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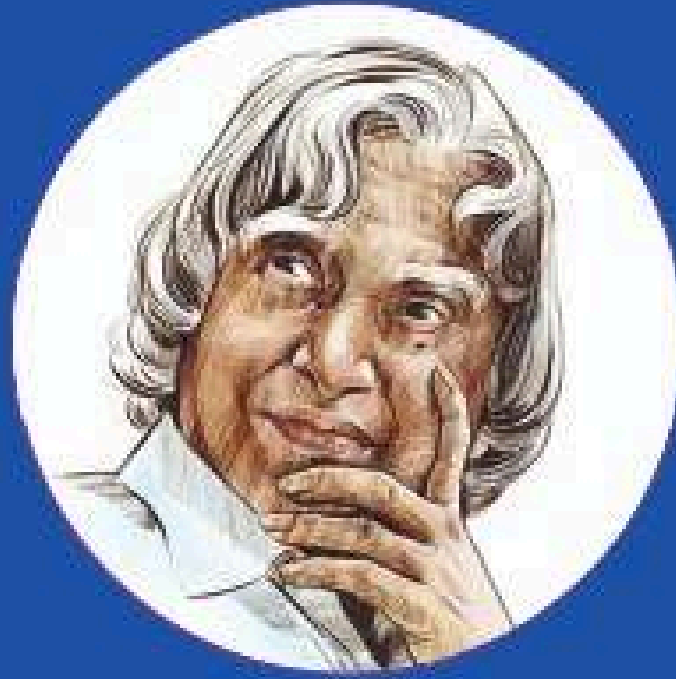
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Ketan Deshpande Founder & CEO at FUEL



- Ketan, the **Founder & CEO** of FUEL has attained **Masters in Business Administration** from prestigious International University- Symbiosis.
- He is also **Pavate Fellow** at **Cambridge University, UK** & had represented at **Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES), 2016** at **Stanford University, USA** which was hosted by Former President Obama.
- For his work, he has received **appreciation** from the then **President of India Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam** & prestigious awards like Ashoka Fellowship.
- He has received the **Ashoka Fellowship** and the **Champions of Change Award** from the **Prime Minister of India- Shri Narendra Modi Ji**.

Our Inspiration

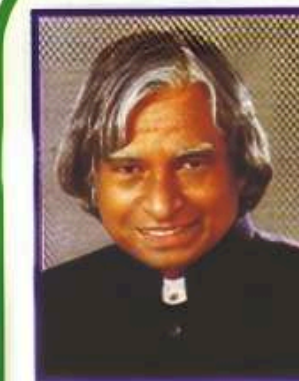


Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam

Former President of India &
A world-renowned Space Scientist

“ FUEL should work to reduce the gap between the urban and rural students to make them the flag bearers of tomorrow. ”

- A message by Dr. Abdul Kalam Sir to the FUEL team



Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

*Learning gives creativity
Creativity leads to thinking,
Thinking provides knowledge
Knowledge makes you great.*

With best wishes from:

16/1/07

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam
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Message & Letter From PM



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Shri Narendra Modi Ji
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India
Via letter on 6th Nov. 2020
to FUEL Chairman Shri. Ketan Deshpande



प्रधान मंत्री
Prime Minister
MESSAGE

I am pleased to learn about the online *Bhoomi Poojan* of FUEL Center of Excellence campus at Bhugaon, Pune. The creation of a new infrastructure brings with it fresh energy and inspiration.

Today's world is driven by technology and innovation. Leveraging the role of technology as a force multiplier in providing solutions and opportunities, we have taken concrete measures with integrated approach to pave the way for intent, intellect and energy of our Yuva Shakti.

Our emphasis to equip our large workforce with latest skills and our constant endeavour towards creating an ecosystem of enterprise and innovation is powering the nation's resolve of Aatmanirbhar Bharat, more so in a post-COVID world. Efforts of stakeholders like FUEL further and strengthen this vision with their valued contribution.

This initiative of FUEL to provide career guidance and impart skills to the youth is a noble one. May the endeavour to provide guidance to the youth reach out, in particular, to the poor, needy and disadvantaged sections of the society.

May the auspicious occasion of Bhoomi Poojan provide inspiration to everyone associated with the Fuel Centre of Excellence to work with renewed dedication for the betterment of the society and the nation.

With best wishes,

Narendra Modi

New Delhi
कार्तिक 15, शक संवत्, 1942
06th November, 2020
Founder Chairman and CEO

Shri Ketan Deshpande
FUEL B-School & Future Skills Institute
Forest Trails Township, Paranjape Schemes
Mulshi Road, Near Manas Lake
Bhugaon, Pune
Maharashtra - 412115

- Established in **2007** as a **Trust** with a PAN India Presence.
- Certified under **80G / 12A & FCRA, CSR 1 (MCA)** registered on **Social Stock Exchange**.
- Touched & changed lives of more than **1 million** students

FUEL Journey Plan



Vision

We have a vision to **empower the youth** and enable them to become the torch bearers of tomorrow.



Mission

We have a mission to be the guiding light for the future of our youth and to create a **supporting community** for the youth of the nation.

Established in 2007 FUEL has nearly 2 decades of experience in boosting employability for disadvantaged youth

Our impact journey so far



9,02,882 Students
received career counselling



2,93,768+ Youth
trained through future & vocational skilling programs



3-5 Lakhs per annum
average salary after training



₹17.5 Return on Investment
for funders in short term skilling interventions



2907+ scholarships
availed



300+ students
UG/PG Scholarships



Career Counselling

Academic Coaching for the needy students

CAREER COUNSELLING 2006 - 2013

Career
Information

Career
Counselling

Career
Seminars

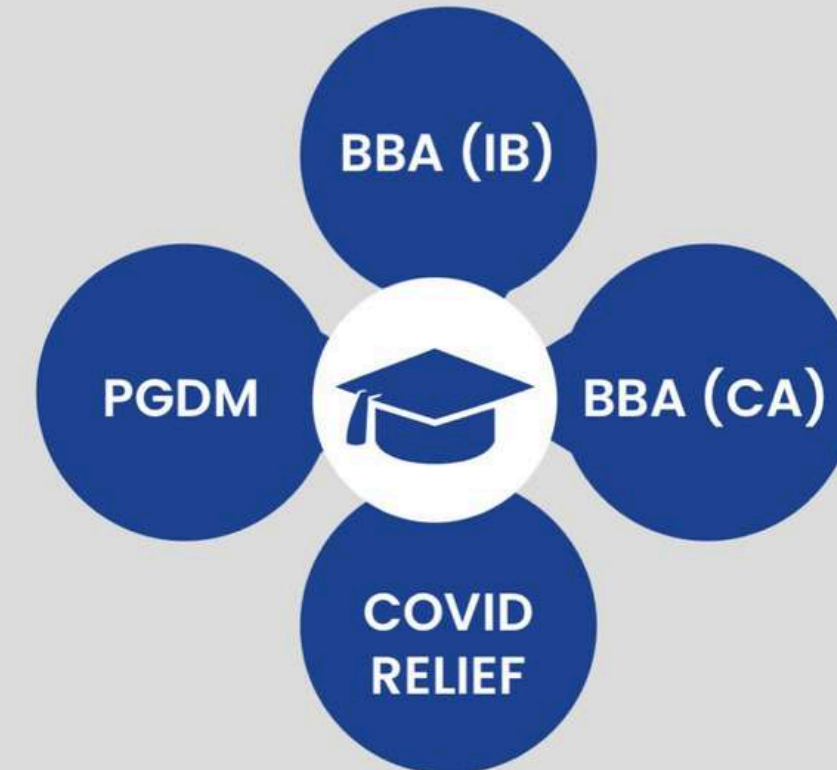
State	City	No. of Schools	Beneficiaries
Karnataka	Belgaum	215	45119
	Haveri	400	47245
	Shiggaon	149	5000
	Soraba	51	15005
Andhra Pradesh	Peddapalli	19	3557
Maharashtra	Baramati	130	5302
	Madha	61	50884
	Mumbai	25	15243
	Beed	34	5000
	Nashik	824	15299
	Shirdi	114	135412
	Raigad	56	28598
	Phaltan	20	13151
	Pune	281	15299
Through Educonnect	Various Locations	695	1336
Grand Total		2517	593449



Scholarships



SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM 2014-2024



OUTREACH IN SCHOLARSHIPS

States	Beneficiaries
Gujarat	64
Haryana	100
Karnataka	13
Maharashtra	2730
Grand Total	2907

Scholarship distributed to the students from
low income background

Future Skill Training

Industry experts provide guidance to explore and enhance future career opportunities.



The Selection Process for the Beneficiaries



Stage 2
Screening test



Stage 4
**Background,
Educational, Family
income & Document
verification**



Stage 6
Finalization

Stage 1
Aptitude test



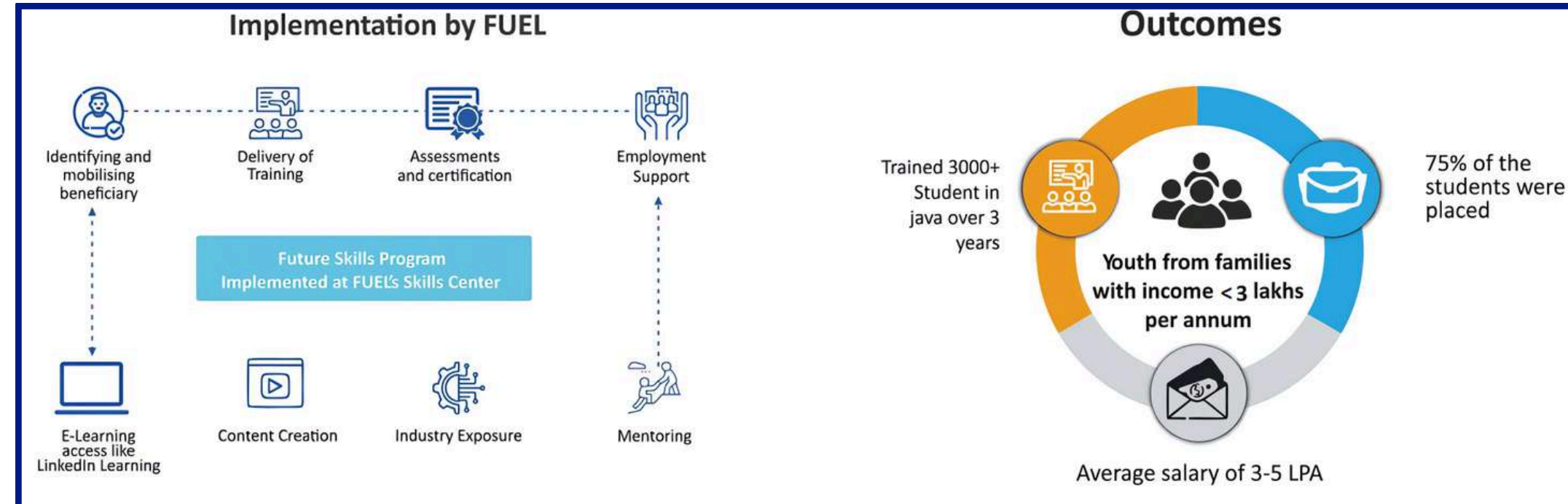
Stage 3
Interviews



Stage 5
Home visits

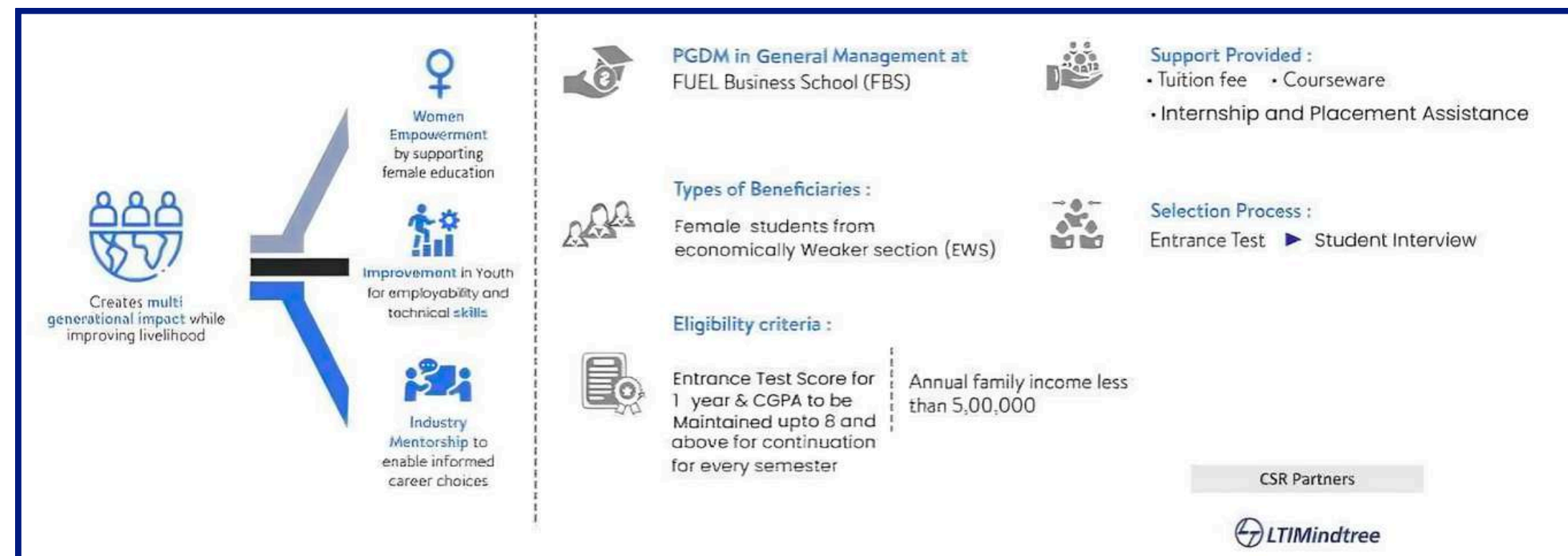


Short Term Program



Our impact includes short-term Future Skills Certification Programs driven by strategic partnerships, and long-term initiatives that empower girls from underserved communities to pursue higher education in high-employability fields.

