



# CHANAKYA UNIVERSITY

*Rooted in ideals • Ascending with ideas*



*Fostering Excellence,  
Nurturing Values*

# Institution Building for Nation Building

॥ नास्ति ज्ञानसमं सुखम् ॥

No happiness greater than (acquiring) knowledge.

Chanakya Nīti

# Path of Purpose

Chanakya University draws inspiration from the timeless wisdom and ethical leadership of Chanakya, one of history's greatest philosophers and strategists.

We are committed to fostering a learning environment where intellect is guided by indomitable will and purposeful action in service of the nation. At Chanakya University, education goes beyond academics. It shapes character, cultivates leadership, and inspires social responsibility.

Following the path laid by Chanakya, we strive to develop individuals who are not only skilled but also deeply committed to contributing to a just, sustainable, and thriving society. Our journey is dedicated to serving the nation by empowering students to become ethical leaders who will build a brighter future for India and the world.



## *Jñāna*

### abundant Wisdom

Experience Wisdom from Indic perspectives to global pursuits, refined through Research and Practice for Social Impact and Personal Excellence

Nurturing world-class scholarship with high impact research and practice



## *icchā*

### indomitable Will

Teaching and developing youth with capabilities to be transformative leaders

Committed to provide sustainable solutions through trans-disciplinary studies and research



## *kriyā*

### meaningful Action

Building state-of-the-art knowledge repository and digital infrastructure to expand the horizon of knowledge

Creating innovative educational ecosystem to foster engagement with Business, Government and Society for building India

# Our Purpose

Create knowledge and  
transformative leaders for  
holistic development

## Our Vision

- ☀ Develop youth with capabilities to be inspiring leaders.
- ☀ Nurture world-class scholarship with high impact research and practice
- ☀ Facilitate transdisciplinary studies and research to provide sustainable solutions for human and environmental challenges
- ☀ Build state-of-the-art knowledge repository and digital infrastructure to expand the horizon of understanding among all stakeholders
- ☀ Create innovative educational ecosystem to foster engagement with Business, Government and Society for holistic development

