

## **Aims and Objectives of the Sponsoring Body (MNR Educational Trust)**

MNR Educational Trust, the Sponsoring Body for the Institution proposed to be deemed to be University, was established basically with a primary aim of enriching lives through education and health. The legacy of the Trust is built on a student-centric approach that involves honing their innate skills and addressing their psychological and spiritual needs. The dawn of 15th August 1974 not only heralded the 27th anniversary of India's independence but also marked the beginning of a new chapter within the annals of India's education in the state of Telangana. The day saw the birth of MNR Educational Trust founded by Sri M. N. Raju, Chairman of MNR Educational Group. Mr. Raju unable to attend even a primary school in his childhood pursued double post graduate degrees in Arts and Education through non-formal education. The Trust started its journey by establishing its first institution, a tiny primary school with just 36 students in the year 1974 at Hyderabad. During the past 49 years, the Trust grew into a leading educational service provider in south India. Today, the Trust governs 42 institutions with around 39,000 students and around 1,800 faculty members offering courses from primary education to post graduation and research in Telangana, Maharashtra, Dubai and Sharjah, UAE. The tenacity of Sri Raju, who believed that the education and health are the two important factors that enrich lives of individuals, has led to the establishment of a school initially, then a group of educational institutions and presently the MNR Educational Trust in the past five decades. The Trust made an indelible mark in the field of education and health with Sri. M.N.Raju, Founder Chairman and Managing Trustee at the helm of affairs supported by Sri M S Ravi Varma, Vice-Chairman and Trustee, highly qualified Directors, Deans, Principals, Faculty Members and Administrative Staff.

With an aim to provide quality and value based higher education, the Trust established the MNR Higher Education and Research Academy (MNR-HERA) in the year 2000. The Academy is a 110 acre lush green campus located at Sangareddy, Gr. Hyderabad with more than 12,00,000 sft. of built-up area and all modern amenities. The campus houses premier higher education institutions offering Diploma, UG, PG and Ph.D. courses in the fields of Medicine, Dentistry, Homoeopathy, Physiotherapy, Nursing, Pharmacy, Engineering & Technology, Arts, Sciences and Education. It is one of the largest private educational campuses in the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh that houses eight various professional colleges in a single campus.

As the World progresses towards cutting edge technologies that are fast gaining prominence such as Artificial Intelligence, Additive Manufacturing, Machine Learning and Mechatronics, the Trust also believes that these technologies play an important role and they should be integrated with Medical, Health care, Agriculture, Management and Legal education combined with Social sciences and accordingly the Trust is in the process of revisiting its educational programs and commencing new courses. The Trust has been working with the following Aims and Objectives.

## **AIMS**

- The main aim of the Trust has been “Enriching Lives of Individuals through Education and Health” with character, ethical Values, intellectual curiosity for a better way of life and spirit of service to the Society.
- To be at the forefront in education sector providing quality and values-based education with special emphasis on research, creativity and entrepreneurship and thereby contributing to the overall development of the future generations and the Society at large
- To serve the under privileged and the weaker sections of the community in rural areas by creating socially responsible, competent and empathetic members of the Society.2
- To attain the status of a Deemed to be University under “Distinct Category” for the MNR-HERA, an institution starting from the beginning with the focus on teaching and research in the unique disciplines and to make it 21st Century futuristic World class Skill University ever meeting the contemporaneous strategic needs of the country and contributing to the SDGs by making the curriculum of all the courses skill oriented by imparting practical skills, hands-on-training, internship and soft skills to the individuals to enhance the employability of the students.
- To transform the Institution into a Model Holistic and Multi-Disciplinary Education and Research University in private sector, over a period of time, with proper ambiance for inter-disciplinary thinking, research, debate, discussion and innovation in true spirit of the transformative initiatives of National Education Policy (NEP 2020) to offer value-based education to develop individuals with ethical creativity, character, scientific temper, intellectual curiosity and spirit of service to the Society.

## **OBJECTIVES**

1. To evolve into a Higher Educational Institution of University status imparting high-quality education and training across the fields of Indian Knowledge Systems, Skill Education, Engineering and Technology, Healthcare, Technology-Led Agriculture, Legal and Management Studies, to enrich lives with a special focus on research and development with interdisciplinary thinking, debate, discussion, and innovation.
2. To be globally recognized as student-centric and synonymous with quality education and competence in various fields to produce successful professionals to meet the requirements of 21st century.
3. To prepare professionals in cutting edge technologies that are fast gaining prominence now, such as Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Additive Manufacturing, Mechatronics, Biotechnology with important applications to Health, Environment, Medicine and Pharmacy, Green Energy, Agriculture, Biotechnology, Lifestyle Management and Sustainable Living

4. To promote research and development and shape the students by honing their innate skills so that they have the ability and readiness to develop entrepreneurship by setting up start-up incubation centers in the areas of frontier technologies.
5. To instill much-required millennial skills of constructive public engagement and economic independence.
6. To provide excellent state-of-the-art infrastructure, laboratories, workshops, libraries, research centers to develop research bent of mind to address all contemporaneous researchable issues.
7. To encourage teaching programs involving value-added, ability and skill enhancement courses in all institutions to ensure development of capabilities across a range of disciplines needed for multi disciplinary and stimulating learning environment
8. To encourage teacher education towards holistic and multi disciplinary education and constant updating of content and pedagogy

**The MNR Educational Trust is now working towards more Holistic and Multidisciplinary Education with the true spirit of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. It wishes to apply to UGC for Deemed to be University starting from the beginning under ‘Distinct Category’ as per the UGC (Institutions deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023 under the name and style of MNR Higher Education and Research Academy (MNR-HERA), situated at Sangareddy, Gr. Hyderabad, Telangana State. Some of the proposed unique disciplines in Teaching and Research addressing the strategic needs of the country in skillful higher education are given below**

- Intelligence and Computing and applications in Engineering and Technology, Health, Energy and Sustainability, Agriculture, Management and Law education
- Indian Knowledge Systems, Languages and Cultural Heritage with Technology Use and Integration
- Technology-led Agriculture with thrust on AI and Mechatronics
- Artificial Intelligence in Allied Health and Bio-Medical sciences
- Community Wellness and Lifestyle Management using cutting edge technologies
- Legal and Intellectual Property Rights for Indigenous Technologies
- Research, Innovations and Incubators