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Editorial

"The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet."

—Aristotle

The New Year commenced with new confidence and the determination to continue with the attainment of our objectives. We unveiled the New Year's calendar and celebrated the 194th birth anniversary of Savitri Bai Phule, a pioneering Indian social reformer and educationist.

Thereafter the diary, planner and table calendar were unveiled with a determination and new vigour, to fulfil our objectives towards the promotion of quality education. In this direction a two-day event was held on January 7-8, 2025, to bridge the gaps between industry and academia in creating a skilled taskforce in collaboration with IIT Madras, wherein different stakeholders deliberated on integration of technology with education. The growing digitalization and subsequently the experience with pandemic has led to Covidization leading to new impact on both the industry and academia.

A meeting was also held with representatives of Manchester Metropolitan University and the Garwood Center for Corporate Innovation, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley to work towards the goal. It also included addressing the scope of the students of the technical institutions of Telangana to fill the gap between supply and demand in the global market.

The Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) has initiated a significant revision of the undergraduate curriculum to align with global trends and the evolving job market. This initiative aims to balance theoretical knowledge with practical skills, ensuring students are industry-ready and employable. The key objectives are to integrate hands-on learning and industry-relevant knowledge, develop key employability competencies and to equip students with industry-aligned skills to enhance global competitiveness. Subject-specific committees led by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman I & II and the Secretary of the TGCHE are spearheading the syllabus revision, with plans for its implementation in near future. The TGCHE has invited suggestions from stakeholders, including academicians, industry experts, students, and policymakers, to foster collaboration and inclusivity, through a dedicated Google form for suggestions on its website.

The TGCHE addressed the media to share their views on the UGC guidelines and its impact on the autonomy of institutions of Higher education in Telangana. We spoke on a range of issues pertaining to the Draft Regulations circulated by the UGC on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment & Promotion of Teachers and Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2025.

The Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) celebrated the 76th Republic Day of India on 26th January 2025 with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit while rededicating ourselves to the cause of Higher Education.

TGCHE Celebrates Savitri Bai Phule's 194th Birth Anniversary



Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Staff members of TGCHE participating in the ceremony to commemorate Savitri Bai Phule's 194th birth anniversary.

The Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) commemorated the 194th birth anniversary of Savitri Bai Phule, a pioneering Indian social reformer and educationist, on January 3, 2025.

The ceremony, held at the TGCHE office, was attended by Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Staff members. The event was a tribute to Savitri Bai's remarkable contributions to education and social reform.

Savitri Bai Phule, along with her husband Jyotirao Phule, played a crucial role in promoting women's education and empowerment in India. Her selfless work and dedication to the cause of social justice continues to inspire generations.

The TGCHE community came together to pay homage to Savitri Bai's legacy, remembering her tireless efforts to promote education and equality. The event served as a reminder for carrying forward her values and ideals.

Chairman, TGCHE, Graces Avanthi Group of Colleges National Seminar as Chief Guest



Chairman, TGCHE, Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, addressing the gathering as the Chief Guest at Avanthi Group of College's National Seminar "Pragnya - 2K25".

The Chairman of the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, attended the 2-day National Seminar "Pragnya-2K25" in Commerce and Management at Avanthi Group of Colleges

as the Chief Guest on 4th January 2025 at Myadam Anjaiah Function Hall, Kachiguda, Hyderabad.

In his keynote address, Prof. Reddy emphasized the significance of fostering a culture of innovation, entrepreneurship, and critical thinking in higher education. He also highlighted the importance of industry-academia collaboration in shaping the future of commerce and management education.

The seminar featured a range of technical sessions, paper presentations, and panel discussions, providing a valuable opportunity for participants to engage with experts and peers.

TGCHE Unveils its 2025 Diary, Planner and Table Calendar



Officers of TGCHE and Chairman, TAFRC, Releasing the TGCHE Diary 2025, Planner, and Table Calendar.

The Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) has released its 2025 Diary, Planner, and Table Calendar on 6th January 2025 in the O/O TGCHE. The launch event was attended by the Chairman, Vice-Chairmen, Secretary of TGCHE and Chairman, Telangana Admission and Fee Regulatory Committee (TAFRC).

The TGCHE Diary 2025 is a comprehensive booklet that provides valuable information on important dates, events, and deadlines relevant to the higher education sector in Telangana. The planner and the table calendar are designed to help users stay organized and focused throughout the year.

The release of the TGCHE Diary 2025 and planner cum table calendar is part of the council's efforts to enhance communication, coordination, and planning among stakeholders in the higher education sector.

**An Industry-Academia Conclave On
Educating and Training the Next generation Workforce For innovation
Jointly organized by IIT Madras and Telangana Council of Higher Education**



An Industry-Academia Conclave on Educating and Training the Next-Generation Workforce for Innovation and a Workshop on Design Curriculum & Course Structure of UG Engineering Programme

A two days event was held on 7th and 8th January 2025 to address the gaps between the industry and Academia and its impact on creating a skilled taskforce in the present times.

On 7th January 2025 an Industry-Academia Conclave on educating and training the Next Generation Workforce for innovation was organized by IIT Madras and Telangana Council of Higher Education, in Hyderabad. In his inaugural address Hyderabad. Prof V Balakista Reddy stressed on integration of technology with education. He stated that there are very wide avenues to explore in the wake of liberalization leading to privatization of education. The growing digitalization and subsequently the experience with pandemic has led to Covidization leading to new impact on both the industry and academia. He concluded that the state-controlled industries have been replaced by private industries leading to spurt in innovation from deep sea to outer space.

Prof Pratap Haridoss, Dean (Academics) IIT Madras stated that it is an undeniable fact that they are gaps between the industry and academics and it is prudent that those gaps are filled.

Mr Prasanth Nandella, President of Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association called for creating path breaking solutions and the need of informing the faculty to understand the needs of the industry along with redesigning the learning skills for the students.

This was followed by a panel discussion consisting of experts from industry and academia.

- Ms. Srividya Ramakrishnan, Head, R&D for drug substance at Aurigene Pharmaceutical Services Ltd.
- Mr. Sajjad Ahmed Shaik, Global Head of Learning for Insights & Data unit of Capgemini
- Prof. Prathap Haridoss, Dean (Academic Courses) IIT Madras
- Mr. Naga Bharath Daka, Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer of Skyroot Aerospace

- Mr. Prashanth Nandella President of Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association
- Prof. Vignesh Muthuvijayan (Moderator), Associate Chair of the Centre of Outreach and Digital Education at IIT Madras

The panel discussion covered a wide range of issues wherein the panellists deliberated upon the state of education in the technical institutions of India, the challenges of breaking the conventional pedagogies, the requirements of the industry and the challenges of investing in R&D which can be addressed by inducting the students in research projects. The new scenario in terms of the role of Human Resources department and its involvement in identifying innovation, giving space to diversity, addressing quality and scaling them and inculcating the values of innovation and change was emphasized. Some of panellists who were alumni of IITs also gave inputs about fostering a scientific spirit at the school level, and take it ahead with a vigour of providing a research environment with a cutting edge to students that provide them with ample opportunities for overcoming all kind of barriers to conduct experimentations. The panel discussion ended with a question-and-answer session.

This debate was taken ahead on 8 January 2025 through a workshop on Design Curriculum & Course Structure of UG Engineering Programme at the Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad in order to review the existing curriculum. The inaugural session had the following speakers.