## Our Values



Creativity



Humanism



Integrity



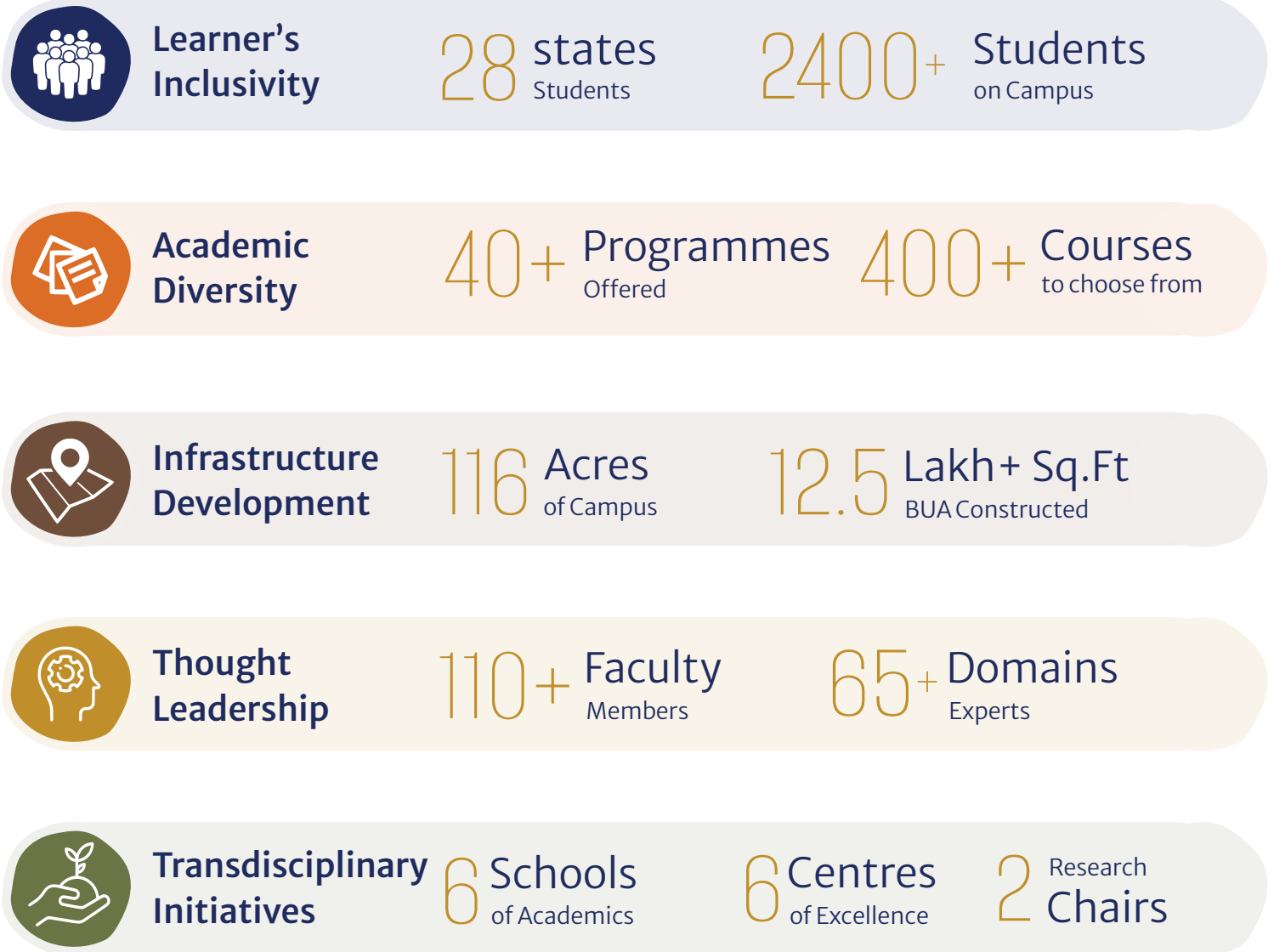
Team spirit



Academic Freedom

# An Eventful Journey of Three Years

2025 - Into our 4<sup>th</sup> year





# International Advisory Council

Guided by distinguished global thought leaders, drawn from a wide spectrum of Academic, Aesthetic, Industry, Professional and Socio-Cultural domains representing the idea of Bharat.

## Chairman



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Former Director  
IIIT Bengaluru



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Singer and Musician



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Sr. Partner, McKinsey



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3X Grammy Award Winner &  
Environmentalist



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Author and Former Diplomat



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Distinguished Professor,  
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Author, Indologist



**Sri Harish Bijoor**

Brand Guru & Founder  
Harish Bijoor Consults Inc



**Sri Prakash Belawadi**

Co-Founder  
Centre for Film & Drama



**Sri S.V. Ranganath**

Former Chief Secretary  
Government of Karnataka





# Board of Governors



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Chancellor, Chanakya University  
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Pro Chancellor  
Chanakya University



**Prof. Yashavantha Dongre**  
Vice Chancellor  
Chanakya University



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Co-founder, Infosys  
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Pro Vice Chancellor  
Chanakya University



**Dr. Sushant Joshi**  
Registrar  
Chanakya University



**Principal Secretary**  
Department of Higher Education, Govt. Of Karnataka

# Academic Architecture

Chanakya University aspires to be a pioneering exemplar of the vision of a University as elucidated in the National Education Policy 2020



## **Rooted in Indic Thought**

Grounded in the rich philosophical and cultural heritage of the Indian subcontinent, inspiring innovative perspectives.



## **Multi & Trans Disciplinary**

Embracing diverse fields of study and breaking down disciplinary boundaries to foster holistic understanding.



## **Open & Flexible Architecture**

Students can choose courses to curate programs, encouraging adaptability to new ideas and approaches



## **Research Driven**

Approach focussed on advancing knowledge through rigorous inquiry and exploration.



## **Embedded with Capacity Building**

Integrating educational and skill development initiatives to empower individuals and communities.

# Programme Structure

Designed to foster freedom and flexibility in curating the Academic portfolio, the structure facilitates an ambience for joyful learning. The freedom to curate unique programs ensures development of all students across domains suiting their natural skillsets and interests. The programs are embedded in social, technological, and ethical perspectives to promote comprehensive knowledge.

## Foundation Courses

Our Foundation courses, rooted in Bharatiya wisdom, instill essential values, life skills, and transformative experiences, empowering students to realise their full potential.

 **India Orientation**

 **Life Skills**

 **Learning Beyond Classroom**

 **Language and Communication**

## Majors

 **School Core**

 **Programme Core**

## Minors

Over 50 minors to choose from, spanning diverse disciplines, sports, and passion-driven pursuits.

