



RASHTRAM SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC LEADERSHIP
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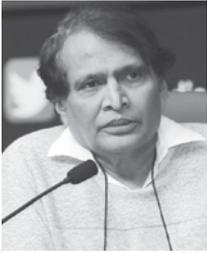
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LEADERSHIP

Batch 2022-23

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NATIONS ARE BUILT BY LEADERS
WHO MASTER THEIR SENSES

MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR



SURESH PRABHU

Former Cabinet Minister | Founder & Chancellor

Nations are built over centuries. Similarly, institutions are built over decades. India's role in a 21st-century world is that of immense responsibility and it is our duty to align the objectives of our institutions to the larger vision of the nation. Rishihood University is founded on the principles of social impact and leadership. As an institution, our focus is on high-impact areas such as entrepreneurship, healthcare, creativity, education, and public leadership.

India's spiritual wisdom provides solutions to many of the pressing problems of today such as sustainability, mental health, global peace, and harmony. As the name signifies, our objective is to inspire the students, faculty, and the community to reach 'Rishihood', the state of being a Rishi. Passionate and conscious individuals can create prosperous and harmonious societies.

I welcome young leaders to embark on the mission of nation-building.

MESSAGE FROM VICE CHANCELLOR



SHOBHIT MATHUR

IIT Bombay | Co-Founder Rashtram School of Public Leadership & Vice Chancellor Rishihood

"Nations are built by leaders who master their senses" – this was famously said by Kautilya. While leadership is popularly defined by external conquest of territory, wealth, or position, in the Indian context, inner conquest is the prerequisite of leadership.

As a research-driven academic institution, we intend to deepen impact on public life, through knowledge creation and the embodiment and application it finds through our learners. Rishihood attempts to recreate the multidisciplinary and character building nature of traditional Indian

■ MESSAGE FROM DEAN



DR. SANJEEV KUMAR

Dean, Rashtram School of Public Leadership / Formerly at Yale University

At Rashtram School of Public Leadership, we forge individuals into civilizationaly-assured public leaders using cutting-edge ideas and frameworks that are in sync with the Indian values and traditions. At Rashtram, we create a facilitating environment to help both faculty and students. They leverage their own experiences to develop and sharpen their unique perspectives on the chronic and emerging challenges at the local, national, and global levels.

As a research-driven academic institution, we provide rigorous training to equip our graduates with tools, social and professional networks to help them lead and be change agents to tackle the forces unleashed by globalization, artificial intelligence (AI), climate change, and pronounced tribalism.

■ ABOUT RASHTRAM

Rashtram School of Public Leadership nurtures 'self-aware' and 'civilisationally-assured' public leaders who are nourished by Indic knowledge, traditions and systems of thought. The specific focus of the school is to prepare leaders in Media and Culture, Politics and Government, Public Policy and Strategy and Development and CSR.

Rashtram designs and conducts executive learning programmes, engages in research to align institutions with Indic thought, fosters an ecosystem of young leaders in India and abroad, and strategically partners with organisations across the world.

■ VISION

Reawakening India, elevating global consciousness.

■ MISSION

- ▶ Building consensus on the centrality of Indian civilisational identity to its stability & prosperity
- ▶ Creating self-aware and civilisationally-assured public leaders.
- ▶ Guiding institutions to ground their missions in an Indian civilisational worldview, to be capable of engaging with global standards of excellence.

VALUES



INTEGRALITY

Integral development of each individual is essential for progress of society.



DIVERSITY

Uniformity is not a prerequisite for unity. Integral development encourages diversity.



HARMONY

Efforts for development should strive for harmony within an individual & with all systems.



IDENTITY

Our nation Bharata, is an ecosystem of individuals & institutions that reflects & facilitates integral development.

PHILOSOPHY



THE POWER OF IDEAS | JNANA SHAKTI- The history of ideas is the backstory to the progress of humanity. At every turn, thinkers produced ideas that animated the imagination of the people and created hospitable conditions for change. These **ideas** produce **'identity'** that gives a sense of purpose and meaning to people. It is through this process that a state becomes a nation. In the modern context, the mandate of producing ideas is given to Academic Leaders. It is up to the **Academic Leaders** to produce ideas that foster a holistic vision of society and humanity.



