

PRESS RELEASE

MSC Software and SSIGMA to Set Up Technical Excellence Center at MGM University

Aurangabad, December 20, 2020: MSC Software Corporation (MSC), a global leader in computer-aided engineering (CAE) simulation software and services today announced the launch of a new Technical Excellence Center and laboratory at MGM University, Aurangabad. The centre is set up in collaboration with Pune based start-up, SSIG Manufacturing Advancements Pvt. Ltd. The lab will be inaugurated by Shri. Nitin Gadkari, Honourable Minister for Road Transport & Highways and the Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the Government of India on December 20, 2020, the foundation day of Mahatma Gandhi Mission Trust on its 38th anniversary.

The centre aims to impart the most sought-after technology skills that are currently not a part of the regular curriculum. These skills are required in the Industry to save the time the Industry spends on training the recruits and make the student ready to employ. Hexagon | MSC Software could see this need and thought ahead of time for the benefit of both students and Industries, deploying the Industry software for students to learn real-life scenarios and projects. Hexagon | MSC Software has implemented a unique combination of diverse courses like Additive Manufacturing, Reverse Engineering, Electric Vehicle Drive and Battery Management system, Advanced Driver assistance system, Drones, etc. along with MSC Software and Partner Hardware companies. With the help of [Skill Connect](#), a digital platform to showcase their potential, projects/learnings. In turn, companies can get a trained and certified workforce with the appropriate skill set.

“It is the need of time to make the students globally competent by giving them inputs to induce appropriate skillsets. With this vision, MGM trust came forward to collaborate with Hexagon | MSC through SSIGMA, and this centre is getting established to serve the students community. Having this centre in collaboration with Hexagon | MSC Software, a first of its kind in our campus is a matter of pride.” – expressed Shri. Kamalkishor Kadam, Chairman Mahatma Gandhi Mission Trust along with Shri. A.N. Kadam, Secretary Mahatma Gandhi Mission and the Chancellor, MGM University. He also added, “Thanks to Hexagon Manufacturing Intelligence and MSC Software Corporation and SSIGMA for joining hands with us for this venture and supporting our vision to take the technical education ahead with new dimension.”

Speaking about the launch, Sridhar Dharmarajan, EVP, Hexagon Manufacturing Intelligence Division and M.D., MSC Software, Indo-Pacific said, “The vision behind the TEC is to create the Industry ready skills in students, which are currently not taught as part of the curriculum but are required by Industry. These courses will not only help the students to know the current trend, but also help faculty members build their knowledge on the latest technologies.”

“We narrowed down on Aurangabad since we were looking to set up the TEC in tier 2 cities as students from these cities may not otherwise have access to state of the art labs and training as compared to students from tier 1 cities. I would also like to mention Dr. Mrs. Geeta Lathkar, who has been instrumental in implementing this project,” he added.

“Our University has students from developing cities like Pune & Nasik and from cities like Akola, Jalna, Parbhani, Nanded and surrounding geography as well. We thoroughly understood the concept and felt that Academia need to take a step forward in this. We worked along with Hexagon | MSC team and implemented the industry interface courses. I am sure this will help our students from Rural areas. Getting exposed to such latest technology concept and opportunities to implement those is otherwise difficult” said Dr. Mrs. Geeta Lathkar -

Director – MGM Engineering Nanded Campus who was instrumental in getting this centre established. “These students may not get the opportunity like the Tier1 City students get for employment. We are happy to offer them this opportunity to get top-notch industry knowledge, training and certification from a company like MSC Software.”

“The need for relevant know-how is more important than ever. SSIGMA focusing on imparting the industry interface courses which are generally not a part of regular curriculum. Our goal is to bridge this gap, make the future graduates more employable” said Mr. Sudarshan Lathkar - SSIGMA. “This TEC in association with MSC Software is a step in this direction.”

Aurangabad is strategically connected to Pune, Nasik and also to North Maharashtra. Aurangabad also has 4 Industrial areas in its vicinity namely Waluj, Chikhalthana, Jalna Road MIDC, and Chittengaon. More than 200 companies are operating here. A majority of them are auto suppliers apart from giants like Bajaj, Auto, Skoda, Varroc, Endurance that are working with multiple auto OEMs.

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