Long Term Program





Smart Classrooms



Digital Library



Computer Labs



Auditorium

National Recognition by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India



**Champions of Change Award from the Prime Minister of India-
Shri Narendra Modi Ji.**



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(Narendra Modi)

New Delhi

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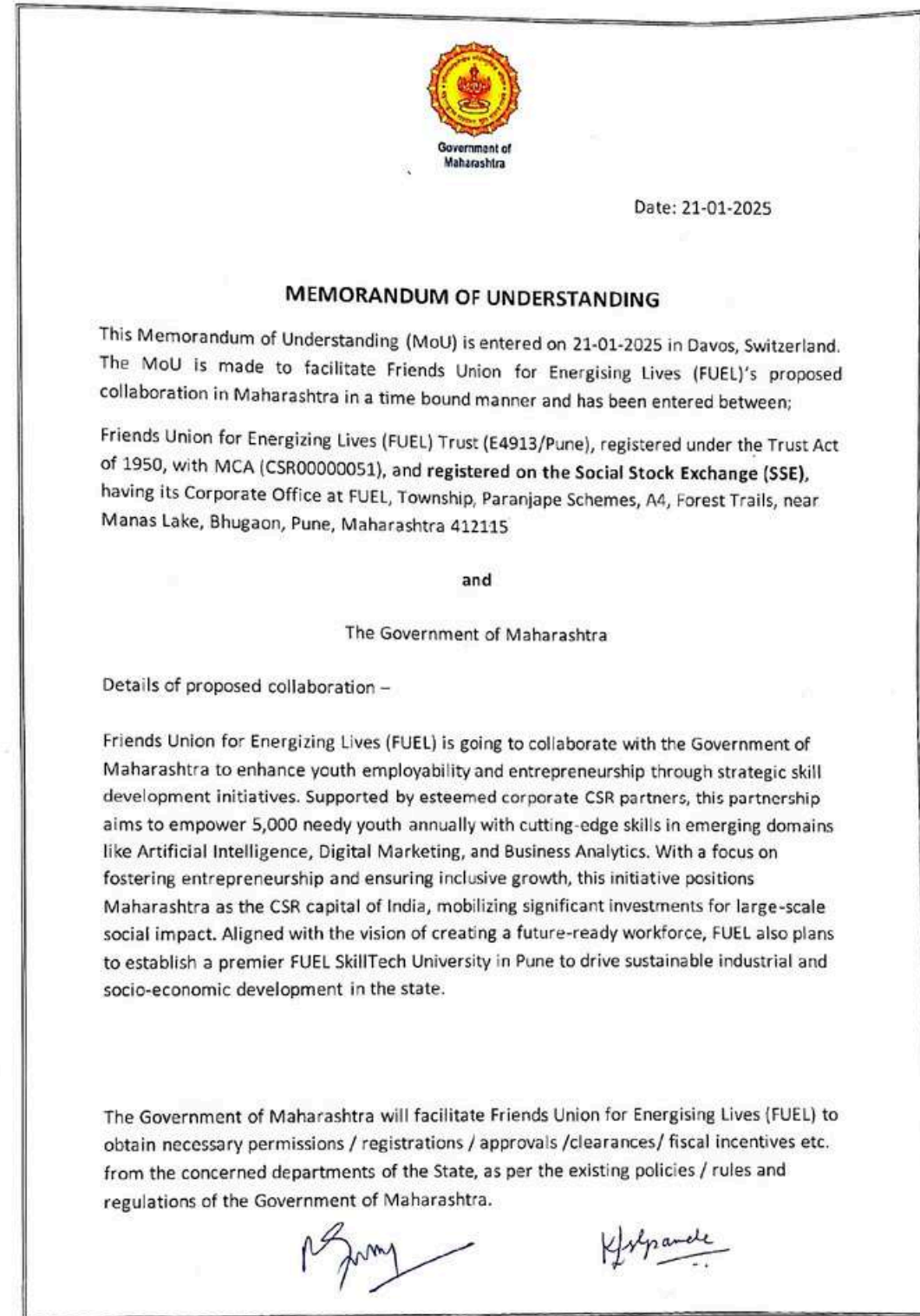
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A Historic Moment at Rashtrapati Bhavan



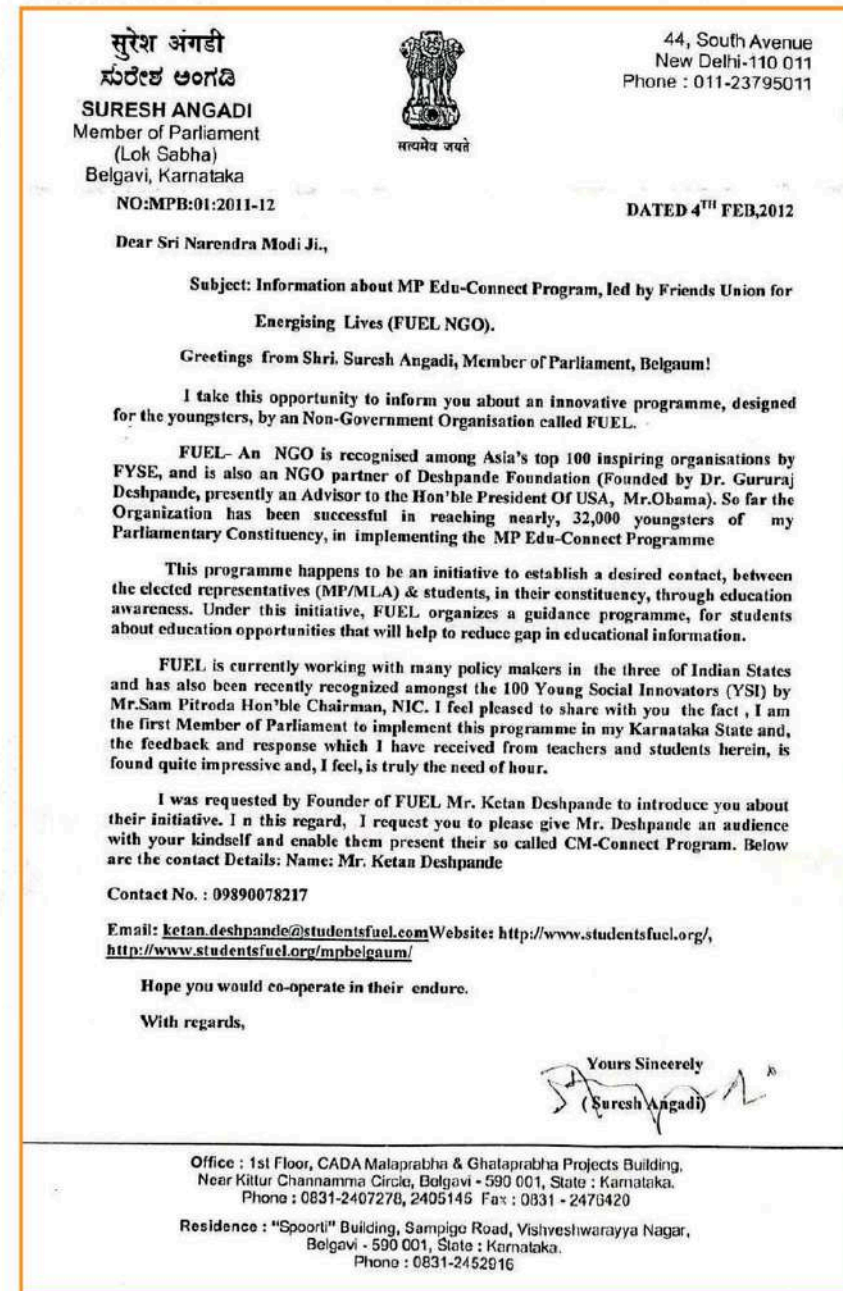
**FUEL delegation with the Hon'ble President of India at
Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi**

MOU With Maharashtra Government at WEF 2024, Davos



**MoU signed with the Government of Maharashtra
at the World Economic Forum in Davos,
Switzerland.**

Legacy of Support: Shri Suresh Angadi's Endorsement of FUEL



Hon'ble Suresh Angadi Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)

Shri Nitin Gadkari Ji Applauds FUEL's Entrepreneurial Impact

A Letter of Appreciation from
Hon'ble Shri Nitin Gadkari Ji

नितीन गडकरी
NITIN GADKARI



मंत्री
सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग
भारत सरकार
Minister
Road Transport and Highways
Government of India
Do No. 7071/VIP/MRT&H/2022
Date: 12 SEP-2022

Appreciation Letter

It was great pleasure to read the book written by young entrepreneurs
Shri. Ketan Deshpande & Shri. Santosh Huralikoppi.

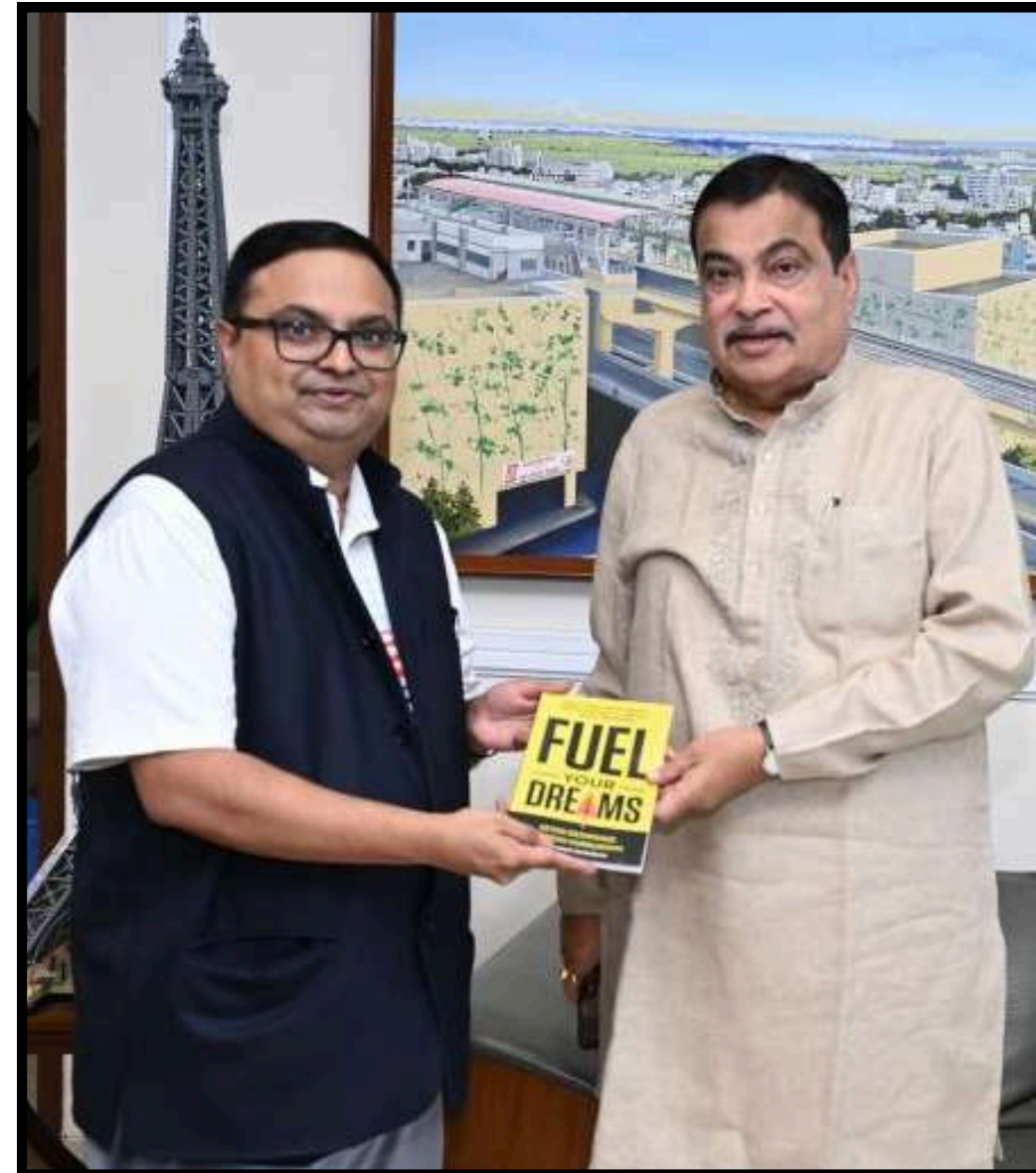
The title of the book – FUEL YOUR DREAMS is not only eye catching
but also thought provoking. The book elaborates the inspiring journey of authors
with FUEL Social Enterprise. I am sure that young entrepreneurs will get
altogether different vision for the development of their ventures through this
book.

I congratulate young authors for their motivating efforts and wish them all
the best for future.