THE POWER OF WILL | ICHHA SHAKTI- The power of will is paramount to scaling ideas from the minds of a few to the hearts of many. It is this journey that confers legitimacy to the ideas and creates agency in people. Legitimising right ideas through the creation of agency leads to **'stability.'** In the modern context, the mandate of guiding this journey and embedding nourishing ideas into the fabric of a nation is given to **Political Leaders.**



THE POWER OF ACTION | KRIYA SHAKTI- Action does not only serve as a catalyst for results, but generates momentum and support around it. Action when channeled into productive avenues leads to **'prosperity.'** The state cannot create prosperity. The mandate for the state should be to create the conditions for **'stability'** in which people can exercise the natural human genius for enterprise and creativity. The lifeblood of identity and stability needs to flow through the veins of civil society to create prosperity. In the modern context, the mandate of driving change in communities is given to **Social Leaders.**

LEARNING AT RASHTRAM



KNOWING ONESELF

Understanding your 'swabhava' or 'fundamental nature,' through introspection of aspects such as basic personality traits, emotional intelligence and focusing your energies.

BUILDING INTELLECT

Critically engaging with the ideas that shaped the course of history, understanding institutional design, and decoding the discourse of our time and the worldview they stem from.



DEVELOPING INTER-PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE

Collaboration, spirit to initiate interaction, understanding the cultural nuances, negotiation, and interpersonal skills such as intellectual clarity and humility.

LEADERSHIP

Ability to imagine and articulate a larger vision, inspire action, generate momentum and exercise refined judgement. Connecting to people's idea of a leader and building on it.



SAMSHODHANA (RESEARCH)

Learners who have already toiled hard on a problem will be more receptive when the teacher presents them the solution. Thus Samshodhana (research) is the first step of learning at Rashtram wherein the learners take the initiative to investigate the topic of a course before the course actually begins.

SAMVADA (STRUCTURED DEBATE)

Samvada refers to an elevated form of debate and discussion, where the objective is to uncover the truth and dispel doubts, rather than argue and win. Every day there will be time allocated for discussions that will be guided by our mentors. These sessions will help hone the skills and let the ideas take root in the minds of the learners.

YATRA (FIELD TRIPS)

Our traditions and culture still thrive across the length and breadth of this land – where the Gitopadesa was given, where the innumerable saints, poets, gurus live and realise the one, all-per-vading truth of existence; that land must be experienced in its raw beauty and spirit.



■ POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LEADERSHIP (PGDL)

“True knowledge is not attained by thinking. It is what you are; it is what you become.”
- Sri Aurobindo

1 YEAR | RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMME | 30 LEARNERS

PGDL is a one-year residential leadership programme to nurture future leaders of India to produce authentic action. Rooted in the ethos of Bharat, the programme is firmly focused on nurturing leaders to solve the most pressing global problems.

The programme design envisages an immersive experience with guided learning on campus, reflections, field visits, social immersions, mentor conversations, and project work. The participants live together with the mentors and faculty for a continuous learning experience. Rashtram also provides incubation for social entrepreneurs, and encourages its Learners to give form to their ideas.

All these components are seamlessly integrated to provide a holistic understanding of our social systems, to build character and endurance of the participants to contribute to nation-building. Learners will receive a Post-Graduate Diploma on successful completion of the programme.

■ PROGRAMME STRUCTURE



Understanding humans

(What we are – Psychology, What we seek – Aesthetics)



Understanding knowledge

(Art of critical enquiry, Knowledge systems)



Understanding Bharat

(History, Society, Politics, Literature, Languages)



Understanding resource management

(Natural systems, Organisations)



Specialisations

(To bring change in specific domains)

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES



PRACTICAL, HANDS-ON SKILLS IN CHOSEN AREAS

The programme is action oriented and designed to give learners practical skills that will make them valuable in their chosen areas.



A SHARPER AND CLEARER PROBLEM-SOLVING LOGIC

Learners will walk away with the ability to apply deep thinking and clear logic to any problem using powerful problem-solving frameworks and derive actionable insights that help to move forward the agenda of progress.



A MENTAL REPOSITORY OF IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

Learners will have many immersive experiences throughout the programme which they will carry with them as memories of lived experiences giving them a real-world perspective on key topics of public interest.



SELF-MANAGEMENT SKILLS DURING CRISIS

Learners will be prepared to handle themselves and their problems using a balanced approach so that they can successfully navigate the challenges they are likely to face in a leadership role.



