

GRADUATION DAY

EASWARI ENGINEERING COLLEGE

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I am immensely happy to be a part of the 23rd Graduation Ceremony of Easwari Engineering College. Graduation is not just a culmination of years of hard work, dedication, and perseverance, but it's a testament to one's ability to overcome challenges and strive for excellence. Friends, do not consider this day as the ending of your academic journey, instead mark this as the chapter of new beginnings in your life. From today onwards, you have to flourish with greater responsibility for oneself and for the nation.

I congratulate graduates for completing their studies with hardwork and dedication and reaching this pivotal moment. This beautiful journey is not limited to just attending classes and passing exams but it was all about embracing growth, expanding horizons, and evolving into the professionals. The learnings and experience you have gained in laboratories, libraries, and lecture halls of this college to absorb knowledge, honing your skills, and nurturing your passions, will surely add value to your future.

Being a professor, I have a piece of advice for budding engineers and to all young minds of our country - NEVER STOP I FARNING.

Though you have graduated and are seeking a good opportunity to earn, but the urge to learn more and more should never stop. Our young generation is the future of the country, who will shape and grow the nation with their capabilities, skill and grit. Therefore, it is important to keep your learning spirit alive forever.

One should never feel that you have gained enough knowledge or qualification. In today's time where everything is rapidly being replaced by advanced technology, we must prepare ourselves to accept, adapt and embrace that change. With the introduction of disruptive innovations like AI tools such as ChatGPT, which can actually replace humans from many jobs, it becomes important for future generations to be upgraded and equipped with the emerging and advanced technologies. Continuous learning is critical, therefore it is important that education should not only provide students with the skills they need to succeed in life, but also inspire them to strive for greatness and to make a positive difference in the world.

I am not a technocrat, but I am seeing how technology is being used around me. I am seeing the application of technology in every field of life. Whether in military equipment, or transportation, or agriculture, or public utility services, or even in education, I find extensive use of technology. However, failures are encountered when technology is not used. Industries that had been functioning for decades in several parts of the country, but not coping up with technological development, are slowly vanishing now. Whatever profession you go for, application of technology is absolutely essential. Therefore remember, for success

in your profession, try to adopt technology wherever possible.

As engineers, you have the power to shape the future, to innovate, to create, and to solve problems that seem insurmountable. Remember, greatness lies not just in the pursuit of individual success but in the impact we make on the lives of others. Whether you're designing groundbreaking constructing technology, sustainable infrastructure, or revolutionizing industries, let your work be a testament to your passion, dedication, and commitment to excellence. It is our duty to use our knowledge and skills not only for personal success but also for the betterment of society.

The new education system in India, i.e National Education Policy 2020 envisions a multidisciplinary approach along with a major focus on research and innovation. I

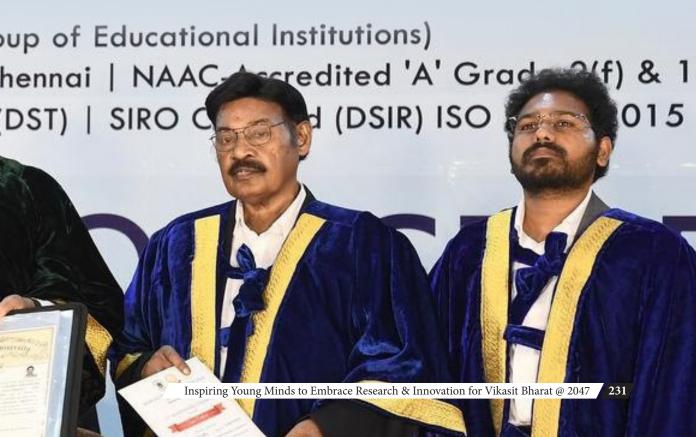


urge our young people to get themselves involved in Research and Development in different fields as it is the backbone of a globally competitive, knowledge-driven economy. Promoting Innovation through R&D will help to develop new products and services that drive growth, create jobs, and improve the national welfare. Investing in research and development ensures high market participation. This vision is propelled by several advantages that it possesses, making it a promising destination for innovation and production. Innovation rules the future of work in all sectors in the next decade. Skill-based learning has become a necessity today as we live in an era of unprecedented transformation. The advent of new technology has led us into a growthdriven era full of opportunities.

We need both knowledge creation and also impart high end future skills at our

universities. Of late, there have been attempts to transform the traditional higher education system into a skill-based one. The National Education Policy 2020 emphasizes practical, hands-on skilling rather than classroom-based learning. Today, skilling has become an integral part of education and curriculum. We need to understand the difference between skillbased and knowledge-based education. The latter involves understanding concepts whereas the former aims to channelize education into a practical form to find solutions. India is looking for talented people who can innovate, are open to learning and re-learning, can apply their knowledge practically and will also upskill themselves.

I must tell you that AICTE is taking various new initiatives for skill development and skill integration in the education system. AICTE



has more than 3600 engineering colleges with 1 million engineers passing out every year as compared to 15700 graduates from all 23 IIT's. Research and innovation work has taken roots in AICTE colleges. Chandrayan 3 launching has clearly shown that our students can be trained and placed to do top jobs and innovate.

AICTE has developed courses in emerging areas like semiconductors, advanced telecommunications like 5G and beyond; logistics etc. The initiative aims to equip students and faculty with the necessary digital skills to adapt to the rapidly changing demands of the 21st-century economy. The initiative encompasses a range of online courses in programming, data analytics, artificial intelligence, and machine learning. These courses are meticulously designed to provide students with industry-relevant skills, thereby improving their employability and competitiveness in the job market.

At AICTE, our vision is to provide transformative education to students, foster leaders and innovators, and generate new knowledge for a sustainable society. AICTE plays a crucial role as a partner in the new knowledge economy, aiming to inspire, create, and advance our society. The Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry (AAPAR) and the National Credit Framework (NCRF), introduced as part of the NEP 2020 implementation, will serve as a new QR code for learners.

I convey my heartiest congratulations to the Graduates of Easwari Engineering College. Each of you has received a formal recognition in the form of a degree that will empower you to become a great achiever and will make your parents proud and your Alma mater proud of you for years to come. However, as you celebrate your achievements, do not forget the support systems that have been the bedrock of your success. Your families, professors, mentors, and friends have been our guiding lights, offering unwavering encouragement, wisdom, and love. Their sacrifices and belief in our abilities have brought you to this momentous day.

My dear young ladies and gentlemen, the world is big. You have plenty of opportunities before you. You deserve to be proud of this achievement, and to take this opportunity to celebrate. Let your dream be your wings to carry you into the future. As you embark on this new chapter, dare to dream, strive for excellence, and always remember the lessons learned within these walls. May your future be filled with boundless opportunities and may you continue to make us proud.

Once again Congratulations to all of you. Good luck and good health to all of you.

Thank You! Jai Hind.

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