1. **Prof. N.V. Ramana**, Director, DAAF, JNTUH.
2. **Prof. V. Balakista Reddy**, Chairman, TGCHC & Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, JNTUH.
3. **Prof. K. Vijaya Kumar Reddy**, Rector, JNTUH.
4. **Prof. K. Venkateswara Rao**, Registrar, JNTUH.
5. **Prof. Pratap Haridoss**, Dean (Academic courses), IIT Madras
6. **Prof. Andrew Thangaraj**, Chair, Centre for Outreach and Digital Education (CODE), IIT Madras.

Later Dr. Amit Dutta, Director, AICTE, New Delhi spoke on the AICTE initiatives and Support System for the Quality Enhancement and Sustenance of Engineering Education.

Dr. Sandhya Chintala, Executive Director, IT-ITeS Skills Council & VP, NASSCOM addressed the stakeholders about Education and Training for the Next Generation Workforce

Colonel (Retd.) Sai Shankar, P.VSM, Technical Manager, National Quantum Mission, gave an overview of Quantum Technologies and Relevant Courses for Academic Institutions.

Prof. Andrew Thangaraj, Chair, Centre for Outreach and Digital Education (CODE), IIT Madras apprised the audience about the initiatives of the IIT Madras on Learning and Teaching Resources Embedded with Digital Educational and Skill Training.

Dr. N.V. Ramana, Director, DAAF, JNTUH, shared his views on the Course Structure, Credit Distribution and Best practices of JNTU, Hyderabad

Dr. J.P. Tegar, Professor of Civil & Environmental Engg., from the National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research, Bhopal spoke on the Futuristic Curriculum of UG Engineering Program: Design and Development Considerations

Empowering Women through Education: Prof. V. Balakista Reddy Attends 13th Graduation Ceremony of RBVRR Women's College"



"Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education, addressing the graduates at the 13th Graduation Ceremony of RBVRR Women's College"

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman of Telangana Council of Higher Education, graced the 13th Graduation Ceremony of RBVRR Women's College as the Chief Guest on 10th January 2025. The ceremony marked a significant milestone for the institution, established in 1954, which has been empowering women through education for over six decades.

During the event, Prof. Reddy emphasized the importance of education in shaping the future of individuals and society. He congratulated the graduating students on their achievement and encouraged them to become active contributors to the nation's growth.

The graduation ceremony was a testament to the institution's commitment to academic excellence and its dedication to nurturing talented and confident women who can make a positive impact in the world.

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy Inspires Young Minds at Indus Valley International School's 8th Annual Day Celebrations



"Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, with students and faculty of Indus Valley International School during the 8th Annual Day celebrations on January 10, 2025

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), attended the 8th Annual Day celebrations of Indus Valley International School on January 10, 2025, as the Chief Guest. The event, themed "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (The World is One Family),

showcased the school's commitment to fostering global citizenship and cultural exchange.

In his address, Prof. Reddy emphasized the importance of education in shaping the future of individuals and society. He encouraged the students to become active learners, critical thinkers, and compassionate global citizens.

The event featured a range of cultural performances, academic exhibitions, and awards ceremonies, highlighting the school's achievements in academics, arts, and sports.

A Discussion Between TGCHE and University of California, Berkely



An informal meeting between Academic administrators who are also eminent scholars in their respective domains on 13 January 2025. They deliberated on nurturing a skilled taskforce in India and on exploring collaborations between the University of California, Berkeley and the technical intuitions based in Telangana. The attendees in the meeting were - Prof V.Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana State Council of Higher Education & Vice-Chancellor I/c, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad (JNTU), Prof B.S. Murty, Director, IIT Hyderabad, Prof Solomon Darwin, Director ,Garwood Center for Corporate Innovation, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley, Prof Murali Krishna, JNTU, Hyderabad and Dr Raj Kumar, Centre for Migration Medicine, Panel Physician for the US Consulate, Hyderabad.

This was in line with the prevalent objectives of collaborations with institutions for a global outreach and for seeking benefits of technology transfer in the technical education sector. The institutions of Telangana have a rich legacy of imparting quality education and in contributing a skilled taskforce around the globe.

The meeting addressed a range of issues related to the global surge in the demand for Semi-conductors and the scope of the students of the technical institutions of Telangana to fill the gap between supply and demand. It was felt that the introduction of diploma courses that lay emphasis on skill development and empowerment.

The provision of scholarship to students of Telangana and other institutions to attend the proposed dual degree program and the focus on skill-oriented collaboration and the diversification of new courses – B. Tech in Sustainability was highlighted. The role of the Indian Corporate sector in terms of sponsorship must be explored in research and innovation and in the establishment of Special Centres of Learning. It was felt that the industry – Academia ties are the need of the hour. So, a provision of involvement of technology intensive industries involved in semiconductors, aviation,

space programs, automobiles, Mineral extraction, IT sector as part of the corporate social responsibility.

On the academic front the role of collaboration in the domain of Intellectual Property Rights and Patents and the exploration of the dual degree program between technical institutions of Telangana and the University of California was discussed. Programs like B. Tech and even PhD could have the provision of the involvement of the institutions of Telangana and the United States and the modalities about the curriculum and research could be worked out.

The provision of FDPs in order to train the faculty of technical institutions for collaborations with the faculty of University of California and the provision of a standardized course in technology that is also able to address and overcome regional and cultural diversities and the scope of hybrid classroom was discussed.

It was emphasized that Education is vital for economic growth and that we must enrich the students and empower the faculty to take giant strides in the present globalized economic and technological order. So, India can respond to the growing demands of the global market by also ensuring that education is at doorstep is possible with the advent of technological progress.

The discussion concluded with exploring scholarship through the Indian diaspora for the students of Telangana and for exercising a positive approach in wake of the geopolitical trends across the world.

TGCHE and FICCI Explore Collaboration Opportunities for Enhancing Higher Education



Chairman, TGCHE, in discussion with FICCI representatives, exploring opportunities for collaboration in higher education, at the TGCHE office on January 15, 2025.

The Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) hosted a meeting with representatives from the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) at the TGCHE office on January 15, 2025. The meeting aimed to identify potential areas of collaboration between FICCI and TGCHE, with a focus on enhancing the quality of higher education in Telangana. Dr. Sudhakar Rao, Chairman, FICCI Telangana Education Committee; Mr Rajiv Julakanti, Head - FICCI Telangana State Council; B Jyostna, Dy Director, FICCI were present.

Key areas of discussion included competency building and skill development programs for educators, curriculum revision, startup policies for institutions of higher education, and encouraging student participation in educational conferences.

This meeting marks a significant step towards fostering industry-academia partnerships and promoting excellence in higher education.

TGCHE Announces Key Initiatives to Strengthen Higher Education in Telangana



The Telangana Council of Higher Education launched a series of strategic initiatives on 16th January 2025. It aims at enhancing employability rate in the state, fostering innovation, and strengthening collaboration between academia and industry.

A major revision of the undergraduate curriculum is underway to align with global trends and evolving job market needs. The syllabus revamps aims to integrate practical skills with theoretical knowledge; ensuring students are industry-ready and equipped with relevant competencies. Subject-specific committees, led by TGCHE's leadership, are driving this effort, with implementation expected soon.

