



Tamil Nadu State Council

Report on  
**"FICCI's Empowerment & Enrichment Program For Teachers"**  
18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016 (Monday & Tuesday), ISTE Professional Centre, Chennai

FICCI – Tamil Nadu State Council organized a two days training program titled **"FICCI's Empowerment & Enrichment Program for Teachers"** which was held on 18th & 19th April 2016 in Chennai. Teachers from 34 different schools from in and around Tamil Nadu participated in this first such training program organized by FICCI TNSC. The session were divided into Primary Teachers and Secondary teachers and restricted to only 50 per batch.

**Prof. Dr. D. Viswanathan, Convener, Education Panel, FICCI TNSC & Former Vice Chancellor of Anna University** while delivering the welcome address said schools to adopt and implement the emergent approaches to improve student learning include Modern Methodology in teaching, Functional and Development Skills. He also said schools to provide regular training for teachers in developing teaching skills.



**Dr. G. Balasubramanian, Chairperson, School Education Sub Committee, FICCI TNSC & Former Director (Academics), CBSE** said a Teacher impacts Eternity is an age old saying. But the truth of the statement can never be debated. The impact a teacher makes on the lives of a learner is so significant that it shapes the learners' thoughts, perceptions, life styles, thinking and activities. However, from the perception of a teacher as the fountain-head of all knowledge from where the wisdom flows has undergone a tremendous change and in the instant knowledge society, where there is mind-boggling flow and dynamics of knowledge, the teacher is required to be competent, contextual and relevant. Teacher needs to have a more focused professional approach to deliver the defined, required curricular competencies to a challenging classroom. The teacher is required to be more than an information broker but a guide, facilitator, mentor, counselor and motivator.



**Mr P Murari IAS (Retd.), Adviser to FICCI President & Former Secretary to President of India** while delivering his inaugural address said the most common role of teacher plays in the classroom is to teach knowledge to children. The school curriculum is followed by the teacher so that throughout the year, all pertinent knowledge is dispensed to the students.



**Mr. Ruban Hobday, Head, Tamil Nadu State Council** delivered the vote of thanks while thanking the sponsors, School Sub Committee for their effort in creating the pattern for the training, the officials of ISTE for providing the venue, speakers and the participants.

The inaugural was followed by intense training from 5 topics in two days which was covered by eminent speakers were Dr. G. Balasubramanian, Chairperson, School Education Sub Committee, FICCI TNSC & Former Director (Academics), CBSE, Mr. Sujith Kumar, HR Business Leader, Infosys Ltd, Chennai & President, NHRDN, Chennai Chapter, Mr. N. C. Sridharan, Chairman, The Time Foundation, Chennai, Prof. Dr. M. Moni, Professor Emeritus & Chairman, Centre for Agricultural Informatics and e-Governance Research Studies, Shobhit University & Former Director General, National Informatics Centre, Ms. Chitra Ravi, CEO, EZ Vidya Pvt. Ltd.

The kit bag was sponsored by Kriyative Education, Chennai.

The feedback from the teachers has been very positive and encouraging hence the committee decided to organize similar training programs at **Coimbatore & Madurai during this year** with minor changes in the pattern/syllabus as per the feedback from this course.

The participation certificates were distributed to the participants individually by the dignitaries during the valedictory session.



Caption from L to R: **Mr Ruban Hobday**, Head, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council, **Prof. Dr. D. Viswanathan**, Convener, Education Panel, FICCI TNSC & Former Vice Chancellor of Anna University and **Dr. G. Balasubramanian**, Chairperson, School Education Sub Committee, FICCI TNSC & Former Director (Academics), CBSE along with the participants

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