



News of the Week

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HIGHER EDUCATION

Mentor support system in Telangana **higher education** soon

Deccan Chronicle

Hyderabad: The Telangana State Council of **Higher Education** will set up a Mentor Support System (MSS) in all institutions of **higher education** by assigning every faculty the task of monitoring and assessing the performance of a few students each. The state has taken up the exercise under its strategic plan ...

Budget 2018: Govt should support private universities for world ...

Business Today

The Budget this year should focus on empowering private deemed to be universities. The **higher education** landscape in India is undergoing a paradigm shift, with private deemed to be universities beginning to make significant contributions in terms of quality and quantity. Some of them have emerged as ...

Govt committed to modernizing school, **higher education** system:

Outlook India

New Delhi, Jan 29 The government is committed to strengthening and modernizing the school and **higher education** system in the country, President Ram Nath Kovind said today, emphasizing that education lays the foundation for building the future of the nation. In his maiden address to the joint sitting of ...

Transparent appointments in **higher education**

The Nation

The recent reports issued by international and national reputed institutions have revealed a sorry state of affairs in **higher education** and human resource development in Pakistan. Human Rights Commission Pakistan in its latest released report stated that **higher education** in the country is in "serious crisis".

Improving the quality of **education**

The Hindu

India has made good progress in education since the introduction of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and the Right to Education Act, which guarantees a child free education for eight years. Enrolment at the primary level is now near-universal and enrolment ratios for **higher education**, too, have risen. However ...

[Economic Survey 2018 for **education**: India improves student ...](#)

Financial Express

Besides, Gender Parity Index (GPI) has also improved “substantially” at primary and secondary levels by increasing enrolment of girls, although in **higher education**, gender disparities still prevail. India has also improved quantitative indicators such as enrolment levels, completion rates and other physical ...

[Govt committed to modernizing school, **higher education** system ...](#)

Moneycontrol.com

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[Learning to get the best deals on **education** loans](#)

Livemint

The cost of quality **higher education** is going up. According to a study by Crif High mark, one of the four credit bureaus in India, the average ticket size of education loans has gone up from Rs2.5 lakh in 2010-11 to Rs6.77 lakh in 2016-17, which is an average year-on-year growth of over 16%. The report also ...

[Budget 2018 India for **Education**: What students want from Modi ...](#)

Financial Express

The term '**higher education**' has a narrow definition for section 80E purposes and is education-oriented and not employment-oriented “**Higher education**” means any course of study pursued after passing the Senior Secondary Examination or its equivalent from any school, board or university recognized by ...

[No Funds, No Policy, Few Teachers: Former NCERT Director Says ...](#)

News18

Krishna Kumar, the former NCERT director and Delhi University professor, tells News18.com that policy paralysis coupled with lack of financial capital spell doom to the steps taken in the past to achieve the dream of universal **education**. According to Kumar, Union Budget 2018 should reverse the past ...

[Budget 2018 expectations for **Education**: Here is what students ...](#)

Financial Express

Budget 2017 saw a 10% increase in overall allocation for education from Rs 72,394 crore in 2016 to Rs 79,686 crore and a major push was given to **higher education**. The Economic Survey 2018 of India, which was presented in the Parliament by FM Arun Jaitley on Monday, states the Government of India ...

Budget 2018: **Education** sector expects its much-needed boost from FM Jaitley

Business Standard

Higher educational institutes and private companies need enough financial aid to build capacity and solve the tax burden to be able to provide quality **education in India**. The chamber has additionally suggested to increase the **education** cess to seek **higher** public expenditure on **education** across ...

iNurture raises Rs 28 crore from Ventureast, others

Economic Times

iNurture offers industry-relevant courses in association with universities/colleges across **India**. NEW DELHI: iNurture, a provider of formal **higher education** programmes in **India**, on Wednesday said it has raised Rs 28 crore in funding, led by Ventureast. Existing investors Bertelsmann **India** Investments ...