In an effort to foster inclusivity and collaboration, TGCHE welcomed suggestions from stakeholders, including academicians, industry experts, students, and policymakers. A dedicated 'Google form' had been made available on the official website: www.tgche.ac.in. The suggestions will focus on key areas such as digital transformation, curriculum alignment with industry needs, faculty development, research enhancement, and improving access and equity in education. This initiative reflects TGCHE's commitment to promoting excellence and innovation in higher education across the state.

Additionally, TGCHE introduced an internship programme designed to provide practical exposure in higher education governance, policy-making, and institutional management. The internship programme aims to bridge academic learning with real-world challenges, offering students valuable experience in policy analysis, research, and project management. Interns will gain networking opportunities with education leaders, contributing to a skilled workforce for contemporary challenges such as digital transformation and sustainability.

The key objectives are to integrate hands-on learning and industry-relevant knowledge, develop key employability competencies and to equip students with industry-aligned skills to enhance global competitiveness.

Subject-specific committees led by TGCHE Chairman and Vice-Chairmen are spearheading the syllabus revision, with implementation planned soon. The TGCHE has invited suggestions from stakeholders, including academicians, industry experts, students, and policymakers, to foster collaboration and inclusivity, through a dedicated Google form for suggestions on its website. The focus areas for suggestions:

- Integration of Technology and Digital Transformation.

- Curriculum Revamp for Industry Alignment and improve employability.
- Strengthening Research and Development.
- Faculty Development Programs.
- Improving Access and Equity.
- Promoting Internships and Skill Development.

The Telangana Council of Higher Education is committed to help students build successful careers, and to inculcate an innovative thinking and imbibe a culture of lifelong learning. It strives to usher in towards a future where every deserving student, gets access to education, which transforms them and help them attain growth, self-reliance, and social progress, across the state of Telangana. Hence it intends to involve interested students in this project by offering them unpaid internship and as well as seek feedback from the members of the teaching community and other stakeholders in general – parents/ working professionals/ social activists and potential employers.

This is first of its kind as it seeks to directly reach out the stakeholders to ascertain their views approach, to study their respective experiences, understand the aspirations of our students and to usher in change by seeking to incorporate their views on the demands pertaining to skill development, employability, current trends in the society and in the economic system

By addressing the three core components firstly the Students Community - Students are inalienable part of our future and will play a significant role in the growth and development of our nation. Secondly - Teaching Community - who play a significant role in the dissemination of knowledge and in empowering the student community with requisite skills for their professional growth. The teaching community can help us in identifying the gaps – curriculum and the demands of the industry, gaps in theory and practical aspects in the curriculum. Finally, we would like to seek suggestions from the general public particularly from the parents/working professionals and social activists. While we are in touch with the industry and will solicit their views directly in our one-to-one interactions.

The attempt of the TGCHE is to seek views from these stakeholders through online is in consonance with our aim to integrate technology in our day-to-day interaction with the stakeholders. The feedback and suggestions would be helpful in working towards our objective of creating a very skilled taskforce from all the streams of knowledge and nurture the benefits of the demographic dividend wherein we are able to ensure that our nation with a vast population of youth is well-endowed with knowledge, education and skills to take the nation ahead as a knowledge power in the fast-changing world.

The rationale behind the internship to students and seeking the feedback will also help students build successful careers, and to inculcate an innovative thinking and imbibe a culture of lifelong learning apart from promoting empowerment, social progress and professional growth of students. While we would strive to make Telangana as one of the leading states in providing quality higher education, it is also an attempt to serve the larger goal of seeking to promote economic growth, social justice, social harmony and civic citizenship.

Book Release: TGCHE Chairman and Vice-Chairman Attend Literary Event



"Chairman, TGCHE, and Vice-Chairman, TGCHE, at the book release function of 'Marapurani Gnapakalu' written by Prof. Kumbham Madhusudhan Reddy, released by former Supreme Court Justice Sudhershnan Reddy on January 18, 2025."

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) attended the book release function of "Marapurani Gnapakalu" written by Prof. Kumbham Madhusudhan Reddy on January 18, 2025. The book was released by former Supreme Court Justice Sudhershnan Reddy.

The event was attended by several prominent personalities, including MLC Kavi, Prof. Kodandaram, a renowned political activist and retired Professor of Political Science from Osmania University, and Sri. Goreti Venkanna, a celebrated poet, singer, and lyricist, who is also a Member of Legislative Council (MLC) in Telangana. Additionally, Sri. Venugopal Reddy, Chairman of Bharat Education Institutions, was also present at the event.

The book release function highlighted the importance of literary contributions to society, and commitment to promoting academic excellence and cultural enrichment.

Strengthening Academic Ties: TGCHE and APSCHE Collaborate for Excellence



"Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, and Prof. K. Madhu Murthy, Chairman, APSCHE, discussed collaborative initiatives for academic excellence at the TGCHE office."

In a significant step towards fostering academic excellence and innovation, Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), and Prof. K. Madhu Murthy, Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE), met at the TGCHE office to explore avenues for mutual cooperation in higher education on 18th January 2025.

The meeting, held in a cordial and constructive atmosphere, focused on promoting academic excellence, fostering innovation, and identifying opportunities for joint initiatives that benefit students and faculty across both states. Both Chairpersons emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts in enhancing the quality of education, research, and skill development in the region.

The exchange of ideas and experiences aimed to lay the foundation for sustainable partnerships between the councils, marking a pivotal moment in forging stronger ties between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in the pursuit of educational advancements.

Telangana State Universities Gear Up for Transformation



"TGCHE & Vice Chancellors of Telangana State Universities gather at the Telangana Secretariat for a preliminary meeting to discuss key reforms and pending issues."

A preliminary meeting (HCM Meeting) was convened by the Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, on January 21, 2025, at the Telangana Secretariat. The meeting brought together all Vice Chancellors of state universities to discuss key achievements, reforms, and pending issues requiring government approval. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Secretary TGCHE also attended the meeting.

Major Discussion Points:

- **Reforms and Achievements:** Highlighting major reforms undertaken by state universities and their significant achievements in academics, research, and infrastructure development.
- **Pending Issues:** Addressing pending issues that require government approval, including recruitment, service matters, infrastructure development, and academic and research initiatives.

International Collaboration in Higher Education: A New Era of Knowledge Sharing



"Academic team from Manchester Metropolitan University meets Chairman, TGCHE, at the British Deputy High Commission to discuss international collaborations in higher education."

A delegation of academics from Manchester Metropolitan University's Design School and Fashion School met with Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) on 22nd January 2025 at the British Deputy High Commission. The meeting aimed at exploring opportunities for internationalizing their programs and establishing Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with institutions of Higher Education in Telangana.

The academic team from Manchester Metropolitan University comprised:

- Dr. Rachelle Viader Knowles, Head of International for Arts and Humanities
- Dr. Wahida Khandker, Senior Lecturer
- Dr. Christopher Thomas, Lecturer
- Ms. Prachi Hajela, Country Manager
- Caroline Collier, Lecturer in TESOL

This meeting marked a significant step towards fostering global collaborations in higher education. By sharing knowledge, expertise, and resources, institutions can enhance the quality of education, promote cultural exchange, and drive innovation.

Empowering Future Leaders: Chairman TGCHE Graces Loyola Academy's 9th Convocation

9th Graduation Day Celebrations 25th January, 2025



"Chairman, TGCHE, gracing the 9th Convocation Day of Loyola Academy Degree & PG College as Chief Guest, inspiring young graduates to become future leaders."

