Patience Pays in Govt Matters

The HRD ministry has finally relieved IIT-Delhi director RK Shevgaonkar, almost six months after he resigned. Although it's not really clear why the government sat on his request for this long, Shevgaonkar's stoic silence over the issue has bolstered the respect he had earned among academicians and government officers. The Corridors of Shastri Bhawan are abuzz with praise for his "patience".

IIT-M INKS PACT WITH RUSSIAN UNIVS

CHENNAI: IIT-Madras has signed an agreement with two Russian Universities towards exchange of students and faculty and to undertake joint research in disciplines of mutual interest. "Indian Institute of Technology, Madras has signed MoUs with National Research Tomsk State University, Tomsk and Ural Federal University, Yekaterinburg", a statement said.
SC junks med entrance test rigged by hi-tech cheats

Calls For Fresh Exam In 4 Wks, 6L Students Hit

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday cancelled this year’s All India Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental Entrance Test (AIPMT), finding it rigged by tech-savvy students who cheated by getting answers to questions through electronic devices they smuggled into test centres across the country. The court directed CBSE to hold the test afresh within four weeks.

AIPMT is the gateway for admission to 15% of seats in all central government and participating state government medical colleges. Over 6.3 lakh students had on May 3 taken the test, competing for 3,000-odd MBBS and BDS seats in top medical colleges. This is the biggest-ever scrapping of an exam on the ground of violation of its sanctity. The SC made it clear that it was taking the extreme step to ensure that faith in the examination remains intact and merit is not undermined.

How it came to light

>Cops get whiff of cheating, nab middlemen outside a Rohtak exam centre; 44 guilty candidates later identified

How many students affected

>Over 6.3 lakhs who took the entrance exam for 3,000-odd MBBS and BDS seats

If such an exam is saved, merit would be a casualty generating a sense of frustration in genuine students

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The Central Board of Secondary Education is set to challenge the re-test order and tell the Supreme Court that it usually takes seven months to conduct the exam, reports Manash Pratim Goain. “It is not feasible to conduct such an exam in a month. We start preparation for the AIMPT from August,” said officiating CBSE chairman Satbir Bedi. Sources in CBSE’s AIPMT cell said they would need four months at the very least; the exam could be held in end-October or November. P 11
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"Infrastructure is clean, big and best which is used for all the functions. Good common rooms for boys and girls. The college has a proper ground for sports event. UCOE provides all the facilities and support for its students, proper guidance, good infrastructure and very nice environment; thus is one of the good colleges in India" said a 3rd year student.

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“My daughter gets all her doubts cleared in the college itself from the faculties who are well educated & up to the mark. So she doesn’t need any extra classes to be joined apart from college. The labs are all well-equipped” said parent of 2nd year student.

The college houses the IIT Bombay Remote Centre. It is a classroom from where the students, faculties and other participants remotely attend lectures and interact with faculties of IIT Bombay. Students with the help of their faculty have designed and developed an ATV car (All Terrain Vehicle) in the campus, 3 of their students have been selected for Internship with IIT Bombay, a student has successfully designed a unique education product which has received order from several educational institutes and another student has developed an app using JAVA, HTML, JSP and SQL, which has been used by many colleges are a few of the many achievements bagged by the college.

Their Entrepreneurship cell helps students from the stage of floating the thought of becoming an entrepreneur in their minds and thereafter handholding them from the ideation stage to the implementation stage. Their intent is to foster students to become ‘Job Creators’ rather than ‘Job Seekers’ with the help of this cell. Their Placement assistance commences with an excellent communication skills curriculum followed by guidance lectures and practice assessment tests to make them job ready. “We initiated internshp of our students in large corporates and SMEs from the time when they completed their 2nd year. An early exposure to the corporate world gives them more number of turns to show case themselves to the outside world and their sincere work will lead to them being placed in companies of their choice” said a senior team member.

Universal College of Engineering is a part of Universal Education, one of the fastest-growing education enterprises in India. It operates 50+ institutions in Mumbai, Thane, Nashik, Aurangabad, Trichy, Bangalore, Dubai and Sharjah.

Says Jesus M. Lall, Chairman “At Universal, it is our continuous and consistent effort to hone our students to become holistic individuals and not merely degree holders. Our program thus is a confluence engineering theory with practical skills, local knowledge with a global perspective and academic rigour with all-round development. I would like to invite you to visit us on campus or visit our website @ www.universalcoe.edu.in”.
IIT-Indore maintains top position among new IITs in research quality

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Indore: The Indian Institute of Technology, Indore has maintained its lead among eight new IITs in quality of research. Abstracting and indexing database Scopus last year had rated IIT Indore as the top amongst the new IITs based on its research quality and research publications.