# Indian knowledge systems

## Internalizing the idea of India through the Purpose, Process, Practices and Perspectives of Learning.

Chanakya University preserves and propagates Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) for global benefit through preservation, integration, and outreach. Recognizing its relevance in today's complex world, we emphasize practical applications and equip students with skills to tackle real-world challenges effectively.

Our approach fosters cross-cultural collaboration, leadership development, and ethical governance, ensuring India's ancient wisdom contributes meaningfully to global understanding and sustainable solutions for a brighter, more inclusive future.



### Rediscovering Identity

#### Asmitā

Empower students to rediscover and celebrate their rich cultural identity, traditions, and heritage.

### Nurturing Scholarship

#### Vidvattā

Develop research capabilities and nurture young scholars to harness traditional wisdom for contemporary challenges.

### Acquaintance with Knowledge Traditions

#### Paramparā Paricaya

Cultivate appreciation for India's global intellectual contributions, exploring synergies between Indian and contemporary knowledge Systems.

### Solutions for Global Good

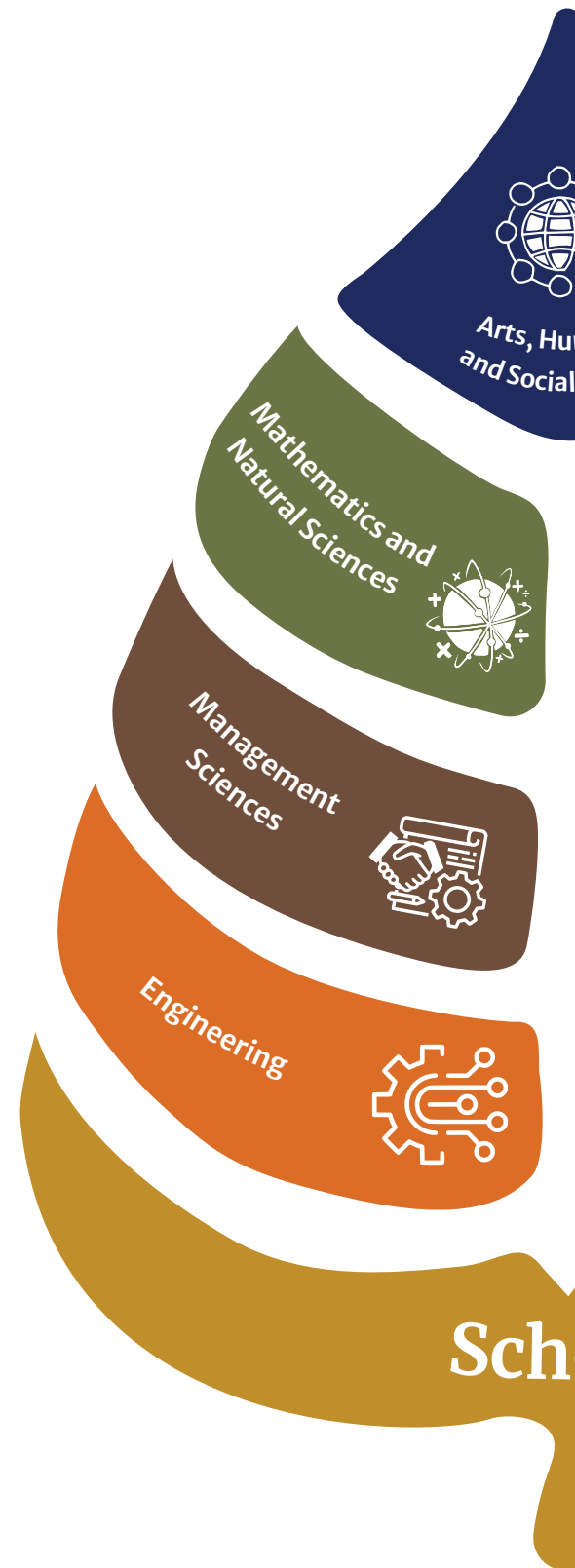
#### Parihārōpāya

Establish a vibrant ecosystem of scholarly excellence where Indian traditions and contemporary discourse converge, fostering thought leaders to drive change and create sustainable solutions.