Yours

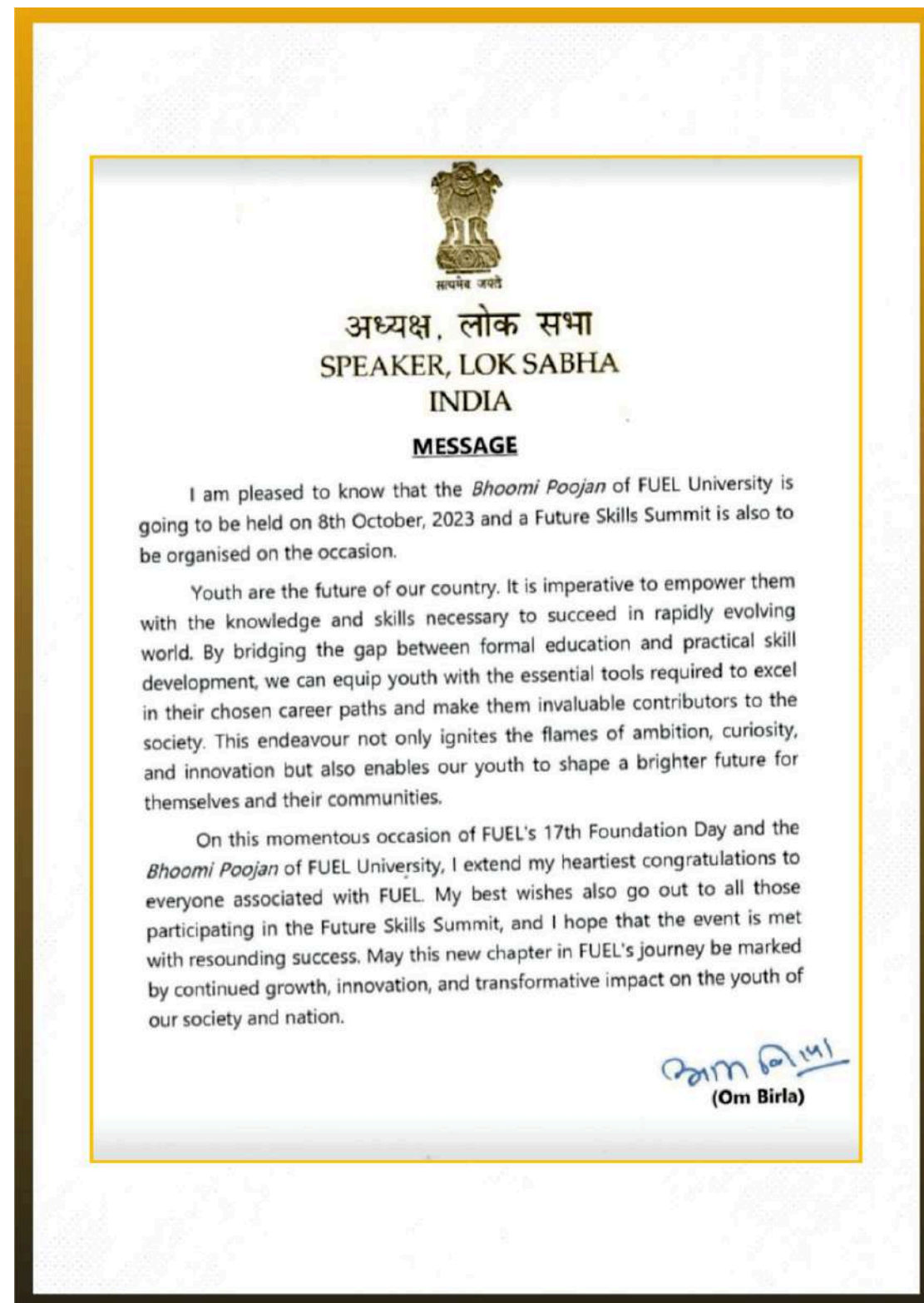
N. Gadkari
(Nitin Gadkari)

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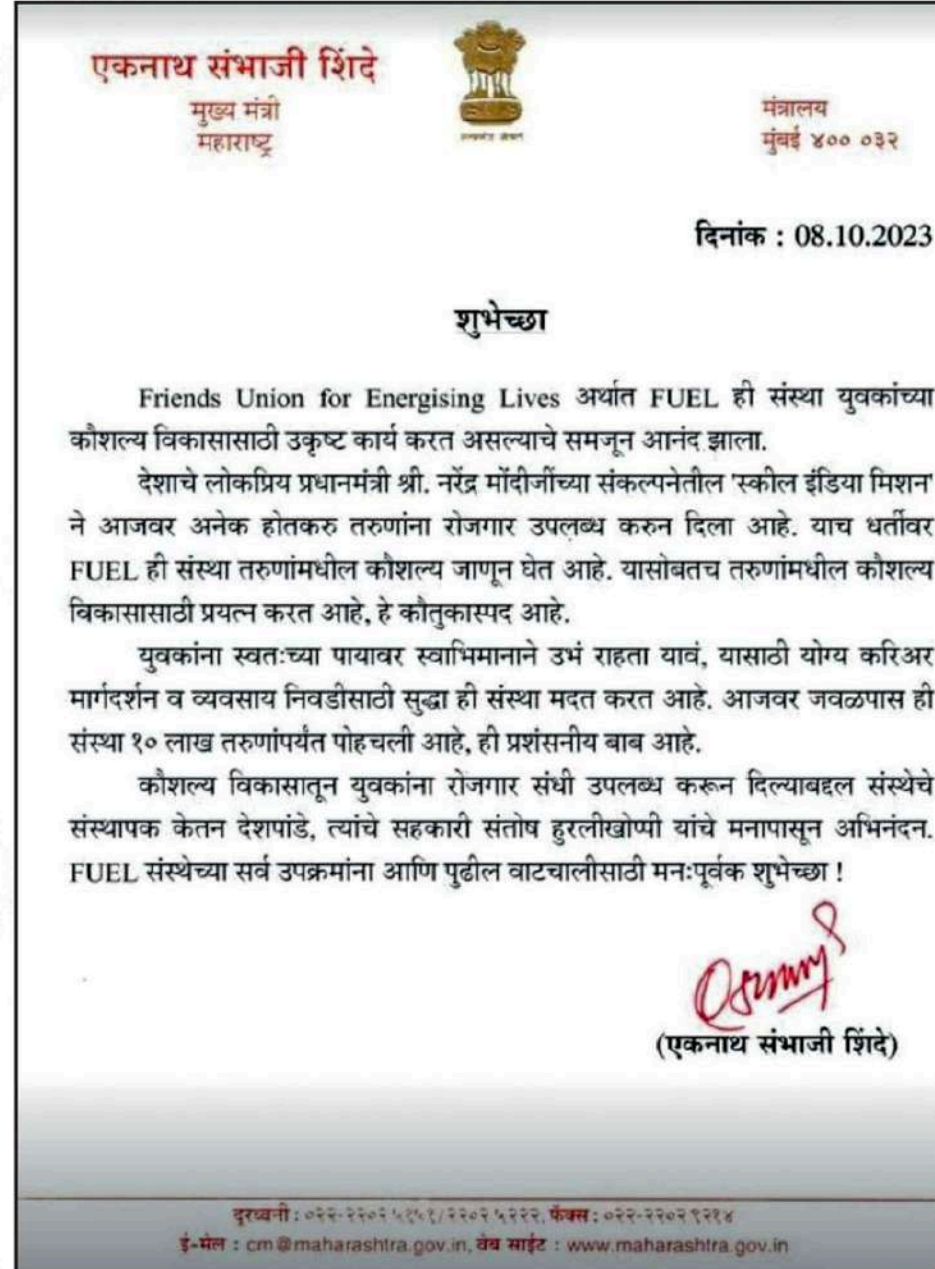
**Hon'ble Shri Nitin Gadkari Ji, Minister Road
Transport & Highways**

Honoured by Shri Om Birla, Speaker of the Lok Sabha



Recognized by Lok Sabha Speaker Hon'ble Shri Om Birla for shaping future-ready youth.

Recognition by Hon. Eknath Shinde & CSR Journal Awards



Hon'ble Eknath Shinde, Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra

Recognition by Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar

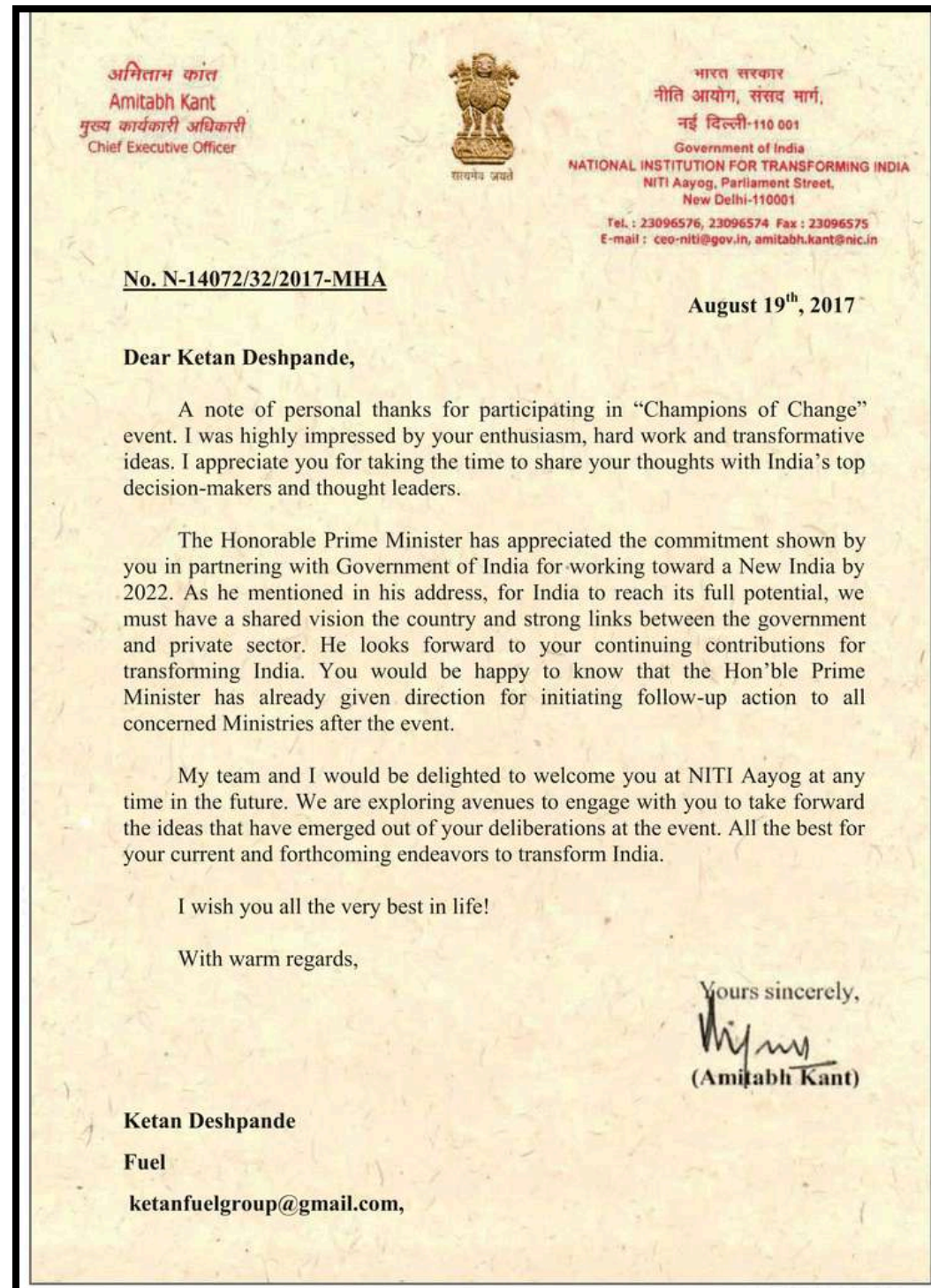


फ्युएलचे संस्थापक श्री. केतन देशपांडे यांनी माझी सदिच्छा भेट घेतली. यावेळी फ्युएल स्किल युनिव्हर्सिटी आणि CSR संकल्पनेबाबत चर्चा झाली. ग्रामीण भागातील विद्यार्थ्यांना भविष्यातील कौशल्यांसह सक्षम करण्यासाठी फ्युएलनं केलेलं कार्य खरोखरच उल्लेखनीय आहे. बारामतीच्या फ्युएल विद्यार्थ्यांनी आघाडीच्या बहुराष्ट्रीय कंपन्यांमध्ये नोकऱ्या मिळवल्याबद्दल त्यांचं मनःपूर्वक अभिनंदन!

