

IIM-Ranchi hosts Skill Conclave

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The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ranchi recently partnered with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) to host the MGNF Sankalp Skill Conclave. The conclave was held to promote skill development in 56 districts across the states of Tamil Nadu and Jharkhand, and was attended by faculty members from IIM Ranchi as well as Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows.

The conclave featured dis-

cussions on the challenges, opportunities, and ways forward for skilling initiatives in India. The event was inaugurated by the Director of IIM Ranchi, Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava and Manish Mishra, Assistant Director, SANKALP MSDE. The keynote speakers included RCM Reddy, ex-I.A.S and Managing Director and CEO SchoolNet India, Mayank Bhatnagar DGM, State Engagement at NSDC, and Vaibhav Dange, an author and a senior policy expert.

They discussed ways to

improve and expand future skill development initiatives in the country. The second panel consisted of H. Krishnanunni, Deputy Commissioner- Erode, Johny Tom Varghese, Deputy Commissioner - Ramanathapuram, V.Vishnu, Deputy Commissioner- Tirunelveli, Shashi Ranjan, Deputy Commissioner- Khunti, Aditya Ranjan, Deputy Commissioner- Koderma, and Sushant Gaurav, Deputy Commissioner- Gumla.

Representing Tamil Nadu and Jharkhand, they presented best practices and chal-

lenges from their respective districts. The third panel featured experts such as Capt. Amitabh (Head - Skill Development at Tata Steels), Tanmay Nayak (Programme Director of NUSSD at TISS), Dr. Divya Nambiar (Principal Consultant to Oxford Policy Management), Tara Gopal, (Co-founder of SHEEE) and Prashant Hota (Exec. VP and CEO for Education and Skills at Jindal Steels), who shared their insights on the value of partnerships and networking in the context of skill development in India. In the last



panel, MGNF fellows received guidance from Rouhin Deb (Chief Economist at the CM's Secretariat for Govt. of Assam), Rajesh Gilda (Co-founder and VP of Lend-A-Hand India), Sandeep Singh (Interim Chairperson of the BoG, IIM Kashipur), Lalit Tripathi (CEO

of Vedant Assets) and Capt. Kumar Devashish (Policy Researcher and Development Consultant) on how to do more impactful work in their districts. Pravin Toppo, Divisional Commissioner of the South Chhota Nagpur division, graced the occasion.