State's proposal is in response to 20 IIITs the Centre has proposed to set up in various part of the country in association with respective State governments on private-public partnership model. The capital cost would be shared in the ratio of 50:35:15 by the Centre,

state government, and industry partner/s, respectively. The Centre will also provide Rs 50 crore for faculty development programme and meet recurring expenditure upto Rs 10 crore during first four years, after which they will be run on self-sustaining model.

The State project is estimated to cost around Rs 130 crore in the first phase, sources said, adding the government has already earmarked 50 acre of land at Karnatak University campus to house the institute. It will be offering both undergraduate and post-graduate programmes for students.

The proposed IIITs, to be set up in phases over a nine-year period beginning 2011, will conduct national-level entrance test for admission of students.

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दुनियाँ के नामी संस्थाओं में एक साल में ही फैंकल्टी 10 से 12 पेपर प्रकाशित कर लेते हैं पर यहां ऐसा संभव नहीं है। आईआईटी की तुलना में एमआईटी में सुविधाएं 100 गुना से भी अधिक हैं. लेकिन क्षमता व दक्षता की बात हो तो आईआईटी फैकल्टी उनसे जरा भी कम नहीं है। एमआईटी में शिक्षकों को हफ्ते में तीन से चार घंटे टीचिंग में बिताने पडते हैं. उन्हें टीचिंग एसिस्टेंस मिलता है, शोध के लिए लैब मिलती है, लेकिन क्या यहां ऐसा है? आईआईटी के शिक्षक कड़ी मेहनत करते हैं और कभी एक क्लास मिस नहीं करते। प्रो. मूर्ति ने कहा कि हम चुनौती देते हैं कि दिल्ली के अन्य संस्थान जैसे डीटीयू, एनएसआईटी व जामिया के छात्रों को एक साल के लिए आईआईटी में प्रवेश लेने वाले छात्रों से अदला-बदली कर लें और फिर चार साल बाद यहां से निकलने वाले छात्रों से उनकी तुलना करें तो अंतर साफ पता चल जाएगा। यह सब फैकल्टी के ट्रेनिंग व टीचिंग का कमाल है। सोचने की जरूरत यह है कि आईआईटी में जो समस्याएं हैं, उनके समाधान के लिए कितने इमानदार व प्रमाणिक प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं। समस्या को समग्रता से समझने की जरूरत है, केवल एक पहलू पर टीका-टिप्पणी ठीक नहीं है। आईआईटी, दिल्ली के ही प्रो. अनुराग शर्मा ने कहा,



फैकल्टी का वेतन बढ़ेगा, तभी बनेगी बात

बई दिल्ली : आईआईटी-दिल्ली व आईआईटी खड़कपुर के पूर्व छात्रों ने केंद्रीय पर्यावरण मंत्री जयराम रमेश के आईआईटी व आईआईएम की फैकल्टी को विष्ठस्तरीय दर्जे का न बताने का पुरजोर समर्थन तो किया है पर साथ ही यह सवाल भी खड़ा किया है कि इसके लिए सरकार की नीतियां ही जिम्मेदार हैं। पूर्व छात्रों का कहना है कि आईआईटी फैकल्टी का चेतन बढ़े तो प्रतिभाएं यहां आने के लिए आकर्षित होंगी। आईआईटी-खड़कपुर एतुम्नाय एसोसिएशन के वाईपीएस सूरी ने कहा है कि नई फैकल्टी की भंतीं किए बिना सरकार लगातार नए आईआईटी खेलती जा रही हैं। इससे आईआईटी के मौजूदा फैकल्टी पर भार बहुत बढ़ गया है। आईआईटी फैकल्टी का मौजूदा वेतन किसी भी फ्रेश ग्रेजुएट की तुलना में कम है। आईआईटी अज़ पूरी दुनिया में एक ब्रांड नेम है और उसे यह ब्रांड बनने में 60 साल का वक्त लगा है। आईआईटी-दिल्ली एतुम्नाय एसोसिएशन के निदेशक वीके सत्तुजा ने कहा कि वह सरकार द्वारा फैकल्टी के दिटायरमेंट की उम्र को बढ़ाकर 65 वर्ष किए जाने का हाकि वह सरकार द्वारा फैकल्टी के दिटायरमेंट की उम्र को बढ़ाकर 65 वर्ष किए जाने का हाका कि यह आईआईटी खोले जाने से फैकल्टी की इजाफ़ करें तभी ना त्यांश आईआईटी में आना चाहेंगे। नए आईआईटी खोले जाने से फैकल्टी की समस्या और गहरा गई है और अब इस ओर तुरंत ध्यान देने की जरूरत है।

नहीं लग रहा'। आईआईटी में 20 से 30 फीसदी फैकल्टी की कमी है यह जगजाहिर है, लेकिन शिक्षक उसका दबाव सहन करते हैं। 'हम अपनी गुणवत्ता से समझौता नहीं करते।' आईआईएम-अहमदाबाद के प्रोफेसर अनिल गुप्ता ने कहा, 'यह दर्शाता है कि रमेश को इन संस्थानों की बौद्धिक क्षमताओं के बारे में काफी अज्ञान है। यह कहना गलत है कि शिक्षक योगदान नहीं दे रहे हैं। अगर छत्रों की गुणवत्ता ही मायने रखती तो फिर संयुक्त प्रवेश परीक्षा कैट के अंकों के आधार पर छत्रों को नौकरी दे देना चाहिए। कंपनियां कैट के अंको के आधार पर नौकरियां क्यों नहीं दे रहीं। आईआईएम अहमदाबाद के प्रोफेसर सेबेस्टियन मॉरिस ने

