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MAHAVIR MAHAVIDYALAYA, KOLHAPUR (AUTONOMOUS)

SATURDAY,
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A ONE-DAY
INTERNATIONAL
MULTIDISCIPLINARY
CONFERENCE
ON

NAAC 'A' GRADE



SKILL-BASED EDUCATION: TRANSFORMING HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

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Dear Sir/Madam,
Warm Greetings to you.
It gives us immense pleasure to cordially invite you to participate and share your valuable views in a One-Day International Multidisciplinary Conference on “Skill-Based Education: Transforming Higher Education for the 21st Century” on Saturday, February 21, 2026.

About Kolhapur:

Kolhapur is situated on the banks of the river Panchganga and is known as the sugar belt area. The auspicious Goddess Ambabai blesses the city. The city also boasts a rich cultural and historical heritage, as it is the home of the great reformer king Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj. The participants can access a train or bus journey to reach Kolhapur.

About the Institution:

Shri Acharyaratna Deshbhooshan Shikshan Prasarak Mandal, Kolhapur, established in 1963, is one of the largest institutions in Kolhapur that imparts education to the masses. Founded by Shri Acharyaratna Deshbhooshan Shikshan Prasarak Mandal, Kolhapur, Mahavir Mahavidyalaya (Arts, Commerce, Science, B.Voc., B.A.B.Ed., and P. G.) provides quality education. With the motto ‘Sheelam Param Bhooshanam’, the institution leads towards ‘Better Education for Better Society’ and with a mission, Excellence: Not an Act but a Habit.’ The college is affiliated to Shivaji University, Kolhapur, and runs eleven graduate courses, four P.G. programmes, five Career Oriented Courses, and YCMOU Centre. The college has a 5.7-acre green and clean campus. NAAC has reaccredited the college with ‘A’ grade. The college is recognized as a Religious Minority (Jain) Institute and has Autonomous Status.



About the Conference:

The 21st century world demands individuals who are adaptable, creative, and skilled enough to navigate technological and social transitions with confidence. Skill-oriented education has therefore become an essential pillar of higher education—bridging the gap between theoretical learning, employability, innovation, and lifelong learning.

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 promotes competency-based, experiential, and multidisciplinary education. Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) should nurture critical thinkers, innovators, and entrepreneurs. Skill education prepares students for jobs and helps shape responsible citizens who advance national progress and sustainable development.

The International Multidisciplinary Conference on “Skill-Based Education: Transforming Higher Education for the 21st Century” aims to provide a multidisciplinary platform for educators, researchers, and policymakers to discuss strategies for integrating skill-based learning into higher education curricula.

This theme focuses on redefining the role of higher education in India by merging academic excellence with professional competence and 21st century skills—critical thinking, creativity, communication, and collaboration (the 4Cs). It also emphasizes the relevance of Integrated Teacher Education Programmes (ITEP), digital pedagogy, and innovation as tools for strengthening the future of HEIs.

Objectives of the Conference:

1. To explore new pedagogical and curricular frameworks that encourage skill-based and experiential learning in HEIs.
2. To analyze the role of NEP 2020 in reshaping higher education through vocational and multidisciplinary integration.
3. To identify effective strategies for developing employability and entrepreneurial skills among students.
4. To assess the impact of the 4Cs on teaching-learning practices.
5. To promote collaboration among academia, industry, and policymakers for sustainable skill development.
6. To develop frameworks for assessing skill-based learning outcomes.
7. To explore the use of AI and digital tools to strengthen the professional relevance of higher education.

Sub -Themes:

- **Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP): A Shift towards Skill-Oriented Pedagogy**
- **Integration of Skill Development in Higher Education Curriculum**
- **The 4Cs Framework in Higher Education: Critical Thinking, Creativity, Communication and Collaboration**
- **Multidisciplinary and Interdisciplinary Approaches in Skill-Based Education**
- **Digital Pedagogy and ICT Integration in Teaching Competencies**
- **Role of ICT and AI Tools in Enhancing Teaching Skills**
- **Experiential and Vocational Learning: Linking Academia with Workplace Skills**
- **Value-Based and Life Skill Education for Holistic Development**
- **Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Skill Ecosystem in HEIs**
- **Industry-Academia Collaboration for Employability and Skill Enhancement**
- **Assessment and Accreditation Frameworks for Skill-Based Learning Outcomes**
- **National Education Policy (NEP 2020) and its Vision for Skill Integration**

Call for paper:

- The Conference invites research papers on the themes. Selected papers will be published in Aayushi International Interdisciplinary Research Journal with SJIF Impact Factor 8.379
- **Abstract:** Abstract should not exceed 250 words. It should include a research summary, title, keywords, and other relevant details.
- **Use of a relevant research format:** The research abstract and main paper should be submitted in the recent, internationally recognised format for the concerned subject.
- The delegates are requested to send their research abstract and paper in PDF and MS Word format.
- **FONT for English Papers:** use only “TIMES NEW ROMAN”, FONT SIZE: “12”
- **FONT for Marathi/Hindi papers:** Use only “MANGAL” Unicode font, SIZE: “14”
- **LINE SPACING:** 1.5 inch
- **MARGIN:** Left Side 1.5 inches, on the other three sides 1 inch.
- The submission file is in OpenOffice or Microsoft Word document format.
- Follow the American Psychological Association (APA) 2009 style for references.

- Papers should be sent on the E-mail - educonf2026@mmk.ac.in
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or Register through the given link - <https://forms.gle/HprxsnAqBtByzmPy5>

Registration Fees:

Participant	With papers	Without papers
International Participants	USD 30	USD 20
Faculty	₹ 800/-	₹ 500/-
Research Students	₹ 600/-	₹ 400/-
P. G. Students	₹ 400/-	₹ 300/-

*Separate registration is necessary for major and co-authors of a single paper.

Mode of Payment:

Completed registration form along with the registration fee, may be sent through direct cash/NEFT/RTGS/Online/Any UPI App or Bank Draft in favour of Principal, Mahavir Mahavidyalaya, Kolhapur, payable at Kolhapur and should be reached on or before 10 February 2026 (International participants may pay in USD through online transfer.)

- Registration fee includes kit, morning breakfast and lunch on 21st February, 2026. Kindly attach a screenshot of the fee receipt along with the registration Google Form.
- Ample accommodation is available at reasonable rates in Kolhapur, offering a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere.

Schedule of Acceptance

Submission of abstract with full paper (through e-mail in (PDF+ MS word) along with fees



Tuesday
10 February 2026

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