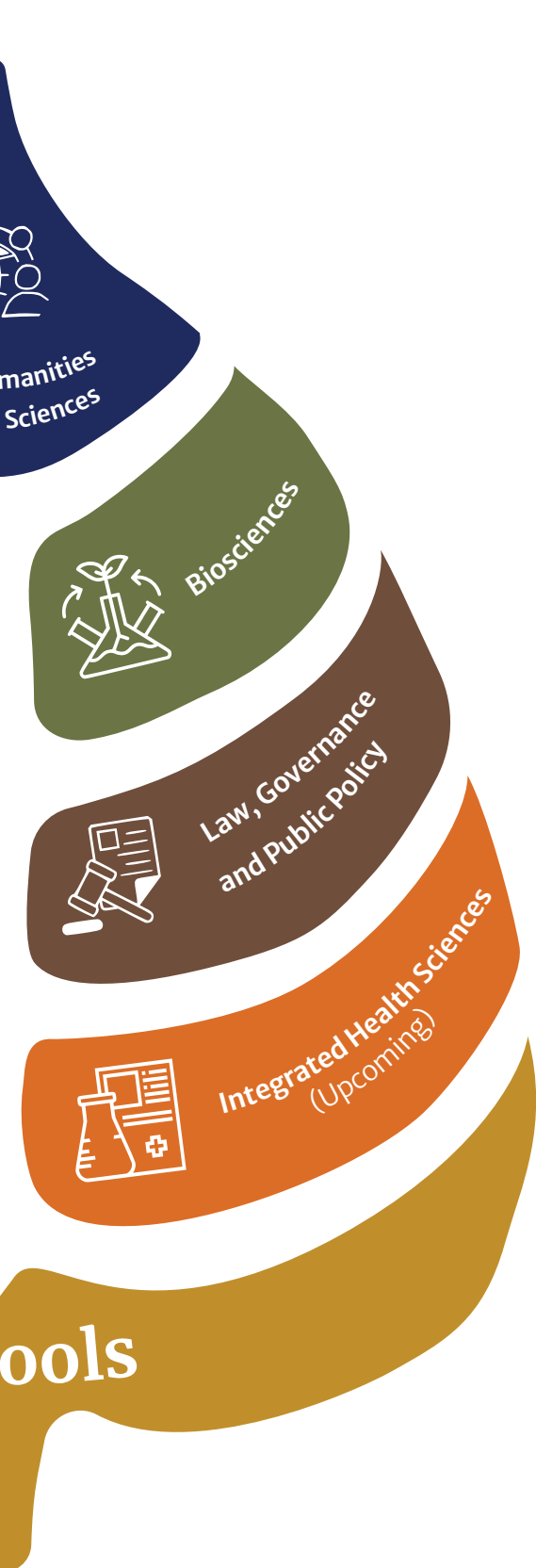
# Schools and Research Initiatives

The Inter disciplinary perspectives of the Schools in addressing contemporary global concerns with sustainable solutions, is rooted in an intellectual inquiry and translational research. The inter-disciplinary, Inter-domain and Inter-temporal approach in knowledge creation, draws extensively from our civilizational wisdom.

The Centers of Excellence and Chair Professorships are sponsored initiatives aimed at prioritizing key focus areas and engaging eminent faculty to drive actionable research on topics spanning the Indian context to global concerns.







## Research Initiatives

### Centres of Excellence

-  Indian Knowledge Systems
-  Sustainability
-  Conscious Entrepreneurship
-  Integral Economics
-  Integrated Health and Wellness
-  Social Impact

### Chair Professorships

-  Dr. Ramdas Pai Chair on Education
-  Subhas Chandra Bose Chair on International Studies

**Sports Facilities**  
(Completed)

Cricket  
BasketBall  
VolleyBall  
Lawn tennis



**116 Acres**

70 Lakhs Sq.ft of construction  
in multiple phases



Close to

**Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru**

Located in

**Hi-Tech, Defence & Aerospace Park**



Campus planned to  
accommodate

**25,000 students**

**Gurukul**  
(Planned)

**Guest House**  
(Under construction)

**MLCP**  
(Planned)









#### Reducing carbon footprint

More than 30% of our campus is covered with trees, enhancing biodiversity and serving as a carbon sink, leading to an estimated 80% carbon reduction.



#### Towards net zero waste

95% of Inorganic waste is diverted from landfills and 100% of onsite organic waste conversion through sustainable and technological methods



#### Water-wise

Daily collection and recharge of water address more than 90% of the total water demand, showcasing an effective approach to water management and resource utilization.



#### Energy efficient

The Energy Performance Index (EPI) stands at 35 kWh per square meter per annum, with solar photovoltaic (PV) systems meeting over 60% of the energy demand.



# Infrastructure as Inspirational Learning Spaces

Conserving Nature, Co-creating Culture.

Monuments and  
Spaces that are endorsed  
by global environmental  
standards and India's  
natural heritage.



