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75th Republic Day Celebration at CUK

"To make India Vikasit Bharat, we have to develop our villages," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUK. After the flag hosting ceremony at the 75th Republic Day he remarked at CUK. He further said, "as Mahatma Gandhi said, India lives in villages. Integrated development of villages is the need of the hour. If villages are developed, people will not migrate to cities. The government has developed many socio-economic development projects like Jan Dhan, Ujwala, Start-up and Stand-up India, Mudra, Jal Jeewan, Swatch Bharat, and many more. But we don't know the status of the implementation of these programs.

Universities have to work for the assessment of these programs. Our Social Work Department is doing a wonderful job by working for the village development. I suggest all other departments adopt at least one village and work for the integrated development. Universities have to become part of the building process and work accordingly.

All the teachers and research



scholars should take up the rural development issues. I am happy that our university has got many ICSSR research projects." He has inaugurated an Indian Knowledge System Selfie point at Central Library.

Librarian Dr. Kattimani said it was established as per the direction of the UGC to create awareness about the rich Indian knowledge heritage. Dr. Shivanand Bantanur has designed and developed the selfie point. Registrar Prof. R R Biradar, Coordinator Dr. S Linga Murthy, COE Kota Sai Krishna, DSW Prof. R S Hegadi, Prof. Channaveer R M, teaching and non-teaching members and students were present. On the occasion, Department of Music and Fine Art faculty members Dr. Jayadevi Jangamashetty, Dr. Ravikiran Nakod, Dr. Swapnil Chapekar, and students rendered national and patriotic songs.



Percussion Ensemble performance by Vidhvan Peravalli Jaya Bhaskar and team as a part of 75th Republic Day Celebration at CUK



According to Nelson Mandela, education is the most potent weapon one can use to change the world. Hence, education in general and higher education in particular plays a kingpin role in shaping individuals, societies, and socio-economic prosperity. It empowers individuals with modern knowledge, skills, innovative ideas, and critical thinking abilities. Therefore, teachers in higher education play a pivotal role in inspiring students to excel academically, pursue their passions, and achieve their complete life goals.

Teachers passionate about their subject matter can ignite students' interest and enthusiasm for deep learning and thorough understanding. Nowadays, their role should go beyond the classroom teaching, instilling confidence, fostering critical thinking skills, and contributing to the overall academic environment. The teachers of the present century should employ innovative teaching methods, pedagogical approaches, and modern technologies to create interactive teaching-learning experiences. They should tailor their teaching strategies to accommodate diverse learning styles, abilities, and backgrounds, enabling all students can learn new subjects and shape their careers.

Further, as per the National Educational Policy (NEP), the teachers should collaborate with colleagues and curriculum developers to design relevant, up-to-date, and rigorous syllabi and academic programs that align with the needs of the industry, society, and economy. They integrate interdisciplinary perspectives, real-world applications, and experiential learning opportunities into the curriculum to enhance its effectiveness and relevance. Teachers should design meaningful assessments, performance tasks, and evaluation criteria to measure students' learning outcomes, skills development, and academic progress to make the teaching-learning process more meaningful and fruitful.

In addition to their teaching assignments, teachers must undertake scholarly research projects, publish academic research papers, and contribute to advancing knowledge in their discipline, thereby improves NIRF ranking and NAAC accreditation. It is also equally crucial for the teachers to participate in collaborative learning organizations, interdisciplinary teams, and professional bodies to share their resources and research outcomes, exchange ideas, and collaborate on curriculum development, pedagogical innovation, and quality improvement in their respective subject domains.

Teachers with a sense of dedication, commitment, honesty, and integrity should contribute significantly to improving the quality of teaching, undertaking research projects and academic publications, enhancing student learning outcomes, and advancing the mission of higher education institutions, thereby taking the higher educational institutions like CKU towards more massive levels of academic credentials and global standards.

Prof. Battu Satyanarayana
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi



Access to decent employment and a handful of salary largely depends on the quality of education, modern skills, and work experience. Ample employment opportunities are available for those who work hard and who possess soft skills. In the present job market, whether in educational institutions or in the corporate sector, employers often look for a combination of hard and soft skills of the employee. Unfortunately, the percentage of workers with formal training was estimated to be less in India. As per the Periodic Labour Force Survey 2022-23, 72.6% of workers aged 15-59 still needed to receive formal or informal vocational or technical training. Further, the employable percentage of youth was estimated at 51.3% in 2024, compared to 33.9% in 2014. This implies that only a little more than half of the educated youths are employable in India due to a lack of hard and soft skills and quality education.

