



Board chairman of IIM Ranchi Praveen Shankar Pandya felicitates Vice President M Venkaiyah Naidu as governor Droupadi Murmu looks on at the Ranchi University's Aryabhata Auditorium on Sunday. (Manob Chowdhary)

'Dissent yes, disruption no'

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Ranchi: Leadership demands character, calibre and the capacity for good conduct. Good governance is accountable, transparent, responsive and inclusive.

Vice President M. Venkaiyah Naidu said this while delivering a talk on "Leadership and good governance" at the Aryabhata Auditorium of Ranchi University on Sunday.

Naidu, who reached the capital on Sunday, was speaking at an event organised by the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Centre for Leadership, Policy and Governance that functions out of IIM-Ranchi.

"Good governance should encourage adoption of best global practices suited to Indian conditions," Naidu said, handing out an acronym, "LPG for liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation".

The Vice President also reminded the audience that all citizens must follow the rule of law. "Dissent was acceptable but not disruption," he said.

"Good governance and stability go hand in hand," Naidu said, quoting legendary political theorist Kautilya. "All administrators are servants of the people."

Visionary leadership and transparent bureaucracy are basic requirements for good

governance that can't be comprised with, Naidu further said.

But there are challenges that need to be addressed properly, he pointed out, adding those were the elimination of gaps between the rich and the poor, urban and rural people and end of corruption.

Reform, perform and transform are certain key words for all, the Vice President further said, explaining that introducing reforms and performing satisfactorily could usher in transformation in the country.

"Reforms may sometime be painful but should be encouraged if useful," he further said. Giving an example, he said: "It's like cancer patients who should opt for chemotherapy by choosing hairfall over their own fall."

Governor Droupadi Murmu, chairman of IIM board of management Praveen S. Pandeya and IIM director S. Singh also spoke on the occasion.

But media persons couldn't hear them as they were made to sit at a media lounge outside the auditorium that had a video screen but no audio. At last, some of them were allowed inside when the Governor was concluding her speech on inclusive governance.