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### आईआईएम में पांच दिवसीय फेलोशिप कार्यक्रम का समापन

जम्मू। दो वर्षीय महात्मा गांधी राष्ट्रीय फेलोशिप कार्यक्रम का मंगलवार को समापन हो गया। आईआईएम समेत देशभर के 9 संस्थानों में संयुक्त दीक्षांत समारोह की अध्यक्षता केंद्रीय शिक्षा मंत्री धर्मेंद्र प्रधान ने की। आईआईएम जम्मू के 40 अध्येताओं को सार्वजनिक नीति में प्रमाणपत्र वितरित किए गए। संस्थान के निदेशक प्रोफेसर बीएस सहाय समेत अन्य कार्यक्रम में उपस्थित रहे। संवाद



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#### Joint Convocation Of Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows Across 9 IIMs Marks Transformation Of Future Leaders

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Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship Program Concludes With Convocation Across Nine IIMs, Graduating Tomorrow's Rural Development Leaders

The two-year Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship program concluded with a joint convocation ceremony held across nine Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs). The Chief Guest, Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education and Hon'ble Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, graced the event.



Present on the occasion were Prof. T G Sitharam, Chairman, AICTE, Shri. K. Sanjay Murthy, IAS, Secretary, Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, IAS, Secretary MSDE, Secretary MoE, Chairman AICTE, Shri Nilambur Sharan, Senior Economic Advisor, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt of India and several officers from Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, (MSDE) and Ministry of Education (MoE).

The convocation ceremony of MGNF at IIM Jammu was graced by Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics and Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu, and Dr. Shahid Jibran, Program Manager, MGNF, IIM Jammu.

A highlight of the event was the awarding of certificates in Public Policy to 40 fellows from IIM Jammu. Prior to the convocation, IIM Jammu had organised a pre-convocation workshop where the fellows presented their work aimed at improving the skill ecosystem in their respective districts.

Prof. Arnab Mukherjee, Program Director, MGNF IIM Bangalore, delivered the welcome address. He mentioned that the Fellowship is committed to developing the next generation of rural development leaders.



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Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, underscored the MGNF program as an exemplary model of skilling and education aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. He lauded the program for equipping fellows with the skills and mindset to foster sustainable employment opportunities and contribute to "Skill Development" and "Aatmanirbhar Bharat."



Shri K. Sanjay Murthy, IAS, Secretary, Higher Education, Ministry of Education, praised the collaborative efforts between State Skill Development Missions, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, and premier educational institutions like IIMs, highlighting the positive change driven by the MGNF program.

The event featured the release of the MGNF Report by IIM Bangalore, showcasing the impactful work accomplished by Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows across the country.

Chief Guest Shri Dharmendra Pradhan congratulated the fellows and proposed linking their academic achievements to the National Bank of Credit, commending the government's initiatives in digital skill development and employment generation. He emphasized the government's commitment to reducing unemployment and empowering youth through skill development.

Shri Nilambuj Sharan, Senior Economic Advisor, MSDE, delivered the vote of thanks, acknowledging the support of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Premier Institutions like IIMs, and wished the fellows success in their future endeavors.



Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, expressed pride in being part of the convocation program and emphasized IIM Jammu's commitment to nurturing responsible leaders who will contribute to society's betterment.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics and Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu, highlighted the rigorous academic curriculum and mentorship provided to MGNF fellows, emphasizing their readiness to lead transformational initiatives in their respective regions.

Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Program Director of MGNF, IIM Jammu, congratulated the graduates for their dedication to the program's goals, emphasizing the program's potential to drive meaningful change in rural India.

The ceremony concluded with the distribution of certificates to the MGN fellows. The program equips them to make a significant impact in rural development, policy implementation, and management, aligning with Mahatma Gandhi's vision of an equitable and prosperous India.

The Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship (MGNF) is a Certificate Program in Public Policy and Management offered by nine IIMs in collaboration with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and State Skill Development Missions. IIM Bangalore managed the common admission process for the program.

https://english.jagran.com/india/joint-convocation-of-mahatma-gandhi-national-fellows-across-9-iims-marks-transformation-of-future-leaders-10111192



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The two-year Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship program concluded today with a joint convocation ceremony held across the 9 IIMs and graced by Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, and Hon'ble Minister of State, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Prof. T G Sitharam, Chairman, AICTE, Shri. K. Sanjay Murthy, IAS, Secretary, Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, IAS, Secretary MSDE, Secretary MoE, Shri Nilambur Sharan, Senior Economic Advisor, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt of India and several officers from Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, (MSDE) and Ministry of Education (MoE). 40 fellows from IIM Jammu cohort were given certificate in Public Policy, and IIM Jammu had organized 5 days pre-convocation workshop for the fellows at IIM Jammu Jagti campus where work done by the fellows in their districts to improve skill ecosystem was presented.

