

SAKSHAM @ Kalasalingam University

SAKSHAM, a Microsoft initiative, aligning with MHRD's NMEICT ([National Mission on Education through ICT](#)) objectives was organized at Kalasalingam University from 30/11/2011 to 09/12/2011

24 participants from Electronics and Communications Deptt., Electronics and Information Engineering Deptt., Business Administration, Electrical & Electronics Engineering Deptt., Mathematics Deptt. English Deptt, SHIP (Speaking & Hearing Impaired Programme), Mechanical Deptt., Bio Tech Deptt., Chemistry Deptt., Physics Deptt, from Kalasalingam University; who attended the training have been promoted as Master Trainers. As Master Trainers, these educators will take on mentoring roles and spread the use of ICT in Education by reaching out to colleagues and students.

The 10 day journey comprised of IT and Soft Skills training sessions, which were designed to be riveting and invigorating. A blend of theory, hands on and experiential learning, interspersed with role plays, micro labs, group discussions, motivational team building & leadership enhancing games and activities enthused and kept the educators engaged as they learnt how to integrate technology into education and how to be effective mentors. These mentors will help create and maintain the momentum of change in teaching learning in higher education.

The **SAKSHAM** Portal www.saksham-ms.in, is an online resource which allows the above **SAKSHAM** champions to access content, form communities, build content repositories, leverage knowledge and actively share ideas and projects. Champions also have the facility to create their own training batches on Saksham portal and thus extend the online community of new ICT champions. **Microsoft plans to recognize those ICT champions who successfully reach out and mentor other educators and students.**

Microsoft welcomes the educators from Kalasalingam University into its fold and the **SAKSHAM** fraternity, which represents an empowered, critical mass of dedicated experts in every field, working in a networked manner to bridge the digital divide and accomplish **MHRD's NME-ICT** vision.

Sound Bytes



Participants engaged in group activities



Vice Chancellor Dr. S. Radhakrishnan addressing the participants on valedictory.



Mr. Lokesh Mehra, Director – Education Advocacy, addressing the participants on valedictory



Vice Chancellor Dr. S. Radhakrishnan presenting the awards



Vice Chancellor Dr. S. Radhakrishnan awarding certificates