The institute claimed to have maintained its top position with focus no interdisciplinary research. Equipped state of art research facilities, IIT Indore scored above 25 on the Scopus h-index scale while its research publications almost touched 2500 figures, the graphics uploaded by the IIT Indore on its website till February update stated.

This elite institute promotes young teacher and PhD scholars to publish research papers in reputed journals and pushes for inter-disciplinary research. It is also increasing the number of PhD students every year.

To promote students in research and to encourage them for innovation, IIT Indore launched a new scheme this year: Promotion of Research and Innovation for Undergraduate Students (PRIUS). The scheme is supporting students in research laboratories, in international collaborative research projects and is encouraging projects leading to innovation.

Students are involved in several inter-disciplinary research projects such as in-house development of an all purpose terrain climbing vehicle, processing of line emission obtained through the first radio telescope installed at the IIT Indore, iris liveness detection with portable devices, unified communication systems for the institute and dynamic modeling and control of three degrees of freedom of planar parallel robotic motion platform.

The outstanding research work of students and faculty members is being recognised through several prestigious awards. Last year, IIT Indore secured 14 externally sponsored research projects with funding of around Rs 40 million. The ongoing research projects have resulted in over 100 publications in international journals. The institute believes that the PRIUS would further enhance research activities.
आईआईटी के प्रोफेसर और एक टेक्नोलॉजी इंस्टिट्यूट के पूर्व डायरेक्टर ने आरोप लगाया है कि मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री स्मर्ति ईरानी ने एक लोअर डिभिजन कर्मचारी की पोस्टिंग के मामले में उनकी राय से खफा होकर उनका ट्रांसफर करा दिया। इस संबंध में 10 जून को एचआरडी मिनिस्ट्री को भेजे गए सवालों के जवाब नहीं मिले और सिफ यह कहा गया कि मामले को संबंधित विभाग में भेजा गया है। IIT के प्रोफेसर और सीटूल इंस्टिट्यूट ऑफ टेक्नोलॉजी (CIT) कोकराझार, असम के पूर्व डायरेक्टर उदय शंकर की दीक्षित ने ईरानी को बताया कि 24 अप्रैल को ईरानी ने उनसे फोन पर बात की थी और दूसरे मुद्दों के अलावा कल्पना शैलेन्द्र कुमार पंकज की पोस्टिंग पर भी चर्चा हुई थी। दीक्षित ने कहा कि उन्हें महसूस हुआ कि ‘मंत्री कूश नहीं थी।’

दीक्षित ने मुंबई के साक्षात, CIT कोकराझार के रोल्स पर रहते हुए भी पंकज डिल्ली में एचआरडी मिनिस्ट्री में काम कर रहे थे जबकि नियोजक और कर्मचारियों की जरूरत को देखते हुए उन्हें कोकराझार में होना चाहिए था। उन्हें कोकराझार बुलाने का आदेश जारी किया गया था, लेकिन मंत्री ने उन्हें बताया कि पंकज को डिल्ली ट्रांसफर किया जाए 8 मई को दीक्षित की जगह देव कुमार चर्चे में को CIT का डायरेक्टर बनाया गया और पंकज को 12 मई को डिल्ली में एचआरडी मिनिस्ट्री के अधिकर्ष में ट्रांसफर कर दिया गया।

CIT का प्रशासनिक कामकाज IIT गुवाहाटी के तहत है। IIT गुवाहाटी के डायरेक्टर गौतम विष्णवास ने ईरानी से कहा कि उन्हें IIT गुवाहाटी के बोर्ड ऑफ गवर्मेंट ने CIT के डायरेक्टर पद के लिए तीन साल के लिए नियुक्त किया गया था। इसके बाद एचआरडी ने पंकज के साथ बातचीत के लिए आदेश दिया। यह पूछताछ ने उनका मानना कि पूर्व डायरेक्टर के भाग्य और जिंदगी को हो जाए और उन्हें इसके साथ लेने की मांग की गयी।

मामले की जानकारी रखने वाले सीनियर ऑफिसर ने ईरानी को बताया कि ईरानी के अधिकार के अनुसार इस डायरेक्टर पद के लिए नियुक्ति के दीक्षित ने मंत्री संबंभ ने खट्टर को पंकज के भाग्य और जिंदगी को हो जाए और उन्हें इसके साथ लेने की मांग की गयी। इस ऑफिसर ने बताया कि विवाद तब शुरू हुआ, जब फरवरी में CIT ने पंकज को कोकराझार बुलाने का आदेश दिया। पंकज 2008 में डिल्ली में एचआरडी मिनिस्ट्री में आए थे।