The Loyola Academy Degree & PG College celebrated its 9th Convocation Day on 25th January 2025, marking a significant milestone in the academic journey of its graduating students. Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), attended the ceremony as the Chief Guest, imparting valuable insights and inspiration to the young graduates.

During the convocation, degrees were conferred upon students who successfully completed their undergraduate and postgraduate programs. The Chairman, TGCHE, congratulated the graduates on their achievement and encouraged them to become active contributors to society.

Innovating the Future: Chairman TGCHE Addresses National Seminar on Database Application Program Interface:



“Chairman, TGCHE, addressing the National Seminar on Innovative Techniques in Associating Database Application Program Interface at Smt. A. Syamala Devi Degree College for Women on January 25, 2025.”

Smt. A. Syamala Devi Degree College for Women hosted a National Seminar on "Innovative Techniques in Associating Database Application Program Interface" on January 25, 2025. Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), attended the seminar as the Chief Guest, sharing his expertise and insights on the latest trends and innovations in database technology.

The seminar brought together experts, researchers, and students to explore the latest advancements and challenges in database application program interfaces. The Chairman, TGCHE, delivered a keynote address, highlighting the significance of innovative techniques in database technology and their applications in various fields.

Chairman, TGCHE, Graced ANCIPS Conference as Guest of Honour

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, addressing the gathering at ANCIPS conference

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman of Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), attended the ANCIPS conference on "Neurobiology of Illness to Wellness" as the Guest of Honour at HICC, Hyderabad on January 25, 2025.

During the conference, Prof. Reddy highlighted the importance of fostering collaboration between academia, industry, and healthcare professionals to advance our understanding of the neurobiology of illness and wellness. His presence and address added significant value to the conference, inspiring researchers and experts to work together towards promoting wellness and combating illness.

Unveiling of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's Statue at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Telangana, along with other distinguished dignitaries, unveiling the statue of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad.

Hyderabad, 26th January 2025. The unveiling ceremony of the statue of Bharat Ratna Dr. B. R. Ambedkar was held with great reverence at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University (BRAOU), Hyderabad. The momentous occasion was graced by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Telangana as the Chief Guest, along with the Hon'ble Minister for Transport and BC Welfare.

The event witnessed the esteemed presence of the Chief Secretary to the Government of Telangana, the Secretary of the Education Department, and the Vice-Chancellor of BRAOU. The Chairman of the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) attended as the Guest of Honour and highlighted Dr. Ambedkar's contributions to India's constitutional framework and educational reforms, social justice, and nation-building.

In his address, the Hon'ble Chief Minister underscored the values and vision of Dr. Ambedkar, emphasizing the importance of inclusive education and equal opportunities for all. The dignitaries paid floral tributes to the statue, reaffirming their commitment to upholding his legacy in shaping an equitable society.

TGCHE Chairman Prof. V. Balakista Reddy Joins Hands with ASEZ for 'Save the Earth' Initiative

"Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, joins ASEZ members for the 'Save the Earth' initiative at Sanjeevayya Park, Hyderabad, promoting environmental conservation and sustainability."

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) attended the 'Save the Earth' initiative organized by ASEZ (A to Z Save the Earth) at Sanjeevayya Park, Hyderabad on January 27, 2025.



The event, which drew nearly 200 ASEZ members, featured an extensive cleanliness drive around the park, its surrounding areas, and the nearby lake.

In his inaugural address, Prof. Reddy emphasized the importance of environmental conservation and protection in the 21st century, highlighting it as a pressing challenge that surpasses socio-economic and political issues.

Prof. Reddy commended ASEZ for their commitment to environmental causes, praising their efforts in organizing initiatives that raise awareness and inspire positive change. He expressed pride in seeing the youth actively involved in preserving the environment and contributing towards a cleaner and greener future.

Government of Telangana, Higher Education (UE) Department

G.O.Ms.No.3

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Higher Education Department – Enhancement of age of superannuation of regular Teachers working in the Universities of the State of Telangana under the administrative control of Higher Education Department and who are drawing UGC scale of pay in Universities in the State from 60 years to 65 years - Orders – Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (UE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.3,

Dated.28.01.2025

Read:

From the Secretary, TGCHE Lr.No.3012/TGCHE/UMS/Enhancement of superannuation/2025, dt.28.01.2025.

ORDER:

The Secretary, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), Hyderabad in the reference read above has informed that in the State Universities, the last recruitment taken up in 2013. Since, then, many teachers have retired. The quality of education and research in universities suffering due to acute shortage of university teachers including in getting NAAC/NBA/NRIF/National/International Accreditations and Rankings. The Council opined that, in order to keep up expertise and also to retain the senior most faculty in the Telangana State Universities for some more time that facilities maintaining the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) grading and to protect the quality of teaching, research and academic standards in the Universities, and to maintain an academic ecosystem in universities, the age of superannuation may be enhanced from 60-65 years.

2. He has further stated that the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India addressed the Lr.No.1-32/2006-U. II/U.I(1), Dt.31.12.2008 to University Grants Commission(UGC), New Delhi communicating the scheme of the revision of pay scale for teachers and equivalent cadre in Universities and Colleges following the revised pay scales of Central Govt. employees. Accordingly, the UGC implemented to the revised pay scales to all the Central Universities and centrally funded institutions and informed all the States to implement the same to the Universities and Colleges implementing UGC Scales. The UGC pay scales are being implemented by the Government of Telangana to the teachers of all state universities and colleges where ever UGC Scales are applied.

3. The Secretary, Telangana Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad has stated that based on the UGC Regulations 2018, the Government of Telangana vide G.O.Ms.No.15 Dt.29.06.2019 implemented the UGC Revised Pay Scales, 2016 to the Teaching staff in Universities and Colleges with effect from 01.01.2016. Therefore, he has requested to enhance the age of superannuation of university teachers from 60 to 65 years in the State.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby enhance the age of superannuation of regular teachers working in the State Universities of the Telangana under the administrative control of Higher Education Department from 60 years to 65 years. The enhanced age of superannuation is applicable only to the teaching faculty, who are drawing UGC Scale of pay in the State Universities of Telangana under the administrative control of Higher Education Department.

5. The Registrars of all the Universities in the State under the administrative control of Higher Education Department shall take necessary consequential action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

DR.YOGITA RANA
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:

All the Registrars of Universities of the State of Telangana under the administrative control of Higher Education Department.

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Copy to:

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Workshop on All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) held in TGCHE:



Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, addressing the workshop

A workshop on All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) was organized by the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE) at its office in Hyderabad on January 27, 2025. The workshop aimed to prepare a sound database on higher education in the country and discuss issues related to uploading data on the AISHE portal.

The workshop was attended by University Nodal Officers (UNOs), Sectoral Officers from the Ministry of Education, and officials from AISHE and TGCHE. Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, emphasized the importance of the AISHE database and its uses. Shri. Sourabh Kant, Assistant Director, AISHE, sorted out queries and insisted on speeding up the process of uploading data before the deadline of February 15; 2025. The workshop appreciated the efforts of the Telangana state government in organizing the event.

Chairman, TGCHE Makes Surprise Visit to NMIMS Hyderabad



Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, interacting with students and faculty at NMIMS Hyderabad campus in Jadcherla

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman of Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), made a surprise visit to NMIMS Hyderabad campus in Jadcherla on January 30, 2025. During his visit, he interacted with students and management, sharing his insights on the importance of quality education, innovation, and industry-academia collaboration.