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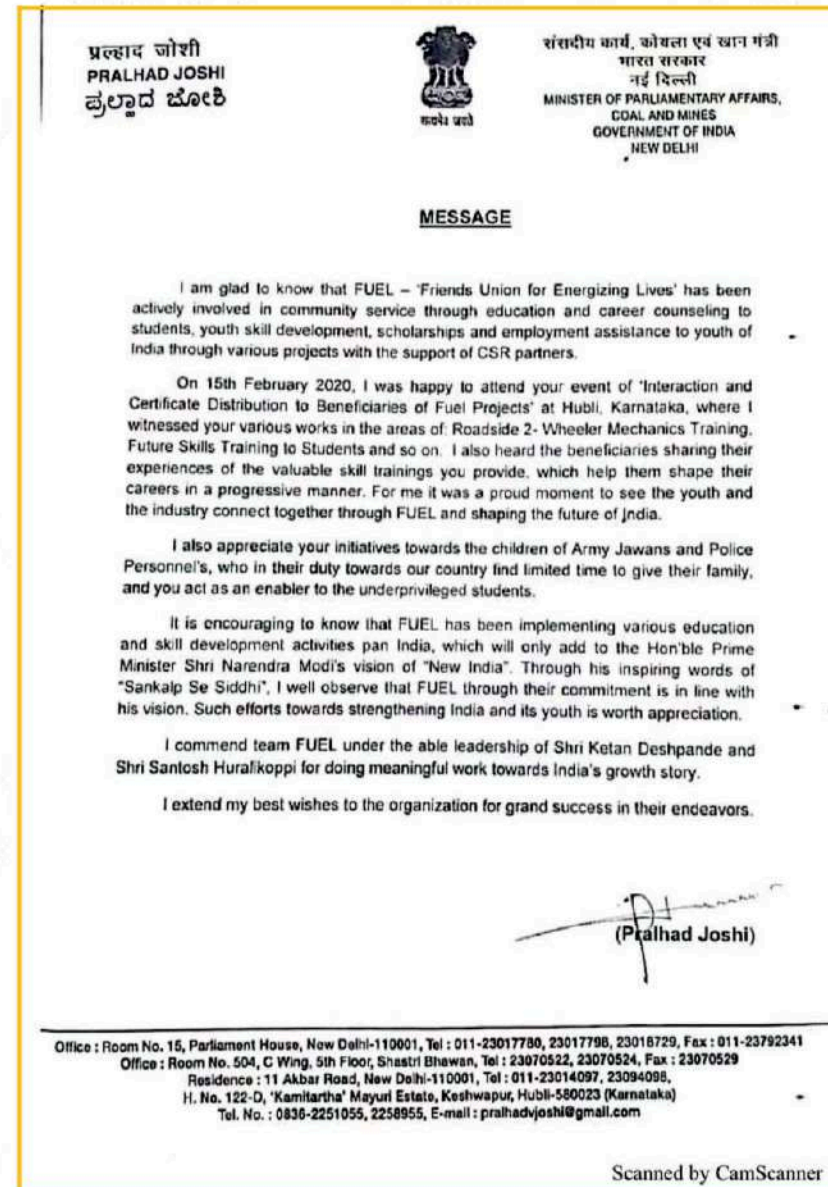


Recognized by NITI Aayog, Government of India



Appreciation by Niti Aayog

Appreciation from Policy Makers



Hon'ble Pralhad Joshi
Union Cabinet Minister,
Parliamentary Affairs

SANJAY KOTHARI
Secretary to the
President of India


RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN
New Delhi - 110004

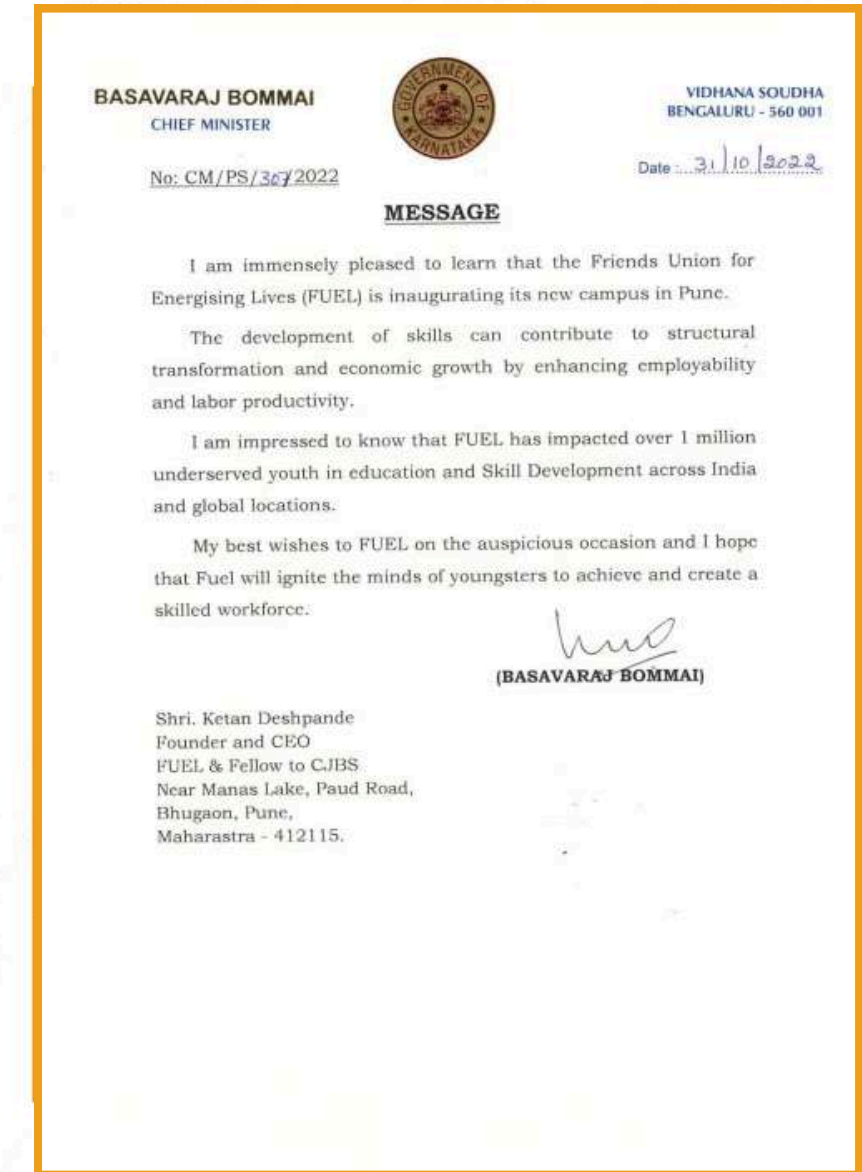
Dear Shri Santosh Huralikoppi,

From Rashtrapati Bhavan, we extend congratulations to your team for participation in Global Hackathon4Justice. We expect that your participation in the event will assist in achievement of objectives of "Sustainable Development Goals". We wish success to your team and also hope that your participation will spur extensive use of technology in addressing social issues.

Kindly accept our sincere thanks for visiting Rashtrapati Bhavan on 3rd January, 2020 and sharing your experiences with Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind. We look forward to continued association with you.

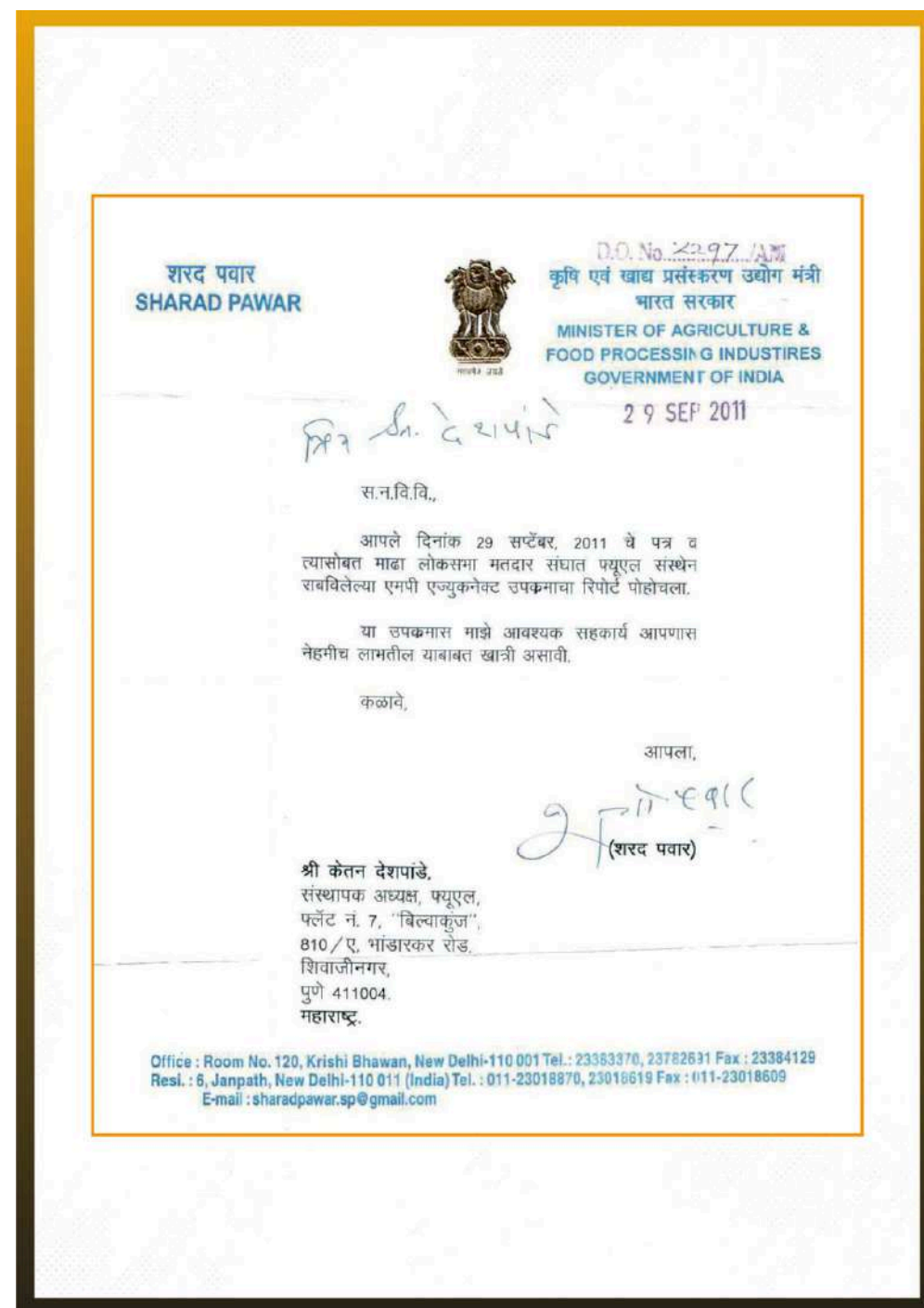
With best wishes
Yours Sincerely
Sanjay Kothari
(Sanjay Kothari)

