

## Technical Education

Education is the only means through which one acquires knowledge and sees the light, both temporal and spiritual. This truth has ever been inspiring mankind in their pursuits to receive it. Today education has diverse branches of its own. And in view of modern advancement, we have to be very realistic in introducing an education system that must cater to the growing needs and demands of the country. The system now in force which was introduced by the colonial rulers do not reflect the hopes and aspirations of the children of the land. Moreover, it appears to be non-productive—those who receive such education have to spend much of their time and energy before they get to start career for a living. This can be termed as a national loss as their potentials are not utilized immediately after they complete their studies. Education should be practical and productive.

The country has embarked upon a massive development strategy aimed at achieving people's well-being. Such a national development in all sectors is possible when we are scientifically

and technologically developed. Borrowing of scientific and technological know-how from others cannot help the nation enjoy the fruits of development permanently. This hard reality calls for a change of the present education system.

We as a nation have to develop both agriculturally and industrially so that we may lessen our dependence on foreign countries for food and other commodities. While concerted efforts are being made to develop agriculture sector, we have to set up more and more industries, factories and workshops. But mere setting up of industries, factories and workshops would not do. Skilled manpower has to be produced to man them properly. Introduction of a technically biased education system at the secondary level will be very pragmatic to produce such people as well as to help students start career without any loss of time and energy. At the same time it has to be ensured that such a system must impart proper personnel skills to the students—the skills which are of paramount importance in developing industries on modern lines.