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Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India in his address, mentioned that the Mahatama Gandhi National Fellowship programme is an ideal example of Skilling and Education as part of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. He mentioned that Skill development is the backbone of economic progress and the MGNF program equips its fellows with the skills and mindset needed to empower rural communities through sustainable employment opportunities. He reiterated on the MGN fellows for being the torchbearers for "Skill Development" and "Aatmanirbhar Bharat".

Shri K. Sanjay Murthy, IAS, Secretary, Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Govt of India lauded the collaboration of State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs), Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), Government of India with Premier Educational Institutions like IIMs putting forward an ideal example of industry and academia as part of NEP 2020. He mentioned that the MGNF programme jointly conducted by nine of India's premier institutions (IIMs), is a testament to the power of collaborative efforts in driving positive change across the country.

The programme further commenced with the release of the MGNF Report by IIM Bangalore. This comprehensive report showcases the significant work undertaken by Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows across the country, offering insights into the innovative projects, sustainable initiatives, and life-changing milestones that have been executed in rural communities.

Chief Guest Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, and Hon'ble Minister for Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt of India congratulated all the fellows on the historic moment of their completion of MGNF programme and awarding of the degrees on the landmark occasion of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas. He also suggested for linking the academic bank of credit of the fellows, and on adding it on the National Bank of Credit. He also credited the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for pioneering the Digital Skill Revolution and Vishwakarma Yojana in the country with the creation of digital skill India portal in the country.

During his address, he presented an impressive overview into the statistics in the rapid reduction in the unemployment rate in the country from 6 % to 3 % with an emphasis on women empowerment. He highlighted the government's commitment to equipping our

nation's youth with the skills, knowledge, and determination to drive socio-economic progress in rural communities including the need for constant re-skilling. He urged all the stakeholders for making skilling their mission of life along with joining hands in the futuristic journey for creating a healthy ecosystem in the country.

Shri Nilambuj Sharan, Senior Economic Advisor, MSDE, delivered the vote of thanks and credited the support of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt of India, and the Premier Institutions like IIMs. He praised the MGNF program's emphasis on practical, on-ground learning and wished good luck to all the fellows for their journey ahead.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics and Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu mentioned about the rigorous academic curriculum and mentorship provided to MGNF fellows, stating that IIM Jammu is dedicated to imparting the highest standards of education, and we have seen tremendous growth and development in our MGNF fellows throughout their journey. He also mentioned about the recognition by Hon'ble President of India for the MGNF Fellows during the recent held IIM Bangalore convocation. During his address, he mentioned that MGN Fellows have undergone a rigorous two-year training program focused on rural development, policy implementation, and management. With their newfound skills and knowledge, they are poised to lead transformational initiatives in their respective regions.

Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu in his address expressed his pride in being part of convocation programme and training the MGN fellows. He mentioned that IIM Jammu is committed to nurturing responsible leaders who will contribute to the betterment of society. We are proud to be a part of the MGNF program and look forward to the achievements of our graduates in the years to come. He also urged all the fellows to keep the Nation first and contribute to the progress of the nation and society at large.

Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Program Director of MGNF, IIM Jammu congratulated the graduates and commended their unwavering dedication to the program's goals. He mentioned that the MGNF program is a beacon of hope for rural India, and the graduates who have completed this journey are equipped to drive meaningful change at the grassroots level. The event culminated with the distribution of certificates to the MGN fellows by Prof B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, in presence of Prof. Jabir Ali, Programme Director and Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu.

The MGNF Convocation witnessed the graduation of a dynamic group of Individuals who

are now ready to make a significant impact in rural development, policy implementation and management. The journey begins with a firm commitment to Mahatma Gandhi's vision of an equitable and prosperous India.

