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A State Level Seminar on  
Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises  
(MSMEs) in India:  
Challenges and Opportunities

2nd and 3rd November 2012
MSMEs have always played a very vital role in fuelling the growth of Indian economy. MSME's contribution to India's GDP was 17% in 2011. There are approximately 30 million MSME Units in India and are now on the threshold of greater opportunities and newer frontiers. Despite its spectacular growth, MSMEs are plagued with myriad problems. Inadequate and delayed banking finance, meager capital, insufficient knowledge, obsolete technology, ineffective marketing strategy, lack of skilled labour at optimum cost, inability to enter new markets, poor marketing strategies, competitive unwariness and bureaucratic government policies etc.

Overcoming these challenges is the need of the hour if MSMEs are to be the growth engine of the Indian economy. Education, empowerment and support to MSMEs are the critical requirement in order to make optimum utilization of human and material resources to achieve success.

SBS, through this conference, intends to throw light on these issues from both academic and industry perspective.

**Objective of the Seminar:**

This State Seminar endeavours to explore challenges faced by MSMEs and their probable solutions, means of educating and empowering MSMEs, generating awareness of latest developments and building competencies on a global landscape. Also there is a conscious attempt to dig beneath the surface and unravel opportunities to conquer further horizons.

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