'स्वाभाविक है इस तरह का बयान अच्छा तो कहा, रमेश की टिप्पणियां एकतरफा है। इन नहीं लग रहा'। आईआईटी में 20 से 30 संस्थाओं के अनेक शिक्षकों के पास उतनी ही फीसदी फैकल्टी की कमी है यह जगजाहिर शैक्षणिक योग्यता हैं जितनी शीर्ष संस्थानों के है. लेकिन शिक्षक उसका दबाव सहन करते शिक्षकों के पास है।

आईआईटी मुंबई के प्रवक्ता ने कहा, आईआईटी के शिक्षकों ने देश के विकास में योगदान दिया है। यह जयराम का मत है और वे अपना मत दे सकते हैं। लेकिन हमें अफनी सफलता और उतम शिक्षकों एवं उनका देश के विकास में योगदान पर गर्व है। आईआईटी मुंबई के शिक्षक बकुल देसाई ने कहा , रमेश ने कहा है कि केवल छत्र ही वर्ल्ड क्लास हैं। लेकिन मुंबई आईआईटी फैकल्टी (शिक्षक मं साठ फीसदी आईआईटी से पढ़े हुए हैं। इसलिए इस दृष्टि से भी देखा जाए तो हमारी फैकल्टी वर्ल्ड क्लास ही है।

कांग्रेस ने बचाव का जिम्मा रमेश पर छोड़ा

भास्कर न्यूज नई दिल्ली

कांग्रेस ने रमेश को उनके बयान को लेकर पैदा हुआ विवाद पर अपना बचाव खुद करने के लिए छोड़ दिया। हालांकि पार्टी ने जयराम रमेश की आलोचना करने पर भाजपा को आडे हाथों लिया। पार्टी प्रवक्ता मनीष तिवारी ने कहा, 'मुझे नहीं मालूम की रमेश ने किस संदर्भ में यह बात कही है। क्या उनके बयान को उसी संदर्भ में लिया गया है या संदर्भ से काट कर उद्धृत किया गया है। इस बारे में बेहतर जानकारी वही दे पाएंगे।' तिवारी ने कहा. जहां तक इन संस्थाओं का सवाल है इसमें कोई दो राय नहीं कि इन संस्थाओं का देश के निर्माण में महत्वपूर्ण योगदान रहा है। इन संस्थाओं ने दुनिया के जाने-माने कार्पोरेट संस्थानों के विकास में भी भूमिका निभाई है। उन्होंने जयराम पर भाजपा की टिप्पणियों को ओछ करार देते हुए कहा, 'कौन फर्स्ट रेट हैं और कौन नहीं, इस बारे में थर्ड रेट लोग, बिना मांगे नसीहत न दें।'

सिब्बल ने किया बचाव : रमेश के बयान का समर्थन करते हुए सिब्बल ने कहा कि यही तो कारण है कि आईआईटी विश्व के शीर्ष शिक्षण संस्थाओं में का स्थान नहीं बना पाई है। रमेश खुद आईआईटी से पढ़े हैं। इसलिए उनको इनके बारे में अधिक जानकारी हैं। अगर आईआईटी वर्ल्ड क्लास हैं तो उनको दुनिया के शीर्ष 100-150 संस्थाओं में शामिल होना चाहिए। लेकिन ऐसा नहीं है। वे इसमें क्यों नहीं शामिल हैं, इस पर सोचने-विचारने की जरूरत है।

अश्विनी कुमार ने बयान को दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण करार दिया : विज्ञान और तकनीकी राज्यमंत्री अश्विनी कुमार ने रमेश के बयान को दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण बताते हुआ कहा कि देश की वैज्ञानिक और तकनीकी संस्थाओं पर भारत

भाजपा ने की आलोचना

भाजपा प्रवक्ता राजीव प्रताप रूड़ी ने कहा, 'हमें अपने इन विशिष्ठ संस्थानों पर गर्द है। मंत्री को ऐसे गैर-िजम्मेदाराना बयान देने से बचना चाहिए।' रमेश्व पर कटाक्ष करते हुए उन्होंने कहा, 'हमारे यहां तब तक विश्वस्तिय संस्थान नहीं होंगे जब तक कि विश्वस्तिय मंत्री नहीं होंगे। हमारे यहां विश्वस्तिय मीत्रयों की भारी कमी है।'

क्या कहा था रमेष्ठ ने : सोमवार को एक कार्यक्रम में देश के प्रतिष्ठित भारतीय प्रौद्योजिकी संस्थानों आईआईटी और भारतीय प्रबंध संस्थानों आईआईएम के शिक्षकों को आड़े हाथ लेते हुए कहा था कि इन संस्थानों में शिक्षक विश्वस्तरीय नहीं हैं और ये संस्थान प्रतिभावान छात्रों के बल पर ही उत्कृष्ट हैं। रमेश ने कहा था, आईआईटी के की उत्कृष्ट हैं। रमेश ने कहा था, आईआईटी के जाई इसके शिक्षक विश्व स्तरीय नहीं है। बिरुक आईआईटी में जाने वाले छात्र विश्वस्तरीय हैं। रमेश खुद भी आईआईटी सुंबई के छात्र रह चुके हैं।

