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# Indian Colleges Forum

*- A Professional Body of Colleges of India*

**SOCIETY FOR EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
NEW DELHI**

## HISTORY

The Indian Colleges Forum was set up as response to bring colleges of India on a single platform to deliberate on the issues of development collegiate education in the country so that a large number of students studying in colleges can benefit from these developments and contribute to development of society at large. The ICF was started in the year 1992 and its first conference was held in Delhi. As on 2011 about 500 colleges from all over the country are members of ICF. It has held 17 Annual Conferences of Principals of Colleges in different parts of the country.

## OBJECTIVES

The ICF provides a common platform for Colleges in India to :

- deliberate on issues of development collegiate education in the country
- Influence policy and practice pertaining to colleges in India
- Protect interest of persons engaged in promotion of efficient functioning of Colleges
- Work for enabling colleges to achieve academic excellence and social relevance.

## BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP OF ICF

- ⇒ Part of network of member ICF colleges Contribute to policy making through conference and seminars
- ⇒ Participate in Annual Conferences of ICF
- ⇒ Participate in leadership development programmes organized for the colleges
- ⇒ Seek advice, consultancy, opinion on the development of colleges
- ⇒ Receive College Post - An ICF Journal published every quarter
- ⇒ Send your views, articles, news, events and advertisement for publication in College Post  
College post reaches out to a larger number of teachers and students in colleges, universities as well as directorates of higher education, parliamentarians, educationists and policy makers in higher education.

## THE PROGRESS

ICF has organized 17 Annual Conferences of Principals of Colleges on the following themes at various places in the country. The themes of these conferences were as follows:

- ⇒ The First Conference was held at Delhi by SEED-ICF with the theme: Development of Higher Education: Quality and Resource Aspects at NIEPA, New Delhi.
- ⇒ The second Conference was held at Goa in collaboration with Parvatibai Chogule College, Goa with the Theme: Governance of Colleges.
- ⇒ The Third Conference was held at Chandigarh in collaboration with DAV College, Chandigarh with the theme: Vocationalization and Restructuring of Undergraduate Courses.
- ⇒ The Fourth Conference was held at Pondicherry in collaboration with CDC, Pondicherry with the theme: Industry College Linkage.



*Spouse of a Delegate making a point in  
17th Annual Conference of ICF*

- ⇒ The Fifth Conference was held at Delhi in collaboration with IP College, Delhi with the theme: Challenges of Governance and Career Orientation of College Education.
- ⇒ The Sixth Conference was held at Bangalore in collaboration with Surana College, with the theme: Shifting Paradigms of National Development: Role of Colleges in Development and Transmission of Knowledge.
- ⇒ The Seventh Conference was held at Pune in collaboration with Symbiosis College, Pune with the theme: Future Challenges of Development of Colleges.
- ⇒ The Eighth Conference was held at Amritsar as an International Conference in collaboration with DAV College, Amritsar with the theme: Challenges before Higher Education in 21st Century.
- ⇒ The Ninth Conference was held at Jaipur, Rajasthan in collaboration with Subodh Jain College, Jaipur. The theme of the conference was Quality Assurance in Higher Education: Response of Colleges.
- ⇒ The Tenth Conference was held at Chennai in collaboration with Loyalla College, Chennai. The theme of the conference was Hopes and Challenges in Development of Higher Education under Globalization.
- ⇒ The Eleventh Conference was held at Hyderabad in collaboration with Signodia College, Hyderabad. The theme of the conference was Colleges Towards Excellence and International Competition.
- ⇒ The Twelfth National Conference was held at Meerut in collaboration with Choudhary Charansingh University, Meerut. The theme of the conference was Positioning Colleges for Building India as a Knowledge Society.
- ⇒ The Thirteenth Conference was held at Rajkot, Gujarat in collaboration with Saurashtra University, Rajkot. The theme of the conference was Role of Higher Education in Development of World View and Values among Youth.
- ⇒ The Fourteenth Conference was held at Dehradun, Uttarakhand in collaboration with D.B.S.P.G. College, Dehradun. The theme of the conference was Perspective of Development of College Education in Knowledge Economy.
- ⇒ The Fifteenth Conference was held at Udipi, Karnataka in collaboration with Purna Pragnya College, Udipi. The theme of the conference was Education, Economy and Sustainable Development.
- ⇒ The sixteenth Conference was held at Coimbatore in collaboration with PSG College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore. The theme of the conference was: Reforming Higher Education in the Context of Globalization.
- ⇒ The Seventeenth Conference was held at Shillong, Meghalaya in collaboration with Union Christian College, Shillong. The Theme of the conference was : Higher Education: Developing Dynamics.



*Delegates of 17th Annual Conference of Indian Colleges Forum held at Union Christian College, Barapani, Shillong in Collaboration with Meghalaya College Principals Council, Shillong*



## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

SEED-ICF organized five leadership development programmes for principals of colleges in the country on aspects IT and other issues of academic leadership.

- ⇒ 1st Leadership Development Programme for Principals for Colleges on IT for Development and Management of Colleges from 10th - 14th, March 2000.
- ⇒ 2nd Leadership Development Programme for Principals for Colleges on IT for Development and Management of Colleges from 16th - 20th December, 2000.
- ⇒ 3rd Leadership Development Programme for Principals for Colleges on IT for Development and Management of Colleges from 20th - 24th October, 2001.
- ⇒ 4th Leadership Development Programme for Principals for Colleges on IT for Development and Management of Colleges from 18th - 22nd May 2002.
- ⇒ 5th Leadership Development Programme for Heads of Colleges/Institutions of Higher Education on IT, Quality Assurance, Vocational and Career Orientation and working towards Potential for Excellence from 12th -17th October 2003.

## COLLEGE POST – AN ICF JOURNAL

SEED -ICF has been publishing for the last one half decades a quarterly journal entitled “College Post- An ICF Journal” for the benefit of principals of colleges, Vice Chancellors, key policy makers and teachers & students of higher education. A total 11 Volumes have been published so far.

## GOVERNING STRUCTURE OF ICF

- ⇒ There is national level ICF committee consisting of Regional Chair Persons and State Secretaries.
- ⇒ There is national level working committee of ICF consisting members taking interest in the activities of ICF.
- ⇒ Account of ICF is being kept in Canara Bank - a nationalized bank under the Name of Indian Colleges Forum. IFSC Code - CNRB 0001484A/C No. 1484101030880.

## WHO CAN BECOME MEMBER OF ICF?

- ⇒ Any College affiliated/constituent/autonomous/associated/recognised by University/AICTE can become member of the ICF.
- ⇒ Membership is permanent and is of institution.
- ⇒ Chairman / Principal of College Represent the member College

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