



# “Reinventing School Education”



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India



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Iceland



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Vietnam



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Indonesia



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United Kingdom



**Takaharu Tezuka**  
Japan



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England

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# International Inspiration Festival

An online international conference for educators



A Special interactive session with  
“His Holiness The 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama”

On 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020

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Date: 06<sup>th</sup> Aug to 09<sup>th</sup> Aug 2020 | Time: 04:00pm-05:30pm

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## About the conference

The inspiration festival is one of its kind event and possibly the most popular conference for Educators in India

It is a celebration of inspiration by inspiring people to believe in their potential and passion. We firmly believe in the power of ideas to change attitudes, lives, and ultimately, the world. **The International Inspiration Festival** consist of Inspiring talks delivered by the extraordinary thinkers and achievers **from different part of the world** to inspire people by sharing real ideas and their real life inspiring journeys

The quality of any conference is determined by the quality of its speakers, and we surely bring the most incredible and inspiring speakers every time- have a look at our speakers profile for this year's conference.





## Conference theme: "Re-inventing School Education- Ultimatum of the pandemic"

It's been months since the lock-down caused by the Covid-19 pandemic came into force and schools were closed. It does not seem likely that schools will open in the next few months or even during the year 2020.

This forced closure of all schools is having far reaching and cataclysmic impacts on many aspects of living including school education. As always, such situations can act as opportunity; they can, equally, be the cause of misfortune.

This, however, is certain — school education will not be the same again. There is no option but to change to meet the new normal. Otherwise, what is presently provided will be even more irrelevant and hence under greater threat of survival itself.

**This conference has brought the most renowned and revolutionary educators, thinkers, and motivational speakers from across the world at this platform to share their ideas on re-inventing school education for the future"**

# Our Inspiring Speakers

*His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, describes himself as a simple Buddhist monk. He is the spiritual leader of Tibet. He was born on 6 July 1935, to a farming family, in a small hamlet located in Taktser, Amdo, northeastern Tibet. At the age of two, the child, then named Lhamo Dhondup, was recognized as the reincarnation of the previous 13th Dalai Lama, Thubten Gyatso.*

*The Dalai Lamas are believed to be manifestations of Avalokiteshvara or Chenrezig, the Bodhisattva of Compassion and the patron saint of Tibet. Bodhisattvas are realized beings inspired by a wish to attain Buddhahood for the benefit of all sentient beings, who have vowed to be reborn in the world to help humanity.*

*His Holiness has received numerous awards in his honor including **1989 Noble Peace Prize***

*Brahma Kumari (BK) Sister Shivani has become a household name. She appeared on television series 'Awakening with Brahma Kumaris' in 2007. Sister has recorded many episodes on living values, self-management, inner powers, harmony in relationships, law of karma, healing, self-empowerment, self-discipline, about BK organisation, Spirituality, and art of living. Many people around the world are benefited from the Awakening series. This is the official biography page, taking you on a journey of Shivani's life in regards to BK organisation (BK family).*

*Richard Gerver has been described as one of the most inspirational leaders of his generation. He is an award-winning speaker, bestselling author and world-renowned thinker.*

*Richard began his career in education, most notably as headmaster of the failing Grange Primary School. In just two years, he famously transformed the school into one of the most acclaimed learning environments in the world. He was celebrated by UNESCO and the UK Government for its incredible turnaround.*

*Richard has spoken at most recognized stages including TED, the RSA and BBC radio.*

*The three core principles underpinning Richard's philosophy are communication, empowerment and impact. He argues that great leadership is first and foremost about serving the needs of the people who work for you. His mantra: systems and structures change nothing; people do.*

*Richard has also authored best selling books like *Creating Tomorrow's School Today*, *Change-Learn to Love it*, *Learn it Lead it*, *Simple Thinking* and *Education a Manifesto for change*.*

