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Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Union Human Resource Development (HRD) minister

NEW DELHI: The entire country, all arms of the government and society, must work unitedly to address the challenges thrown up by the pandemic, Union Human Resource Development (HRD) minister -Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank said in his address inaugurating a key Bennett University webinar on governance challenges thrown up by COVID 19.

The webinar titled- "COVID 19: Constitutional and Legal Conundrums"- was organized by the Bennett university's School

of Law and had top luminaries from diverse fields discuss various facets of the on-going pandemic and its impact on legal practice and governance.

Inaugurating the webinar, the HRD minister said that timely decisions taken by Prime Minister Modi have helped India hold strong through this unprecedented crisis and to find ways to address issues that have arisen in the wake of COVID 19.

"Who would have thought entire classes would be held at home on computers and phones for children of all classes? The biggest democracy with over a 1,000 universities, 16 lakh plus schools, over 1.8 crore teachers and 33 crore students- the latter a bigger number than the population of USA- are working together to build an education eco-system in extremely challenging times. I would say that to a great extent we have been able to address most problems but there is still much to be done and for that we have set up a task force as well", the HRD minister noted in his address.

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