

Quality of education still a concern

India has made rapid strides in higher education but the quality of education is still an area of concern, said chairman of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Anil D. Sahasrabudhe.

Delivering the 10th Foundation Day lecture at ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (IFHE) on "The Future of Management Education", he said that access, equity and quality of education were of paramount importance and the goal of education should be enlightenment, empowerment and entrepreneurship.

Professor Sahasrabudhe emphasised on curriculum revision, teacher certifica-



AICTE chairman Anil D. Sahasrabudhe (C), IFHE VC Mahender Reddy and ICFAI Society chairperson Sobharani Yasaswy during the 10th Foundation Day lecture. ARRANGEMENT

tion and mandatory industry exposure for students, who need to inculcate reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.

He said that the National Education Policy (NEP) is working towards making education inter-disciplinary, where a student of engineer-

ing is also exposed to liberal arts and vice versa.

He also said that exam reforms were the need of the hour and the current exam pattern should move away from testing memory to one based on learning objectives, as proposed in Bloom's Taxonomy.

He also suggested introducing a mandatory three-week student induction programme, which will help students from different backgrounds learn from each other's strengths and weaknesses. IFHE Vice-Chancellor J. Mahender Reddy, chairperson of ICFAI Society Sobharani Yasaswy and ex-UGC VC Rajasekharan Pillai were present.