**PREFACE**

**Thapar University** (Formerly Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology) is a premier educational and research institute located in the 250-acre lush green campus, known as Thapar Technology Campus (TTC), in the historic city of Patiala. It came into existence in 1956 through an imaginative collaboration between the then State of Patiala and the East Punjab States Union (PEPSU), the Central Government and the Patiala Technical Education Trust (PTET) founded by the great captain of Indian Industry, **Late Lala Karam Chand Thapar**. The goals of the University are embodied in the Trust Deed inked on April 9, 1956. Thapar University is today recognized among the leading privately managed engineering institutions of the country and the best of its kind in the north-western region of India.

Thapar Polytechnic (TP) College established in 1956, Thapar Centre for Industrial Research and Development (TCIRD) established in 1982, Centre of Relevance and Excellence (CORE) and Science and Technology Entrepreneur’s Park (STEP) established by D.S.T., Government of India are other four institutions that exist on Thapar Technology Campus.

As a fitting recognition of its laudable achievements and its pioneering role in promoting the growth and development both at National and International levels, **we were granted full autonomy and the status of a Deemed University in 1985 by the MHRD on the recommendations of the UGC.**

**Thapar University** expanded its operation by opening up an off campus at Derabassi.