The rot in **higher education** is deep and wide

Livemint-11 hours ago

If you haven't, you must watch the series that he has done on the state of India's **higher education** in the past few months. His bare, unembellished stories from the ground tell us of what we hide behind a conspiracy of national silence. The state of India's **higher education** is much worse than the state of ...

Experts welcome focus on **higher education**

The Hindu

"The proposal is to build an end-to-end test bed for 5G technology located at multiple locations at some of these institutes, interconnected by a **high**-speed fibre-optic network. It will incorporate several new technologies developed ab initio and will be compliant with the emerging global 5G standard to which ...

...

Oxfam reports growing inequality in India, quality **education** is the ...

Times of India (blog)

India has a full-fledged ministry of human resource development (MoHRD). Have they delivered? Outcomes are pathetic although the government is largely responsible for providing education, right from basic to **higher education**. In the **higher education** sector it has many powerful arms such as IIT council, ...

Experts want focus, cash flow into **education** sector

The Asian Age

Mumbai: Criticising the approach of the government towards school and **higher education**, the educationists have said that the Centre should concentrate on strengthening and improving education at the grass-root level and in rural areas by allocating a larger portion of the entire budget for education.

[EDUCAUSE Top IT Issues for 2018 Focus on Remaking Higher ...](#)

[Telecom Reseller \(press release\)](#)

31, 2018 — EDUCAUSE, **higher education's** largest technology association, released today the 2018 Top 10 IT Issues outlining the most critical areas where **higher education** institutions, leaders, and IT organizations must focus to advance their institution's strategic priorities. The annual list is a signature ...

[Budget 2018: Finance Minister decides to invest in higher education ...](#)

[Moneycontrol.com](#)

While announcing his budget 2018 Finance Minister Arun Jaitley announced various benefits for students and **education** sector in India. The finance minister proposed to launch "Revitalising Infrastructure and Systems in **Education** (RISE) by 2022" with a total investment of Rs 1,00,000 crore in next four ...

[The economic returns to university](#)

[The Economist \(blog\)](#)

Expanding **higher education** does not come cheap. Between 1995 and 2014, government spending on universities rose from 0.9% of GDP to 1.1%. Private spending increased from 1.2% to 1.5%. In addition to paying for their education directly, students also incur the opportunity cost of not working.

[Budget announces Rs 1 lakh crore new funding mechanism for ...](#)

[ThePrint](#)

Scraps grants-in-aid, asks IITs, IIMs NITs to take soft loans and pay 25 per cent principal. New Delhi: In a major reform move for the **higher education** sector in India, Union Budget 2018 has announced a new model for funding infrastructure in the centrally funded higher educational institutions, calling on ...

[What's driving decisions in universities?](#)

[The Guardian](#)

Universities came out in force to back the remain campaign in the 2016 referendum. They highlighted the negative impact that Brexit would have on the **higher education** sector in terms of staff and student recruitment and research funding. Nearly two years down the line, that impact is beginning to be felt.

[Budget 2018 Reinforces Scheme Of Replacing Grants By Loans ...](#)

[NDTV](#)

By commercialising education, DUTA said, "access to quality **higher education** will be crippled and standards as well as content of education will take a hit. Determination of quality and content of **higher education** by the market will undermine the character of **higher education**, independent thinking and ...

[J-WEL grant award announcement and call for proposals in ...](#)

[MIT News](#)

J-WEL is announcing a call for proposals through spring 2018 J-WEL Education Innovation Grant Program. Grants should be focused on educational innovations for pK-12, **Higher Education**, and

Workplace Learning — generating solutions that may have MIT relevance, as well as the potential for global ...

Budget 2018 Proposes A New Model Of Financing For **Higher Education**

News18

"For funding this initiative, the **Higher Education** Financing Agency (HEFA) would be suitably prepared both by infusing additional equity and by amending the ... In order to boost the **higher education** system for meeting the requirements of 'New **India** – 2022', a comprehensive plan has been made for ...