TGCHE Chairman Launches Diary & Calendar 2025 for Telangana Retired College Teachers Association



"Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCHE, Launching the Diary 2025 for the Telangana Retired College Teachers Association on January 31, 2025."

Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Chairman, Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), attended the Launch of the Diary & Calendar 2025 for the Telangana Retired College Teachers Association (TRCTA) on January 31, 2025.

The event marked an important milestone for the association, which aims to promote the welfare and interests of retired college teachers in Telangana. The diary, which was unveiled by Prof. Reddy, serves as a symbol of the association's commitment to its members and the broader education community.

In his remarks, Prof. Reddy emphasized the importance of recognizing the contributions of retired teachers and promoting their continued engagement with the education sector. He also expressed his appreciation for the association's efforts to support its members and advance the cause of education in Telangana.

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వచ్చే ఏడాది నుంచి

డిగ్రీ స్టూడెంట్లకు స్టడీ మెటీరియల్

హయ్యర్ ఎడ్యుకేషన్ కౌన్సిల్
చైర్మన్ వెల్లడి

హైదరాబాద్, వెలుగు: వచ్చే విద్యా సంవత్సరం నుంచి డిగ్రీ విద్యార్థులకు స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ అందించేందుకు చర్యలు తీసుకుంటున్నామని హయ్యర్ ఎడ్యుకేషన్ కౌన్సిల్ చైర్మన్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి తెలిపారు. అన్ని గ్రూపుల సబ్జెక్టులకు యూజీసీ రూల్స్ కు తగ్గట్టుగా మెటీరియల్ తయారుచేసి ఇస్తామన్నారు. వచ్చే విద్యా సంవత్సరం ఎంపిక చేసిన కాలేజీల్లో బీఏ కోర్సులో డిఫెన్స్ అండ్ సెక్యూ

రిటీ కోర్సును ప్రవేశపెట్టే యోచన ఉందని చెప్పారు. సోమవారం ఉన్నత విద్యా మండలి ఆఫీసులో బీజీ సీహెచ్ఈ డైరీ, క్యాలెండర్ ను టీఎఫ్ఆర్సీ చైర్మన్ గోపాల్ రెడ్డి, కౌన్సిల్ వైస్ చైర్మన్లు మహమూద్, ఇటిక్యాల పురుషోత్తం తో కలిసి బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి విడుదల చేశారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా ఆయన మాట్లాడుతూ... వచ్చే విద్యా సంవత్సరం డిగ్రీ సిలబస్ లో మార్పులు చేయబోతున్నామన్నారు. దీనికి సంబంధించి ప్రత్యేకంగా సబ్జెక్ట్ ఎక్స్ పర్ట్స్ తో కమిటీలు వేశామని వెల్లడించారు.

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ఉన్నత విద్యలో సమూల మార్పులు

ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ప్రొఫెసర్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి

సాక్షి, హైదరాబాద్: రాష్ట్ర ఉన్నత విద్యలో సమూల మార్పులకు శ్రీకారం చుట్టబోతున్నామని, ప్రత్యేక స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ ను డిగ్రీ విద్యార్థులకు అందుబాటులోకి తీసుకురానున్నామని ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ప్రొఫెసర్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి తెలిపారు. మండలి రూపొందించిన డైరీ, కేలండర్ ను సోమవారం



ఆయన ఆవిష్కరించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా మాట్లాడుతూ, గ్రామీణ ప్రాంతాలకు చెందిన విద్యార్థులకు ఉపయుక్తంగా ఉండేలా ఈ స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ ను అందుబాటులోకి తీసుకున్నామని చెప్పారు. సబ్జెక్టుకు చెందిన ముఖ్యాంశాలు గ్రహించేలా, పరీక్షలకు సన్నద్ధం చేయడానికి ఈ స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ తోడ్పడుతుందని తెలిపారు. లోతైన అధ్యయనం చేసేవారి కోసం రెఫరెన్స్ పుస్తకాల వివరాలను సైతం ఈ స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ లో పొందుపరుస్తామన్నారు. పోటీపరీక్షల అభ్యర్థులు రూపొందించుకునే స్టడీ మెటీరియల్ లా ఇది ఉంటుందన్నారు. డిగ్రీ కోర్సుల సిలబస్ ను 30 శాతం చొప్పున మార్చాలని ఇప్పటికే మండలి నిర్ణయించిందని పేర్కొన్నారు. కాగా, శరీరశోధనను ప్రోత్సహించేలా ఈ సిలబస్ ను రూపొందిస్తున్నామని చెప్పారు.

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TGCHE revamps undergraduate courses: Chairman

PROF V BALAKISTA REDDY ADDRESSES STAFF AND STUDENTS' CONCERNS AT JNTUH ON MONDAY



HANS NEWS SERVICE HYDERABAD

THE Telangana Council for Higher Education (TGCHE) is on a mission to revamp undergraduate courses, as announced by its Chairman and in-charge Vice-Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTUH), Prof V Balakista Reddy. On Monday, he released the 2025 calendar, diary, and planner for both TGCHE and JNTUH.

During his address to the teaching and non-teaching staff at JNTUH, Prof. Reddy introduced a special online portal

for pensioners called "Administration at the Doorsteps of the Needy". This platform enables pensioners to report their issues online, eliminating the need for in-person visits to offices. He also announced that the arrears related to the pay revision of teachers for the period from 2016 to 2019 have been released. Additionally, the Vice-Chancellor emphasised that initiatives are being undertaken to address the concerns of non-teaching staff, as well as the issues faced by outsourced employees and contract teachers. "It is our responsibility to prioritize our staff. Our team

is working diligently to find solutions to all challenges," he stated.

Regarding TGCHE, Prof Reddy mentioned that the council is considering providing study materials to degree students starting in the upcoming academic year. This initiative aims to help students from rural and economically disadvantaged backgrounds access quality educational resources. He noted that the TGCHE is prioritising curriculum revamping and has formed subject-specific committees for this purpose in undergraduate courses.

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మంగళవారం జనవరి 7, 2025



డైరీని ఆవిష్కరిస్తున్న బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి, గోపాల్ రెడ్డి, చిత్రం ప్రకాష్, శ్రీరాం వెంకటేశ్, పురుషోత్తం, మహమూద్

డిగ్రీ విద్యార్థులకు రీడింగ్ మెటీరియల్

రాష్ట్ర ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ఆచార్య బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి

ఈనాడు, హైదరాబాద్: రాష్ట్రంలోని డిగ్రీ విద్యార్థులకు వచ్చే విద్యాసంవత్సరం(2025-26) సబ్జెక్టుల వారీగా రీడింగ్ మెటీరియల్ అందజేసే యోచనలో ఉన్నామని రాష్ట్ర ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ఆచార్య బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి తెలిపారు. గ్రామీణ విద్యార్థులు సులభంగా అర్థం చేసుకునేలా సబ్జెక్టుల వారీగా వీటిని రూపొందించి టీఎఫ్ఆర్సీ రూపంలో అందజేస్తామన్నారు. సోమవారం హైదరాబాద్ లోని తన కార్యాలయంలో టీఎఫ్ఆర్సీ చైర్మన్ జస్టిస్ గోపాల్ రెడ్డి, మండలి ఉపాధ్యక్షులు ఆచార్య ఎస్ కె మహమూద్, ఆచార్య పురుషోత్తం, కార్యదర్శి ఆచార్య శ్రీరాం వెంకటేశ్ తో కలిసి ఆయన ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి నూతన సంవత్సర డైరీ, టేబుల్ క్యాలెండర్లను ఆవిష్కరించారు. అనంతరం బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి మాట్లాడుతూ... ఈ మెటీరియల్ పోటీ పరీక్షలకు సన్నద్ధమయ్యేందుకు కూడా ఉపయోగపడుతుందన్నారు. ఉన్నత విద్య ప్రవేశాలకు సంబంధించి స్థానిక, స్థానికేతర అంశంపై ముసాయిదా రూపొందిస్తున్నామని, దానిపై చర్చించి నిర్ణయాలు వెల్లడిస్తామన్నారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో విద్యామండలి ఫైనాన్స్ ఆధికారి ప్రకాష్ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.



