



# Higher Education Forum

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## 'SKILL INDIA, BUILD INDIA'

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## About Higher Education Forum

Started in 2010, Higher Education Forum (HEF) is promoted as an advocacy group of individuals concerned with issues and challenges in the landscape of higher education in India. The individuals include representatives from all stakeholders of higher education. The sole objective of the forum is to help create an excellent world class higher education system in India. This encompasses creation of appropriate structure, strategies, processes and development of institutions.

Within hardly few years of existence, the forum has emerged as the largest such on-line community on a global scale with more than 4,500 members. HEF regularly conducts various events like round table discussions, faculty development programs, workshops, seminars, scholarships and many more. HEF is also involved in a number of capacity building activities including a bi-annual journal "HEF Indian Journal of Higher Education" which is the only journal in the space of higher education in India.

Besides institutional partners, the members of the Forum include academicians & teaching community spanning all areas / sectors, corporate executives, academic entrepreneurs, management professionals, scientists, engineers, and all those committed to growth & development of higher education in India and abroad.

## 9<sup>th</sup> HEF Annual Convention & Awards - Background

The primary objective of HEF has been to facilitate and promote excellence in the landscape of higher education in India. This is becoming all the more important as India is getting increasingly globalized and employability is fast turning into a global phenomenon. Given this scenario and also keeping in view the fact that India has largest pool of youth & skilled manpower, India has the true potential to become the global hub for providing skilled manpower both at entry as well as higher level to all sectors & industries.

With the launch of Skill India campaign by the Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi which aims to train over 40 crore (400 million) people in India in different skills by 2022 with various initiatives of the Government like "National Skill Development Mission", "National Policy for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, 2015", "Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)" and the "Skill Loan scheme", etc, Skills Education has become an important topic of discussion. Education fraternity has to play a vital role in getting the plans implemented and to help meet the number targets. As a result, we have seen steady rise of new initiatives like skill universities and various other focused training centers all over the country. The higher education fraternity is experiencing both challenges and opportunities to embrace it and participate in it. Rather need of the hour of higher education institutions is to integrate education with skill and that remains a great challenge.



9th HEF Annual Convention & Awards is focused on the theme of 'Skill India, Build India – Role of Higher Education Institutions' is a well-timed attempt to bring awareness about the variety of issues related to congruence of knowledge and skills, technological disruptions, and similar other challenges in the 21st Century, through panel discussions and sessions by eminent personalities from Government, Institutions and Corporates. The event will be a perfect platform to meet and interact with various stakeholders concerned with skill development, technological disruptions and help build a strong skill-based country.



## Key Takeaways

- Glimpse into future challenges with particular reference to Skilling and Role of HEIs
- Strategies / processes / interventions needed to create right academic ambience for development of faculty
- Sharing of best practices by successful faculty members from HEIs
- Networking with fellow professionals

## Sub-themes of the 9<sup>th</sup> HEF Annual Convention & Awards 2018:

- Corporate Academic Partnership for Bridging Skill Gap: Myth or Realty
- Understanding Skills Of 21st Century: Big Challenge Ahead
- Digital Disruption: Upgrading Skill of Faculty
- Skill Training & Vocational Education: Roadmap for Future

## Who should attend:

- Chairmen, Chancellors & Vice-Chancellors
- Edupreneurs, Investors in the Education Vertical
- Registrars, Deans, Directors
- Faculty Members
- Principals of Schools
- Owners L&D Heads from Skill based Industry / Corporate
- Consulting Entities involved in Skill Training Space

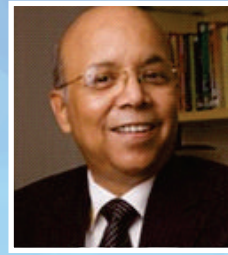
## Inaugural Session Speakers



**Mr. Narendra Barhate**  
MD, Seed Infotech



**Dr. A K Sen Gupta**  
HEF Founder & Convenor



**Dr. Rajan Saxena**  
Vice Chancellor, NMIMS



**Dr. Sanjay Muthal**  
Executive Director,  
Insist Executive Search



**Ms. Aruna M. Katara**  
President,  
Hope Foundation &  
Research Center



**Dr. Peter Cunningham**  
Professor Emeritus,  
Nelson Mandela University

## Valedictory Session Speakers



**Prof. (Dr.) Nitin R. Karmalkar**  
Vice Chancellor, SPPU



**Dr. A. D. Shaligram**  
Registrar, SPPU



**Dr. N M Kondap**  
Director General, RSET  
and former VC, NMIMS



**Prof. Sharu Rangnekar**  
Management Guru



## Panel 1

### Corporate Academic Partnership For Bridging Skill Gap: Myth Or Realty



**Mr. Pradeep Bhargava**  
(MD) Cummins Generator  
Technologies India Ltd.



**Ms. Manjiri Gokhale Joshi**  
President,  
Global Talent Track



**Mr. Suhas Kadlaskar**  
Vice President,  
Corporate Affairs & Human  
Resources, Mercedes – Benz, India



**Ms. Sulajja Firodia Motwani**  
(MD) Kinetic Motors  
Company Limited



**Dr. Rajesh Khajuria**  
Director, SMJV's  
CKSVIM Vadodara &  
Chairperson, HEF Gujarat Cpt



**Mr. Shravan Kadvekar**  
Symbiosis Skills &  
Open University

## Panel 2

### Understanding Skills Of 21st Century: Big Challenge Ahead



**Mr. Vishwas Mahajan**  
Global Trustee TiE  
Tech Entrepreneur



**Ms. Amrita Sadarangani**  
Regional Director,  
The University of Edinburgh



**Dr. Vaishali Vaid**  
VP-HR, KPIT



**Dr. Mangesh Kongaonkar**  
Director, NICMAR



**Mr. Amit Tyagi**  
(Proposed) Script-Writer,  
Film & TV Director,  
FTII



**Mr. Sachin Shivnani**  
Head Vocational Education  
& Training,  
Aditya Birla Skills Foundation

## Panel 3

### Digital Disruption: Upgrading Skill of Faculty



**Dr. B B Ahuja,**  
Director, COEP,  
Pune



**Prof. M.M. Salunkhe**  
Vice Chancellor, BVP



**Dr. Sandeep Pachpande**  
Chairmen,  
ASM Group of Institutes



**Mr. Deepak Shikarpur**  
Member, National Board of  
IT Education



**Prof. Sachin Satpute,**  
(Director) MIT Academy  
of Skills Development

## Panel 4

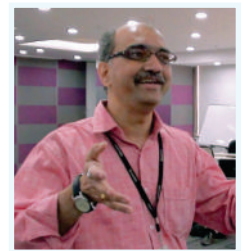
### Integration of School Education



**Dr. Abhay Jere,**  
Associate Vice President,  
Persistent, Chairman SmartIndia Hackathon,  
Government of India



**Mr. Arvind Paranjpye**  
Director, Nehru Planetarium  
Nehru Centre



**Mr. Nitin Bhide**  
Ex.Chief Software Engineer,  
Geometric Systems, Pune



**Dr. Narasimha H. Ayachit**  
Professor, Chairman,  
Department of Physics ,  
Rani Chennama University, Belagavi.



**Prof. Rabinder Henry,**  
Director,  
P P Chhabria Research Centre

And many more....



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