

An initiative of Ministry of Education; ranking used innovation and entrepreneurship as key metrics

P Mandali's Welingkar Institute of Management Development and Research (WeSchool) has been included in the top 50 educational institutes across India in the private or self-financed institutes category in the Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) 2020.

It was virtually announced in the presence of . Venkaiah Naidu, Vice-President of India; Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Minister of Education; Sanjay Shamrao Dhotre, Minister of State for Education; Amit Khare, Secretary (Higher Education); Prof Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE; Dr BVR Mohan Reddy, Chairman, ARIIA Evaluation Committee; Dr Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell.

Nurturing new ideas

ARIIA is an initiative of Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India, to systematically rank all major higher educational institutions and universities based on indicators related to 'Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development' amongst students and faculties.

Acknowledging the recent accomplishment, Prof Dr. Uday Salunkhe, Group Director, WeSchool, said, "WeSchool's position in ARIIA 2020 reflects the efforts of the institution in the direction of achieving the Global Innovation Index and Global Entrepreneurship Index. It has always been in the forefront for grooming first generation entrepreneurs, and socially centred professionals in various sectors. With technology opening doors to global markets, we are offering opportunities for our students to procure internship virtually with organisations overseas and participate in national and international level competitions and research."