[Union Budget 2018 live: Rs.40000 standard deduction on transport, medical expenses; personal IT ...](#) - The Hindu

[Budget 2018: Govt increases **education** cess to 4 percent to fund health schemes](#) - Moneycontrol.com

[Budget 2018 LIVE Updates: Petrol, Diesel Among Few Things That Get Cheaper; Mobile Phones ...](#) - News18

[Full Coverage](#)

Education Budget 2018: Fellowships for 1000 BTech students, 24 ...

Livemint

New Delhi: Fellowships for 1,000 top BTech students for pursuing a doctorate, 24 new medical colleges and a new funding mechanism for **higher education** institutes were among the key initiatives in the education sector announced in the Union Budget 2018. An outlay of Rs85,010 crore was made by ...

Rajasthan fails to attract foreign students

Times of India

JAIPUR: Rajasthan is among the least preferred states in the country by foreign students. The All India Survey on **Higher Education** (AISHE) says that the state has seven students from abroad pursuing PhD, which is way less than Haryana (45) and Uttar Pradesh (129). This indicates the poor quality of ...

Chennai: **Quality education** remains a far cry

Deccan Chronicle

CHENNAI: The central government, which has marginally increased budgetary allocation for the education sector to Rs 85,010 crore in 2018-19 budget has attracted criticism from the educationists for lack of vision in improving the quality of a school and **higher education** in the country. Finance minister ...

NYSUT calls for increase in **higher education** funding

Legislative Gazette

Andrew Cuomo's executive budget was released, New York State United Teachers (NYSUT) called upon the state to increase funding for **higher education**. The bigger investment would go toward programs and faculty, a sector of education the Excelsior Scholarship takes money from to make up for unpaid ...

Box and other **higher education** leaders hope that direction will be changes in the state's tax code, and he will be lobbying for tax reform with the General ... Bevin's proposal also calls for eliminating state appropriations for a handful of scholarships administered by the Kentucky Higher Assistance Authority.

Budget gives happy **high** to edu sector

The Tribune

Announcement for the education sector by the Finance Minister in the Union Budget has managed to bring smile to the faces of those concerned. ... Picking up 1,000 best teachers every year and giving them the opportunity to pursue **higher education** such as PhD, along with fellowship, will instill a sense of ...

Experts welcome focus on **higher education**

The Hindu

The Union Budget has specially focused on improving research in centrally funded institutions. Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said: "The Department of Telecom will support establishment of an indigenous 5G test bed at the **Indian** Institute of Technology-Madras." The government has proposed a ...

[An Open Letter to ISRO Chief K. Sivan on Promoting STEM Education in India](#)

The Wire

Similarly, one of the other problems that **Indian higher education** has been grappling with is the value and volume of doctoral research. While the **Indian** Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST) does provide some opportunities, joint initiatives with premier academic institutes (such as the IITs, ...

BITS IN NEWS

UAE students build drone that clears fog

gulfnews.com

Speaking to Gulf News, Rifah Mohammad, 19, from **BITS Pilani**, Dubai campus, said: "We have created a dispensing mechanism and the moment camera sense the fog it dispenses the liquid to clear the fog and people car drive smoothly." These drones can be used on motorways and where dense fog ...

गोटन के एलकेएस शिक्षण केंद्र को दुबई में मिला साल ...

दैनिक भास्कर

दुबई में आयोजित ग्लोबल मिलेनियम कॉन्फ्रेंस में मुख्य अतिथि **बिट्स पिलानी** दुबई कैंपस के डायरेक्टर प्रो. आरएन शाहा ने विद्यालय की उपाध्यक्ष सुषमा अरोड़ा, जेके व्हाइट सीमेंट वर्क्स के बिजनेस हैड बीके अरोड़ा और प्राचार्य ...

Samsung India to hire 1000 engineers for R&D facilities

ETRetail.com

South Korean tech giant Samsung today said it would be hiring 1000 engineers from top institutes for its three research and development (R&D) facilities in India. It would be hiring the talent from IITs, NITs, Delhi College of Engineering, **BITS Pilani**, Manipal Institute of Technology and IIITs among others.

