



Emerging Colleges

GROWING giants

Many new colleges are already rivalling illustrious institutes on the quality of education they offer

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Naseer Ahmed Gani is no ordinary student. At 19, this engineering student has already grabbed the attention of international space research centres with his new-age lunar buggy. Designed and manufactured by Gani and his friends at Lovely Professional University (LPU), Phagwara, the rover vehicle, which can be used to explore the moon surface, was recently displayed at the Delhi Auto Expo in February along with 15 other automobiles made by the students at the university. "Our focus this year has shifted from infrastructure to industry and academic exposure. There is so much that young students can achieve when given the right opportunities," says Aman Mittal, LPU director.

Like LPU, many of the new colleges in India may not have an illustrious history or vast alumni base but they are ready to make

up for it through better academic infrastructure and exposure. Whether it's a student team from Jindal Law School, Sonapat, winning the coveted Price Media Law Moot Court hosted at Oxford University, or students from the Mahatma Gandhi National Institute of Medical Sciences, Jaipur receiving a full scholarship from the Harvard Public School of Health to present a paper at the Global Maternal Health Conference in Tanzania this year, prestigious laurels and accomplishments are quickly getting lapped up today by colleges and institutes that are only four or five years old. "We must break free of the mindset that quality education is restricted to the few elite public universities. There are many new institutes that offer the same, if not better quality of education," says G. Raghurama, director of BITS, Pilani.

Noida's Galgotias University shares the same views. "One must note that 70 per cent of students

TOP EMERGING COLLEGES

ARTS

Keshav Mahavidyalaya, Delhi
Sarojini Naidu Degree College for Women, Hyderabad
Aditi Mahavidyalaya, Delhi
Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Degree College, Lucknow
Shri Guru Nanak Girls' Degree College, Lucknow

SCIENCE

Maharaja Agrasen College, Delhi
Keshav Mahavidyalaya, Delhi
St. Joseph's Degree PG College, Hyderabad
Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore
Sarojini Naidu Degree College for Women, Hyderabad

COMMERCE

Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore
Maharaja Agrasen College, Delhi
St. Wilfred College, Jaipur
S. M. Patel Institute of Commerce, Ahmedabad
Keshav Mahavidyalaya, Delhi
Sarojini Naidu Junior and Degree College for Women, Hyderabad
Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Degree College, Lucknow
Aditi Mahavidyalaya, Delhi
Umiya Arts and Commerce College for Girls, Ahmedabad
Rama Degree College, Lucknow

ENGINEERING

Jaypee Institute of Information Technology, Noida
Institute of Technology, Nirma University, Ahmedabad
Galgotias College of Engineering and Technology, Noida
Lovely Professional University, Phagwara
Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Manav Rachna International University, Faridabad
ITM University, Gurgaon
Krishna Institute of Engineering and Technology, Ghaziabad
Chitkara Institute of Engineering and Technology, Chandigarh
GLA University, Mathura
Maharaja Surajmal Institute, Delhi

LAW

National Law University, Delhi
Jindal Global Law School, Sonapat
MS Ramaiah College of

Law, Bangalore
Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies, Delhi
Nalanda Law College, Mumbai
University Institute of Legal Studies, Chandigarh
Faculty of Law, Dr Bhim Rao Ambedkar University, Agra
Balaji Law College, Pune
Faculty of Law, Assam University, Silchar
Alliance College of Law, Bangalore

MEDICINE

Vardhman Mahavir Medical College and Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi
Himalayan Institute of Medical

Sciences, Dehradun
Medical College & Hospital (Bharati Vidyapeeth Deemed university), Sangli
Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Puducherry
Santosh Medical College and Hospital, Ghaziabad
Era Medical College, Lucknow
Belgaum Institute of Medical Sciences, Belgaum
National Institute of Medical Science, Jaipur
Mahatma Gandhi National Institute of Medical Sciences, Jaipur
Surat Municipal Institute of Medical Education & Research, Surat

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