**His Holiness The 14th  
Dalai Lama**



**Sister B K Shivani**



**Richard Gerver**

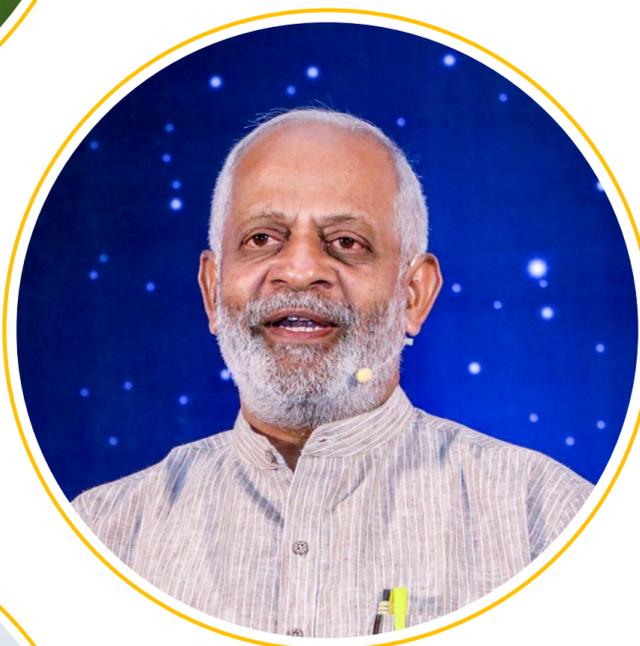


## Our Inspiring Speakers



**Zoe Neill Readhead**

*Zoe is the current Principal of famous Summerhill School and daughter of A.S. Neill (the founder of Summerhill), Summerhill founded in 1921 has been a revolutionary democratic education model that has inspired the numerous educators to understand education in true sense. Summerhill is a democratic, self-governing school in which the adults and children have equal status. The daily life of the school is governed by the school Meetings, usually held twice a week in which everybody has an equal vote. The school's philosophy is to allow freedom for the individual - each child being able take their own path in life, and following their own interests to develop into the person that they personally feel that they are meant to be.*



**S Gopalan**

*Gopalan started his career as a Chartered Accountant, after 8 years in Industry, ending as a Financial Controller, he came in contact with Jiddu Krishnamurti in 1980. He joined The Valley School, Krishnamurti Foundation, Bangalore as a parent in 1982 and as a teacher in 1983. Since then, he has been teaching and heading multiple Krishnamurti Schools. Mr. Gopalan is the only Speaker, to give a talk at Mind Mingle The Inspiration Festival for three consecutive years in 2017, 2018, & 2019 and will be speaking 4<sup>th</sup> time this year. In 2019 Gopalan has authored a book titled "Bud to Blossom- Blooming Creativity in Life & Education which is very well being received across India, UK, Germany, Switzerland and the US and his second book has officially launched recently titled as "One Plus One-Infinity or Eternity?" Through both these books, Gopalan Sir has beautifully put more light and given more clarity on Krishnamurti's teaching about life, human consciousness, Creativity and education.*



**Takaharu Tezuka**

*Takaharu is an Architect / President of Tezuka Architects and also a Professor of Tokyo City University. He is known for building Fuji Kindergarten in Tokyo which was recognized as world's best Kindergarten. Fuji Kindergarten is made as circle, there are not standard classrooms but every corner of the school is a learning space. Takaharu has received numerous awards for his innovative work including OECD/CELE 4th Compendium of Exemplary Educational Facilities (2011, Fuji Kindergarten) and he has spoken around the world at the most prestigious stages. His Ted Talk has been watched over 60 Million times.*

# Our Inspiring Speakers

*Founder Bye Bye Plastic Bags & YOUTHTOPIA, Melati Wijsen is an 19 year old full time changemaker from Indonesia. She founded Bye Bye Plastic Bags when she was 12 years old with her younger sister and has been leading the movement driven by youth since 2013. She also started the people movement One Island One Voice and the social enterprise, Mountain Mamas. Melati has spoken on world stages such as TED and the UN and has also been selected as FORBES top ten most inspiring women in the country. She graduated from high school one year early at the **Green School, Bali** and has since **been honored by TIME** as part of the **most influential teens in the world along with CNN Heroes Young Wonders and FORBES 30 under 30**. Today, Melati is excited about her new youth empowerment project; YOUTHTOPIA, empowering youth through meaningful and short peer to peer programs and providing them the tools they need to be young changemakers.*

Mazin Mukhtar is the co-founder of Akshar Foundation, a unique institution located in Guwahati, accepts plastic waste as fees and trains teenagers to get jobs -- solving both the issues of education and child labour

Founded in 2016 by Professor Alaka Sarma, Parmita Sarma and Mazin Mukhtar, Akshar Forum is killing three birds with one stone. One, the school is teaching kids for free -- the only catch is that they have to bring 25 plastic bags per week; two, they are making the parents pledge against careless disposal of plastic bags in an attempt to address the problem of environmental degradation; and three, they are “using” child labour to end child labour.

