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# "Teachers Mould The Future Of The Nation'

### **Teachers Must Be Honored: Javadekar**

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**USPA NEWS** - The Union Minister for Human Resource Development, Mr. Prakash Javadekar honouring eminent Scientist Dr. R.A. Mashelkar, at "Guru Pranaam' function, at Fegusson College, Pune on July 10, 2016.

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Expressing gratitude for the teachers who taught him and emphasizing the role of a teacher in nation building, Union Minister for Human Resources development Mr. Prakash Javadekar honored educationists, teachers and gurus at a function at Fergusson college in Pune on July 10. "I am saluting all teachers of the country when I am felicitating my teachers", he said at "Guru Pranaam function.

Recalling the contribution of his own teachers in adding value to his life the Minister urged teachers to make education interesting and not dragging.

"Teachers can transform Indian education. The Government trusts the ability of teachers. Many teachers in the country are already doing a transformational job. But all teachers must be part of this mission, "? he said, adding "if they (teachers) are determined they can ensure quality of education"?. "There will be appreciation of efforts by them and there will be accountability"?, the Minister said.

He said that Maharashtra has a tradition of reformers like Gopal Krishna Gokhale, B.R Ambedkar, Mahatma Phule, Gopal Ganesh Agarkar, Lokmanya Tilak, Maharishi Karve, Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil and Punjabrao Deshmukh who emphasized education. Mr. Javadekar said that teachers should encourage the students to dream big and impart life skills.

Citing an example on how teachers can transform the education system, Mr. Javadekar talked about his experiment in Paldev village in Satna district in the border of MP and UP in the Bundelkhand region. In a village school the result of class 12 was just 28 per cent. When the village was adopted under the Sansad Aadarsh Gram Yojna Mr. Javadekar took all the teachers in confidence and motivated them. As a result there was a phenomenal increase in pass percentage from 28 to 82 per cent in 7 months. It is the teachers' zeal that can change results.

The Minister expressed confidence that teachers will participate with enthusiasm in a mission mode to improve quality of education.

At the well-attended function, the Minister felicitated among others former teacher at Maharashtra Education Society Mr. P.L Gawade, eminent author D.M Mirasdar, eminent scientist Dr. R.A Mashelkar, educationists Sharad Wagh, P.C Shejwalker, Dada Puntamberkar, Dr. S.N Navalgundkar and Dr. Wani.

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