

Dr. Gurmeet Singh Dhaliwal is the visionary Founder and Chairman of Baba Farid Vidyak Society which runs multi colleges under the Baba Farid Group of Institutions (BFGI), one of India's premier educational institutions located in Bathinda, Punjab. A first-generation entrepreneur, Dr. Dhaliwal began his journey in education in 1993 with the establishment of an elementary school. With unwavering dedication, innovation, and a mission-driven approach, he transformed the initial venture into a multi-disciplinary group of colleges. Today, BFGI serves over 7,000 students, offering high-quality education across diverse domains and fostering global competitiveness through international collaborations.

Dr. Dhaliwal is known for pioneering unique models in the education sector that emphasize industry relevance, skill development, and student empowerment. His industry-academia interface model aligns perfectly with India's national visions of Skill India, Digital India, and Make in India, effectively bridging the gap between education and employment.

Dr. Dhaliwal's contributions have earned him numerous accolades, including the Bharat Jyoti Award, Indian Achievers Award, Education Excellence Award, EduPreneur Award, and the E-Governance Campus Award. Notably, he has been recognized among the Top 50 Most Influential Education Entrepreneurs by the World Education Congress.

A global thought leader, Dr. Dhaliwal has represented India's education sector in prestigious delegations to the USA, Canada, Germany, Norway, Finland, and Singapore, among others. He was the only Indian educationist selected to join the high-level delegation led by Hon'ble President of India, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee, to Norway and Finland in 2014. He also participated in TiEcon 2015, one of the world's foremost conferences on technology and innovation.

His active participation in forums organized by **FICCI, CII, NASSCOM, PHD Chamber**, and other global bodies highlights his continued commitment to shaping a progressive and globally integrated education ecosystem.