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TG varsities face faculty shortage

As per details, out of 2,817 teaching posts, 2,060 are vacant

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Osmania University, one of the oldest and prestigious universities in the country, has been operating with just 28 per cent regular faculty out of a sanctioned strength of 1,267 positions.

Of the total sanctioned posts, 354 teachers, including professors, associate and assistant professors, are currently on the university rolls. This means, vacancies are more than three times the regular working staff.

The vacancies will further increase as another 19 senior professors in various departments are set to superannuate this year. This month alone, three professors, one each from Business Management, Chemistry, and Physics departments will retire.

With departments witnessing supernumeraries and no regular recruitment in sight, the student-teacher ratio, which is considered one of the parameters for educational standards and rankings, is taking a heavy beating.

The situation has become so alarming that several departments, including Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Journalism and Mass Communication, and Psychology are being operated without a single professor.

Further, the OU that had been established as the first



Osmania University has been operating with just 28 per cent regular faculty out of a sanctioned strength of 1,267 positions.

Osmania University announces third, fifth semester results

HYDERABAD: The results for the third and fifth semester regular examinations of the Osmania University have been announced on Tuesday.

The results are for different courses of the third and fifth semester regular examinations of the university in the subjects of the BSc, BCom, BBA and BA.

The examinations for the choice-based credit system (CBCS) programmes results of which were declared by the university on Tuesday were earlier conducted in the month of November 2024.

The students of these courses of the Osmania University can check their results on the university website. The results were placed by the university on Tuesday on the official website www.osmania.ac.in.

From the website, the students can check their individual results by clicking on the examination branch link and enter their hall ticket number.

university in the country with Urdu medium of instruction does not have a single regular faculty to teach in the Urdu department, reflecting the state of affairs in the university.

The university is somehow running the show with contract and part-time teachers who are being forced to take the additional workload of the supernumerary teachers for

meager salaries in comparison with regular counterparts.

Further, as several professors are retiring each year, the university is forced to reduce the PhD intake, which in turn affects the research work.

The OU is not alone. All the State universities are on the same page. As per the latest details available with the Telangana Council of Higher Education, out of 2,817 teaching posts in the 12 universities in the state, 2,060 posts are vacant in 2024, an increase from 1,977 in 2023.

The previous BRS government brought in Telangana Universities Common Recruitment Bill 2022 for smooth and transparent recruitment in universities. However, the Bill, which was referred by former Governor Tamilisai Soundararajan to the President of India for assent, never saw light of the day.

Meanwhile, the Congress government is yet to take a call on recruitment in the universities. The Council recently constituted a five-member high-level committee headed by Dr BRAQU Vice Chancellor Prof. Ghanta Chakrapani to prepare modalities for the recruitment of teaching staff in the State Universities and their supernumerary, in alignment with the UGC regulations, and asked for a report by January 25.

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UGC proposes big shake-up in teacher, VC appointments

Draft Eyes NEP Alignment, 'Inclusivity & Flexibility'

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New Delhi: The University Grants Commission has unveiled the draft of its 2025 regulations, introducing some groundbreaking changes like candidates can now only teach the subject in which they have the highest academic degree. But if a candidate wants to teach another subject, different from their highest academic specialisation, then the National Eligibility Test (NET) for that subject needs to be cleared.

For example, a candidate with a PhD in chemistry, despite holding a bachelor's in physics, would now only qualify to teach chemistry.

The regulations have also significantly broadened the eligibility criteria for selection of vice chancellors—distinguished professionals from fields such as industry, public administration and policy-making, and with a proven record of academic contributions, can now be considered for this role.

Stakeholders have been invited to review the draft and submit their feedback.

Inclusivity is another important aspect of these reforms. The new draft explicitly includes relaxations for economically weaker sections and persons with disabilities, alongside existing provisions for SC, ST and OBC candidates. It also encourages the use of Indian languages in research and teaching, and promoting cultural alignment with national priorities.

The proposed reforms, aimed at modernising the

NEW RECRUITMENT NORMS

Highlights of the latest draft UGC regulations

Subject Flexibility: Candidates can teach based on their highest academic specialisation, regardless of prior degree subjects or NET focus.

Expanded Vice-Chancellor Eligibility: Professionals from fields like industry and policymaking with academic contributions are now eligible.

Inclusivity Focus: Relaxations for EWS and PwD categories alongside SC/ST/OBC, with emphasis on Indian languages in academia.

Transparent Recruitment: Teaching candidates will be assessed on practical teaching and research aptitude.

Fair Career Advancement: Promotions consider leave for maternity, childcare, or study

Recognising Innovation: Criteria now include teaching innovations, digital content, and community engagement.

Revised Librarian and Sports Roles: Emphasis on digitalisation, indigenous sports, and public health contributions.



Professor of Practice: Industry experts can join HEIs for teaching and research outside sanctioned posts.

Improved Leadership Selection: Vice-Chancellor appointments ensure transparency through expert-led committees.

Strict Compliance Measures: HEIs violating regulations risk penalties like exclusion from UGC schemes and degree programmes.

recruitment and promotion framework for teachers and academic staff in higher education institutions, supersede the 2018 guidelines, promising to foster inclusivity, flexibility and alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Releasing the draft, Union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan said, "By promoting flexibility, inclusivity and recognising diverse talents, we are paving the way for a dynamic academic future for India." He emphasised the timely nature of these reforms in light of the ongoing implementation of NEP 2020.

The draft also extends the scope of qualifications by introducing provisions that recognise professional achievements, such as innovative teaching methods, digital content creation and contributions to research funding. "The revised regulations ensure that contributions to knowledge and

community, rather than rigid qualifications, are valued," UGC chairperson M Jagadeesh Kumar said.

It emphasises transparency and objectivity in recruitment. For example, candidates applying for teaching may be assessed on their teaching and research aptitude through seminars or lectures. In addition, faculty promotion under the career advancement scheme will now account for periods of leave taken for maternity, childcare or study ensuring fairness in career progression.

The draft also outlines updated qualifications for positions such as librarians and directors of physical education. Librarians will now be evaluated on their contributions to digitalisation and community engagement, while achievements in indigenous sports and public health initiatives will form key criteria for physical education directors.

States, private univs object to NEP rider for college ratings

New Delhi/Bengaluru: The University Grants Commission (UGC)'s draft notification to grade Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) based on their implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 has met with resistance from universities in Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and other states. These states, which have not adopted the NEP, argue that the proposed framework could prove disadvantageous to their institutions and students, report Manash Gohain & Sruthy Susan Ullas.

