## 'Talk is good, but we must deliver'

Says Narayan Murthy at the ground-breaking ceremony of International Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology

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"Even if one entrepreneur comes up with an innovation that brings pride to both, the state and the country, we would have delivered on our promise," said Narayana Murthy, Chairman Emeritus of Infosys, after the ground-breaking ceremony of International Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology (icreate).

The centre will come up on the outskirts of the city on a 35-acre plot, close to the Kensville Golf Club



Infosys chairman emeritus Narayana Murthy and chief minister Narendra Modi see the plan for the icreate campus

Murthy was accompanied by chief minister Narendra Modi and a host of other ministers and industrialists.

Murthy also stressed on the need to bridge the gap between the two Indias-the haves and the have-nots. He said that it was time for us to look for the best of ideas from across the state and country and focus on meritocracy. "From today, what is important is what we deliver. Talk is good but delivering is far more important," said Murthy, who is also chairman of the advisory board of icreate incubation centre.

He stressed on the importance of entrepreneurship and innovation in the same and how icreate had a humungous responsibility to provide an ecosystem for the two.

Chief minister Narendra Modi talked about how he took an interest in the science fairs organised at school level by the government. "It was then that I felt that the youth have ideas. We need to give them a platform to work on the ideas and execute them," he said.

Director of icreate NV Vasani said that Technion, a world-renowned Israeli institute of technology and research, had agreed to tie up with the institute. The tie-up, he said, will lead to student, faculty and entrepreneur exchange. icentre is also in negotiation with institutes in Germany, France and USA for tie-ups, he said.

The advisory board of icentre will have the who's who of business world including Tulsi Tanti of Suzlon, AM Naik of L&T and Uday Kotak among others.