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# INDIAN COLLEGES FORUM

Subject: 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Colleg 31<sup>st</sup> January, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Febuary, 2013  
In collaboration with MES keveeyam college, Valanchery, Malappuram, Kerala and sisters institutions

## Introduction

Developed part of world is proposing to achieve universalization of higher education. A recent study done by OECD has unequivocally established that higher education is key to sustainable and further development. The need of higher education, skills and R&D are going to assume greater importance in future in the global development. Most of the developing countries are still struggling to cross the mark of 20 percent of eligible age population enrolled in institutions of higher education. But all the developing countries have to compete with developed countries in this era of liberalization and globalization.

The challenge, therefore, is: how do developing countries, particularly India which has opened up its economy to world competition has to develop higher education so as to - (a) speed up students' participation in higher education, (b) ensure quality & relevance in higher education and (c) explore new areas and avenues which would give developing countries an advantageous position. The challenge is, instead of following beaten track of linear growth model, to chalk out new strategies for development of higher education so as to develop comparable quality human resources and with diversified areas of knowledge and skills. This should be done by: (a) re-visiting our National Policy on Education and, (b) introducing structural reforms to strengthen colleges in the country.

Accordingly the theme of 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Colleges Forum is:

### New Policy and Planning Strategies for development of colleges in India

To deal with above issues sub- themes of the conference are:

1. New Policy and planning strategies for development of colleges
2. Reforms in regulatory approach and systems - beyond present initiatives of four pending bills in the parliament of the India
3. From control to quality assurance systems of regulations
4. National Qualifications Framework - its advantage method of implementation

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The Conference is scheduled to be held in collaboration with MES Keveem College and its sister Colleges at Valanchery, Malappuram District, Kerala from 31<sup>st</sup> January, 1<sup>st</sup> February, and 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2013.

#### **Outcome of Conference**

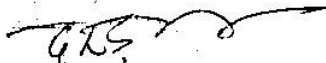
Deliberations and presentation in conference will be helpful in developing recommendations for new policy and planning strategies for development of colleges in India.. Participants will also work in groups to draw recommendations for drawing suitable policy and guidelines for apex organization for supporting colleges in their endeavor for their strategic development to face the challenges of future. This in turn will help students coming out of portals of colleges to cause development of India and equip it to face global competition.

#### **Request for encouraging principals of colleges to participate**

The conference is going to be very useful for the Principals of your affiliated colleges and Director / dean of College Development Council. We would, therefore, like to request you to please encourage Principals of Colleges affiliated to your university to participate in the conference and nominate Director/ Dean of the Colleges to attend this conference and contribute in the deliberation and policy recommendation on this subject. We are sending a few copies of announcement and registration form for your use. We will be grateful if could bring this to the notice of colleges affiliated to you university..

We look forward to your kind support and cooperation in this effort to bring college principals on a common platform to discuss new education policy issues and strategies for development of colleges in Indian.

Sincerely Yours



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