## **Press Note**

Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister, Government of India and Member of Parliament from Bathinda, Sardarni Harsimrat Kaur BadalJi, will be laying the foundation stone of Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup>December, 2016 at 1.00 pm.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda was established in 2015 by Govt. of Punjab to improve the status of education, especially technical education, in the state of Punjab, particularly in the Malwa region, thus giving feathers to the vision of our most visionary statesman, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Punjab S. Parkash Singh Badal. Eight constituent colleges and more than 100 other colleges imparting technical education, spread over 11 districts Bathinda, Barnala, Faridkot, Fatehgarh Sahib, Fazilka, Ferozepur, Mansa, Moga, Sri Muktsar Sahib, Patiala and Sangrur of Punjab are affiliated with the University.

The objectives behind the establishment of Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University at Bathinda are to provide, upgrade and promote Quality Technical Education, Training and Research in Technical Education, to create entrepreneurship and conducive environment for the pursuit of Technical Education in close cooperation with industry.

The University has 108 colleges affiliated to it, offering 30 UG and 49 PG programs in Engineering, Management, Pharmacy, Architecture and allied technical areas. There are around 16000 students studying in these colleges.