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How universities are making
graduates more employable



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India produces millions of graduates every year. But, there is a perennial complaint from industry that too few of them are prepared for the workforce. The country's best universities are changing that perception



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Employability is a shared responsibility between universities and industry.
-Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar
former chairman, University Grants Commission, and former VC, JNU

Work for a few years in an industry that challenges you.

-Hari Menon
BITS Pilani alumnus, and co-founder, BigBasket

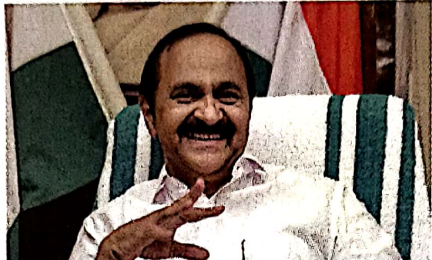
Students undervalue consistent hard work and persistence.

-Deepak Purohit
JNU alumnus, and joint commissioner of police, New Delhi Range

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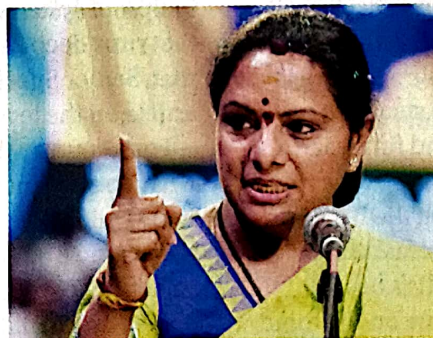
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