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“They say schools must change. Only leaders know what it takes.”

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Classmate, India’s leading Education & Stationery brand by ITC’s Education & Stationery Products Business (ESPB) associates with “School of Tomorrow”

Conference as a principal sponsor. Hosted annually, it is a daylong symposium bringing together thinking and creative experts from all walks of life to spark a dialogue with over 500 school leaders, on the most impactful and practical approaches to transforming quality in private schools. The School of Tomorrow Conference will be on the **September 15th, 2012, 2.00pm onwards at Rani Meyammai Hall, Egmore, Chennai**. The Audience will be a gathering of more than **500+ school-owners, principals** and key administrators in-person, Live webcast of proceedings to **1000** schools, representing overall reach of **10 Lakh+** students, parents and educators.

Commenting on the association, **Mr. Chand Das, CEO, ITC ESPB** said, "We are happy to associate with **"School of Tomorrow"** Conference to support a very exciting thought-leadership event for the education sector in India. Through the **"School of Tomorrow Conference"**, we aim to encourage the motive of bringing path-breaking ideas in education to practicing school

already the leading school conference in India. Distinguished thinkers like Howard Gardner (Father Multiple Intelligence Theory; Harvard), Peter Senge (author of Fifth Discipline; MIT), Gurcharan Das, James Tooley, Dileep Ranjekar, Nandita Das, Rajendra Pawar, amongst others, have spoken at the conference. Over 2000 school leaders have attended the event in Bombay, Delhi, Hyderabad and Chennai.

With the **Theme of "Adapting to Change"**, the 2012 School of Tomorrow Conference aims to spark discussion on the "How" and "What" aspects of constructing sustainable and scalable change for schools. The aim is to spark a rich discussion on how to bring about scale through pragmatic ideas for private schools to meet the new needs of children, regulators and society.

Program Flow: The program format blends a rich set of addresses, presentations and discussions with an opportunity for audience participation. The format includes

- Inspiring keynote addresses on "Nation Building and School Education – what is the connect?"
- Live-wire panel discussions on "What is the best out there – Role Models for School Education"
- Practical case-study demonstrations by a school on "How we made our school great – a story of transforming the classroom"
- Research and insight presentations on "Is there evidence to re-think teaching and learning"
- International Key Note on "Re-inventing School Leadership – from authority-administrator to teacher-learner"

The "School of Tomorrow" 2012, have some eminent personalities presenting. A brief note on them is as given below:

The Panel comprises of:

- **Dr.J.P.Narayan**, a renowned reformist and the President of the Lok Satta Party.
- **Vinita Bali, MD & CEO Britannia Industries**. Corporate leader rated "The Business Woman of the Year-2009" by Economic Times and "Asia's 50 Power Businesswomen" by Forbes Magazine.
- **Dr.Shekar Seshadri**, one of India's leading child psychiatrists
- **Govindraj Ethiraj**, Former Founder-Editor in Chief of Bloomberg UTV
- **NirmalaSundaram** – Head of Curriculum Development at Lalaji Omega Schools, Chennai with two decades of school leadership experience

Key Note Speaker: Prof. Noel Tichy, University of Michigan

A rare thinker-doer, Noel Tichy, most famous for his collaboration with Jack Welch, shattered existing

notions of leadership by defining it as an act of learning and teaching values, applying these principles to build the famed "GE Crotonville" and NYC Principal's Leadership Academics and earning Business Week's coveted "Top-10 Management Guru" title.

The forum will also have **Ashish Rajpal, the Founder and CEO of iDiscoveri Education, rated amongst the "Top 50 leaders changing education"** by Education World, present the XSEED revolutionary case study. He has lead XSEED-a proven "Teaching Improvement System" to impact over 350,000 children and 30,000 teachers in 800 schools across India and several international locations through the program.

"Your conference is a class apart" as quoted by **Dileep K Ranjekar, CEO, Azim Premji Foundation**, makes the "School of Tomorrow" conference, the most awaited Education gathering in the city. Participants are assured of getting a glimpse of the latest innovations that are transforming the education domain with practical suggestions that address the demands from societal expectations and constraints in teaching quality.

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