Library



Classroom



Moot Court



Bioscience Lab



Student Residences



Student Residences: Room



Cricket Ground



Auditorium



Food Court

# Life at Chanakya







# Visionaries Driving Academic Excellence

Leaders shaping education through innovation, research, and transformative leadership.



**Prof. Yashavantha Dongre**

**Vice-Chancellor**

Renowned Academician and Cooperatives Advocate  
Chair, Asia-Pacific Regional Research Committee, ICA  
Post-doc, Ritsumeikan University, Japan



**Prof. H. S. Subramanya**

**Dean, School of Biosciences**

Distinguished Scientist and Educator  
Ph.D., IISc  
Post-doc, Oxford University  
Former Director, IBAB Bengaluru



**Prof. Vineeth Palleri**

**Director - Academics, School of Engineering**

Exceptional Educator and Researcher  
Ph.D., IISc Bangalore  
Former Professor, NIT Calicut  
Visiting faculty, Purdue University, USA



**Prof. Dinesh Shenoy**

**Dean, School of Management Sciences**

Renowned Management Faculty and Author  
Ph.D., IIT Kharagpur  
Corporate Leadership roles at Infosys, Barclays



**Prof. Chetan Singai**

**Dean, School of Law, Governance & Public Policy**

Erasmus Mundus Fellow and Public Policy Expert  
Ph.D., MAHE  
Chief Consultant, National Steering Committee, NCF



**Prof. Ashwin Kumar A. P.**

**Dean, Academics**

Author and Academic Leader  
Ph.D., Manipal University  
Former Director, Centre for Learning Futures,  
Ahmedabad University



**Prof. Sandeep Nair**

**Dean, School of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences**

Passionate Teacher and Mentor  
Ph.D., RCU Belagavi  
Former Principal, Jain College, Belagavi



**Prof. Sushant T. Joshi**

**Registrar & Professor, School of Management Sciences**

Engineer, Entrepreneur, and Academician  
Ph.D., RCU Belagavi  
Former Director, Nebulous Automation



**Prof. Bhavani M. R.**

**Registrar - Evaluation & Professor, School of Management Sciences**

Management Faculty and Academician  
Ph.D., Shivaji University  
Former Vice-Chair, AIMS Karnataka & Kerala Chapter



# The League of Exceptional Mentors

Outstanding mentors shaping academics at Chanakya University through their invaluable wisdom to foster an environment of innovation. Their thoughtful counsel empowers us to excel.



**Prof. Manindra Agrawal**  
Director, IIT-Kanpur  
Guiding the School of Engineering



**Prof. Jean-Louis Arcand**  
Professor, Graduate Institute (Geneva)  
Teaches Economics of Development at Chanakya Fellowship Program  
Speaker, Chanakya Distinguished Lecture Series



**Prof. G Raghuram**  
Former Director, IIM Bangalore  
Mentor- School of Management Sciences



**Prof. Shekar C Mande**  
Former Director General, CSIR  
Member of the Scientific Advisory Council,  
School of Biosciences



**Prof. Walter Russell Mead**  
Professor, Bard College, NY-USA  
Speaker, Chanakya  
Distinguished Lecture Series



**Amb P.S. Raghavan**  
Former Ambassador  
Chairperson Advisory Council, Subhas Chandra Bose  
Chair on International Studies



**Prof. Harsh Pant**  
Professor, King's College, London  
Faculty, Chanakya Fellowship Program  
Member, Advisory Council, Subash Chandra Bose  
Chair on International Studies



**Prof. Nikolai G. Wenzel**  
Professor and Director, Universidad de las Hespérides (Spain)  
Faculty - Chanakya Fellowship Program  
Teaches Foundations of Political economy

# The League of Exceptional Patrons

Generous philanthropists and corporate partners committed to supporting Chanakya University, enhancing educational opportunities for deserving students and making a lasting impact.



**Dr. Sitaram Jindal**

Chairman & Managing Director  
Jindal Aluminium Ltd.



**Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw**

Executive Chairperson, Biocon Ltd.



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**Sri Prashanth Prakash**

Founding Partner, Accel



**Sri Nithin Kamath**

Co-founder, Zerodha



**Sri Nikhil Kamath**

Co-founder, Zerodha



**Dr. Ranjan Pai**

Chairman, Manipal Group





## The First Convocation

The first convocation, **Deekshanta Samarambha 2025**, featured Nobel Laureate Sri Kailash Satyarthi inspiring students toward compassionate transformative leadership.







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