

How to flourish in + turbulent times?

Ravi Venkatesan, former chairman of Microsoft Corporation (I) Pvt. Ltd., has predicted a mixed bag of opportunities for students in terms of scarcity of highly skilled personnel, huge prospects for entrepreneurs and challenges due to squeeze on formal sector jobs, transactional employers and convulsive shifts in VUCA (Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity and Ambiguity).

He was speaking at the 9th convocation ceremony of ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (IFHE) on 'How to Flourish in Turbulent Times'. A total of 1,687 students were awarded degrees.

Mr. Venkatesan told students to attempt more gigs, projects and build a portfolio and see career as an opportunity to explore and navigate through life. Future belongs to go-getters, risk-takers, agile learners and those who can navigate change, he said.

C. Rangarajan, Chancellor of the university, said that youngsters have a major role



A student receiving her degree during the 9th convocation of ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education. **ARRANGED**

to play in making India a US\$ 5 trillion economy in the next few years and good education is necessary for reaping benefits of the demographic dividend that Indian has. Dr. A.V. Rama Rao, founder chairman and MD of AV-RA Labs, was given the honorary doctorate on the occasion. VC Prof J. Mahender Reddy also spoke.

Gold and silver medallists include Akshay Bhargava

(MBA), Pranahitha Rajuladevi (Finance), Tushar Srivastava (B Tech), Nabaneet Ganguli (MBA), Swarna Latha Venda (MBA Marketing), P.V.S. Abhishek Sarma and Vishal Mishra (BBA), Singavarapu Saidheeraj and Nikita Mor (B.Tech), Bisweswar Muni and Baishakhi Bose (BBA LLB Hons) and Prof. Vighneswar Swamy (N J Yasaswyl Apollo Hospitals Award for the best teacher.)