को गर्व है। मैं विज्ञान और तकनीकी मंत्री हूं और यह बेहतर तरीके से कह सकता हूं कि इन संस्थाओं के कारण हमें गर्व करने का मौका मिला है। हमें इन संस्थाओं की उपलब्धियों को सॉलबेट करना चाहिए। अश्विनी ने कहा कि कुछ खामियां हैं लेकिन हमें अपने वैज्ञानिकों को हतोत्साहित करने की जरूरत नहीं हैं। मैं ऐसे बयानों की सराहना नहीं कर सकता जिसमें हमारी महत्वपूर्ण सार्वज्ञानिक शिक्षण संस्थाओं की इस तरह आलोचना हो। हम उनकी उपलब्धियों को इस तरह नजरुर्यदाज नहीं कर सकते। अश्विनी कुमार ने कई उदाहरण देकर कहा कि इन संस्थाओं का उत्तम रिकॉर्ड रहा है।

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 विज्ञान एवं तकनीकी राज्यमंत्री ने कहा,आइआइटी व आइआइएम के शिक्षकों की गुणवत्ता पर टिप्पणी दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण

नई दिल्ली, जागरण ब्यूरो: आइआइटी और आइआइएम जैसे उच्चे शिक्षण संस्थानों में शोध और शिक्षकों की गुणवत्ता के सवाल पर मनमोहन सिंह सरकार के दो मंत्री आमने-सामने है। वन एवं पर्यावरण राज्य मंत्री जयराम रमेश ने सोमवार को इन संस्थानों में शिक्षकों और शोध की गुणवत्ता पर सवालिया निशान लगाया था. लेकिन मंगलवार को विज्ञान एवं तकनीकी राज्य मंत्री अश्विनी कुमार इस टिप्पणी को दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण बताते हुए इन संस्थानों व उसके शिक्षकों की जमकर तारीफ की। जयराम रमेश ने सोमवार को आइआइटी और आइआइएम के शिक्षकों को आड़े हाथों लेते हुए कहा था कि ये संस्थान विश्वस्तरीय

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नहीं हैं और केवल विद्यार्थियों की गुणवत्ता के कारण उत्कृष्ट हैं। अश्विनी कमार के साथ ही प्रमुख विपक्षी दल भाजपा ने भी जयराम को आड़े हाथों लिया है।

विश्वस्तरीय मंत्रियों की कमी: भाजपा ः भाजपा प्रवक्ता राजीव प्रताप रूड़ी ने इन संस्थानों पर गर्व जताते हुए ऐसे गैर जिम्मेदार बयान देने से बचने की सलाह दी। वैसे मौके का फायदा उठाते हुए रूडी मनमोहन सरकार पर कटाक्ष करने से नहीं चुके। उन्होंने कहा कि हमारे यहां विश्व स्तरीय मंत्रियों की कमी है। वहीं कांग्रेस ने खुद को इस विवाद से अलग रखना ही बेहतर समझा। लेकिन जयराम रमेश के खिलाफ मोर्चा खोला अश्विनी कुमार ने। टिप्पणी दुर्भाग्यपूर्णः अपने सहयोगी मंत्री का खुलकर नाम लेने से परहेज करते हुए अश्विनी कुमार ने न सिर्फ इस टिप्पणी को दुर्भाग्यपूर्णे बताया, बल्कि कठिन परिस्थितियों में भी देश को विज्ञान व प्रौद्योगिकी के क्षेत्र में विश्व में अग्रणी बनाने के लिए इन संस्थाओं से जुड़े वैज्ञानिकों की जमकर तारीफ की। उन्होंने बताया कि किस तरह इन्हीं संस्थाओं से जुड़े वैज्ञानिकों ने अंतरिक्ष विज्ञान, थोरियम पर आधारित 🗸 नाभकीय ऊर्जा और सुपर कंप्यूटर से लेकर अन्य क्षेत्रों में उच्च तकनीक विकसित कर देश का नाम दुनिया में ऊंचा किया हैं।

सरकारी प्रोत्साहन की कमी उच्चस्तरीय वैज्ञानिक शोध में पिछडने के लिए अश्विनी कुमार ने शिक्षकों की गुणवत्ता के बजाय सरकारी प्रोत्साहन की कमी को ज्यादा जिम्मेदार उहराया। उनके अनुसार भारत में वैज्ञानिक शोध व प्रशिक्षण पर सकल घरेलू उत्पाद का केवल 0.98 फीसदी ही खर्च होता है, जबकि इसे कम-से-कम 1.5 से 2 •फीसदी तक होंना चाहिए। इस समय भारत में मात्र 1.70 लाख वैज्ञानिक हैं, वहीं चीन में 5.76 लाख और अमेरिका में 13 लाख वैज्ञानिक काम कर रहे है।

जयराम को समर्थन भी

केंद्रीय मंत्री जयराम रमेश भी आईआईटी मुंबई के विद्यार्थी रहे हैं उनका भी अपना अनुभव है। वह हवा में तो बात नहीं कर रहे हैं। उनकी बात को नजरंदाज नहीं किया जा

