**Hyderabad: Indian School of Business**

* Thank you Dean.
* Great to be here, and to see so many people keen to find out more about studying in the UK and working with UK academics.
* Students here have already made it to the Indian School of Business – that’s an amazing achievement, shows you’re among the very best in India.
* And the teachers are smarter still!
* I want to see you maximise your potential, and there’s no better place to do that than the UK.
* The UK is home to some of the world’s best universities.
* Four of the world’s top 10
* 30 of the world’s top 200
* **Breadth and depth of excellence** in many fields.
* **92 per cent** of postgraduate students in the UK rate the quality of teaching positively.
* A recent survey found that UK degrees are highly valued internationally: **a passport to global success**.
* Graduates of Oxford and Cambridge were rated the most employable in the world
* LSE, Imperial College London and the University of Manchester all made the top ten.
* So there’s no shortage of reasons to study in the UK. But our academic relationship goes deeper than that.
* During Prime Minister Modi’s recent visit we announced that 2016 will be the UK-India year of Education, Research and Innovation.
* Will help encourage sharing of expertise and knowledge between our two countries.
* The **Generation UK-India Programme** will support up to 25,000 young people from the UK to gain skills and experience in India by 2020.
* UK –India Education and Research Initiative – UKIERI:
* **More than 1,000** education and research partnerships promoted
* **25,000** exchanges of academics in nine years
* “Train the Trainers” programmes have benefitted **35 million** young people.
* **Studying in the UK is an amazing, life-changing experience.** And the UK government wants to make sure the best Indian students have the opportunity to enjoy it.
* Chevening is the British Government’s flagship global scholarship programme. There are more than 2,000 Chevening alumni in India, an incredible network to be a part of.
* India is home to the world’s largest Chevening programme:
* **£2.6 million** budget for 2015-16, that’s about **a quarter of a billion rupees**.
* But that’s not the only help available:
* The British Council offers 400 **GREAT scholarships** each year.
* **Commonwealth Scholarships,** funded by the Department for International Development, support 75 Indian postgraduate students each year
* So it’s no surprise that the UK attracts **more overseas students than any other country** except the US – including more than 20,000 from India.