Hon'ble Sanjay Kothari
Secretary to the
President Of India

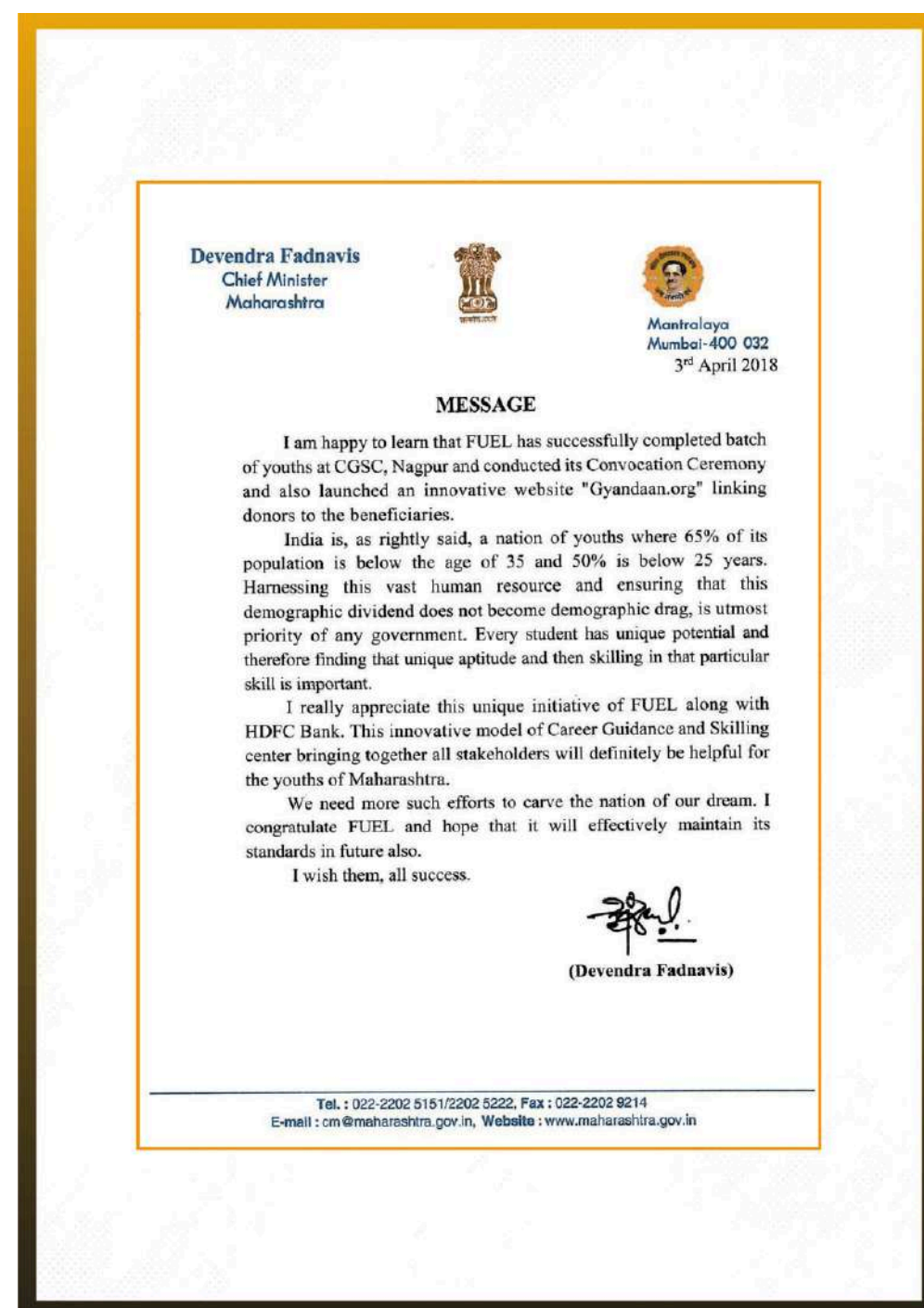


Hon'ble Basavaraj Bommai,
23rd Chief Minister
of Karnataka

Appreciation from Policy Makers



Hon'ble Sharad Pawar, Minister of
Agriculture & Food Processing Industries



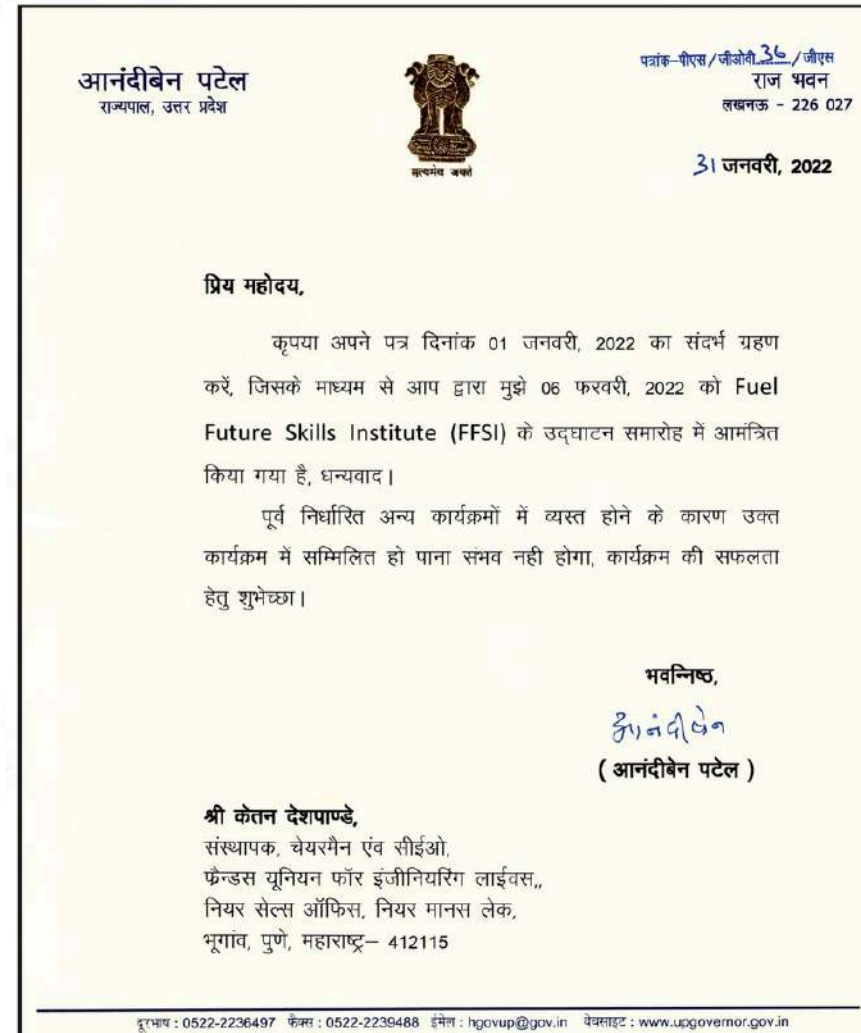
Hon'ble Devendra Fadnavis, Chief
Minister of Maharashtra



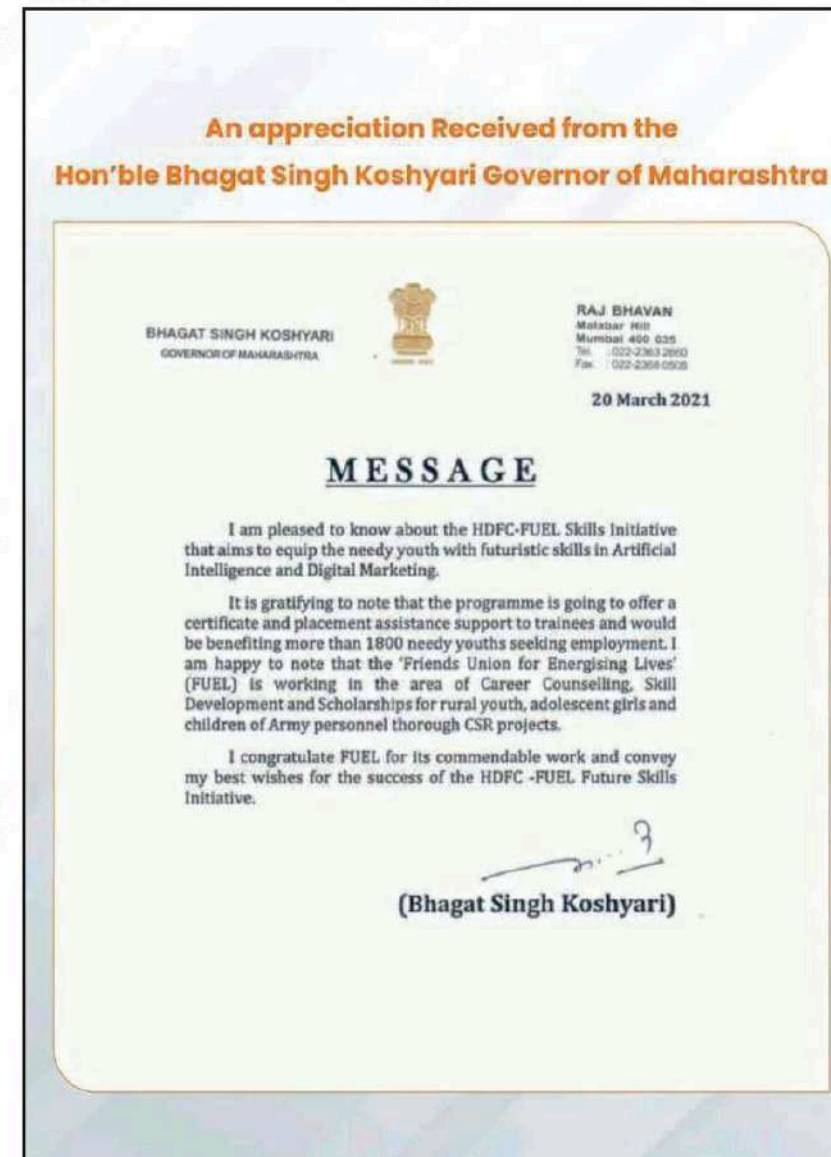
Hon'ble Rameshwar Teli, Minister
of for Petroleum and Natural Gas
& Labour and Employment



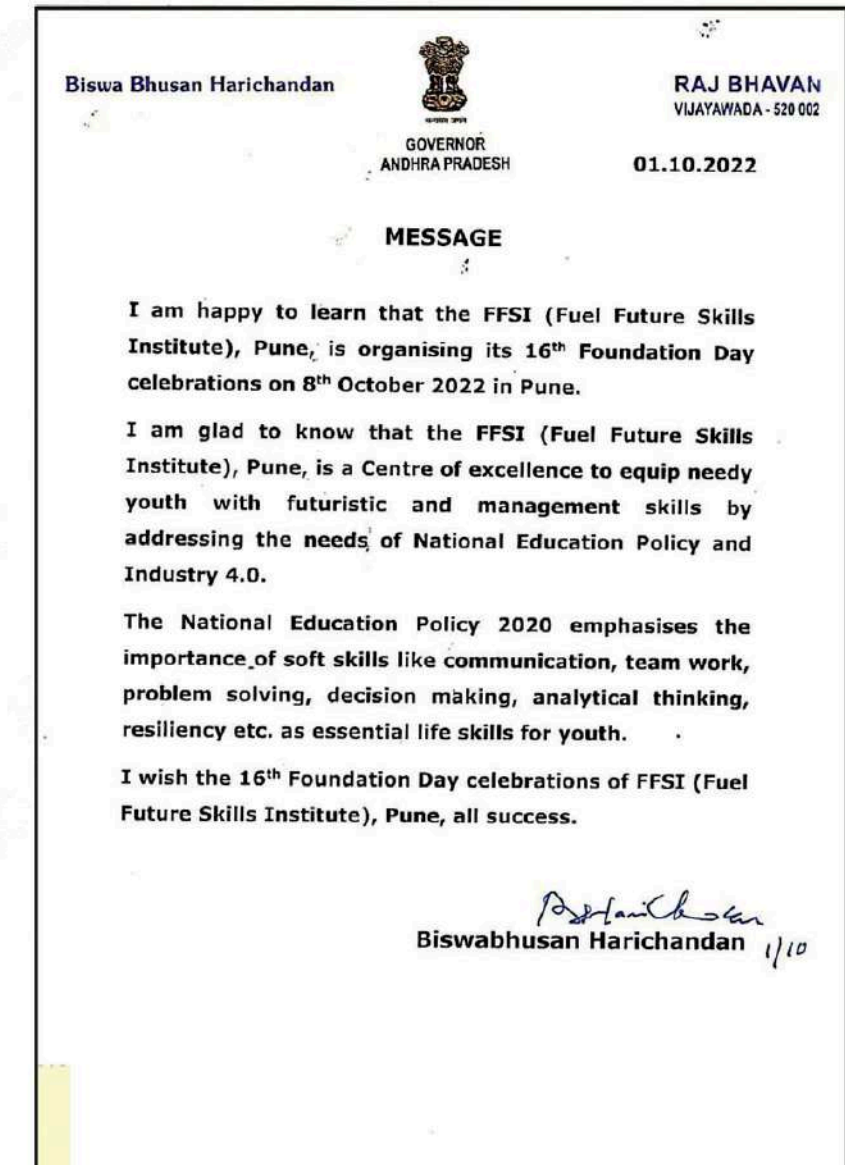
Appreciation from Respected State Governors



**Hon'ble Anandiben Patel,
Governor of Uttar Pradesh**



**Hon'ble Bhagat Singh Koshyari,
22nd Governor of Maharashtra**



**Hon'ble Biswabhusan Harichandan,
Governor of Andhra Pradesh**

Leaders Speak: Voices of Support for FUEL's Journey



Chandrakant Patil praised FUEL's work in strengthening vocational and foundational education.



Aditi S Tatkare appreciated FUEL Conclave 2024 for driving youth empowerment and innovation.



Mangal Prabhat Lodha congratulated FUEL Business School on its inauguration and future vision.

Leaders Speak: Voices of Support for FUEL's Journey

CM [@Dev_Fadnavis](#) at a convocation of career guidance & skilling centre at Nagpur. This centre is run by **FUEL** as **NGO** partner, GoM as knowledge partner and powered by [@HDFC_Bank](#). Over 3000 youth got employment opportunities here. Minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule was present.



Hon'ble Devendra Fadnavis praised FUEL for skilling centres empowering 10,000+ youth with jobs.



G. Kishan Reddy applauded FUEL's CSR efforts in Hyderabad, supporting youth at Job Fair 2021.

Acknowledgements from State Collectors & Police Commissioners



No. *Nankri letter/4/2016*

Date: *13/12/2016*

To

Shri Ketan Deshpande,
Founder Chairman FUEL,
Singhad Road,
Pune 411051

Subject : Compliments on Career Counseling - Thane Police personnel project and response to FUEL NGO's request for implementing Career counseling for Police personnel state wide for Maharashtra.

Dear Ketan Deshpande & Fuel team:

Let me give you my best compliments for starting important and path breaking program for career counselling leading to skill development for Police personnel of Thane. It was our pleasure personally to attend the program at Police school in Thane and seeing the pilot launch along with our team of officials.

We are sure the need of providing career counselling, skill building and personality development training is need of hour for the children of our police personnel.

In view of this, I would request you to plan this program across divisions and districts of Maharashtra in association and support of various like-minded Companies under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and partnerships.

We would be glad to provide you necessary cooperation of providing data / logistical support of required Police personnel's children and to make this project a success.

In coming years we can make this mission of successful program of "career counselling and skill development" as welfare and innovative program for Police personnel of Maharashtra

We wish you good luck for all your future endeavours.


[Param Bir Singh]
Commissioner of Police,
Thane.

Abhijit Sudhakar Bangar
I.A.S.
Collector & District Magistrate
Amravati.



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Date- 14.08.2017.

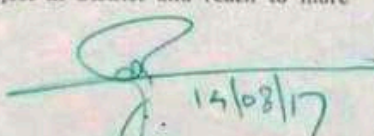
Appreciation Letter

I am writing to let you know the good work done by FUEL organization done in Amravati District in student's career counselling and skill development. FUEL has maintained a excellent work record throughout the session which surely benefiting mostly to the students from rural areas. Following are some achievements archived by FUEL-

1. CGCC Amravati has reached 86 schools and 11,826 students in 7 months, which includes 3600+ ITI & VTP Students.
2. We are collaborating with VTP's so that we can help their students to find the good job in local areas as well as we refer VTP's to students who are interested in vocational training. Till date we have visited 26 VTP and signed MOU with 13 VTP. All these VTP give training in different courses. According to MOU CGCC centre will provide career guidance, counselling to VTP as per need of industry and also providing information about available courses, job fair and various job opportunities available in district and state and it will also assist candidate in job placement through soft skill training after completion of vocational training.
3. CGCC Conducts Summer camp and AOT sessions in 11 ITI are covering 982 students.
4. CGCC Amravati Conducts Guidance program by District Collector for UPSC/MPSC aspirants students.

I wish that FUEL should continue the project in District and reach to more beneficiaries.

Thank You!


(Abhijit Bangar)
Collector & District Magistrate,
Amravati

To,
Mr.Ketan Deshpande,
Founder FUEL Organization.



