

Vernacular writers to meet in Jaipur from Sept 13 to 15

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JAIPUR: More than 600 progressive poets, writers, artists and activists from 26 states will attend the 17th All India Conference of Progressive Writers Association in Jaipur from September 13 to 15, conference convener Ish Madhu Talwar said during a press conference at Ambedkar Welfare Society in Jaipur on Wednesday.

All India PWA (AIPWA) national secretary general Rajendra Rajan said it was after 37 years that PWA convention was being held in Jaipur; the last convention in Jaipur was held in 1982. PWA was founded in 1936 under the leadership of Munshi Premchand.

"There is a great enthusiasm among Indian writers for this national convention. They want to come here to talk, discuss and debate over various national, literary and social issues," Rajan said.

He said that writers from Hindi, Urdu, Rajasthani, Punjabi, Gujarati, Marathi, Telugu, Kannad, Malayalam, Tamil, Odiya, Bangla, Manipuri, Asamese, Kashmiri, Dogri, Bhojpuri and Maithili are coming to participate in this conference.

"Several artists, painters and socio-cultural activists, who will join this event," he added.

Rajasthan Progressive Writers Association president Rituraj said that the conference will be dedicated to the great poet Kaifi Azmi during his centenary birth year.

The inaugural session will begin with Kaifi's poetry and lyrics.

"The Ravindra Manch campus will be named as 'Namawar Nagar' in memory of great Hindi critic and former AIPWA president Dr Namawar Singh. This year is also the centenary year of great Rajasthani poet Kanhaiya Lal Sethiya. Main gate of the Ravindra Manch will be dedicated to him as Kanhaiya Lal Sethiya Gate," Rituraj said.

AIPWA executive president Prof Ali Javed said the inaugural session will be based on poet Muktibodh's famous line 'Abhivyakti ke khatre uthaane hi honge' and so the session will discuss on 'Challenges for freedom of speech and expression.'

Of 139 engg colleges in state, 16 in 'top category'

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JAIPUR: Despite the government claims of improvements in technical education in Rajasthan, there seems a little progress on the front with only 16 engineering colleges making it to the top category in the qualitative analysis of the technical education for 2018-19.

The analysis for listing the technical colleges in various categories is carried out as per the parameters indicated in the Quality Index Value (QIV). The colleges are divided into category A, B and C considering parameters such as infrastructure and facilities.

In the category list presented by the state government as an answer to a question in the Rajasthan state assembly said that presently there are 139 engineering colleges and institutes in the state. Out of these 139, 11 are government institutions, 126 are private engineering colleges and two others constituent colleges of technical universities.

Out of 139, 12 colleges from the Rajasthan Technical University and four from the Bikaner Technical University have made it to the list of 'A' category institutes. None of the government colleges made it to 'A' category out of the 16 colleges. Moreover, out of these 16, 10 are private institutions from Jaipur, three from Alwar, two are from Udaipur and one from Jodhpur. The top QIV score attained was 951.

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Status of engineering colleges in Rajasthan

New Engineering colleges opened in the state in the last five years

3 Govt

3 Pvt

Number of engineering colleges presently running in the state

Government Private

Ajmer	3	6
Bikaner	2	5
Bharatpur	3	2
Jaipur	0	77
Jodhpur	0	13
Kota	2	8
Udaipur	1	15
TOTAL	11	126

(Including one constituent college each from Rajasthan Technical University and Bikaner Technical University)

37 Private: Number of engineering institutes closed in the last five years

The category of the colleges is often taken as a reference by the students seeking admissions in various colleges of the state.

Apart from the engineering colleges, four institutes of management studies have been categories under 'A' which are affiliated from BTU. However, the list attained did not mention any management institute with 'A' category from RTU.

In master of computer Application (MCA) course, two institutes from RTU and one institute affiliated to BTU made it to the top category. In architecture course, one college from RTU and none from BTU attained 'A' categories.

Technical experts said that less number of colleges making it to 'A' category is because the technical education in the state is still not focused on outcome based education.

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state which has the most weightage of marks with National Board of Accreditation (NBA) certificate. Since the NBA focuses on 'outcome based education' rather than 'facility based education', engineering branches of many colleges fail to receive the certificate," said Puneet Sharma, Technical education expert.

"If the government colleges apply and receive an NBA certificate they might get better score in the QIV. The government should consider making the NBA certificate compulsory for at least, government colleges," added Sharma.

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जनता इण्टर कॉलेज, मुस्तफाबाद पंचेण्डा में एक सहायक लिपिक के पद हेतु, जिसकी शैक्षिक योग्यता इण्टरमीडिएट एवं कंप्यूटर सी सी सी. प्रमाण पत्र, हिन्दी/अंग्रेजी टंकण गति 25/30 शब्द प्रति मिनट व सेवायोजना कार्यालय में पंजीकरण, आयु सीमा 18 से 40 वर्ष, वेतनक्रम 5200-20200 रु0 तथा ग्रेड पे 2000 रु0 शासन एवं विभाग द्वारा अनुमत्य दरा के आधार पर वेत आवश्यक भत्ते। आवेदन की तिथि 12.09.2019 से 26.09.2019 की सांय 5.00 बजे तक। केवल पंजीकृत डाक द्वारा प्राप्त आवेदन पत्र ही मान्य होंगे। साक्षात्कार दि0 29 सितम्बर, 2019 को प्रातः 10.00 बजे से विद्यालय प्रांगण में होगा। योग्यता प्रमाण पत्रों की प्रमाणित प्रतियां आवेदन पत्र के साथ संलग्न करें तथा साक्षात्कार के समय मूल प्रमाण पत्रों सहित उपस्थित हों। साक्षात्कार में प्रतिभाग हेतु कोई भत्ता वेत नहीं होगा।
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