

Summary Proceedings of the Conference of Vice Chancellors on Implementation of National Schemes held on 11th August, 2018 under the chairmanship of H.E. Governor, Punjab at Chandigarh.

The list of attendees of the Conference is outlined in **Annexure-1**.

1. H.E. Governor, Punjab set the tone for the agenda of the conference in his Welcome Address delivered to the participants. Copy of the H.E. Governor's Welcome Address is attached as **Annexure 2**.
2. The details of the agenda of Conference was laid out in the presentation of Sh. J.M. Balamurugan, Secretary to Governor, Punjab, which outlined all the proposed activities to be undertaken under these initiatives. A copy of the presentation on the agenda subjects of the Conference is attached as **Annexure 3**.
3. The following is the summary of the deliberations and the decisions taken:-
 - 3.1 On the subject of 'Excellence in University Governance', it was agreed that all the participating universities will draw up and implement action plans to achieve the intended targets in each of the National Flagship Schemes and to achieve the objective of being exemplary models of these schemes.
 - 3.2 Universities may select as many National Flagship Programmes and fix targets as feasible to their campus.

- 3.3 It was desired that the universities may design and implement a concrete programme of students internship/fellowship programme, to take up and implement real time projects with District Administration.
- 3.4 The emissaries nominated by H.E. Governor, Punjab will make quarterly visits to the campus of participating universities for interaction with the university administration.
- 3.5 H.E. Governor, Punjab will confer Annual Awards for Excellence in University Governance in the categories of (a) Swachhta (b) Smart Governance (c) Green Campus (d) Social Entrepreneurship Development (e) Community Programmes etc. More categories may be added in due course.
- 3.6 On the subject of University Social Responsibility, it was desired that all the participating universities and all colleges under them, may adopt 1 (one) to (5) five or more villages in the vicinity, for model village development. The colleges/universities may adopt any of the standard manual for preparation of integrated village development plan of Ministry of Panchayat or Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Scheme (MHRD) or may custom design integrated village development plan as per the ground requirements. University Vice Chancellors may take up the implementation of this initiative with all the colleges under them.
- 3.7 The colleges/universities may design an elective course: 'Village Development - work based learning' and assign appropriate credits and duration for the course, to be

offered as an optional elective subject to all the students. The students should be engaged in this elective subject throughout their course of study. The colleges/universities may appoint a full time course coordinator and faculty and the credits earned by them should find a mention in their degrees. Special weightage may be given for such credits while considering the merit for admission to higher education. Colleges/universities may take such number of students into the elective course as may be required to implement the Model Village Development Plan.

3.8 H.E. Governor's Model Village Development Award will be conferred on participating colleges/universities for excellence in achievement in this sphere. Colleges/Universities may also give awards to students for excellence in work carried out on this subject.

4. In order to facilitate exchange of ideas, information and reports, a website called '**Sambandh**' has been activated in the following URL:
<http://www.sambandh.nitttrchd.ac.in/punjab/>
Participating colleges/universities are requested to register on this website and periodically update the information required to be uploaded. This website is maintained by National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research (NITTTR), Chandigarh.

5. For any query related to the above initiatives please contact Shri J.M. Balamurugan, I.A.S., Secretary to Governor, Punjab, Phone 0172-2740592, email ID : secy.governor.pb@gmail.com

Annexure - 1

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SPEECH OF H.E. GOVERNOR, PUNJAB

**CONFERENCE OF VICE CHANCELLORS ON
IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL SCHEMES**

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I'm happy to see so many eminent personalities of this region present here today. I welcome all of you to this conference today on a subject of national importance. Your presence here today is a clear indication of your desire to take your institution to greater heights of excellence by leading from the front.

The current year 2018-19 is an year of great significance for us. Starting from the 2nd October this year, we are commemorating the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. It is only befitting for us today that we have gathered here to discuss how we can involve ourselves and our institutions in the Nation's development Agenda.

Since Independence, India has taken great strides in economic development. But at the same time, there are many who have been largely left out of the benefits of development. The result is a divided India: the urban India and the rural India where the majority lives. There is a huge disparity between these two Indias. As a result, rural India is seeing a loss of vital spirit, with people gradually migrating to cities, only to live in squalor and congested circumstances. There has been a growing sense of concern among rural populations that the hub of life is elsewhere,

that life's potential is only realised when they somehow manage to reach the city. Migration is a malaise that is robbing the Indian Village of its magic and its enormous potential.

Mahatma Gandhi said "The future of India lies in its villages". In today's world, Gandhiji's words that India's survival depends on the well-being of its villages seem even more pertinent. Gandhiji firmly believed that self-reliant villages form a sound basis for a just, equitable and non-violent order. The road ahead is for the Indian Village to become once again that vibrant, self-sufficient centre of enterprise and culture, a place to take pride in, prosper and grow spiritually. But there is one major difference between the world of pre-independence and this post-millennial age. Today, the world is indeed a Global Village, with great technological advancements governing our lives.

But at one level, even though we have so much of technology that connects us, ironically, we are increasingly getting disconnected with our immediate surroundings, especially with the people around us. There is disconnect within the family and the society. There is disconnect from our culture and our roots. It is in this context that it is important for students of institutions of higher learning to remain connected with their roots and the societies they come from. There is no use of institutions of higher learning to be standing in isolation from their hinterland. It is not even a good long-term strategy. They need to be active part of life around them. We need to have a healthy level of

interaction and mutually beneficial transactions between the colleges and the society around them. The pursuit of every knowledge is human welfare. It is said that what you hear or read you may forget, but what you do, stays with you. We need to provide opportunities to students to apply their theoretical knowledge on the practical issues of the society around them. A work-based learning module will vastly enhance the student's learning in colleges. This is the reason we are suggesting that each and every college in Punjab should adopt at least one to five villages around its vicinity to support its development into a model villages. During the course of this conference we will go into greater details of what colleges can do to support model villages around them. This is what we are calling as the University Social Responsibility (USR).

The other subject that we will discuss today is how University campus can be exemplary models of some of Government of India's Flagship programs and achieve excellence in university Governance. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is steering the Nation towards a not only a New India but also an inclusive India. Pioneering schemes introduced by the Prime Minister like the Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihood Mission, Deenadayal Grameen Kaushalya Yojana, Jan Dhan Yojana, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Swachh Bharat, PM Ujjwala Yojana Digital India, Startup India- stand up India, Smart Cities Mission, Khelo India, etc. are models of innovation and inclusive development. Universities campuses can be shining models of these schemes for others to emulate. In being such

models, Universities can achieve greater heights of excellence in Governance standards. I'm sure many universities are already doing several activities and program of this kind, but there is always scope to scale greater heights in this areas.

Going beyond this, we need to constantly explore several areas where colleges and universities can collaborate with society around them and stay connected. At any point in time, Government agencies in the district are struggling to address several issues of the society around them. The students of colleges and universities in that district can take up real time issues of the society around them and work on projects to resolve them. This can be done with internship arrangements or through some other project arrangement. Such a collaboration will also be a great practical learning opportunity for the students, apart from the society getting benefitted from the energy and involvement of students.

The purpose of this conference is to explore such options for the colleges and universities. I'm sure the deliberations in this conference will lead to concrete programs of action. Actions, which will benefit the students, institutions and the society. Actions that will help us realize Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of a New India, a strong and self-reliant India with a focus on Rural India.

My Best Wishes to all of you in this noble endeavour.

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