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शिक्षा, संचार एवं इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालयों के राज्य मंत्री भारत सरकार MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

## MESSAGE

Teachers' role in any society is indisputably foundational. It is the teachers on whose shoulders any civilisation stands up and looks towards its future. Teachers, i.e. Acharya have been traditionally placed at a very high pedestal in Indian Society, placed just immediately after Matru, i.e. Mother and Pitru, i.e. Father, as they play the most crucial role in the cognitive, philosophical, intellectual, aesthetic and even spiritual development of any man or woman.

The National Education Policy 2020 announced recently treats teachers and their role as pivotal to the educational rejuvenation of this country. It endeavours to re-establish teachers at all levels, as the most respected and essential members of our society, because they truly shape our next generation of citizens.

On this auspicious occasion of Teachers' Day, I pay my rich tribute to Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan ji, the former President of India, who was a great scholar, philosopher, author and educationist par excellence.

I wish all the teachers a great success in their endeavours in preparation of an enlightened community of students who will lead our country to greater glory in the days to come.

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