मानव संसाधन मंत्री ने उनकी बात का एक तरह से समर्थन किया है। रिसर्च में हमारे शिक्षक पारंगत नहीं है। अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर रिसर्च में कोई ऐसा काम नहीं िकया है, जिस पर गर्व किया जा सके। जो वैज्ञानिक बाहर गए उन्होंने जरूर हिंदस्तान का नाम रोशन किया है।

-डॉ. गिरिराज किशोर, साहित्यकार

शिक्षकों ने कोसा

"我们不是一个人的人,我们不是一个人的人的人,我们们

साफ जाहिर होता है कि इन संस्थानों की बौद्धिक क्षमता के बारे में केंद्रीय मंत्री कितने अनभिज्ञ हैं।

प्रो . अनिल गुप्ता, आइआइएम अहमदाबाद जयराम रमेश का बयान एकतरका है। आइआइटी और आइआइएम में शिक्षकों के 🤏 पास उतनी ही शैक्षणिक योग्यता और 🗀 🤫 पृष्ट्भूमि है, जित्ना विश्व के अन्य 📜 🦥 🥸 सर्वश्रेष्ठ संस्थानों में।

> -पो. सेबेस्टियन मॉरिस, आइआइएम अहमदाबाद

आइआइटी और आइआइएम की पुरी दुनिया में अलग ही पहचान है। किसी को भी यह नहीं भलना चाहिए कि शिक्षकों की गुणक्ता से ही यह पहचान हासिल हुई है।-

प्रो केपी सिंह, निदेशक-आइआइटी बीएचय

ें संस्थानों अथवा उनके शिक्षकों पर किसी ्र किस्म की टिप्पणी उचित नहीं।

प्रो. एसके सिंह, आइआइटी बीएचय यदि आइआइएम की फैकल्टी नकारा होती तो देश के सर्वाधिक प्रतिभाशाली विद्यार्थी -उनमें दाखिला ही क्यों लेते? बिना सव्वाई जाने निरर्थक बयानबाजी से बचना चाहिए।

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विचार से दूर जाती शिक्षा



प्रोफेसर यश पाल

प्रसिद्ध शिक्षाविद, वैज्ञानिक व यूजीसी के पूर्व चैयरमैन

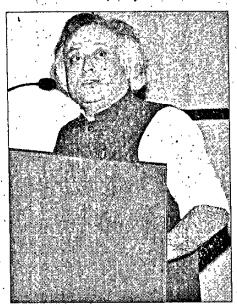
विश्वविद्यालयों को मुक्त करना जरूरी हो गया है, ताकि वे प्रचलित ढरें से बाहर निकलें।

र्यावरण मंत्री जयराम रमेश ने आईआईटी और आईआईएम के शिक्षकों की आड़े हाथ लिया, लेकिन उनके छात्रों की तारीफ की। यह कोई नई बात नहीं है, आईआईटी के बारे में कहा जाता है कि बड़े अच्छे इंस्टीट्यूट हैं, वहां बड़े अच्छे बच्चे आते हैं। ये इंस्टीट्यूट छात्रों को स्पेशलिस्ट या विशेषज्ञ बना देते हैं। हमें सोचना चाहिए क्या विश्वविद्यालयों का यही काम है। मूल सवाल तो नए विचारों का है। क्या ये संस्थान नए विचार दे रहे हैं, अगर नहीं दे रहे हैं, तो इसके पीछे क्या कारण हैं?

यह समझ लेना होगा कि विश्वविद्यालय अगर विश्वविद्यालय नहीं रहेंगे, तो इंस्टीट्यूट बन जाएंगे। हालत यह हो गई है कि ये एक समस्या उठाते हैं और फिर उस समस्या में उलझ जाते हैं। विश्वविद्यालय का अर्थ यह होता है कि ज्ञान का यूनिवर्स या ब्रह्मांड के साथ ताल्लुक हो। वहां से नए-नए विचार निकलें। आम तौर पर नए विचार नहीं निकलते हैं, क्योंकि कई समस्याएं आ जाती हैं। इसिलए इस्में मुद्दू सलाह दी थी कि अई आई आई ट्रेंट्यूड क्योंक कमी पर होता, चाई ए कि वे पूरे विश्वविद्यालय की तरह कम करें के बल रिसर्झ इंस्टीट्यूड को तरह महीं। इस बड़ी कमी पर बहुत काम करने की जरूरत है। उच्च शिक्षण संस्थानों, विश्वविद्यालयों पर केवल बयान देकर इस तरह से कालिख पोतने की भी जरूरत नहीं है। बहुत तेज और कुशमग्र बच्चे वहां पढ़नें जाते हैं। जहां उनको मौका मिलता है, वे दायरे से निकलकर बहुत अच्छा काम करते हैं।

शिक्षा व शोध के अभावों को भूतकर कई बार कहा जाता है कि आईआईएम, आईआईटी में काफी तनख्वाह दिलवाने वाली पढ़ाई होती है। दूसरे लोग भी यह देखते हैं कि किस संस्थान के छात्रों को कितने पैसे की नौकरी ऑफर हुई। यह गलत सोच है, इससे निकलने की जरूरत है।

अच्छे छात्र आते हैं, क्योंकि कड़ी प्रतिस्पर्धा से निकलकर आते हैं। उन्हें खुली जगह मिलनी चाहिए, लेकिन