AN EXPANDED PROFESSIONAL NETWORK

Graduates will stay connected with influential leaders, academics, and social influencers and through them find relevant career opportunities.



AN INCLUSIVE INDIC WORLD VIEW

A broader and more refined worldview and a balanced view of Indian and world history, culture, geopolitics, and social dynamics which will lead to more holistic solutions for the future.



AN AUTHENTIC, INDIC LEADERSHIP

STYLE Ability to lead with clarity, conviction, courage, and compassion while being rooted in Indian culture and knowledge traditions which will give learners a unique identity and mental stability.



A NETWORK OF LIFELONG MENTORS TO GUIDE YOU

As learners go through the programme, they will have access to a cloud of mentors who are experts in various fields – this access to experiential wisdom of successful people will have a positive constructive effect on the learners understanding of key topics.



THE ABILITY TO CREATE CHANGE

Practiced and perfected leadership skills of inspiring minds through speaking and writing.



KEY COMPONENTS OF LEARNING AT RASHTRAM



REAL-WORLD PROBLEM-SOLVING

Learn to apply Indic frameworks to solve complex problems in the real world.



MENTOR GUIDANCE

Receive key insights on life and career on a regular basis from mentors.



TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING

Transform yourself through curated courses with case studies, lectures, and discussion models.



STRUCTURED SYNTHESIS

Use meditation, introspection, and guided reflections to synthesise knowledge.



CREATIVE IMMERSION

Expand your personality through periodic exposure to art, culture, games, and festivals.



PEER-TO-PEER LEARNING NETWORK

Develop deep relationships with co-learners to sow the seeds of a future community of leaders.

■ CORE SUBJECTS

- Leadership Fundamentals from India & the West – Theory, Frameworks, Tools
- Solving global grand challenges & leading during crisis
- Developing leadership potential through self-discovery, self-awareness, and self-mastery
- Art of critical enquiry – Logic and research methods
- Statistical Thinking – data driven decision-making
- Design Thinking Applications For Effective Leadership
- Environment and Systems thinking
- Leadership insights & lessons from world history
- Public policy, Macro-Economics and Development for leaders
- Strategic Leadership and Innovation
- Entrepreneurship and Business Model Design
- Understanding & Building Narratives Through Mass Media



■ | SPECIALISATION COURSES



Politics and Government

- Managing the Politics of policymaking
- Art of communication – Public Speaking & Debating
- Modern Indian Socio-Political History
- Public leaders and movements

Development and CSR

- Structure & Governance of Non-profits
- Public Leaders & Movements
- International trade and development
- Grant writing & Impact Evaluation



Public Policy and Strategy

- Managing Public finance
- Managing the Politics of policymaking
- Competitive Strategy
- International trade and development

Media and Culture

- Languages and literary classics of India
- Visual Storytelling (Digital)
- Art of communication – Public Speaking & Debating
- Public Leaders & Movements



■ PARTNERSHIPS & GEOGRAPHICAL FOOTPRINT

Partnerships

At Rashtram, we believe that sustainable change is only possible through collaborative effort. To that infinite purpose, we foster an ecosystem of young leaders in India and abroad, and strategically partner with organisations and institutions across the world.



Collaboration with MIGM

Rashtram's vision for civilisational leadership through organic thought models in economics, politics, governance, social structures, institutions stems from the strength of the integral unity of ideas, will and action. In this huge endeavour, Rashtram is partnering with institutions who share this vision in the domestic and international arena. The Matsushita Institute of Government and Management (MIGM) is one such institution that Rashtram is happy to collaborate with, as we envision public leaders who are civilisationally-assured and self aware, with a resolve to devoting time to all round prosperity of nations.



FACULTY



Prof. Shobhit Mathur
*Vice Chancellor -
Rishihood University*



Dr. Sanjeev Kumar
*Dean- Rashtram School of
Public Leadership*



Prof. Sampadananda Mishra
*Dean- Culture,
Rishihood University*



Dr. Mala Kapadia
*Professor and director of
Wellness Practices*



Prof. Sreejit Datta
*Director of Civilisational
Studies*



Prashant Singh
*Director of Innovation in
Governance*



Prof. Soumya Dey
*Mentor and Professor
at Rashtram*



Prof. Bhakti Devi
*Co-Director, Center for Water,
Rishihood University*



■ VISITING FACULTY AND MASTERCLASSES



Aravindan Neelakandan
*Contributing Editor Swarajya |
Indic Knowledge Systems, Indian History*