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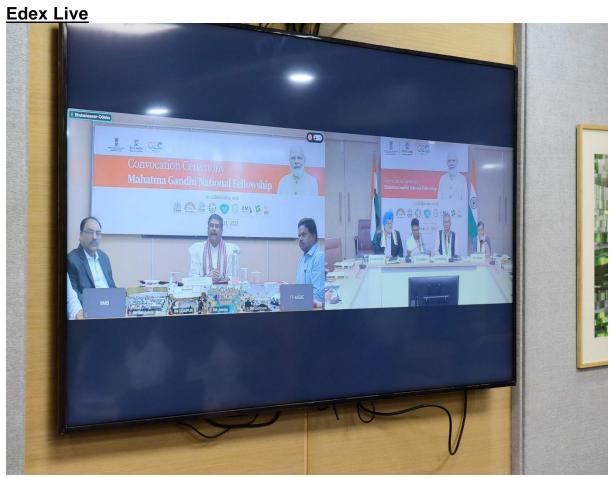




Tuesday 31st Oct 2023

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Minister Pradhan joining virtually | (Pic: Souced)

Addressing the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows (MGNF) across nine the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) on their convocation day celebrations on October 31, Tuesday, Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Dharmendra Pradhan announced that credits will be granted to the 581 fellows based on their two years of their learnings at IIMs including district immersion, as stated in a press release from the ministry.

Their certificates in Public Policy and Management will be officially recorded in their Academic Bank of Credit (ABCs). This marks a pioneering step in the implementation of the National Credit Framework (NCrF) as envisioned under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

The minister virtually addressed the convocation ceremony of the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows Program, a collaborative initiative of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and nine prestigious Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs). This marked a significant milestone in the lives of these fellows who have completed this rigorous and transformative programme.

The minister extended his heartfelt appreciation to the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and all nine IIMs for organising the convocation on National Unity Day.

He congratulated all fellows in Public Policy and Management from the IIMs, after completing this two-year fellowship program. He said that the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows are the modern-day Vishwakarmas, holding the potential to shape the 21st century.

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"To achieve the ambitious goal of a developed India by 2047, it is imperative that we expand, skill, re-skill and up-skill our workforce. Our aim is to position India as a global hub for skilled manpower. I firmly believe that the young talents emerging from the MGNF programme will become ambassadors of the Skill India Digital Portal," Pradhan added.

This is the first-ever instance where nine IIMs (including Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Lucknow, Jammu, Kozhikode, Nagpur, Ranchi, Udaipur, and Visakhapatnam) have supported in co-delivering a programme for the Government of India that ensures common learning and participation across state/union territories (UTs) governments with inputs from the Central government.

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 $\frac{https://www.edexlive.com/news/2023/nov/01/convocation-held-for-581-mahatma-gandhi-fellows-across-nineiims-38520.html$ 



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# Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows joint convocation held across 9 IIMs

November 2, 2023

JAMMU, Nov 1: The two-year Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship program concluded today with a joint convocation ceremony held across the 9 IIMs and graced by chief guest Dharmendra Pradhan, Minister of Education, and Minister of State, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship.

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The event culminated with the distribution of certificates to the MGN fellows by Prof B S Sahay.

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#### 9 IIMs conduct convocation ceremony for 581 Mahatma Gandhi fellows

IIMs in Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Lucknow, Jammu, Kozhikode, Nagpur, Ranchi, Udaipur, and Visakhapatnam conduct the ceremony.



<u>Vagisha Kaushik</u> | Oct 31, 2023 - 11:04 p.m. IST Share Via

**NEW DELHI**: The convocation ceremony for 581 Mahatma Gandhi fellows was conducted across nine Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) including Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Lucknow, Jammu, Kozhikode, Nagpur, Ranchi, Udaipur, and Visakhapatnam. Union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan addressed the ceremony and announced that credits will be granted to the fellows based on their two years of learnings at IIMs including district immersion.

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Launched in October 2021, phase 2 of the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship Programme deployed 657 fellows in districts across 33 states and UTs of India in collaboration with nine IIMs as academic partners.

During their fellowship, the fellows contributed towards events of national or international relevance such as Rozgar Melas and G20 Working Group meetings. To showcase their achievements, a report on the achievements of the fellows named 'Stories of Change' was also released during the virtual ceremony.

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# 9 IIMs jointly host convocation ceremony for 581 Mahatma Gandhi fellows



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# 9 IIMs Host Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows Joint Convocation Ceremony 2023; Check Details Here

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**New Delhi:** Leading IIMs including IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Bangalore, IIM Lucknow, **IIM Jammu**, IIM Kozhikode, IIM Nagpur, **IIM Ranchi**, IIM Udaipur, and **IIM Visakhapatnam** have organised the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows Joint Convocation Ceremony 2023 for 581 scholars.

The event was attended by Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, and Hon'ble Minister of State, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Prof. T G Sitharam, Chairman, AICTE, Shri. K. Sanjay Murthy, IAS Secretary among other government officials.