उन्हें एक संकीर्ण दायरे में डालने की कोशिश होती है। सच्चे विश्वविद्यालय का वातावरण नहीं रह जाता है। नए विषय बनाने की जरूरत है, ऐसे विषय जिसके बारे में किसी ने पहले सोचा न हो। पारंपरिक विषयों से आगे बढ़ने की जरूरत है। पढ़ाई के पारंपरिक विषय काबिनेशन या संयोजन से आगे बढ़ने की जरूरत है। यह काम अगर विश्वविद्यालय नहीं कर पा रहे हैं, तो इसका मतलब है, वे सच्चे मायने में विश्वविद्यालय नहीं हैं।

निश्वस्तरीय शब्द भी मुझे अच्छा नहीं लगता। कुछ-कुछ दिनों के बाद के हैं ने कोई सर्वक्षण आ जात है, जिसमें बताया जाता है कि हमारी एक भी यूनिवर्सिटी स्वृत्रेष्ठ की सूची में नहीं है। ऐसी खबरों का प्रचार भी खूब होता है, लेकिन यह तरीका गलत है। अपने हिसाब से अपने गुण और अपने वातावरण के हिसाब से हमें अपने विश्वविद्यालयों को आंकना चाहिए, न कि कोई कथित विश्वविद्यालयों को आंकना चाहिए, न कि कोई कथित विश्वविद्यालयों को आंकना चाहिए, न कि कोई कथित विश्वविद्यालयों को जाकना चाहिए, न कि कोई कथित विश्वविद्यालयों को तनखाह मिलती है छात्रों को, तो यह गलत होगा। अच्छी तनखाह मिलती है, तो इसका मतलब है कि वह अच्छा नौकर है, न कि वह अच्छा विद्यान है या नए नए विचार पैदा करने वाला है।

आज बिल्कुल नए विचारों की जरूरत है। पता नहीं क्यों, वे सोच नहीं पा रहे हैं और इसलिए नए विचार नहीं आ पा रहे हैं। ध्यान दीजिए, तो लगभग सभी उच्च शिक्षण संस्थान या विश्वविद्यालय एक ही परंपरा पर चल रहे हैं। शिक्षा का एक ही तरीका अपना रहे हैं। मैं यहां केवल भारतीय विश्वविद्यालयों की बात नहीं कर रहा हूं, दुनिया भर के विश्वविद्यालयों की बात कर रहा हूं, सब शिक्षा या किसी विषय के छोटे-छोटे टुकड़ों के साथ लगे रहते हैं और विस्तार से शिक्षा की मल समस्या को देख नहीं पाते हैं।

मैं यह चाहता हू कि आईआईटी और आईआईएम को इतनी आजादी हो कि वे कुछ भी पढ़ाए। हर शिक्षक को यह आजादी हो कि वह कुछ भी पढ़ाए। छात्र को इतनी आजादी हो कि वह कुछ भी पढ़े। अभी यह कहा जाता है कि शिक्षा में या विश्वविद्यालयों में आजादी का माहौल नहीं है। शिक्षा संस्थानों में सोचने और करने की आजादी जरूरी है। नए नए तरीके आजमाने की जरूरत है। कई अच्छे इंस्टीट्यूट हैं हमारे यहां, लेकिन उन्हें और खोल देना चाहिए।

यहां खोलने का अर्थ यह है कि संस्थानों को छूट मिले, यह पैमाना टूटे कि आप ये-ये विषय पढ़ाएंगे, तभी आपको डिग्री मिलेगी। जो विषय किसी ने सोचा नहीं, उसकी भी पढ़ाई हो सके, छात्र अपनी पसंद के हिसाब से अलग-अलग कांबिनेशन ले सकें। इसके लिए हम केवल शिक्षा प्रबंधन को जिम्मेदार नहीं उहरा सकते। उनकी अपनी समस्याएं हैं, वे छोटी-छोटी चीजों में उलझे रहते हैं। अपने लिए कई तरह के काम निकाल लेते हैं।

दुनिया में कुछ विश्वविद्यालय बहुत अच्छे भी हैं, लेकिन जरूरी नहीं कि उन विश्वविद्यालयों को कॉपी करके अपने यहां विश्वविद्यालय बनाए जाएं। कॉपी करके विश्वविद्यालय नहीं बनाए जा सकते। बहुत सारे विश्वविद्यालय अब भारत में भी बहुत अच्छे हो गए हैं। अपनी जरूरत पर सोचा जाए, अपनी समस्याओं पर विचार करके आगे बढ़ने की जरूरत है। शैक्षणिक आजादी के साथ बढ़ने की जरूरत है।

शिक्षा में व्यानवाजी खूब होती है। लेकिन ऐसी व्यानवाजी कर में जाती हैं। लेकिन ऐसी विश्वपूर्तिय कियान की कोई जरूरत नहीं है। हमें सोच सुधारतीय विश्वपृत्तिय की कोई जरूरत नहीं है। हमें सोच सुधारती चाहिए। हम सोचते हैं कि सुधार वो सरकार करेगी या ये सरकार करेगी, जबिक सुधार विश्वविद्यालयों के अंदर ही होने चाहिए। अभी कोशिश यह होती है कि नियम एक तरह के होने चाहिए, एक ही तरह की परीक्षाएं होनी चाहिए, ऐसे में, जब सब कुछ एक तरह का होने लगता है, तो इसी से बर्बादी होती है। एक तरह की प्रतिस्पद्धी या संघर्ष हर जगह दिखने लगता है। इसिलए मैं बोल रहा हूं, विश्वविद्यालयों, को खोलने या मुक्त करने की जरूरत है। शिक्षा तो वह है, जो वास्तव में ज्ञान बढ़ाए। नए विचारों व नए कामों के लिए रास्ता खोले।

