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18th May 2009

Workshop on

Industry-Academia collaboration

0930 hrs. Wednesday, 27 May 2009, Y B Chavan Hall, Mumbai

Dear Principal

There is no doubt about the fact that Technical Education in India has indeed grown by leaps and bounds in recent years. However, this growth is heavily concentrated in terms of factors like field, geography, who provides the education, who pays for it, by degree, in teaching and overall in quantity but not quality.

We believe that we have a huge opportunity to make our Technical education system the envy of the world and that the quality of the people we hire will be the single long-term source of our competitiveness. Even though we boast of a large established base of institutes with highly entrepreneurial and responsive private institutes complementing more established public institutes, the quality of education provided still requires serious and immediate attention. There is a pressing need to bring about a change within the institutes themselves, both at the policy level as well as by us in industry as the consumers of their output.

Simultaneously, we also need to engage with graduate institutes to raise the quantity and quality of Masters and PhDs in science and engineering that we produce. We can do so while concurrently enhancing the research work we undertake in our firms, through research contact with professors.

Keeping in mind the CII Western Region theme of "Sustaining Growth through Education", and the need to upgrade the quality of the Education, CII WR Task Force on Higher Education is pleased to organize a Workshop on Technical Education scheduled for Wednesday, 27 May 2009 in Mumbai.

The objective of the workshop is to bring together the Industry and institutes on a common platform to reduce the existing gap and work cohesively to enhance the productivity of India Inc.

At this workshop Institutes may opt to undergo the rating mechanism for the programs. The top 20 institutes would then be selected for the finishing school programme. The remaining 80 would be assisted and would be mentored by the industry to reach to the level of top 20s.

This might just be a drop in the ocean but we believe that an initiative like this would certainly bear results in the long run and change the quality of education.

I am requesting you to kindly join us at this value based interactive session. Your presence would add immense value to the deliberations of the workshop. I do hope you would accept my invitation and look forward to receiving your confirmation through the enclosed 'Reply Form'.

Regards,

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(Dr S. K. Mahajan)

I/c Director, Technical Education

To,
Principals
Govt/Un-aided Engg/ Polytechnic
Pl. attend the workshop.



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Participation Fee (per delegate) :

Rs 1000/- CII Members (Inclusive of Service Tax of 10.30%)

Rs 1000/- Institutes / Colleges (Inclusive of Service Tax of 10.30%)

Rs 1250/- Non Members (Inclusive of Service Tax of 10.30%)

A discount of 10% would be offered on 3 or more nominations

Nominations :-

Name	Designation	Email ID	Mobile No
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Our Cheque/ Demand Draft for Rs _____ drawn in favour of Confederation of Indian Industry (Western Region), Mumbai, is enclosed.

Organisation :

Member : Yes / No If Yes: Membership No: _____

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- **Delegate fee is non-refundable; however, changes in nomination are accepted.**
- **Prior registration is compulsory**