



# DRAVIDIAN UNIVERSITY, KUPPAM

19th FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS (20.10.2016)

Grand Foundation Day Celebrations were organized in Dravidian University Campus on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2016. Speaking on this occasion Prof. E. Sathyanarayana, Vice-Chancellor, Dravidian University, told that soon the whole campus will be provided with Wi-fi connection and Reliance Company is ready to provide this facility free of cost in the campus. Skill Development programmes are being conducted in the campus which is initiated by Govt. of Andhra Pradesh aided by Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India to enhance employability opportunities to the Rural Students. Steps are being taken to get NAAC accreditation to Dravidian University soon.

Eminent historian and formerly Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala Prof. P.M.Rajan Gurukkal delivered foundation day lecture on "Dravidian culture in Poems and Poetics". History is knowledge of depth, he added. He explored the origin of language and original habitat of Dravidians. Human race started in "Kenya" a west African country, he informed the audience.

Guest of honour Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam, Chairman Sri Chadalawada Krishnamurthy spoke about the importance of Vedas in present day society and in particular in the lives of students. Students should read Vedas and Epics and they should transmit their experience to the next generation.

Chief Guest Dr.S.Chellappa I.A.S.(Retd.) speaking of the occasion, advised the teachers to make the students to learn "The art of living" besides teaching syllabus of the concerned subjects. Teachers should be role models to their students. Teachers should leave legacy, they have to sharpen their intellect every day, excel excel excel..., he told.

On this occasion the 20 books which are published by Centre for Publications were released by the guest who attended the function.



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Srinivasavanam : : Kuppam-517426

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on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 at Open Air Auditorium



Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Dravidian University Prof. E. Sathyanarayana addressing the gathering.



Guest of Honour  
Prof. P.M.Rajan Gurukkal  
delivering the Foundation Day Speech



Guest of Eminence  
Sri Chadalawada Krishna Murthy,  
TTD Chairman addressing the gathering



Chief Guest  
Dr. S. Chellappa Ias (Retd.)  
Delivering Foundation Day Address



Prof. E. Sathyanarayana felicitating the Guests

  
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19<sup>TH</sup> FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS  
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor's Message

Prof. E. Sathyanarayana, took over as the Vice-Chancellor of this University on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015, with the blessings of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Sri Narachandra Babu Naidu Garu and Sri E.S.L.Narasimhan Garu, the Hon'ble Chancellor of the University.

Though one year is a short period to evaluate the performance of a Vice-Chancellor, he could implement the following with the active support of all the employees and the stake-holders:

I. ACADEMIC ASPECTS:

- i) Established a chair in Malayalam Studies with financial support of Rs.20.00 Lakhs per annum from the Government of Kerala.
- ii) Sought approval from the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for introducing B.P.Ed., course with 100 student intake from the academic year 2016-17.
- iii) Successfully organized 21 days Seminar during December,2015 - January,2016 on Classical Literature by inviting eminent scholars in Telugu and Sanskrit. It was the first of its kind in the country. Under the auspicious of Alwar Divyaprabhandha Project of TTD a Two-Day seminar was organized on "Literature of Alwars" on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 with total funding by TTD.
- iv) Organized One-day Workshop on "Draavida Aasukavitha Kavi Sammelanam" (Dravidian Poets Meet on Instant Poetry) on 20.02.2016. Eminent scholars and poets of languages from Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu participated.
- v) Submitted proposals to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh on various developmental activities and action plan for the next five years.
- vi) Sought the approval of the Executive Council to adopt the statutes for effective administration of the University.
- vii) Reconstituted Boards of Studies, University Research Committee and Academic Senate.
- viii) Conducted Executive Council (EC) meeting within one month after taking charge.
- ix) Allotted 50 Acres of land for Government Programme under A.P. Forest Department (Urban Beautification Greenary Development Corporation Ltd.) to develop nurseries of ornamental and avenue plants.
- x) Introduced new Job-Oriented Under-Graduate / Post-Graduate courses.

- xi) Appointed two senior Professors as Rector and Registrar to strengthen academic administration.
- xii) Published UG / PG results expeditiously.
- xiii) Completed M.Phil /Ph.D admissions through DURCET-2015 in a record time.
- xiv) Reviewed the process of adjudication of Off-Campus M.Phil / Ph.D theses as per revised guidelines of the UGC. About 162 Ph.D.s and 15 M.Phil.s under Off-Campus mode; and 13 Ph.Ds and 10 M.Phils under regular mode were awarded during this One-year.
- xv) CC Cameras are installed at all strategic points in the campus.
- xvi) Biometric system is introduced for all the employees.
- xvii) Linking of Biometric attendance with Aadhar cards for all the students will be completed by June, 2016.
- xviii) Skill Development Centre was inaugurated on 04.08.2016 in the campus by Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Centre (APSSDC) and about 69 students completed their 90 days training recently as Assistant Electricians and Field Technician Air Conditioning and all of them were placed suitably. The second cycle of training is scheduled to commence from 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.
- xix) Wi-Fi facility has been provided partially in the Campus and the entire campus will be covered with Wi-Fi facility soon.
- xx) National Cadet Corps (NCC) is being started from this academic year with 35 Cadets.
- xxi) The strength of Student under Distance Education increased from 500 in 2015-16 to 4300 in 2016-17 and permission was accorded for 15 new Study Centres. Now, there are about 79 Study Centres.
- xxii) The Government of A.P. appointed the Vice-Chancellor as a member of Smart Kuppam Foundation, which serves the cause of development of Kuppam as a Model City.

## II. DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES:

- i) Secured one time capital grant of Rs.12.9 Crores for developmental activities such as buildings, infrastructure and sports complex from the Government of Andhra Pradesh.
- ii) Commissioned a reading room in the Campus for the benefit of students and people from nearby villages.
- iii) Completed the construction of Health Center at an estimated cost of Rs.1.49Cr.
- iv) Construction of Administrative block (area 30,000 Sft.) at an estimated cost of Rs.4.4 Cr. and Auditorium (1250 seating capacity) at an estimated cost of Rs.7.67 Cr. will be completed soon.
- v) Land alienation of 1000 acres is in the final stages of approval by the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

### III. TASKS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED TO GO FOR NAAC ACCREDITATION:

- i) To establish Research Centres for Herbal and Naturo-Sciences
- ii) To identify a few villages for adoption by the University under 'Smart Village' programme of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.
- iii) To establish a Centre for Training Programmes in Native Nursery Practices.
- iv) To organize Skill Development Programmes and Placement and Training activities to enhance the employability of students.
- v) To establish a cell to train students for various competitive examinations.
- vi) To establish chairs in Kannada and Tamil with the financial support from the Karnataka and Tamilnadu Governments respectively.
- vii) To organize national / international seminars to promote research in Dravidian languages and culture.

### IV. AN EARNEST APPEAL:

To strengthen the ongoing academic activities and to achieve the proposed tasks, the Vice-Chancellor appeals for active support and co-operation from all the stakeholders, students, employees, parents, peoples' representatives and the media.

The Vice-Chancellor is grateful to the Hon'ble Chief Minister and Hon'ble Minister for HRD for enhancing budgetary support to the University.

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