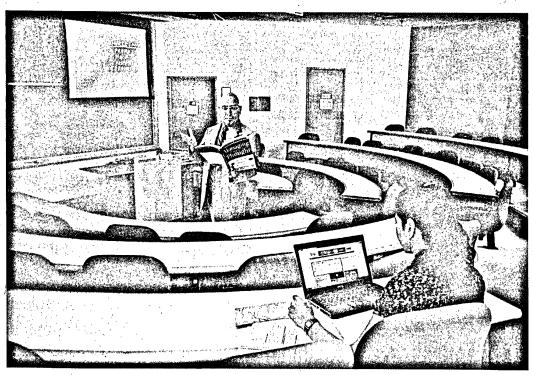
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बेंगलुरु में प्रबंधन स्कूलों में नामांकन की तैयारी कराने वाले कोचिंग स्कूल चलाने वाले सिंह अपने उपनाम से ही मशहूर हैं। उनका बयान भी बेहद दिलचस्प है। सिंह का कहना है कि उन्हें कई बिजनेस स्कूलों से उपहार भेजे जाते हैं जो अपने यहां छात्रों को बुलाना चाहते हैं। 3 साल पहले 4-5 बिजनेस स्कूलों ने बड़ी सावधानी के साथ ऐसे ऑफरों की पेशकश की थी। लेकिन अब यह तादाद सैकडों तक पहुंच चुकी है। अब यह आलम है कि इनमें से कई बिजनेस स्कूल ईमेल पर अनुचित तरीके से ईमेल करने से भी बाज नहीं आती हैं। फिलहाल देश भर में प्रबंधन स्कूलों में नामांकन परीक्षा की तैयारी कराने वाले 10 बड़े कोचिंग संस्थान है जिनकी करीब 4,000 शाखाएं चलती हैं। आप इनमें से किसी से भी यह बात पूछ सकते हैं और आपको अंदाजा हो जाएगा कि हर जगह एक ही कहानी और एक ही तरह की पेशकश की जाती है। बिजनेस स्कूलों के कारोबारी तर्क में कोई लाग-लपेट नहीं है। उनका मानना है कि सिंह जैसे लोगों को जो रकम दी जाती है वह उसे छात्रों की फीस से आसानी से वसूल लेंगे।

पूर्व के एक बिजनेस स्कूल के अध्यक्ष ने हाल ही में यह पाया कि उनके कुछ पूर्व छात्र कॉलेज की गेट पर जमा हैं। उन्हें कुछ संदेह हुआ तो उन्होंने इसकी तहकीकात की। बाद में उन्हें पता लगा कि उनके एक प्रतिस्पर्धी बिजनेस स्कल ने इन छात्रों को पैसे देकर उनके स्कूल की आलोचना करने को कहा था ताकि वहां के छात्रों को वह अपने यहां बुला सकें। इसके बाद जो भी छात्र उस प्रतिस्पर्धी बिजनेस स्कूल में गया, उसके लिए एक रकम तय की गई थी। अगर उन छात्रों ने वहां नामांकन ले लिया तो इसके लिए बोनस का ऑफर दिया जाता था।

बदल गए हैं हालात

प्रबंधन शिक्षा की एक डरावनी हकीकत है जिसे आप अब झुठला नहीं सकते हैं। कुछ साल पहले तक प्रबंधन की डिग्री हासिल करने का मतलब बेहद सुकून और आराम की कॉरपोरेट नौकरी हासिल करने की चाबी मिलने जैसा था। लेकिन अब हालात बदल चुके हैं। अब एमबीए करने वालों के लिए भी अच्छी नौकरी पाना मुश्किल हो गया है। अनुमानत: देश में 3,000 से ज्यादा बिजनेस स्कूल हैं। देश के 25 प्रमुख प्रतिष्ठित प्रबंधन संस्थानों, जिनमें भारतीय प्रबंधन संस्थान



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एक कोचिंग संस्थान के छात्रों को सीधे बिजनेस स्कूलों में दाखिले की पेशकश की जा रही है। बिजनेस स्कूलों के ऐसे हथकंडों पर नजर डाल रही हैं **कल्पना पाठक**

(आईआईएम), इंडियन स्कूल ऑफ बिजनेस और कुछ अन्य शामिल हैं, को छोड़कर ज्यादातर प्रबंधन संस्थानों को अपने यहां सीट भरने के लिए जदोजहद करना पड रहा है।

देश में करीब 300,000 बिजनेस स्कूल की सीट है। इस क्षेत्र के एक विशेषज्ञ का कहना है कि पिछले साल करीब 60,000 सीटें खाली रह गईं और ऐसे आसार हैं कि इस साल यह संख्या 70,000 के आंकड़े को पार कर सकता है। यह संकट देश के दूसरे और तीसरे दर्जे के बिजनेस स्कूलों में भी हैं। इस सेक्टर में यह भी चर्चा है कि कुछ बिजनेस स्कूलों ने तो अपना कारोबार iद करने का फैसला कर लिया है।

