

Don't hesitate to take decision, advises Gadkari to IIM students

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Appealing students during maiden convocation of Indian Institute of Management-Nagpur, not to have low aim, Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Surface Road Transport, Highways, Shipping said, "Always remember those who take decisions can lead any movement. You are the management leaders. Your professional, innovative skills will help taking this country move forward. So don't wait, take decisions for your betterment, too."

The convocation held at Visveswaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT) auditorium. Chairman of Board of Governors of IIM-N C P Gurnani; Director of IIM-Ahmedabad and mentor of Nagpur IIM Prof Ashish Nanda; Director of IIM-N Prof L S Murthy, IIM-N Society Members, IIM-N Board Members were seated on the dais. IIM Nagpur started functioning in 2015 under the guidance and mentorship of Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, one of the top institutes of management in India and on Friday conducted its first convocation.

Soumit Mishra received gold medal for scholastic performance and Suchak Dhruv Bharatbhai got the award for Best All Rounder. Conferral of PGP Diplomas and awarding of scholastic medals were awarded at the IIM Nagpur Convocation event.

Gadkari was at its best while delivering speech for the maiden convocation of IIM-N. He said that there were many talented personalities. But there is a huge gap between them and their followers so many times they fail to deliver, added Gadkari.

“Howsoever talented you are, your connect with the subordinates play important role. Try to establish that connect. I don’t want to blow my own trumpet but without any knowledge about structural engineering, I was instrumental in building flyovers, expressway etc. I could do it because I established a very good connect with the people working with me and took fast decisions,” stated Gadkari.

The speech of Gadkari was full of zeal. He noticed happiness on the faces of graduates who received their degrees. He was all praise for Maharashtra’s Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis for making available the land for IIM at Nagpur. Gadkari expressed his wish that Nagpur’s IIM should be among top management institutes in the world.

While interacting with the audience Gadkari said, “Nagpur is now becoming educational hub and we want exodus of students towards Pune, Mumbai should be stopped. We are bringing all national institutes at Nagpur. Recently, we had given huge 90 acre land to Symbiosis University, too.”

Make dreams into reality: Gurnani

C P Gurnani urged students to dream huge and make the dreams into reality. He said, “We have to not only demonstrated the dreams but have the appetite for demonstrating results. As long as you are moving, with proper planning and a good direction, you are less likely to get lost. You need to remember that it’s not going to be easy. I’m sure you’ve heard if it’s good to be true, well. Not many people will agree nowadays, but your inner compass does play a part. Your gut instinct, your inner voice, your integrity, you. Rise above the noise and pressures that surround you and push for the never-failing miracle of progress. Take good care of your physical and mental health always – for you are the future of our country.”

Be in touch in future too: Murthy

Giving a true worded farewell to the students who got their degrees L S Murthy said, “Our association is not a 2-year transaction; but it is a life-time relationship. As you embark on the next phase of your journey called life, please do stay in touch with us, visit us whenever possible. Your support and inputs are very valuable for us as we chart the future of this budding institution.”

Informing the audience about unique feature of IIM-N, Prof Murthy said, “If I were to point out one feature of our curriculum that is unique to IIM Nagpur, undoubtedly it would be Field Immersion Module. The Field Immersion Module familiarises students with a live organisation and offers them an opportunity to see how some of the concepts that they have learned in the classroom, work under real-life conditions. Not surprisingly, this Field Immersion Module emerged as very successful for past two years – among both students and our industry partners.”

Live life with enthusiasm: Prof Nanda

Prof Ashish Nanda in his brief speech where he proposed a vote of thanks was a bit philosophical. He said, “Keep three things in mind. 1. Live life with zest and enthusiasm. 2. Do what you love, love what you do. And 3. Stay hungry, stay foolish.”

Soumit wishes to do PhD in Economics

Soumit Mishra who received gold medal for scholastic performance wished to do PhD in Economics. Soumit hails from Sambalpur, Orissa. Becoming IAS Officer is his dream that is the reason that he has taken admission in professional management studies. He expressed satisfaction while in IIM, Nagpur.

Suchak satisfied with quality of edn at IIM-N

Suchak Dhruv Bharatbhai is keen to do PhD in Operational Management. Everybody dreams for getting admission in established management institutes. But, Suchak did not feel anything lacking at IIM-N. He said that he was happy with the faculty and the quality of education imparted at IIM-N.