



---

---

# THE VISION

*The words reverberated in the ears:  
'The Sri Aurobindo International University Centre'*

## *Why Sri Aurobindo?*

*Sri Aurobindo represents the future potentiality of the human race. His work and philosophy point towards the coming age of spirituality and go on to envisage 'a new step in evolution, which, by uplifting the consciousness to a higher level, would begin the solution of the many problems of existence which have perplexed and vexed humanity, since men began to think and to dream of individual perfection and a perfect society.' He embraces in his all-encompassing vision every aspect of human life and endeavour, every religion, every ism, politics, law, society, and yet raises them to their highest and rightful place.*

*His best known books include 'The Life Divine', 'The Synthesis of Yoga', 'The Human Cycle', 'Savitri' and 'Essays on the Gita'.*

*A university bearing his name would be fitting to encompass the New Spirit that is taking hold of the Human Race.*



“ Sri Aurobindo is present in our midst, and with all the power of his creative genius he presides over the formation of the University Centre which for years he considered as one of the best means of preparing the future humanity to receive the supramental light that will transform the elite of today into a new race manifesting upon earth the new light and force and life. ”

The Mother  
(1951)



SRI AUROBINDO GNOSTIC CENTRE OF EDUCATION  
An Integral Education

*“ We are on the threshold of a new world. ”*  
(The Mother)

*“ Yoga must be revealed to mankind because without it  
mankind cannot take the next step in the human evolution. ”*  
(Sri Aurobindo)

MANKIND IS PASSING THROUGH A PERIOD OF TRANSITION. There is turmoil in every field of life in the search for a better way of life. There is no peace anywhere. Indian leaders in particular have fallen from the height of pre-independence fervour of love for the Motherland and the ideals of patriotism, into a mire of selfish love of money, power and position. The inspired days of the struggle for independence are over. Even in 1935 Sri Aurobindo saw the trend events were taking and, in answer to a query of mine, wrote that the issue of independence had been settled; the question was what India would do with her independence. “Bolshevism? Goondaraj? Things are ominous,” he remarked.

THERE IS A GROWING AWARENESS of the great and difficult work that the Mother and Sri Aurobindo have accomplished. More and more people all over the world are reading the revelatory works of Sri Aurobindo. Their sublime tapasya culminated in 1950 in the establishment of the Supramental Consciousness in Matter. A massive and decisive descent on earth of the transforming Consciousness was effected by them in 1956.

THE MOTHER AND SRI AUROBINDO exerted all their spiritual force to create a new formation on the subtle-physical plane which made the Mother declare: “We are on the threshold of a new world.” To bring that world down into material life, humanity must rise from its present physical and mental consciousness to a spiritual and divine consciousness through the process of yoga. Therefore Sri Aurobindo says: “Yoga must be revealed to mankind because without it mankind cannot take the next step in the human evolution.”

THE SRI AUROBINDO GNOSTIC CENTRE OF EDUCATION in Delhi is being founded to attempt to provide students with an integral education in order to prepare them to take this next step in evolution.