बिजनेस स्कूल खोलने के लिए बाधाएं बहुत कम हैं, ऐसे में पूरे देशभर में बिजनेस स्कूलों की भरमार हो गईं हैं। अगर आप कभी किसी हाइवे से गुजर रहे हों तो आप गौर कर सकते हैं कि खेतों के बीच कई बिजनेस स्कूलों की बिलिंडमें और बड़े बोर्ड नजर आएंगे। पंजाब में हाल ही में मिठाई के कारोबार से जुड़े एक व्यक्ति ने अपना बिजनेस स्कूल खोला है। इसके अलावा उत्तर प्रदेश में राजनीति में आने वाले नए लोग भी राज्य के सुदूर इलाकों में अपना बिजनेस स्कल चला रहे हैं।

एक बिजनेस स्कूल की शुरुआत 20,000 वर्गफुट क्षेत्र में हो सकती है। इसके लिए 7 फैकल्टी के सदस्य, 20 कंप्यूटर, 2,000 किताबें और 30 पत्रिकाओं का सब्सक्रिप्शन की जरूरत होती है। अगर आप पास जमीन है तो एक करोड़

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रुपये से कम में भी आपका काम हो सकता है। बिजनेस स्कूलों का नियमन ऑल इंडिया फोर टेक्नीकल एजुकेशन जाउनिस्त कार ट्याक्स र्युकरान (एआईसीटीई) करता है और जो स्कूल किसी विश्वविद्यालय का हिस्सा हैं उनका नियमन विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग (यूजीसी) करता है। एआईसीटीई का कहना है कि उनका काम कारोबारी शिक्षा के मौके मुहैया कराना है और अगर किसी के पास सही इन्फ्रास्टक्चर है तो उन्हें नए बिजनेस स्कूल खोलने के लिए इजाजत देने में कोई कोताही नहीं बरती जाती है। हालांकि इसके लिए उन्हें कुछ जरूरी शर्तों को पूरा करना होता है। इसी वजह से वर्ष 2008 में 100,000 बिजनेस स्कूल की सीट बनाई गई जब जॉब मार्केट में तेजी के रुझान दिख रहे थे। उसके

बाद वैश्विक आर्थिक मंदी से बाजार में मंदी दिखने लगी लेकिन इसके बावजूद पिछले साल 80,000 और सीटें जोड़ी गईं।

करीब 1.2 अरब की जनसंख्या वाले देश में 300,000 सीटों वाले 3,000 बिजनेस स्कूल बेहद कम मालुम पडते हैं। लेकिन इन बिजनेस स्कूलों के छात्रों को नौकरी देने वाली कंपनियों की तादाद इससे भी कम है। जो छात्र देश के प्रमुख बिजनेस स्कूलों से निकलते हैं उन्हें सालाना 8 लाख रुपये या इससे ज्यादा का पैकेज दिया जाता है वहीं जो दूसरे और तीसरे दर्जे के बिजनेस स्कूल से पढ़ाई करके निकलते हैं उन्हें 1.5 लाख रुपये सालाना से भी कम का पैकेज मिलता है।

अब इसके दूसरे पहलू पर गौर करते हैं। एक बिजनेस स्कूल में 2 साल के एमबीए पाठ्यक्रम की औसत फीस 6 लाख रुपये है। अगर इस रकम के लिए शिक्षा ऋण लिया जाए तो 5 सालों में ऋण भुगतान की अवधि के लिए 12 फीसदी की ब्याज दर पर मासिक किस्त 13,346 रुपये होगी। ऐसे में 1.5 लाख रुपये सालाना का वेतन पर्याप्त नहीं हो सकता है। ऐसे हालात बनने की वजह से छात्रों के बीच प्रबंधन शिक्षा के लिए भ्रम पैदा हुआ है।

सुनील मुला लखनऊ के एक बिजनेस स्कूल से मानव संसाधन प्रबंधन में एमबीए करने के बाद एक कॉल सेंटर में 3 लाख रुपये सालाना की वेतन पर काम कर रहे हैं। उन्होंने इस कोर्स के लिए 6 लाख रुपये की फीस दी थी। मुला को यह यकीन नहीं है कि उनकी सीवी में

एमबीए की डिग्री को शामिल करने का कुछ फायदा भी मिला है या नहीं। अब उनका मानना है कि वह यह नौकरी 2 साल का वक्त जाया किए बगैर 6 लाख रुपये की फीस दिए बगैर भी कर सकते थे। मुला का कहना है कि उनके निवेश का प्रतिफल बेहद कम है। सुनील की तरह और भी कई मामले हैं। डी समर्थ जिन्होंने वर्ष 2009 में पांडिचेरी विश्वविद्यालय से

इंटरनैशनल बिजनेस मैनेजमेंट की डिग्री हासिल की, अब वह एक वैश्विक आउटसोर्सिंग कंपनी के लिए काम कर रहे हैं।

उन्होंने अपनी डिग्री के लिए 70,000 रुपये से भी कम का भुगतान किया और अब उनका सालाना वेतन 3 लाख रुपये है। समर्थ रॉय बेहतर हैं और उन्हें कोई भ्रम नहीं है। उन्होंने जिस हाई प्रोफांडल नौकरी का सपना देखा था वह महज एक सपना ही रहा। राजस्थान के एनआईआईटी विश्वविद्यालय के कुछ बीटेक छात्रों ने बिजनेस स्टैंडर्ड के साथ एक बातचीत में बताया कि वे स्नातक की

