

Editorial

It is well known that education and hence, the educational institutions play an important role in nation building activities. While we are struggling to provide access to education to the masses, the issues that bother us in higher education are excellence in teaching and research. In his speech, Dr. Sopory highlights the need for greater education temper and culture in bringing excellence in higher education. The role of institutions of excellence and universities are important in this context. The second viewpoint enumerates how an institute, namely the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad was able to bring excellence consistently over the decades in spite of numerous changes in the environment. Through the discourse the speaker emphasizes the contribution of Dr. Ravi J. Matthai, the first full-time Director of IIMA in making it a great institution.

As in the past, there are two scholarly articles in this issue. One article investigates the determinants of CEO compensation in the context of recession and the second article presents the drivers that affect the competitiveness of handicrafts manufacturing units in the Moradabad cluster.

The case on Infosys highlights the changes that are happening at the top level and brings to the discussion table the issue pertaining to the role of founders versus the professionals in sustenance as well as the growth of the organizations.

The perspective on case method of discussion is based on the foundations of psychoanalysis and it highlights the role of case facilitator.

As in the past, the present issue carries a range of book reviews. While the first book highlights the benefits of irrationality at work and at home, the second book is an autobiography of Shri I. K. Gujral, the ex-Prime Minister of India. Building on the corporate reaction to 26/11 attack, the third book studies 150 top listed companies, and highlights how India's top business leaders are revolutionizing management. The fourth book argues the importance of supply chain in increasing shareholder value and enumerates five steps that drive value. The book on "Weathering the Storm: Straight talk from the World's Top Business Leaders" tries to answer the questions the top leaders ask when they encounter crisis.

The editorial team is happy to bring before you the collection of topics and believes that the readers would find this issue useful and enjoyable to read. We look forward to your suggestions and comments to make the future issues of IMJ more useful and relevant.

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