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According to him, a small farmer or a street vendor showed more entrepreneurship skills than a corporate. While entrepreneurship cannot be taught, but the skills required for developing entrepreneurship can be imparted, he said.

The Indian education system, which lays a lot of emphasis on rote learning and fetching marks in examination, may not be favourable for developing entrepreneurs, he felt, and added that nearly 95 per cent of the entrepreneurial attempts fail, not just in India, but worldwide.

“Entrepreneurship requires huge risk taking capability; you cannot encourage success (in entrepreneurial ventures) without meeting failure or taking risks. But the Indian education system is such that right from the day a kid joins kindergarten, he is told his job is not to reason or question why, but simply mug up and pass the examination,” Debroy, a Member of Niti Aayog, said while delivering his convocation address at the International Management Institute – Kolkata here today.

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পাঠ্যক্রম শেষে শুধু চাকরির জন্য না দৌড়ে বরং উদ্যোগপতি হোন পড়ুয়ারা। শুক্রবার আরপি সঞ্জীব গোয়েন্কা গোষ্ঠীর ইন্টারন্যাশনাল ম্যানেজমেন্ট ইনস্টিটিউটের সমাবর্তন অনুষ্ঠানে এই আর্জি জানালেন প্রধানমন্ত্রীর আর্থিক উপদেষ্টা পরিষদের চেয়ারম্যান বিবেক দেবরায়। তাঁর দাবি, কর্পোরেট কর্তার থেকে এক জন ক্ষুদ্র চাষি বা রাস্তার ধারের ছোট ব্যবসায়ী আসলে অনেক বড় উদ্যোগপতি। কারণ তাঁদের ঝুঁকি নেওয়ার সাহস অনেক বেশি। কাজ খোঁজার বদলে কাজ তৈরির উপর জোর দেওয়ার কথা হামেশাই বলেন প্রধানমন্ত্রী নরেন্দ্র মোদীও।

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