

**Dr. A.M.Shaikh Memorial Lecture**  
**By Lord Meghnad Desai at**  
**Belgaum Institute of Management Studies [MBA]**



In memory of **Late Dr.A.M.Shaikh**, the founder of Shaikh Group of Institutions, Belgaum Institute Of management Studies [MBA] has organized 'A.M Shaikh Memorial Lecture' at its Abu campus on **25/2/11**. World renowned Economist and British Parliamentarian - **Lord Meghnad Desai**, has been invited to share his views on the 'Prospects of World Economy for the next 3 to 5 years'. This is Baron Desai's first visit to Belgaum and BIMS[MBA] has provided the academicians, industrialists & students of Belgaum, an opportunity to interact & learn from this world renowned personality.

**About Lord Meghnad Desai:**

**Meghnad Jagdishchandra Desai**, born in Vadodara, completed his master's degree from Bombay University. He got a scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania where he was awarded PhD in 1963. Thereafter, he worked as Associate Specialist in the Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of California. In 1965 he was appointed as Lecturer at the London School of Economics where he taught subjects like Econometrics, Macroeconomics, Marxian economics and Development economics.

He wrote his first book Marxian Economic Theory in 1973 followed by Applied Econometrics in 1976 and Marxian Economics & a revised edition of his 1973 book in 1979. He wrote Testing Monetarism, a critique of monetarism in 1981. In the 1970s, he taught Idiosyncratic version of economic principles to fresher's at the London School of Economics.

**Lord Desai** has written many books on a wide range of subjects. He has published over 200 articles in academic journals and many more articles in newspapers. A column from him appears regularly in newspapers like British radical weekly Tribune, the Indian business daily Business Standard, Indian Express and Financial Express.

From 1984-1991, he was co-editor of the Journal of Applied Econometrics. He published a biography of Indian film star Dilip Kumar titled, **"Nehru's Hero: Dilip Kumar in the life of India"**. He described this book as his 'greatest achievement'. Examining Dilip Kumar's films - some of which Desai has seen more than 15 times, he discovers parallels between the socio-political arena in India and its reflection on screen. He discusses issues as varied as censorship, the iconic values of Indian machismo, cultural identity and secularism, and analyses how the films portrayed a changing India at that time.

It may be recalled here that, People's Education Society & Trust's Shaikh Group of Institutions started in the year 1967 with the establishment of A.M.Shaikh Homeopathic Medical College by the Late Dr. A.M.Shaikh. The main objective of the Shaikh Group of Institutions has been to impart **'Quality Education'** in professional courses to the youth of Belgaum. It is a matter of great pride that the Shaikh Group now boasts of 7 institutions which provide educational opportunities to students ranging from Nursery to Post graduate level in a variety of streams ranging from Medicine to Management & Education to Engineering.

The Shaikh Group is empowered by the dynamic leadership of its **Chairman and Managing Trustee, Mr. Abu Shaikh & under his** visionary leadership, the Shaikh Group continuously works towards building institutions, which are temples of knowledge and islands of excellence.