The notification, issued on Jan 3, 2025, outlines a plan to evaluate HEIs through a two-step process, emphasising NEP implementation to grant privileges and entitlements under various UGC regulations. Universities in states such as Tamil Nadu, which do not recognise NEP, driven four-year integrated degree programmes, have raised concerns over students losing out on govt job opportunities due to non-equivalence.

Vice-chancellors of several universities have questioned the fairness of such a system. A key contention is the weightage given to admissions through CUET. While the test is central to NEP's vision, universities from states not implementing the policy find the requirement problematic.

UGC has invited feedback from stakeholders through an online platform, with a 30-day window for submissions. However, the growing opposition underscores the tension between centralised policies and state autonomy.

Two-day meet held on bridging gap between industry, academia

- Focuses on next generation workforce for innovation
- Workshop on designing curriculum and course structure for UG Engineering programme organised

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A two-day event was held on January 7 and 8 to address the gaps between industry and academia and their impact on creating a skilled workforce in today's world.

On January 7, IIT Madras, in collaboration with the Telangana Council of Higher Education (TGCHE), organised an industry-academia conclave in Hyderabad focusing on educating and training the next-generation workforce for innovation.

TGCHE Chairman Prof Balakista Reddy emphasised integrating technology with education. He noted extensive opportunities to explore



in the wake of liberalisation and the privatisation of education. The surge in digitalisation and the experiences from the pandemic have led to what he termed "Civilisation", which has significantly influenced industry and academia. He concluded by stating that state-controlled industries have been replaced by private enterprises, resulting in a surge of innovation, extending from deep sea to outer space.

Prof Pratap Haridoss, Dean (Academics) at IIT Madras, acknowledged the existing gaps between industry and academia and expressed the importance of bridging those gaps.

Prasanth Nandella, President of the Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association, called for the creation of groundbreaking solutions and stressed the need for faculty members to understand the industry's requirements while redesigning student learning skills. This was followed by a panel discussion featuring experts from both industry and academia, including Srividya Ramakrishnan, Head of R&D for Drug Substance at Aurigene Pharmaceutical Services Ltd, Sajjad Ahmed Shaik, Global Head of Learning for Insights & Data unit at Capgemini, Prof Prathap Haridoss, Dean (Academic

Courses), IIT Madras, Naga Bharath Daka, Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer of Skyroot Aerospace, Prasanth Nandella, President of Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association, Prof Vignesh Muthuvijayan (moderator), Associate Chair of the Centre of Outreach and Digital Education at IIT Madras.

The panel discussion covered various issues, with the panellists discussing the state of education in India's technical institutions, the challenges of breaking conventional pedagogies, industry requirements, and the difficulties in investing in R&D, which could be addressed

by involving students in research projects.

The topic of the workshop during the second day was on designing the curriculum and course structure for the UG Engineering Programme held at Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTUH), Hyderabad, to review the existing curriculum. The speakers were – Prof NV Ramana, Director, DAAE, JNTUH, Prof V Balakista Reddy, Chairman, TGCH & Vice-Chancellor, JNTUH, Prof K Vijaya Kumar Reddy, Rector, JNTUH, Prof K Venkateswara Rao, Registrar, JNTUH, Prof Pratap Haridoss, Dean (Academic Courses), IIT Madras, Prof Andrew Thangaraj, Chair, Centre for Outreach and Digital Education (CODE), IIT Madras Later, Dr Amit Dutta, Director of AICTE, New Delhi, who spoke on the AICTE initiatives and support systems for enhancing and maintaining quality in engineering education. Dr Sandhya Chintala, Executive

Director of the IT-ITe Skills Council and Vice President of NASSCOM, addressed stakeholders about education and training for the next generation workforce. Colonel Sai Shankar, RVSM (Retd), Technical Manager for the National Quantum Mission, provided an overview of quantum technologies and relevant courses for academic institutions. Prof Andrew Thangaraj apprised the audience about IIT Madras' initiatives on learning and teaching resources embedded with digital education and skill training.

Dr NV Ramana shared insights into the course structure, credit distribution, and best practices at JNTUH, while Dr JP Tegar, Professor of Civil & Environmental Engineering at the National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research in Bhopal, discussed the futuristic curriculum of UG engineering programmes, design and development considerations.



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- విమానయాన రంగంలో బోలెడు ఉపాధి అవకాశాలు
- అందుబాటులో వేలాది ఉద్యోగాలు ● త్వరలో ఉమ్మడి ప్రవేశ పరీక్షల తేదీలను ప్రకటిస్తారు ● డిగ్రీ విద్యార్థులకు ఉచితంగా కోర్సు మెటీరియల్ ● యూజీసీ తాజా నిబంధనల ప్రకారం వర్సిటీల్లో ఖాళీల భర్తీ ● ఇంజనీరింగ్, డిగ్రీ, పీజీ సిలబస్‌ను మార్చుతున్నాం ● డిగ్రీ చదివిన విద్యార్థులకు వెంటనే ఉద్యోగం దక్కేలా అప్రోప్రియేట్ విధానం
- ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ ప్రత్యేక ఇంటర్నెట్ కనెక్షన్ విద్యా మండలి చైర్మన్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి

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వనరులను బాధ్యతగా వినియోగించాలి

నారాయణగూడ: ప్రకృతి మనకు అందించిన వనరులను బాధ్యతగా వినియోగించుకోవాలని తెలంగాణ రాష్ట్ర ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ప్రొ.వి.బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి అన్నారు. బుధవారం నారాయణగూడ బాబు జగ్జీవన్ రామ్ ప్రభుత్వ డిగ్రీ కళాశాలలో 'గ్రీన్ ట్రైనింగ్- పయనీరింగ్ ఎన్విరాన్మెంట్ సస్టెయినబిలిటీ' అనే అంశంపై రెండు రోజుల జాతీయ సదస్సు ప్రారంభమైంది. కళాశాల ప్రిన్సిపల్ కె.ప్రసాద్ డా.ఎం.విజయ్ కుమార్ అధ్యక్షతన జరిగిన కార్యక్రమంలో ముఖ్యఅతిథి ప్రొ.బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి మాట్లాడుతూ.. పర్యావరణ పరిరక్షణ, స్థిరత్వానికి సంబంధించిన ప్రాముఖ్యతను ప్రస్తావించారు. సదస్సులో ఇండోనేషియా, సుడాన్, యూకే, యూఎస్ఎ వంటి దేశాలతో పాటు దేశంలోని వివిధ రాష్ట్రాల నుంచి నిపుణులు, పరిశోధకులు హాజరై పత్ర సమర్పణ చేశారు. సదస్సు ప్రత్యేక సంచికను ఆవిష్కరించారు. పర్యావరణవేత్త పురుషోత్తం రెడ్డి, ప్రొ. డీఎస్ఆర్ రాజేంద్రసింగ్, ప్రొ. కె.శైలజ, డా.రామోలు శ్రీనివాస్, డా.సత్యనారాయణరెడ్డి, డా.రామలక్ష్మి, డా.కె.శ్రీనివాస్, డా.గంగాధర్ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