डिग्री हासिल करने के बाद रोजगार के बेहतर मौके तलाशने के लिए एमबीए की डिग्री लेने के बजाय एमटेक करने को तरजीह देंगे। एक छात्र का कहना है, 'प्रमुख बिजनेस स्कूलों में भी महज 70-80 फीसदी प्लेसमेंट हो पाता है। वर्ष 2009 में 300,000 युवा एमएटी की परीक्षा में शामिल हुए। वर्ष 2010 में इस संख्या में एक तिहाई की कमी आई और यह आंकड़ा महज 200,000 तक सिमट कर रह गया। आईआईएम और देश के दूसरे 150 बिजनेस स्कूलों में नामांकन की परीक्षा, कैट के लिए भी युवाओं की दिलचस्पी कम हो रही है। वर्ष 2009 में कैट

की परीक्षा में 241,000 छात्र शामिल हुए और

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- **=** देश में तकरीबम 300,000 बिजनेस स्कूल की सीटें है
- ज्यादातर प्रबंधन संस्थानों को सीट भरने में होती है मुश्किल
- पिछले साल खाली रह गईं थीं तकरीबन 60,000 सीटें

वर्ष 2010 में यह संख्या कम हो गई और यह 206,000 रह गई। अब इसमें कोई संदेह नहीं हो सकता है कि बिजनेस स्कूल कोचिंग संस्थानों को ऐसे संदेश भेज रहे हैं।

व्यावहारिकता का अभाव

कंपनियों के मानव संसाधन प्रबंधकों को ज्यादातर बिजनेस स्कलों से शिकायत है। उनका आरोप है कि इन बिजनेस स्कूलों के फैकल्टी भी नए लोग होते हैं और उन्हें उद्योग के साथ काम करने का अनुभव भी नहीं होता है। सबसे बुरी बात यह है कि बिजनेस स्कूल से जुड़े कुछ लोगों का संवाद ही उद्योगों के साथ हुआ होता है। नतीजतन छात्रों को जो प्रबंधन की शिक्षा दी जाती है उसमें व्यवहारिकता का पुट बेहद कम होता है।

कंपनियों का कहना है कि उन्हें नए स्नातक लात्रों को वेतन देने के अलावा भी कई तरह के खर्च करने पड़ते हैं। वैसे निवेश और उससे मिले प्रतिफल कोई सटीक मूल्यांकन नहीं हो पा रहा है। लेकिन पिछले साल एस्पायरिंग माइंड्स द्वारा प्रकाशित किए गए सर्वे से कुछ अंदाजा मिल सकता है। इस सर्वे के मताबिक आईटी प्रोडक्ट कंपनियों द्वारा इंजीनियरिंग स्नातकों को नौकरी देने की क्षमता महज 4.22 फीसदी थी वहीं आईटी सेवा कंपनियों में यह क्षमता 17.84 फीसदी थी। सर्वे के प्रताबिक केपीओ को महज ९.४७ फीसदी स्नातक छात्र मिले जिन्हें नौकरी दी जा सकती थी वहीं बीपीओ को वैसे 38.23 फीसदी छात्र मिले। इस तरह आईटी और आईटी से जुड़े सेवा क्षेत्र में काम करने के लिए 61.77 फीसदी छात्रों में प्रभावित करने की दक्षता और समस्याओं

का हल करने की क्षमता होनी

ही चाहिए।

इंडियन स्कूल ऑफ बिजनेस के सेंटर फॉर एंटरप्रेन्योरशिप के कार्यकारी विदेशक कृष्णा तनुकु का कहना है कि उन्होंने कई दूसरे और तीसरे दर्जे के बिजनेस स्कूलों से संपर्क किया है। उन्होंने यह पाया कि इन स्कूलों में पाठ्यक्रम अच्छे नहीं हैं और फैकल्टी केस स्टडी को नजरअंदाज करते हैं और इन छात्रों में लोगों को प्रभावित करने की क्षमता भी कम होती है ऐसे में ये किसी सेल्समैन से बस थोड़े ही बेहतर होते हैं।

कुछ इसे अलग तरह से देखते हैं। फ्यूचर समूह के चीफ पीपुल ऑफिसर संजय जोग

का कहना है, 'हम हर साल दूसरे और तीसरे की कहना है, हम हर सारा पूरार कार आहर दर्जे के बिजनेस स्कूलों से करीब 300 छात्रों को नौकरी देते हैं क्योंकि हमें परिचालन से जुड़े काम के लिए ऐसे लोगों की जरूरत होती है। हम यह जानते हैं कि प्रमुख बिजनेस स्कूलों के छात्रों की तरह इनका एक्सपोजर नहीं होगा। शायद इस वजह से भी उनमें सीखने की ललक ज्यादा होगी। उनमें अपनी सक्षमता को साबित करने की ज्यादा इच्छा होती है इस वजह से वह ज्यादा काम करने वाले भी होते हैं।' इन छात्रों को यह समूह 6.5 लाख रुपये सालाना पैकेज पर नौकरी देता है। ज्यादातर बिजनेस स्कूल इस

पर बात नहीं करना चाहते हैं।



दूसरे और तीसरे दर्जें के बिजनेस स्कूलों के पाठ्यक्रम अच्छे नहीं होते और फैकल्टी केस स्टडी को नजरअंदाज करते हैं