To

HR/CSR Manager,

Subject: Invitation to be Industry Partner about Skilling program under Career guidance and Skilling Center (CGSC) for Mumbai Suburban District.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings,

We wish to inform you that Mumbai Suburban District Collectorates wishes to launch path breaking program for Career counseling leading skill development for needy and underprivileged youth of Mumbai Suburban District. The program aims to benefit 5000+ needy youth through career counseling & Future skills development.

In view of this we need to have discussion with your company HR department and Corporate Social responsibility (CSR) department for exploring Industry partnerships as you are known for a socially responsibly corporate.

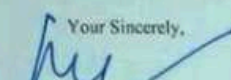
For this we have partnered with credential expert organization Friends Union for Energizing Lives (FUEL) and the team of Mumbai Suburban CGSC would be happy to come and present the project.

I have implemented the CGSC concept with FUEL at Nagpur which benefitted 10,000 + youth and the Center was inaugurated and convocation was done by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shri Devendra Fadnis.

In coming years we can make the mission of successful program of "CGSC (Career counseling and skill development)" as welfare and innovative program for students of Mumbai Suburban District especially for Juvenile Homes Children, needy government schools and colleges.

We would also like to have a meeting with you and Mumbai Suburban District Collectorates for mapping the jobs and skills needed.

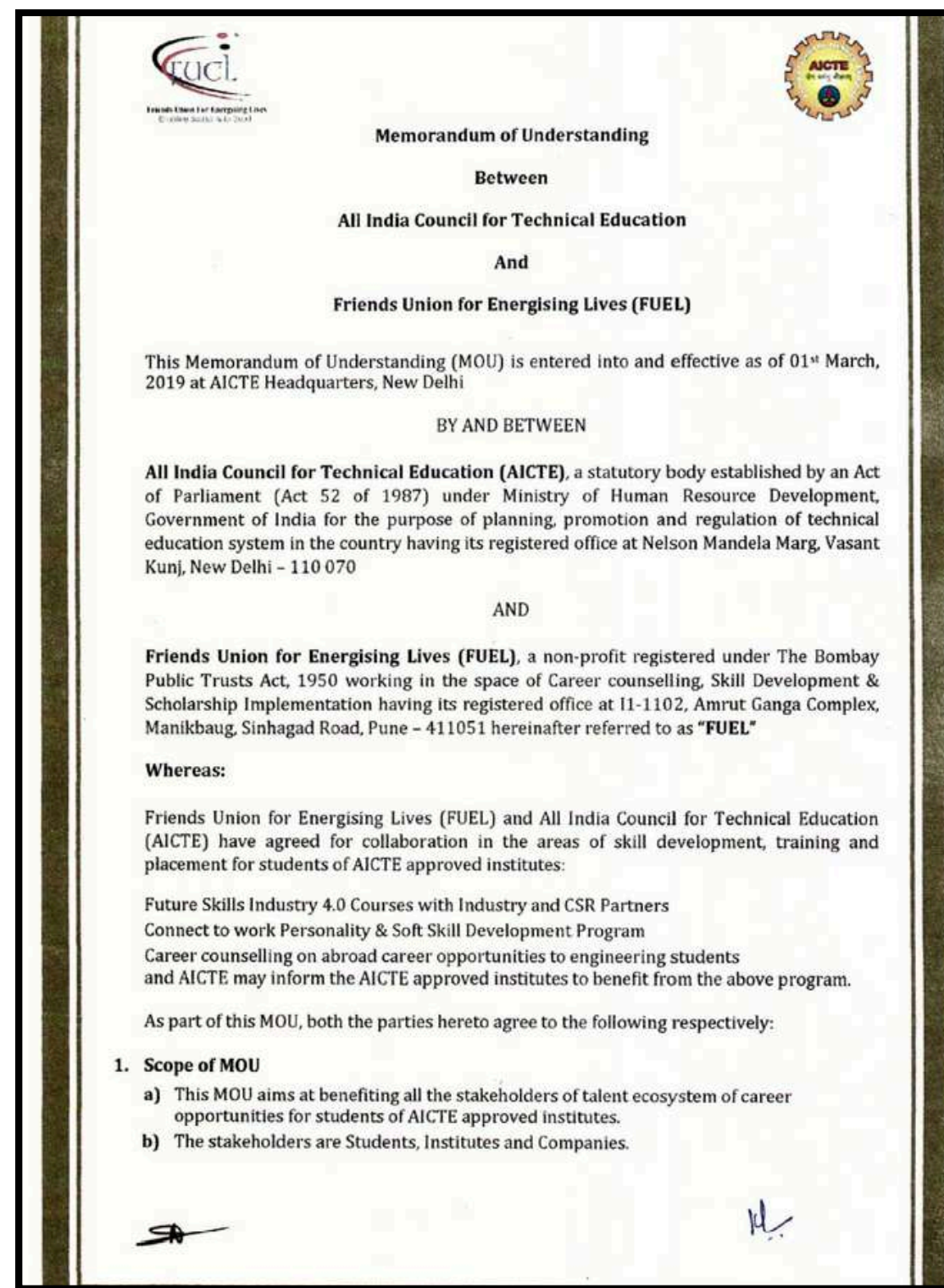
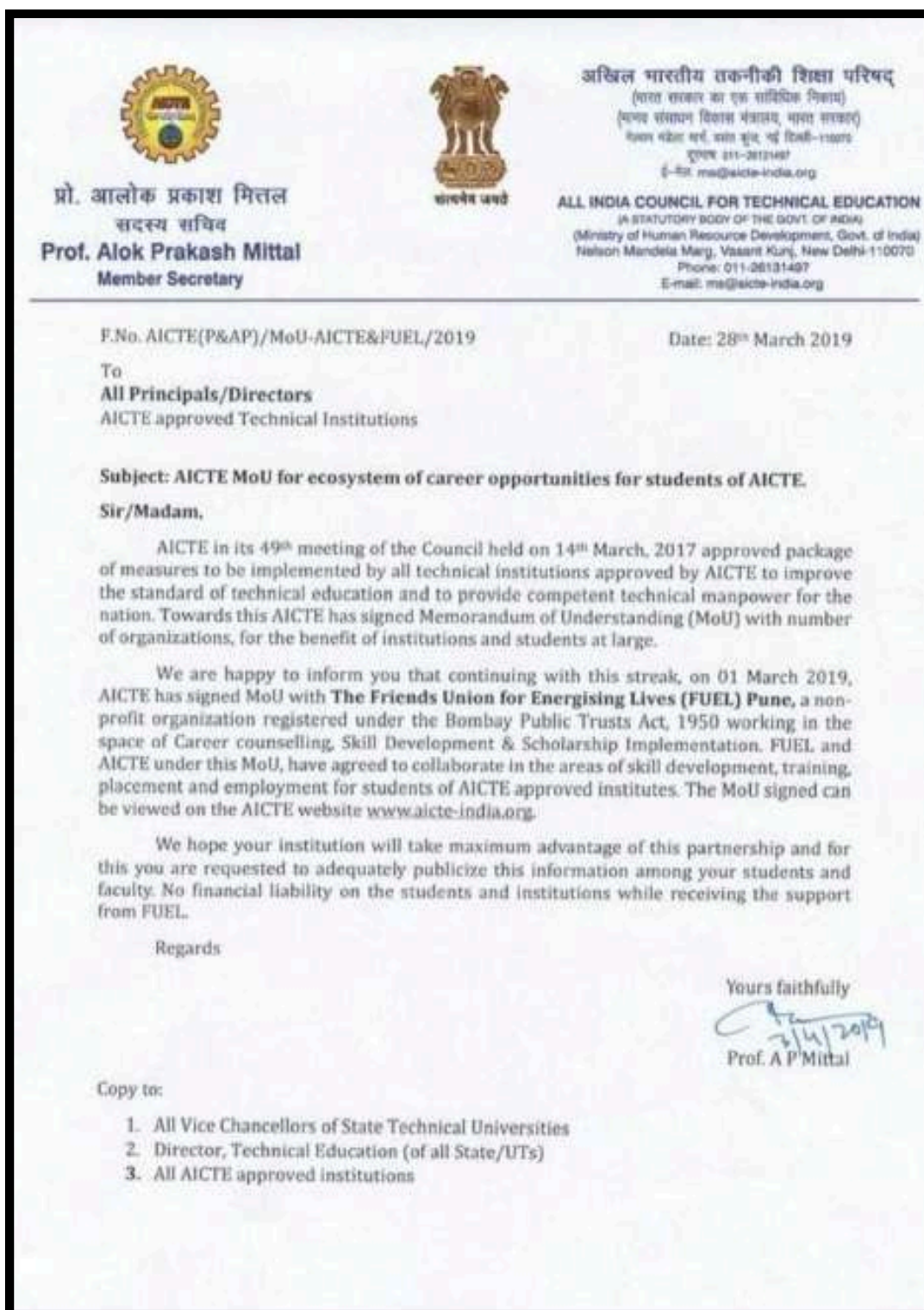
Looking forward for your response attached details of project and contact information.

Your Sincerely,

Shri Sachin Kurve
District Collector,
Mumbai Suburban District

Project Implementation Partner
Shri Ketan Deshpande
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Partnering with AICTE to Skill India's Youth



Empowering Futures: FUEL signs MoU with AICTE to boost career opportunities for technical students across India

Official Social Stock Exchange (SSE) Approval & Recognition



National Stock Exchange Of India Limited

Ref: NSE/SSE/0253 April 21, 2025

The Compliance Officer
Friends Union for Energising Lives (FUEL)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Requirements for In-Principle Approval of Friends Union for Energising Lives (FUEL) on NSE Social Stock Exchange

Greetings from National Stock Exchange of India Limited!

Thank you for taking another step towards becoming a part of the NSE family. We are grateful for the trust you have placed in us and are committed to serve you. Hope to onboard you on NSE at the earliest.

With reference to your application dated February 21, 2025, requesting In-Principle Approval for raising of funds through Public Issue on NSE Social Stock Exchange, following are our observations:

1. Kindly provide a confirmation from the Social Auditor/Statutory Auditor that the issuer is eligible to be an NPO and issue ZCZP in terms of Chapter X-A of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, applicable SEBI Circulars and requirements of the Exchange.
2. Kindly provide us with the Details of the top five donors of the social enterprise along with amount and percentage.
3. Kindly provide a list of entities in which trustees hold office.
4. Kindly provide Salary structure
5. In 'Our Organisation & its operations' Chapter, kindly provide the following:
 - a. Kindly clarify whether the institutes mentioned on page no. 38 of DFRD are currently in existence. If yes, kindly provide details regarding the same. Also clarify whether "PGDM and short-term courses in Future Skills, including AI, Java, Digital Tech, and EV (Electric Vehicles)" are offered under which institutions.
6. In 'Risk Factors' Chapter, kindly provide the following:
 - a. Kindly specify the tribal areas in which the entity has operations.
 - b. Tenure mentioned as 12 months, project slated to run till 2030

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SEBI SSE Empanelment Letter

Top 20 Donors

Donor	Funds Raised (In Lakhs)
HDFC Bank	4,059
Citi Bank	3,352
Standard Chartered Global Business	1,443
Castrol India	1,257
Larsen & Toubro Infotech	1,009
Hero Motocorp	856
Oracle	776
HSBC Software Development	471
Capgemini Technology Services	451
Yes Bank	423
Microsoft Corporation	376
LTIMindtree	365
Dell	320
Eaton India	318
Wells Fargo	298
HDB Financial Services	282
UN Development Programme (UNDP)	258
India Gas Solutions (IGS)	200
Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services	150



Global Partnerships with Leading Corporates

Amdocs Development Centre	Deutsche Gesellschaft Fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Gmbh	Lumax	United Nations Development Programme	Standard Chartered Global Business	Thyssenkrupp India
ANZ Operations And Technology	Eastman Industries	Lupin Human Welfare And Research Foundation	United Way Of Hyderabad	DBS Bank	Citi Bank
ANZ Support Services	Eaton India	Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services	V Mart Retail	Swades Foundation	Coal India
AU Foundation	Fujitsu Consulting	Medsynaptic	Velotio Technologies	Tata Trust	Collective Good Foundation
Axa Business Services	Godrej And Boyce Manufacturing	Microsoft Corporation	VF Worldwide Holdings	BPCL	Silicon Valley Community Foundation
Ayana Renewable Power	Gunnebo	Nasscom Foundation	VFS Global Services	Capgemini Technology Services	Deshpande Foundation
Bajaj Finserv	HDB Financial Service	Neelammegha Investments & Trading	Vishwakarma Group of Institutes	Castrol India	Concord Biotech
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Bharati	Hero Motocorp	Oracle	Yes Bank	Smile Foundation	IDBI Bank
Biomet Visa	Honda Motorcycle And Scooter India	Otis Elevator Company	Kusuma Foundation	Tata Capital Financial Services	Jabra Connect
Bp Business Solutions	HSBC Bank	Payal Jalan Charitable Trust	Larsen And Toubro Infotech	Serum Institute Of India	Karnatak Lingayat Education Society
Bp Exploration Alpha	HSBC Software Development	SBI Bank (Foundation)	Lenovo	Shell	Linkedin Technology Information
LTIMindtree	Steria India Foundation	Convergys India Services	India Gas Solutions (IGS)	Infosys Foundation	ITC


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HDFC Bank Parivartan launched the 'Future Skills' program with FUEL to equip 1,800 underprivileged youth of Chandigarh with futuristic skills in Artificial Intelligence (AI), Digital Marketing, and aptitude and employability skills. The program was digitally launched by Capt. Amarinder Singh, CM of Punjab, and Nusrat Pathan, Head - CSR of HDFC Bank. The event also saw Suresh Kumar, Principal Chief Secretary to CM of Punjab; Harpreet Singh Sudan, IAS Director, & Rahul Tewari, IAS Secretary, Employment Generation, Skill Development & Training; Jatinder Gupta, Zonal Head and Vineet Arora, Branch Banking Head of HDFC Bank.

