Message from Dr Vijay Bedekar

I have great pleasure in handing over this brochure of first three-day workshop on Mechatronics to be inaugurated on Friday, 12 July 2013, and organized jointly by departments of Electrical, Electronics & Telecommunication, and Instrumentation Engineering of VPM's Maharshi Parashuram College of Engineering, Velneshwar.

Horizons of knowledge are expanding and only those Nations, which can master and command these emerging new technologies, can survive the market economy. India is an emerging market and engineering education is going to be an engine of growth to Indian economy with ability to generate more employment. Today we have more than 2,500 Engineering Colleges with an output of more than 700,000 students every year. However, The Industry Readiness Index survey 2013 indicates that only 10 per cent students are industry ready. If this picture is to be changed then we need to enrich our engineering education with new interdisciplinary technologies incorporated in the teaching pedagogy.

This workshop is a step in that direction.

Director Dr. K. D. Desai and Principal Dr. A. M. Chincholkar are the architects of this workshop. Other teaching and non-teaching staff also have contributed in the execution of this workshop.

I am sure that for participating students it will be a great value addition to their engineering skills.

I wish this workshop a grand success.

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