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To, Vice Chancellor All University

Sub: Presence for round table on "Globalisation of Higher Education in the state of Maharashtra: Way forward"

This is to inform you that a Round Table conference has been organized on "Globalistion of Higher Education in the state of Maharashtra: Way Forward" on 28th August from 40.30 am onwards at Mumbai University Campus- Convocation Hall. This has been initiated to ensure that a strategic thought is put at state level in enhancing the quality of Higher Education through research, programs/courses, pedagogy and employability quotient of the students through a structured thought and implementable plan.

State of Maharashtra has been one of the progressive states in India and has been in the forefront at nation's economic development. It also is the motherland of many educational institutes ,11 state run universities and many deemed and private Universities. The state has the best national talent and Mumbai the business capital of India is in Maharashtra. India is looked up by the world due to various factors like gurrent demographic dividend, industrial development ,culture and progressive fast developing nation. Education is the foundation of nation's development and plays a significant role in mapping India on the global map.

Higher Education system in Maharashtra has contributed immensely to the creation the best talent pipeline for the world in last couple of decades however a large talent pool has moved out of India in search of best workplace. Universities and the research initiatives through them had limitations in the desired outcomes meeting the global research standards.

Ministry of Higher and Technical Education systematically worked on understanding the issues on improvising the quality of higher education by taking the following steps:

Desk research on top world Universities and cluster approach implementation models

Discussions with experts from Maharashtra who have contributed immensely in higher Education namely Dr. Raghunath Mashelkar, Dr. JB Joshi, Dr. Ram Takwale, Dr. Arun Nigwekar

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Information from state Universities on global research initiative through collaborations A discussion platform to deliberate on this subject is being proposed by way of a round table on

"Globalisation of Higher Education in the state of Maharashtra: Way forward". This discussion platform hosted at Mumbai University would deliberate on issues, challenges and suggest a ACTION PLAN FOR FUTURE. Minister for Higher and Technical Education Shri. Vinod Tawde would open the discussions in the presence of Chancellor Shri. Vidyasagar Rao followed by inputs from other eminent researchers/academicians and industry representatives.

Expected outcome of the Round Table conference is a joint deliberation on how each region can collaborate and coexist by creating quality higher education with focus on research and employability.

You may please remain present for this Round Table conference on 28th August at Mumbai University Fort Campus.

Regards,

(Vinod Tawde)