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Congratulations @ketanfuel and team.. Your vision is inspiring and so is your passion to make a difference.. Am confident @fuelskill will help a generation of youth reach greater heights

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Founded by #AshokaFellow @ketanfuel, mentored by @santosh_nsi @fuelskill is empowering, uplifting the underprivileged through access to education & career counselling

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Date- 29.08.2016

Certificate of Completion

This is to certify that Friends Union for Energizing Lives (FUEL) in association with thyssenkrupp Industries India in the year 2015-2016 has conducted the Career EduConnect Program for 3572 students in 15 schools across Maharashtra.

FUEL has successfully completed the program and has impacted the needy students. FUEL has completed the pre decided objectives. FUEL team was successfully able to deliver the program to all the students and was able to guide them and support them.

Also, all the documents and reports were regularly and duly submitted to our complete satisfaction. We wish FUEL all the best for all their future endeavours and hope that they continue their good work for the underprivileged students.

We would be happy to work with FUEL in future as well.

Thanking you,




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To,
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Martina Merz
Chairwoman of the Executive Board

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Via e-mail to: appt.pmo@gov.in
cc: pkmishra.pmo@gov.in and oo.osdit@gov.in

Request for appointment and information about FUEL Civil Society organization led by Ketan Deshpande and Santosh Huralikoppi towards Nomination of Padma Awards (Nom ID AAB221004900)

Hon'ble Sir,

As an Ashoka Support member, I came across Ketan Deshpande, Ashoka Fellow and Founder of FUEL (Friends Union for Energising Lives) and Santosh Huralikoppi, Chief Mentor of FUEL, many years ago already. I was immediately deeply impressed by their dedication and strong vision and am glad to have been providing them with my accompanying advice since then.

Both these young social entrepreneurs of FUEL are doing a very commendable work for the underserved communities of India and have even scaled it to Uganda and Indonesia.

Their unique model to help educate the underprivileged youth of India supporting the needy with scholarships and skill development, has shown impactful results and has reached more than 1 million youth in India across 15 States by now.

In 2018 I invited them to study the German Cooperative University model in Stuttgart, and they are now working in Pune to establish the FUEL Future Skills University in India. They realized that a fast-growing Indian economy has an enormous need of highly educated employees who are familiar with the future trends and challenges.

I am convinced that the cooperation of companies and educational institutions is a key factor in ensuring that the Indian economy will soon have the skilled workers it needs. The contribution of Ketan Deshpande and Santosh Huralikoppi to reach this goal cannot be overstated.

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FUEL Future Skills Institute
Mr. Ketan Deshpande, CEO and Founder
Mr. Santosh Huralikoppi, Chief Mentor
Pune, 412115
India



Dear Ketan, dear Santosh, dear Mayuri and dear FUEL team,

I am very glad, that today you have reached the aim towards you had strived for years – to build and inaugurate the FUEL Future Skills Institute.

My warmest congratulations to that! Unfortunately I can not deliver my best wishes to you personally today as originally planned but be assured – I will join you at a later point in time.

When I met you first, which was quite a few years back already, I was deeply impressed by your vision to help educate the underprivileged youth of India.

I am proud that I had the opportunity to share with you a part of the way which already lies behind you. Together we did the analysis how to make it possible to transfer the success model of dual education from Germany to India.

At the end of 2018 I introduced you, Ketan and Santosh, to the Cooperative State University and to the enterprise Bosch in Stuttgart for partnership discussions. They very successfully live the model of dual studies since decades. After that we were often in close contact and exchanged thoughts and ideas and now the dream has finally become reality. This fills me with with very deep pleasure.

All this would not have been possible without your great dedication and confidence that you will succeed and - last but not least - without your realization that a fast growing Indian economy has a great need of employees educated in future skills and thus also an urgent need of high-tech learning facilities also for the underprivileged. The cooperation of companies and educational institutions is key and precondition that the Indian economy will have the skilled manpower it needs in the near future.

I will always stay closely related to FUEL and I can assure you my continued support in your further journey.

Sincerely yours,

(Martina Merz)

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Global praise for FUEL by Thyssenkrupp for empowering youth and advancing future skills education.

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 **Ketan Deshpande** @ketanfuel · 2d ...
Thank you @AlokOhrie sir for gracing the occasion. Regards @fuelskill @ketanfuel @santosh_nsi

 **Alok Ohrie** @AlokOhrie · 3d
Pleased to join @drajaykumar_ias & @drchintan_vyas for the launch of ATL Enhancement Program, covering 54+ defence schools, that will impart real-world skills to 68,000+ youth, up-skill educators on emerging tech & give career guidance to students.


ATL Enhancement Program
Making Youth Ready through Future Skills Initiative For Defence Schools



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 **Capgemini India** @CapgeminiIndia ...
Our digital academy partner Friends Union for Energizing Lives (@fuelskill) has launched new digital academy center in Pune. 2000 trainees will receive market-aligned technical training & placement support empowering them to be future ready
[#GetTheFutureYouWant](#) [#DigitalInclusion](#)



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FUEL's Global Partnerships: Uganda & Indonesia Collaboration



**Empowering youth globally – FUEL partners
with VFS Global in Indonesia.**



**Educational support in Uganda with
the Hon'ble First Lady.**

Eduraksha **Project for Army Public Schools**



Project Name	Career Counselling to APS Students
Donor Supported	Hero, Wells Fargo, Dell
Outreach	137+ Schools & 25000+ students
Activity	Career Counselling

137 Army Public Schools supported.
63,000+ students reached, with 75% children of Jawans.

20 states covered under the outreach program.

25,428 students impacted by the initiative.

2017: FUEL signed an MOU with AWES.

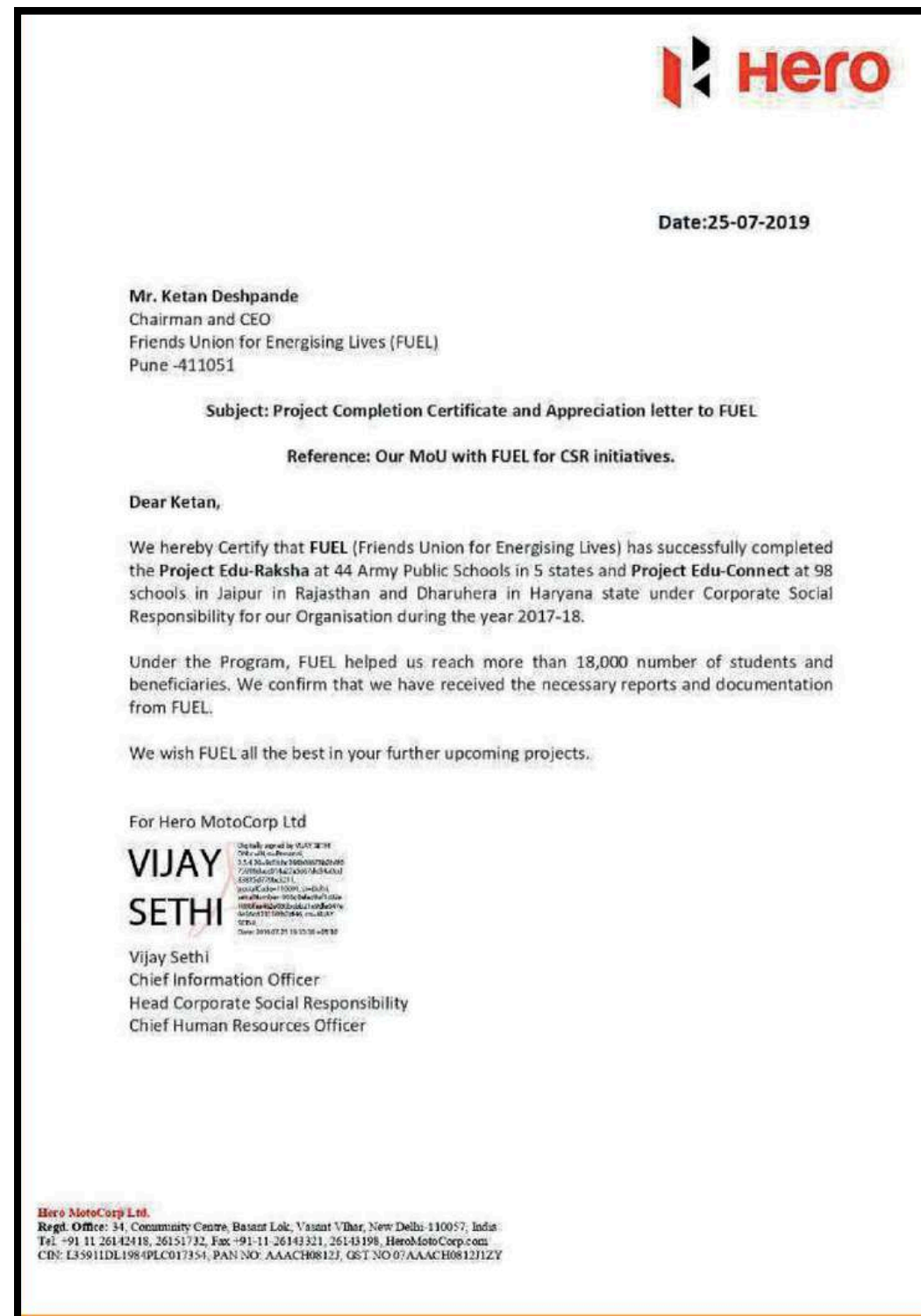
25,428 students provided career counselling by January 2020.

Rs. 20 lakh donated by FUEL for scholarships.

94 schools participating in the Edu-Raksha program.



Hero MotoCorp Recognizes FUEL's CSR Impact



Appreciation & Project Completion (2017-2019)

- Edu-Raksha at **44+ Army Public Schools** across 5 states
- Edu-Connect at **190+ Government and Army Schools**
- **Hero Talent Search** at Jaipur for 10th-grade students

“We wish FUEL all the best in their future projects that will benefit our nation.” – Hero CSR Team

Participated in Cambridge India Dialogue; engaged with global leaders and changemakers.