Dr. Nirodbaran

### WHAT IS THE AIM OF THE CENTRE OF EDUCATION?

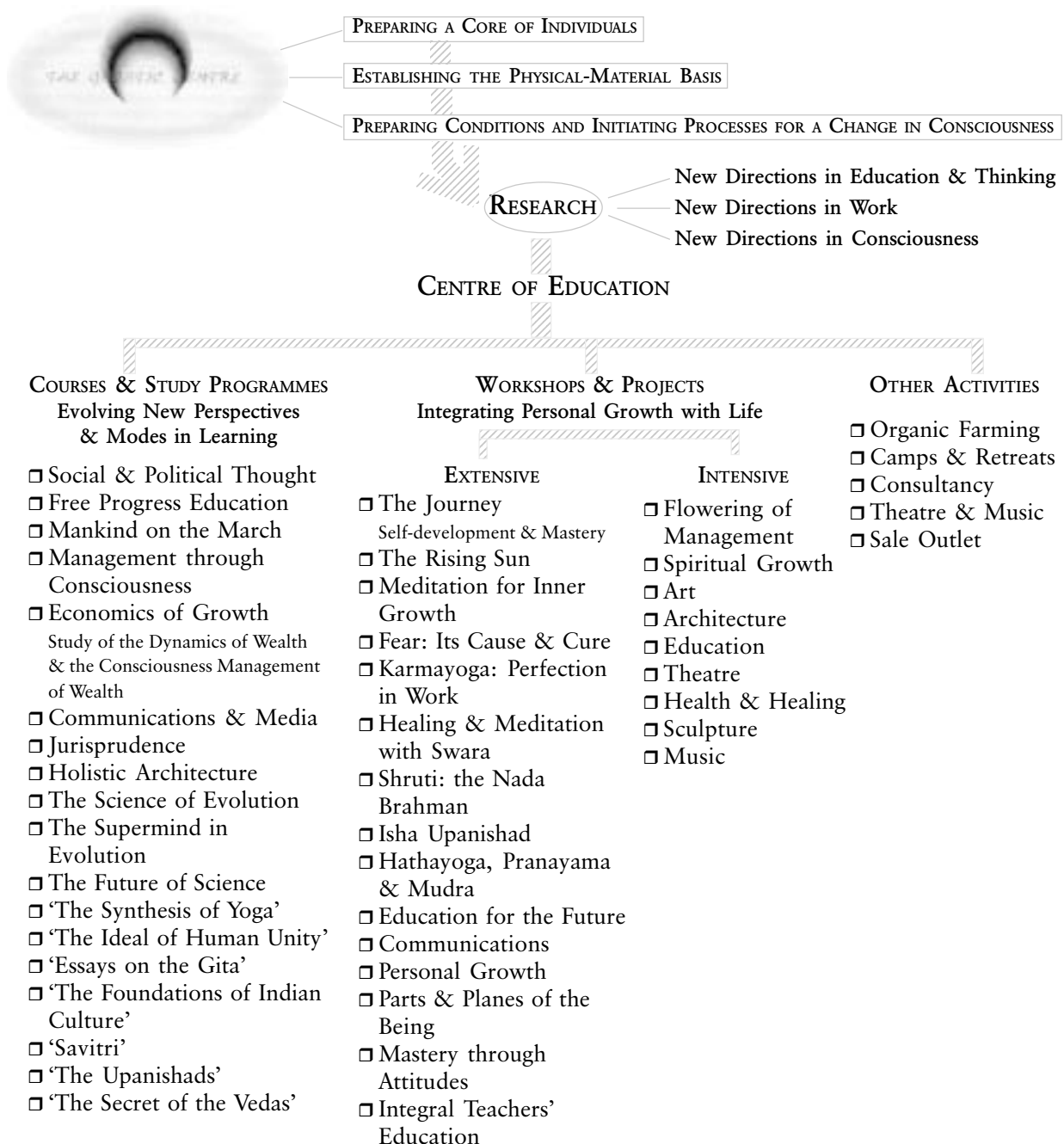
THE CENTRE OF EDUCATION aims to provide a thorough and complete knowledge on the subject of study, and a discipline and guidance for self-mastery. We essentially believe that unless man has an understanding and mastery over his own nature, he will be unable to understand or control the forces that govern him or the world. Intellectual knowledge is one type of knowledge and no longer sufficient by itself to handle the complexities of human existence. The demands of present and future society call for a knowledge integral and holistic in nature. The new age approaching is an era of the development of consciousness, of the emergence of the spirit as the pivot around which the body, mind, and vital nature of man will organise itself, its society, its institutions and systems of thought.

---



THIS CENTRE OF EDUCATION will be one of the forerunners of the type of institutes that will train and prepare individuals who are striving to lead an integral life, and are no longer satisfied with the present education and its aims and methods.

THEREFORE the curriculum and courses are framed so that there is a perfect integration of epistemological (outer) and spiritual (inner) knowledge and practice. Each course will equip the student to pursue his/her line in the present realities - entailing the know-how of policies, resources, management etc. till the point he is able to set up his own venture (or find placement) in a way that allows him to realise his potential, and make the change a reality. Besides the knowledge and skill-based experience and information, the individual builds and masters herself. So that when she enters the world in whatever field she is a complete person.





### HOW WILL THE CENTRE OF EDUCATION BE ORGANISED?

THE CENTRE OF EDUCATION will be organised more in the nature of different laboratories and cells for pure research, applied research, and a teaching and learning environment. In these laboratories will be working the various guides of the centre. Special invitees from various parts of the world will be invited to contribute their research and teaching.

### WHAT WILL BE THE LEARNING METHOD AND ENVIRONMENT?

TEACHING LEARNING will be organised and conducted in the tradition of the Gurukul, though obviously in keeping with the modern day spirit and life.

EACH STUDENT will have a guide, who would prepare and monitor her progress. The one-month orientation programme will provide an opportunity for the student to choose his/her guide. It will also be a time to decide whether the student is ready to continue his studies here, and at what level. According to the needs of the student and the pre-requisites necessary to achieve them, the learning programme will be organised.

THE STUDENT will submit at periodical intervals a thesis or project based report on the work done. This will be evaluated by a team of which the student himself would be a part. At the end of each evaluation the programme will be revised if necessary.

### HOW WILL WE BEGIN?

#### DEVELOP A PIECE OF LAND INTO AN ORGANIC LIVING SPACE & A LEARNING COMMUNITY