In addition to this, Prof. Arnab Mukherjee, Program Director of MGNF at IIM Bangalore, Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean of Academics and Program Director of MGNF at IIM Jammu and Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director of IIM Jammu as well as officials of leading IIMs were present at the event.

#### **Convocation Ceremony Overview**

From the IIM Jammu cohort, 40 fellows received a **certificate in public policy**. IIM Jammu held a 5-day pre-convocation workshop for the fellows at the Jagti campus, where the work done by the fellows was presented to strengthen the skill ecosystem.

Addressing the occasion, Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Education Minister, said that credits will be provided to the fellows based on their two years of study at IIMs and district immersion. "I have high expectations and unwavering belief that my young friends will embrace skills as their mission to contribute to the realization of a developed India," Pradhan said.

Participants were awarded public policy and management certifications. They will get their degree in the Academic Bank of Credit. On this occasion, the Union Education Minister congratulated the 581 Mahatma Gandhi fellows on finishing this two-year fellowship term.

#### What is MGNF?

IIMs offer the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship (MGNF) or MGNF Certificate Program in Public Policy and Management as a part of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs) collaboration.

The program is hosted by IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Bangalore, IIM Jammu, IIM Kozhikode, IIM Lucknow, IIM Nagpur, IIM Ranchi, IIM Udaipur, and IIM Visakhapatnam. The admission process is conducted by IIM Bangalore.

The MGNF program's unique design offers fellows academic insights across various domains including economics, management, public policy, research, and finance. In addition to this, participants of this program are offered a monthly stipend throughout the first and second years.

https://collegedunia.com/news/9-iims-host-mahatma-gandhi-national-fellows-joint-convocation-ceremony-2023-alertid-115770



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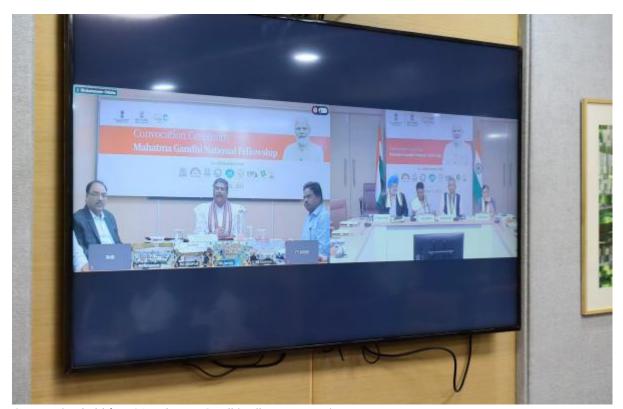
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Excelsior Correspondent

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#### GJ REPORT

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A total of 40 fellows from IIM Jammu's cohort were awarded certificates in Public Policy. In addition to the convocation, IIM Jammu had organized a 5-day pre-convocation workshop for the fellows at its Jagti campus. During this workshop, the work done by the fellows in their respective districts to improve the skill ecosystem was presented and discussed.

The convocation ceremony at IIM Jammu was attended by Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu; Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics and Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu; Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu; and Dr. Shahid Jibran, Program Manager, MGNF, IIM Jammu. The event began with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony, and faculty and staff members from IIM Jammu participated in the virtual session.

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futuristic journey for creating a healthy ecosystem in the country.

Shri Nilambuj Sharan, Senior Economic Advisor, MSDE, delivered the vote of thanks and credited the support of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt of India, and the Premier Institutions like IIMs. He praised the MGNF program's emphasis on practical, on-ground learning and wished good luck to all the fellows for their journey ahead.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics and Programme Director, MGNF, IIM Jammu mentioned about the rigorous academic curriculum and mentorship provided to MGNF fellows, stating that IIM Jammu is dedicated to imparting the highest standards of education, and we have seen tremendous growth and development in our MGNF fellows throughout their journey. He also mentioned about the recognition by Hon'ble President of India for the MGNF Fellows during the recent held IIM Bangalore convocation. During his address, he men-tioned that MGN Fellows have undergone a rigorous two-year training program focused on rural development, policy implementa-tion, and management. With their newfound skills and knowledge,

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"To achieve the ambitious goal of a developed India by 2047, it is imperative that we expand, skill, re-skilland up-skill our workforce. Our aim is to position India as a global hub for skilled manpower. I firmly believe that the young talents emerging from the MGNF program will become ambassadors of the Skill India Digital Portal", Shri Pradhan added.

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The physical convocation ceremony of the fellows was conducted at the respective locations. Chairperson, NCVET, Dr. Nirmaljeet Singh Kalsi, Secretary, Department

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