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*Professor, IIT Madras | Cultural Development
Studies Contemporary India*



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*Purnapramati | Dharmashastras
and Indian Constitution*



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*Transforming Cities and Citizenship |
CEO Janagraha*



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Secretary of Maharashtra*



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Founder Youth for Seva*



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*Fellow, Gateway House |
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Astronomy, Nitishastras*



Dr. Vinod Vidwans
*Professor, FLAME University |
Cognitive Philosophy, Artificial
Intelligence & Indian Aesthetics*

ALUMNI

NATION BUILDERS

Rashtram guides and incubates the enduring journey of a nation builder with intellectual rigor and a bias for action. A highly engaged, vibrant community of selfless individuals, passionate about Bharat and international affairs, Rashtram's Alumni network are the best brand ambassadors of our vision for civilisational leadership.



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Learners

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States

AGE

Average age: 26 years

Experience

Average experience : 3 Years 4 months

BACKGROUND OF OUR LEARNERS

Basic Science	4%
Business Administration	21%
Engineering	38%
Journalism, Communication And Media Study	8%
Law	4%
Performing Arts	21%
Social Science and Humanity	100%

PREVIOUS AFFILIATIONS



NIFT Delhi



Art of Living

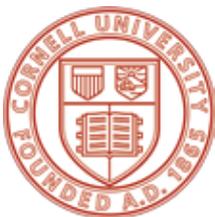


SBI Fellowship



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Bharat Vikas
Parishad



National Rail and
Transportation
Institute



LexQuest
Foundation



IGNOU



Osmania University,
Hyderabad

PLACEMENTS

50K

Average Salary

23%

Candidates got pre placement offers

14%

Entrepreneurship- Starting own ventures

13%

Going for higher education

ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS AND PLACEMENT ORGANISATION



TESTIMONIALS



I joined Rashtram in 2020 and what inspired me to be part of the program was the Indic lens it was rooted in. I was keen on learning more about Indic knowledge systems and the Rashtram helped me develop that approach, gave me the ability to look at issues from an Indic perspective and act on them. I got introduced to different tenets of public policy through which I could understand complex global issues, curate strategies and frameworks to deal with them. During the course of the program, I along with the batch would be part of yajna, sankirtan, bhajans, and yatra. These activities helped me realise the importance of the Indian Knowledge System and has inspired me to develop a lifelong vision committed to propagating Indic values across the globe.-

Sanket Kalambe,
Learner



I was at a juncture in my life where I had an immense desire to give shape to the lessons that I had learnt over the years. I was looking for institutions and avenues that would equip me with the necessary abilities and Rashtram School of Public Leadership was that divine intervention in my life. I had no idea what I was getting into, but there was a sense of confidence and satisfaction that was reassuring. Rashtram School of Public Leadership and the PG Diploma in Public Leadership has given me what I needed rather than what I wanted. The journey has been extremely enriching and nourishing and has also gone beyond my expectations. The holistic manner in which the program was designed could have only been possible if the people involved were deeply rooted in the dharmic way of life. I can now proudly say that I have the grounding my life requires and I would like to share my deepest gratitude to the program and all my gurus for that. When the root is firmly planted, the tree grows strong. Rashtram School of Public Leadership and the accelerator program have firmly laid the foundation. It is through our Viveka that we need to take it forward. I consider myself fortunate to have been part of this journey to understand self, the Rashtra and Dharma. I have relished every moment of my stay at the institution. Rashtram School of Public Leadership will always have a special place as it has given meaning to my life, memories to cherish and most importantly, people who will stay with me forever. -

Dhavan Dinesh Jahagirdar,
Learner



After my Engineering I started a business and an NGO. While working there, I used to think the biggest problems of the world are environmental degradation, climate change, water scarcity among other issues. But after working for 6 years I realised the biggest problems the world is facing today is greed, selfishness and apathy. This can only be solved through spiritual and cultural transformation not through technology. It was with this intention that I joined Rashtram for my Cultural and spiritual transformation.