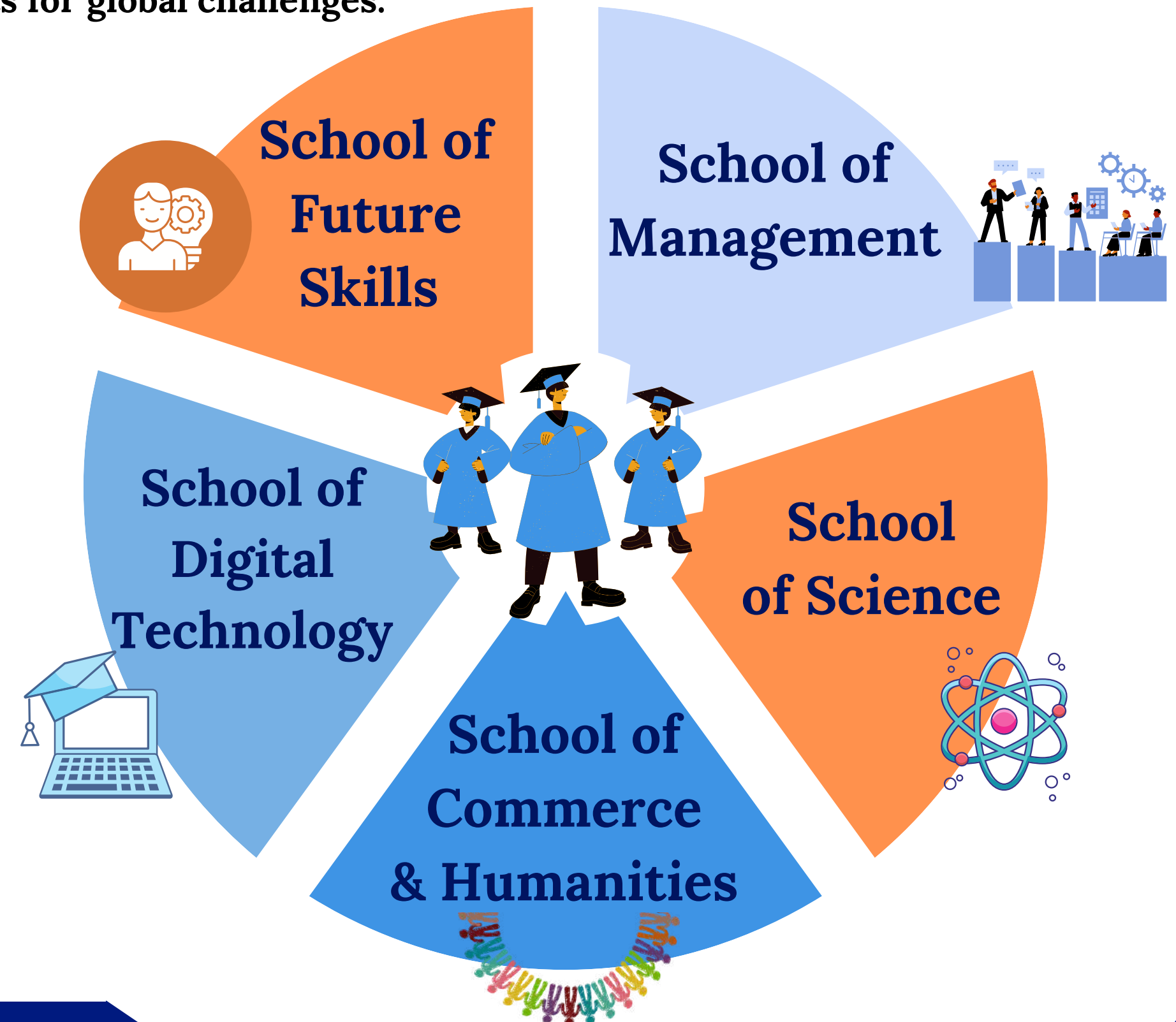
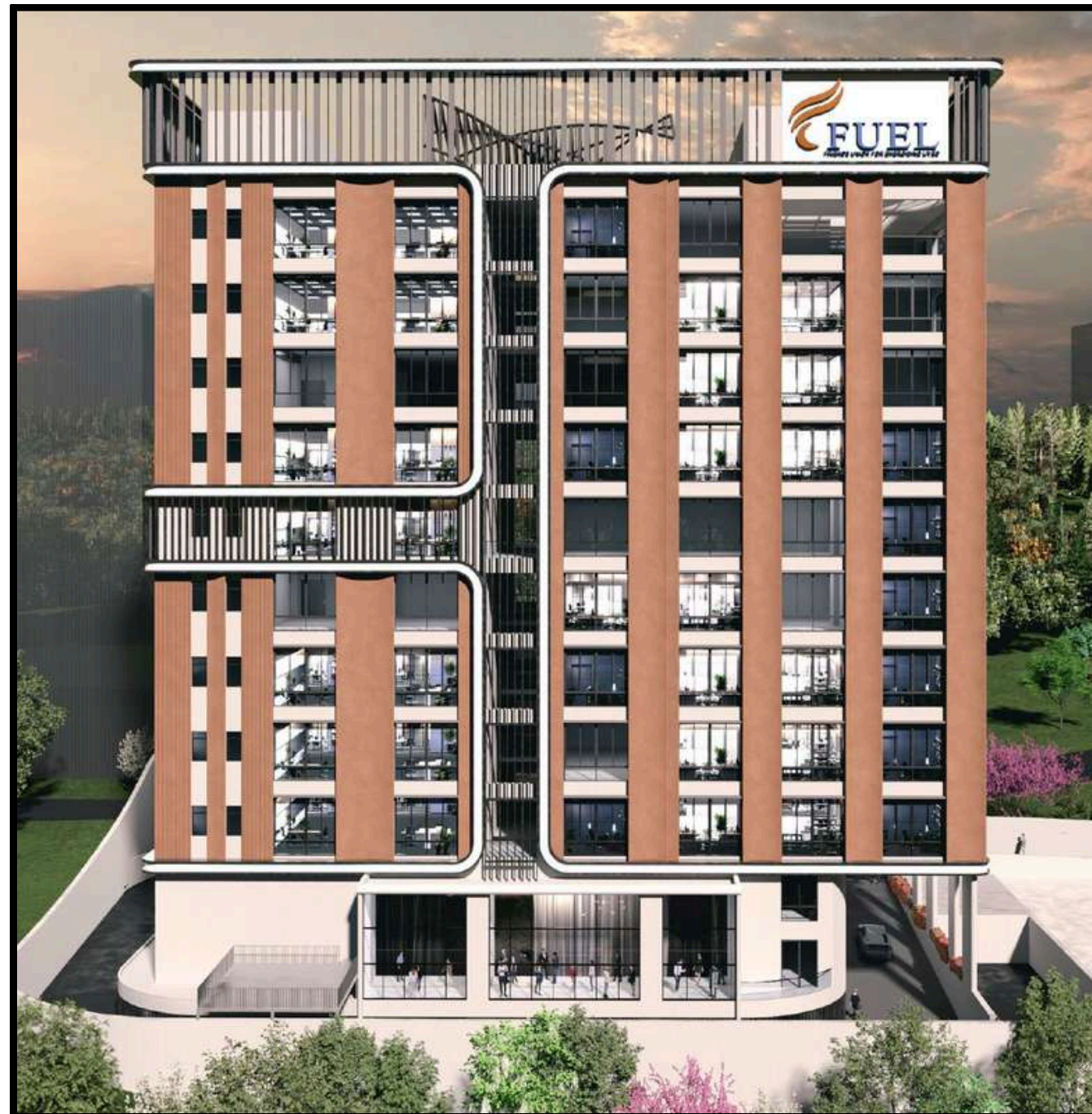
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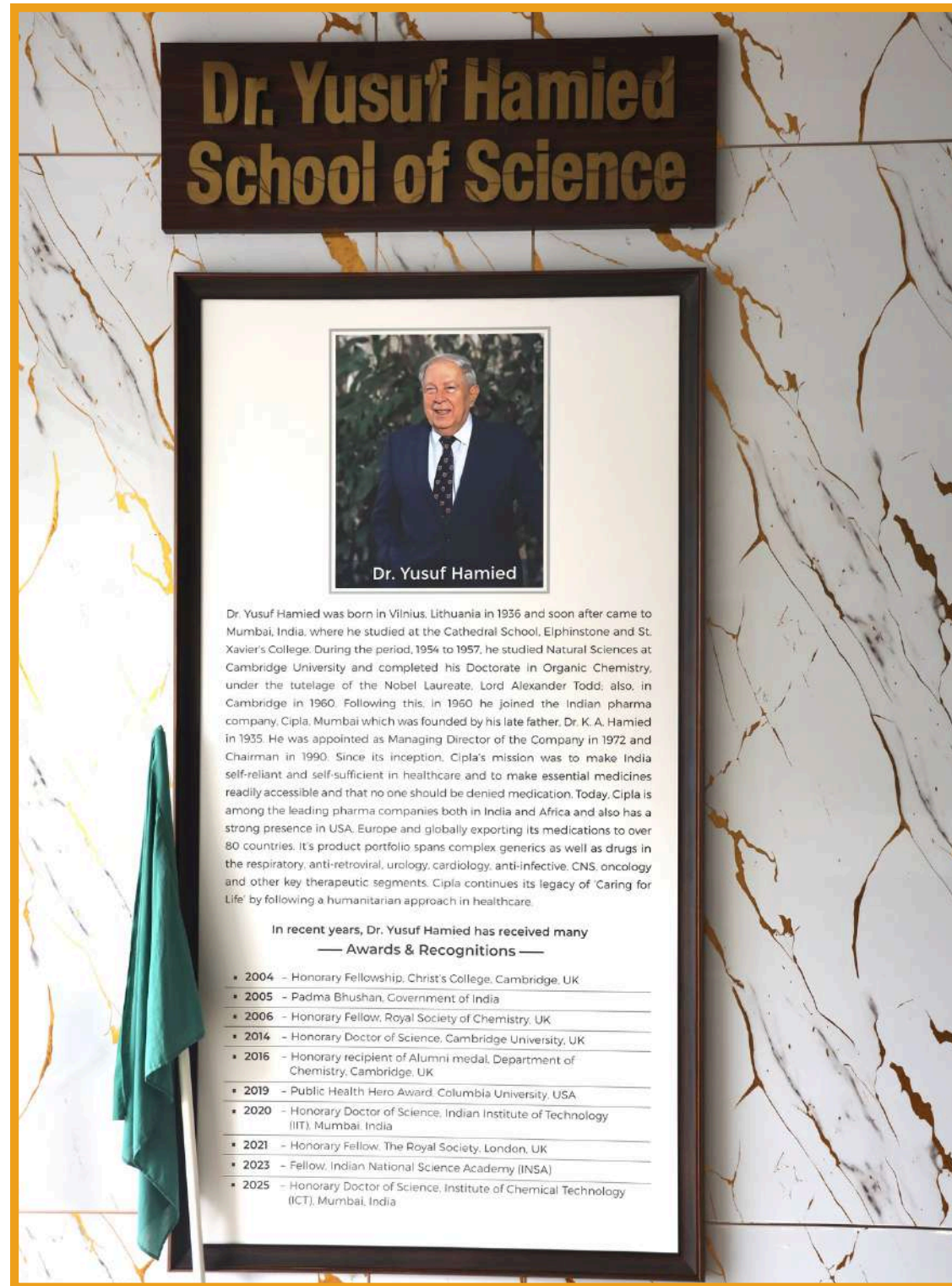
Dr. Vivek Lall
CEO of General Atomics

A New Era of Learning: FUEL Skill Tech University

Our university will offer diverse academic programs across five schools, fostering innovation, research, and practical skills to prepare students for global challenges.



Dr. Yusuf Hamied School of Science



The Dr. Yusuf Hamied School of Science is a tribute to the generous support of Cipla's Non-Executive Chairman & Padma Bhushan, Dr. Yusuf Hamied, whose belief in the power of science and education continues to inspire and uplift young minds.

Media Recognition & Thought Leadership



Change Makers- NDTV



ABP Maza



Future Ready with FUEL- CNBC TV18



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Student Perspectives



I am **Nikita Vyavhare**, a **PGDM student at FUEL Business School**, originally from **Ahmednagar**. My **parents run a small Anda Bhurji stall in Sadashiv Peth**, working hard to support our family while we live in a modest rented home.

Pursuing a **PG in Management** seemed out of reach due to financial constraints—until I discovered the FUEL Business School scholarship through Dagdusheth Halwai Trust. After clearing an aptitude test and interview, I was selected.

With **100% scholarship support**—including tuition, books, and academic essentials—**FUEL** turned my dream into reality. Here, I've gained hands-on experience using tools like Power BI and Tableau, and enhanced my communication skills.

Today, I'm proud to have secured an **internship at Syngenta**. I am deeply grateful to the FUEL team for empowering students like me through education and opportunity.




Born in a small village in **Rajasthan**, **Diya Singh** grew up with limited access to resources but an abundance of dreams. As a **first-generation learner**, she always aspired to pursue higher education and create a better future for her family.

Her turning point came when she joined the **BBA program at FUEL Business School**, supported through a merit-cum-need scholarship. At FUEL, Diya gained exposure to future skills, leadership training, and industry mentorship that transformed her confidence and capabilities.

With her hard work and **guidance from FUEL's placement** and career support cell, Diya successfully secured a **position at HPCL** — a prestigious public sector enterprise. Today, **she not only supports her family financially but also serves as a role model for countless girls from underserved regions of India.**

Her journey reflects the power of education, mentorship, and the right ecosystem — and underscores FUEL's mission of empowering first-generation learners to achieve extraordinary milestones.


Their Words. Our Motivation.




“

I am pleased to learn about the Bhoomi Poojan of FUEL Center of Excellence campus at Bhugaon, Pune. The creation of a new infrastructure brings with it fresh energy and inspiration. This initiative of FUEL to provide career guidance and impart skills to the youth is a noble one. May the endeavour to provide guidance to the youth reach out, in particular, to the poor, needy, and disadvantaged sections of the society.”

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Shri. Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India



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“

Ketan Deshpande and his team's initiative has transformed career guidance in Maharashtra, providing invaluable insights to countless students, including 63,000 from Army Public Schools who will now benefit from enhanced career counseling and expert lectures.

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Shri. Devendra Fadnavis
Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra



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FUEL has shown a model of social enterprise which is sustainable and scalable, impacting globally. FUEL has won many awards in India and globally, I wish Ketan and Santosh from FUEL to work hard for the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

”



Nitin Gadkari
Minister of Road Transport and Highways of India



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“

FUEL is poised to lead the way in transforming India's youth into a skilled workforce, driving our nation toward a successful future in technology and innovation

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Shri. Basavaraj Bommai
Chief Minister of Karnataka



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Their Words. Our Motivation.



“
FUEL has been a guiding light for the future of our youth, empowering them to become the torchbearers of tomorrow and promoting the Skill India mission, which is vital for transforming India into a global leader in innovation and skills.
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Shri. Piyush Goyal
Cabinet Minister of Commerce and Industry,
Government of India

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“
FUEL is transforming the lives of Indian youth by equipping them with essential skills and guiding them towards the right career choices in a rapidly changing digital landscape.
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Shri. Pralhad Joshi
Minister of Coal, & Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,
Govt. of India

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“
FUEL has been instrumental in creating a future-ready workforce, ensuring that the evolving nature of skills aligns with technological advancements to elevate India to the next level
”



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Mr. Amitabh Kant
Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog,
Govt. of India

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“
FUEL has touched more than a million young lives through their work in education and skill development, making upskilling accessible to those who need it the most, the underserved and the underprivileged. I salute their efforts.
”



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Mr. C.P. Gurnani
MD & CEO, Tech Mahindra Limited

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Their Words. Our Motivation.



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The youth bulge only pays dividends if the young are educated, trained, and employed productively, which is why programs like FUEL are so vital to India's future.
”



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Mr. David J. Ranz
U.S. Consul General
Mumbai

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“
Over the past ten years, we understand that FUEL has helped more than one million youth to aspire to and achieve successful careers in India and beyond. Best wishes to FUEL towards their goal to impact ten million youth
”




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Ms. Kathleen Ryan Muffson
Director, Global Corporate Citizenship & President,
Pitney Bowes Foundation


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“
Congratulations on achieving your goal with FUEL! Impacting over a million young people is an incredible milestone, and I'm excited for your plans to reach ten million by 2025. Wishing you all the best!
”



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Ms. Martina Merz
CEO, ThyssenKrupp

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“
FUEL has been doing phenomenal work at the grassroots addressing education, Skilling and entrepreneurship needs for the underserved outh, not just in India but in Africa, Indonesia and few other locations. I wish to associate with FUEL in fulfilling my dream to impact globally and serve the society at large.”
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Dr. Kiran Patel
Indian-American philanthropist,
Serial Entrepreneur & Cardiologist

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Thank You

“A transformative step towards empowering the youth of the nation”