*Sanne pursued her Masters of Art at the ‘Erasmus University’ in the Netherlands and specialised in Education through the Post-graduate Teacher Training Program in Art and Culture at the Leiden University where she received the highest teaching qualification in Art Education.*

*She further developed her skills by completing the Design for Sustainability (GEDS) programme with Gaia Education which deepened her understanding of the four dimensions of sustainable community design. After working as a senior lecturer at the University of Applied Sciences, and as a Research Fellow at the Amsterdam Creative Industries Centre of Expertise, Sanne’s focus on Education for Sustainability led her to become Director of Learning and Teaching & Teacher Development and Well-Being Manager at Green School Bali*

*Sanne is currently the Founder of ‘Mother Jungle’, which empowers Indigenous women to preserve knowledge and storytelling traditions for cultural and environmental conservation. She is also working at the first Green School of Vietnam, called Genesis School, as a Head of ESL and Green Education.*

**Melati Wijsen**



**Mazin Mukhtar**



**Sanne Van Oort**

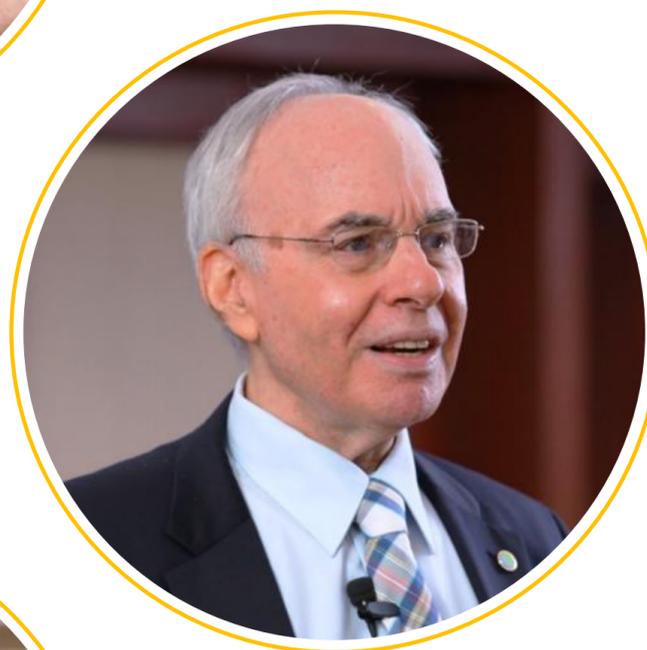


## Our Inspiring Speakers



**Margrét Pála**

*Margrét Pála Ólafsdóttir is an Icelandic pioneer pedagogue, educator and philanthropist. She is The founder of Hjalli model which is a teaching method for kindergarten and elementary school. She is a kindergarten and elementary teacher with further studies in school management, an M.Ed. in pedagogy and education and an MBA degree in business administration. Margrét Pála has written numerous books and articles on gender equality, pedagogy and education, both for parents and academics. She is also well known as a consultant, lecturer and analyst and has been granted numerous awards and recognition for her work, including The Knight's Cross of the Icelandic Order of the Falcon from the President of Iceland for innovation in education.*



**Garry Jacobs**

*An American social scientist, educator, management consultant and author with 47 years experience in India. He is CEO of the World Academy of Art & Science (USA), Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the World University Consortium (USA) working on innovative approaches to education at the global level. He is also Vice President of The Mother's Service Society (MSS), a social science research institute based in Pondicherry, where he coordinates research on innovative methods for education at the Society's Primrose School.*



**Anil Pradhan**

Meet 24-year-old Anil Pradhan, who has a thirst for innovation. Engineer Anil Pradhan is one of the revolutionary Educationalists of India. **He is the Founder of IPSFRI (School for Rural Innovation)**, which is a noble initiative to educate the less-privileged students of Odisha through an interdisciplinary curriculum in 2015. Felicitated with awards like Global Changemaker by Dais Foundation and National Youth Icon, 2018, Anil has quit three cushy jobs to follow his dreams. His mission is to create a thirst for innovation among students so that every student, regardless of background, becomes an achiever and, in the process, our country progresses. Engineering students go for jobs. However, Anil is exceptional. He founded a school in a rural pocket of Cuttack to boost the zest for creativity among students. He started his school with three students last year, now the number of students is 170.

# MIND MINGLE

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020

**Timings:** 04:00pm IST to 05:30 pm IST

**& 12th August at 09:30-10:30 with His Holiness The Dalai Lama**

**Venue:** Your computer/mobile phone with an internet connection

## Who should attend?

School Principals, academicians, Teachers, counselors, Master Trainers and educators passionate about transforming education

**Investment:** INR 1999/- per person (includes all session)

## Certification:

Participants will get a certificate of participation by Mind Mingle Education

## How to register?

Kindly click the link below and make the online registration for the workshop

<https://rzp.io/l/yKGVA5n>

Once you register, we will share step by step process of how to log in and use the online portal

## You can also make RTGS/NEFT

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## Registration

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