My learning journey with Rashtram has been extremely fruitful and the knowledge I have gained from this program has helped me lead my life with more clarity. The program has also instilled in me the need to know more about the beauty and traditions of this great land so I can work towards more localised solutions to solving issues that plague Bharat -

Prasad Satish Bhopale,
Learner

Humility and intellectual integrity are the hallmarks of true scholarship. We are glad to see the students from Rishihood University fit the description accurately. We are also pleased to observe that students are driven to a larger purpose of nation-building. The effort of the University team is visible in the aptitude, attitude and work ethic of the students. I congratulate the Rishihood university on its endeavours. Looking forward to receiving more students as our partners and employees - Jai Maa Bharati ki.

Faculty

Saikrishna BVS,
CEO Pinaca Technologies





Being at Rashtram was quite fulfilling and special experience for me. A novel experiment that involves the use of education for cultural awakening was felt by me every moment during my stay at Rashtram. The curriculum including pedagogical innovation that tries to bring in elements of our civilizational legacy to bear on our learning is the hallmark of the institute. I enjoyed taking 3-hour long sessions providing ample time for detailed discussion on every topic of interest. The enthusiasm and exuberance of the students, the concept of the architecture, and the use of space including the utility of the cafeteria where the process of learning gets extended beyond the classrooms makes the setting a special one. On the whole, it was fun being a part of Rashtram. -

Faculty

Dr. Akhilesh Pathak,

Assistant Professor Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi.

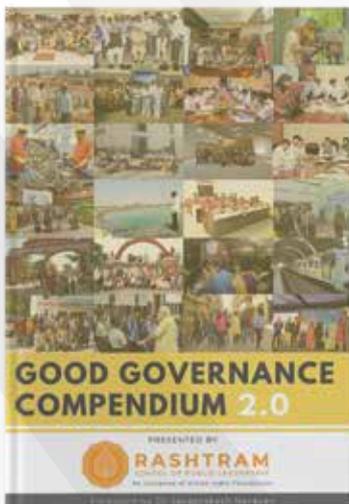


The PG Diploma programme in Leadership (PGDL), offered by the Rashtram School of Public Leadership at Rishihood University, seeks to equip learners with the right tools to critically analyse contemporary issues concerning the Indian society and the world at large. My own experience of teaching a three-credit course on Indian Socio-Cultural & Political Philosophies (ISCPP) as part of the 2021-22 PGDL programme has been greatly fulfilling. The numerous interactions I had with the PGDL learners who took the ISCPP course I offered, both inside the classroom and beyond, have triggered in our minds fresh ways of looking at the impactful ideas and individuals that have shaped the historical trajectory of the Indian civilisation right from the Vedic Age to the Post-Partition era." -

Faculty

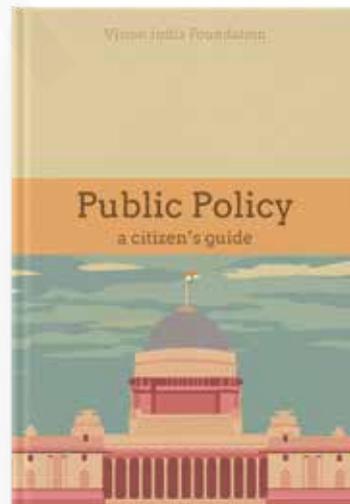
Sreejit Datta,
Asst. Professor at Rashtram, Director- Centre for Civilisational Studies, Rishihood University

■ PUBLICATIONS



Good Governance Compendium 2.0

The compendium, building on its first edition, is a compilation of 35 good governance case studies from across India. The cases are analysed on eleven parameters of good governance.



Public Policy - A Citizen's Guide

Public Policy- A beginners guide to understanding how policy emerges at the intersection of State, Society, Markets and Individuals.

IJSPL

The International Journal of Studies in Public Leadership (IJSPL) is a double-blind peer reviewed online journal published by the Rashtram School of Public Leadership, Sonipat, Haryana, India. The journal strives for the enrichment of research in leadership studies and allied disciplines by providing a forum for research and exchange of ideas in the field of leadership studies and its pedagogy. The IJSPL is a primary source for disseminating independently refereed research articles related to leadership studies in all its varied aspects – historical, regional and situational; as well as in all spheres of public leadership – including politics, business, activism, civil society, government, academia and the mass communication media.

SUNITI

Suniti (Sound policy) is a series of thought leadership papers that dives deep in modern day challenges faced by our society and examine relevant institutionalized interventions which could be adopted by the government, businesses or civil society to enact Rashtram plans to identify key issues affecting society and articulate possible policy decisions that would contribute to reaching equilibrium states for our society.



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