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## Higher education through digital transformation the only way forward in Young India

World over universities are disrupting and innovating on teaching and learning pedagogues. But in India, universities are still characterized by impractical learning, out-of-touch faculty, exorbitant fees (in private universities) and diminishing employment as job seekers outnumber opportunities.



Online learning is such a technology-enabled option that is making the world reconsider higher education models. Indian universities suffer from slow processes, non-digital pedagogues, and theoretical rather than experiential learning.

According to Ryan Craig ,students may one day find they don't need a Bachelor's degree to become employable. Thus, self-paced and re-bundling of short courses could soon make the traditional degree college experience sound as "old-fashioned and elitist." While no one is sure of a date by which this unbundling of higher education will happen, clues are available to show an inevitable arrival by 2020's.

The government should back universities and online startups to create curricula for JUST-IN-TIME education (make the optional syllabus according to market needs) and allow short-term diplomas and Nano-Degrees so that Digital India, Skill India and Make in India, the three programs of Prime Minister [Modi](#) has advocated, get a boost.



## **Regulatory body to raise standards of higher education: Channi**

Punjab technical education minister Charanjit Singh Channi on Wednesday said that a regulatory body was being framed to raise the standards of education in government and private technical institutes of the state. A meeting of the vice-chancellors of various universities would be convened for August 25 in this regard where all modalities to set up regulatory body would be worked out, he added.

Channi was in Bathinda to take stock of the job fair at Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU) under the state government's initiative 'Ghar Ghar Naukri'. The minister said the regulatory body would not only check the academic aspect but also conduct thorough survey of the infrastructure, qualification of staff and other issues at government and private colleges and would prepare a comprehensive report.



## **Cabinet Nod Soon For Rs. 75,000 Scholarship For Bright Students: HRD Minister Javadekar**

The Union Cabinet will soon give its nod to Rs. 75,000 monthly scholarship scheme for bright students in higher education institutes to arrest brain drain and encourage innovation, Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javadekar said.

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Chairman and CEO, ReNew Power, Sumant Sinha told

He added that the job fair has received a huge response as more than 4 lakh had enrolled at 21 centres across Punjab and the state government was hopeful of 50,000 applicants getting jobs in the private sector as hundreds of companies had reached to make recruitments. Channi said a self-employment fair would be held later where desirous youngsters would to start their own ventures.

reporters that the CoE would also take up more research projects in addition to the three in-hand projects.

Professor V Ramagopal Rao, Director, IIT Delhi, said: "The CoE will bring together knowledge and research on clean energy, facilitate clean energy investments, and help deploy clean energy technology solutions to establish India as a rising leader in the world of renewable energy."



## **Prakash Javadekar To Announce Swachhta Rankings 2017 For Higher Education Institutes**

Shri Prakash Javadekar, Union Minister of Human Resource Development (HRD) will announce the 'Swachhta' Ranking 2017 for Higher Education Institutes today. The programme will also be attended by Dr. Satyapal Singh, the Minister of State for Human Resource Development, Higher Education.

In the rankings almost 3500 institutes participated, out of which 174 were shortlisted. From among the 174 shortlisted institutes, 25 have been selected for the top rankings. The ranking have been done on the basis of multiple categories which include - cleanliness standards, cleaning systems, waste disposal methods, greenery in the institute campus, and campus accessibility.

The Ministry also released the list of top 5 districts with outstanding co-ordination with the higher education institutes in the district under the Clean India Movement. These five districts are:

**Medak, Telangana**

**Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh**

**Ajmer, Rajasthan**

Warangal (Urban), Telangana  
Indore, Madhya Pradesh

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