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1st MathSpeak India International Conference and Exhibition to Focus on Teaching Mathematics and Numeracy in the 21st Century India

8th Aug, New Delhi: The Inaugural MathSpeak India International Conference and Exhibition which will take place in New Delhi on 8th Aug and in Jaipur on 11th Aug will have the programme of the conference focus around the rapid evolution taking place in how we teach and learn maths, and numeracy at schools, colleges and further education. The conference and exhibition is aimed at math teachers in schools and in further education to learn and understand the scope of the radical new ways of delivering learning and education to help us take a quantum leap into a more integrated society that fulfills the aspiration of man.

Symptomatic of the 21st century, the latest technologies, tools and techniques, the rapid pace of learning is about to galvanize industry and communities. At the K-12 level, fundamental and basic knowledge of mathematics and use of these concepts and understanding are considered as life-skills that are used in workplace and education. The aim and purpose of this Project is to have emphasis on "numeracy skills, understanding of numbers and patterns, understanding of geometry – these are essential skills that can add to competency levels in various sector skill councils and help in overall skill development", according to Jeff Ross, Conference Director MathSpeak UK-India. Along with language/communication skill, developing math skills at the K-12 level will pay rich dividends later on in industry workplace, said Graham Smart, Math-Speak UK Director.

Mathematics is needed in everyday life, the significant importance of skills in Mathematics so designed to help one build the practical skills to get the most out of work, education and everyday life, said Dr. Tejwant Chhatwal, CEO, Education for Employment Foundation, a not-for-profit organization based in Delhi who are the chief organizers of MathSpeak India Conference and Exhibition. "Mathematics Skills called Numeracy Skills which are developed gradually at K-12 level and later on applied while working in any industry sector is also called Functional Skills because it's a core element along with English (language communication) and ICT that provide individuals with the skills and abilities they need to operate confidently, effectively, independently in life, their communities and work", he goes on to add, and "it's these areas of functional skills that the conference and exhibition is trying to leverage".

The Conference will have topics ranged from Mathematics teaching in the 21st century to use of IT/ICT and mobile technology in classroom to curriculum development and faculty enrichment, data and assessment and math for skill development delivered by eminent speakers from UK and India including from Assessment Tomorrow (UK), RGSK Maths Consulting, UK, British Council, Delhi University, Govt. Of Rajasthan, NSDC, NCERT, Bombay Stock Exchange, Pearson, Next Education. The opening ceremony and address for the 1st MathSpeak India conference in Delhi on 8th Aug 2014 will be formally done by Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chancellor & Professor of Mathematics, Delhi University and for MathSpeak India Conference in Jaipur later that week on 11th Aug will be inaugurated by Dr. Shyam Agarwal, Additional Secretary, Dept. of Education, Govt. of Rajasthan.

With increasing involvement from the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India to support the teaching of Mathematics in the 21st century, the conference is a step in the right direction to renew interest in mathematics and mathematical

thinking and debunk the old fears about the subject, stressing the importance of learning and sharing in a digital world where value attrition is the reward for seeking continual self-development.

The 1st MathSpeak India Conference and Exhibition will take place in New Delhi on 8th Aug, 2014 at the Silver Oaks, Habitat World, Lodhi Road, and in Jaipur on 11th Aug, 2014 at the Inderlok Auditorium, Narain Singh Circle, Jaipur. Please visit conference official website for more information: <u>http://www.india.mathspeak.co.uk/</u>

About EEF:

Education for Employment Foundation is a not-for-profit, section 25 company based in New Delhi and they are the chief organizers of the MathSpeak India Conference and Exhibition. They are a skill development and training organization assisting young people, working locally, nationally and internationally in the areas of training, teaching, education management and job placement. They help foster skills in the community by introducing competency building training programmes, offering quality audit for training, and providing state-of-the-art bespoke outreach solutions. EFF works in partnership with sector Skill Councils in developing, sharing and imparting skills, knowledge and understanding. At the K-12 level, EEF works hand-in-hand with various school groups and education trusts and help implementing vocational and academic teaching and training.

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