[DPS Nacharam bags GISA 2018 award](#)

[The Hans India](#)

Sunita Rao, Principal of DPS Nacharam branch. The chief guest of the function held at **BITS, Pilani** Dubai campus was Vineet Joshi, Principal Secretary (Education) and former chairman, CBSE, while the guest of honour was Pankaj Bodkhe, IFS, Consul (Education & Economics), Consulate General of India ...

[EDUNext 2018 inaugurated](#)

[The Navhind Times](#)

The first day of the fair had sessions on various career paths like engineering, tourism and hospitality, retailing and information technology. Resource persons for the sessions were professor from **BITS Pilani**, Pravin Singru; professor at Institute of Hotel Management, Pankaj Kumar Singh; Centre incharge, ...

[ETtech Morning briefing: India falls short of 25Bn digital txns, Fintech ...](#)

[ETtech.com](#)

The hires will be from the institutes such as IITs, NITs, IIITs and Delhi College of Engineering, **BITS Pilani** and Manipal Institute of Technology. India centres also contributed to the launch of Samsung Pay in India with the inclusion of support for debit cards as well as integrating mobile wallet Paytm and the ...

[Blog: A little bit of influence always helps](#)

[Campaign India \(blog\)](#)

Apoorv Sood, a **BITS Pilani** engineer who uses the handle @Trendulkar has just a notch less than 1 million followers on Twitter at 987k. His satires are said to be biting and incisive. Hence, his popularity. Pune based Srinivas Rao (@Etard0) too tweets satire and humour. His gains? 33.1k followers.

[Closing Bell: Sensex ends over 60 pts lower ahead of Budget, Nifty ...](#)

[Moneycontrol.com](#)

It would be hiring the talent from IITs, NITs, Delhi College of Engineering, **BITSPilani**, Manipal Institute of Technology and IIITs among others. "Samsung is extremely bullish on R&D in India. We have been here for over 22 years. The three R&D centres in India work on several cutting edge technologies," ...

[Shilpi Marwaha performs her play 'A Woman Alone' at DU's Shivaji ...](#)

[Times of India](#)

... able to strike a chord among women who find it hard to express their inner turmoil. This play has also been performed in various colleges like Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, Rajdhani, Gargi, IP College, LSR, Jesus & Mary College in Delhi University and also in educational institutions like **BITS Pilani**, ...

[Project Apeirolaunched from TIFR Balloon Facility](#)

[Business Line](#)

Project Apeiro, an experimental student-led satellite has been launched from TIFR Ballon Facility in Hyderabad. The undergraduate Students from **BITS Pilani** KK Birla Goa Campus initiated the project with the support of Tata Institute of Fundamental Research which developed the detector. The experiment ...

News on UGC, NAAC

Osmania University plans to hire foreign professors

Telangana Today

The University Grants Commission (**UGC**) recently issued guidelines, which said universities categorised under I and II can hire foreign faculty without its approval. Universities whose National Assessment and Accreditation Council (**NAAC**) score is 3.51 or above or received corresponding accreditation ...

स्वायत्त महाविद्यालय अब नहीं कर सकेंगे मनमानी

नवभारत टाइम्स

महाविद्यालय में गुणवत्ता कक्ष स्थापित करना अनिवार्य हो गया है। जिस तरह से राष्ट्रीय मूल्यांकन एवं प्रत्यायन परिषद (नैक) की तरफ से मूल्यांकन किया जाता है, उसी तरह किसी बाहरी संस्थान से महाविद्यालयों को अपना मूल्यांकन ...

OU to hire foreign faculty to strengthen academics

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... Grants Commission, universities categorised under I and II can hire foreign faculty without its approval. Also, as per the guidelines, the universities whose **NAAC** score is 3.51 come under Category I. There are also other criteria for being recognised as category I university, according to **UGC** guidelines.