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ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి నాణ్యత, హైదరాబాద్ ఉన్నత విద్యలో అతి త్వరలో కొత్త నిలబస్ అందుబాటులోకి తీసుకొస్తున్నట్లు ఉన్నత విద్యామండలి చైర్మన్ ప్రొఫెసర్ వి.బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి తెలిపారు. ఇది విద్యను మరింత బలోపేతం చేస్తుందని ఆయన స్పష్టం చేశారు. మార్కెట్ డిమాండ్, పరిశ్రమల అవసరాలకు అనుగుణంగా అండర్ గ్రాడ్యుయేట్ పాఠ్యశాలను సవరించడానికి, అమలు చేయడానికి మండలి నేతృత్వంలో కోర్ కమిటీని ఏర్పాటు చేశారు. ఇందులో మండలి చైర్మన్, వైస్ చైర్మన్లు, కార్యదర్శి సభ్యులుగా ఉన్నారు. ఈ కమిటీ ఇప్పటికే నిపుణులతో కలసి కొత్త నిలబస్ను రూపొందించింది. దీనిపై తాజాగా అన్ని వర్గాల అభిప్రాయాలను త్రోవబెట్టి పనిలో ఉన్నట్లు బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి ఖత్రవారం మీడియాకు తెలిపారు. కొత్త నిలబస్లో టెక్నాలజీ, డిజిటల్ ట్రాన్స్ఫార్మేషన్‌కు సంబంధించిన ఇంటిగ్రేటెడ్, పరిశ్రమల అవసరాలకు అనుగుణంగా పాఠ్యశాల, పరిశోధన, అభివృద్ధి, ప్యాకేజీ అభివృద్ధి కార్యక్రమాలు ఉంటాయని ఆయన వివరించారు. ఇంటర్మీడియట్ కల్పన: యూజీసీ మార్గదర్శకాలకు అనుగుణంగా విద్యార్థులకు అకడమిక్ రివింగ్, వాస్తవ ప్రపంచ సవాళ్ల మధ్య అంతరాన్ని తగ్గించే లక్ష్యంతో ఇంటర్మీడియట్ కలిపింట్ నుండి నిర్ణయించినట్లు బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి తెలిపారు. దీని ద్వారా విధాన నిర్ణయాలు, గవర్నెన్స్ ప్రాజెక్ట్ మేనేజ్మెంట్ అనుభవాన్ని అందిస్తున్నారని తెలిపారు.

టెక్నాలజీ అభివృద్ధితోనే ప్రపంచాన్ని శాసించగలం

● జేఎన్టీయూ ఇన్-చార్జ్ వీసీ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి హైదరాబాద్ సీటీ, జనవరి 8 (ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి): టెక్నాలజీ అభివృద్ధితోనే ప్రపంచాన్ని శాసించగలమని జేఎన్టీయూ ఇన్-చార్జ్ వైస్ చాన్సలర్ డాక్టర్ బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి అన్నారు. ఆండర్ గ్రాడ్యుయేట్ ఇంజనీరింగ్ కోర్సుల సిలబస్‌ను సమూలంగా మార్చే నిమిత్తం బుధవారం జేఎన్టీయూలో వర్క్ షాప్ నిర్వహించారు. సెమినార్‌లో వచ్చే ఏడాది నుంచి అమలు చేయబోయే ఆరోగ్య రెగ్యులేషన్స్‌పై విస్తృతంగా కసరత్తు చేశారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా బాలకిష్టారెడ్డి మాట్లాడుతూ.. గ్లోబలైజేషన్ కారణంగా విద్యావ్యవస్థలో విప్లవాత్మక మార్పులు వచ్చాయని, అందుకు అనుగుణంగా ఇంజనీరింగ్ విద్యలో డిజిటలైజేషన్, మల్టీ, ఇంటర్, ఇంట్రా డిస్ప్లినరీ వ్యవస్థలను తీసుకురావాల్సిన అవసరం ఉందన్నారు. ప్రపంచానికి ఏమి అవసరమో గుర్తించి ఆ మేరకు కరిక్యులమ్‌లో చేయాల్సిన మార్పులను సూచించాలని అకడమిక్, ఇండస్ట్రీ నిపుణులను కోరారు. జేఎన్టీయూ విద్యార్థులకు ఆధునిక సాంకేతిక డిప్లొమా కోర్సులను అందించేందుకు ఐఐటీ మద్రాస్‌తో ఎంఓయూ కుదుర్చుకుంటున్నా

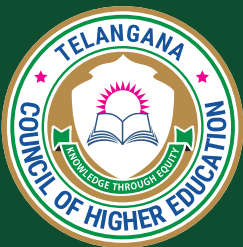


వర్క్ షాప్‌ను ప్రారంభిస్తున్న ఇన్-చార్జ్ వీసీ, రిజిస్ట్రార్, రెక్టర్ మని చెప్పారు.

నాన్-అకడమిక్ యాక్టివిటీస్ ప్రాధాన్యం

విద్యార్థులు ఉన్నతంగా ఎదగాలంటే అకడమిక్స్‌తో పాటు నాన్ అకడమిక్ యాక్టివిటీస్ కూడా ఎంతో ముఖ్యమని ఐఐఐటీ మద్రాస్ డీన్ ప్రతాప్ హరిదాస్ అన్నారు. తమ ఐఐఐటీలో చేరిన విద్యార్థులకు మొదటి రెండు సెమిస్టర్ల నాన్ అకడమిక్ యాక్టివిటీస్ కింద రిక్రియేషన్ కోర్సులను అందిస్తున్నట్లు చెప్పారు. ఐఐఐటీ మద్రాస్ నుంచి డిజిటలైజేషన్ డిప్లొమా కోర్సును అందించేందుకు జేఎన్టీయూతో అవగాహన కుదు

ర్చుకోనున్నట్లు చెప్పారు. జేఎన్టీయూ విద్యార్థులకు ప్రస్తుతం కల్పిస్తున్న రెండు సెలల ఇంటర్మీడియట్ సరిపోదని, ఐఐఐటీలో 8, 8 సెమిస్టర్లను మార్చి ఇంటర్మీడియట్ చేసేందుకు కేటాయించామన్నారు. వర్క్ షాప్‌లో పరుగులేగా పాల్గొన్న ఆలింపియా సాంకేతిక విద్యామండలి డైరెక్టర్ డాక్టర్ అమిత దుత్తా, నాన్ కామ్ వైస్ ప్రెసిడెంట్ చింతల సంద్య, ఐఐఐటీ డిజిటల్ ఎడ్యుకేషన్ కేంద్రం చైర్మన్ ప్రొఫెసర్ అంధ్రా తంగరాజ్ తదితరులు మాట్లాడుతూ.. ఇంజనీరింగ్ విద్యలో నాణ్యతను పెంచడం, భావితుల డిమాండ్‌లకు విద్యోగక్షణ, డిజిటల్ ఎడ్యుకేషన్ అండ్ స్కిల్ ట్రైనింగ్, విద్యారసంస్థలకు విద్యుదయోగ్యత అవశ్యకత తదితర అంశాలపై జేఎన్టీయూ అధికారులకు, ఇంజనీరింగ్ కాలేజీల అధ్యాపకులకు కీలక సూచనలు చేశారు. కార్యక్రమంలో పల్నాటి రెక్కాల్ విజయకుమార్ రెడ్డి, రిజిస్ట్రార్ వెంకటేశ్వరరావు, డైరెక్టర్ ఎస్పీ రమణ, కామాక్షి ప్రసాద్, వెంకటేశ్వర రెడ్డి, శ్రీదేవి, అరుణకుమారి, రజనీ, రవీంద్రారెడ్డి, సురేశ్ కుమార్ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.



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