Hard skills are the specific or technical knowledge acquired through formal education in schools or colleges/universities or specific training. These include expertise in a particular domain/subject, data management and analysis, data mining, bilingual or multilingual skills, network security, user interface design, marketing campaign management, programming languages such as Java, Python, C++ software, etc. Similarly, soft skills are hidden talents, abilities, and personal training that are much harder to measure. They help people get along with each other, communicate, and collaborate effectively. They include character, ability to work in a team, effective communication, leadership, organization, problem-solving, critical thinking, creativity, adaptability, open-mindedness, integrity, empathy, etc.

In the present job market, be it teaching or non-teaching or professional or non-professional or technical or non-technical, employers seek people with hard and soft skills to manage the institution or organization more effectively. Hard skills are essential for performing specific responsibilities, whereas employers highly value soft skills as they significantly impact a person's ability to work effectively.

Therefore, to improve the employability of the students, the teachers should focus more on imparting both hard and soft skills. The hard skills in specific subjects can be enhanced through the timely and regular engagement of classes, giving more assignments, classroom seminars, group discussions, and micro-projects in a particular subject or topic. Similarly, soft skills can be improved by involving the students in extracurricular activities such as elocution, debate, multidisciplinary dialogues, teamwork, awareness campaigns, leadership development camps, and NSS or NCC camps. In higher education institutions like CUK, skilling, re-skilling, and up-skilling the students are the need of the hour. Therefore, teachers in higher education institutions should concentrate more on imparting hard and soft skills to enhance the employability of educated youths instead of merely producing degree holders.

Prof R R Biradar
Registrar
Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi

THREE-DAY TRAINING PROGRAM FOR CIVIL JUDGE MAIN EXAMINATIONS INAUGURATED AT CUK

Fri, 6 October 2023: "A plan of action for the preparation of the judicial examination is essential to pass the exam," said Smt. Nagashree, Hon'ble Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kalaburagi. She was speaking at the inaugural session of a three-day training program for Civil Judge Main Examinations jointly organized by the Department of Law, School of Legal Jurisprudence Studies, Central University of Karnataka and Adhivakta Parishad Karnataka North (Kalaburagi Unit) at CUK. "Planned preparation leads to success, and the aspirants should not study to clear the examinations. Instead, they should study to gain knowledge. The goal of the aspirant should not be restricted to just passing marks. Instead, they should aim for a hundred percent of marks." She said.

In his Presidential remarks, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana said, "The role of the judiciary is vital in keeping the society in order. In the present times, the standards of all institutions are deteriorating. It is only the Judiciary that can keep the system intact. The nation can see true development only when the judiciary, academic institutions, and doctors work fearlessly and selflessly. They should not yield to any external fear. Success in law depends on knowledge and how one interprets the laws. Interpretation is critical in the legal field. I congratulate the organizers for their efforts. I suggest they organize a monthly program on this topic, and university administration will provide the required support."



Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dean, School of Legal Jurisprudence Studies, CUK, welcomed the guests and wished the trainees to make the best use of the program. Shri. Kadlur Satyanarayana Achar, Rtd. Principal District Judge and Honorary State President, Adhivakta Parishad Karnataka North, Shri. Basavaraj Nashi, Secretary, Bar Association, Kalaburagi and Rakesh Panghanti, State Convenor, Judicial Training Exam, Adhivakta Parishad Karnataka North were present in the inaugural session. Indudhar Jadhav anchored the program.

CUK FOOTBALL TEAM AS RUNNERS-UP IN THE DISTRICT LEVEL TOURNAMENT

Fri, 6 October 2023: "Sports should be an integral part of a student's life," said Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CUK, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana. He was speaking after felicitating the University's football team for their achievement in the recently held Kalaburagi District Football Tournament. In the tournament, CUK got runners-up, and its player Fihad was honored as 'Player of the Tournament' for his remarkable performance. A total of 16 teams from the Kalaburagi District participated. In this tournament, the Vice-Chancellor expressed happiness over the students' performance and said, "You have brought name and fame to the university. Keep participating in all the events and do well. The university will provide the required facilities and support. Now we have magnificent indoor and outdoor stadiums; make use of them. The university organizes Ankur- a cultural and sports fest to promote hidden talent in our students every year." On the occasion, education Department Assistant Professor Sai Abhinav was present with students.



CUK PROFESSOR APPEARS IN THE TOP TWO PERCENT SCIENTIST OF THE WORLD

Mon, 9 October 2023: "Name of Dr. N Sandeep, Assistant Professor of Mathematics Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi, has appeared in the top two percent of scientists of the world list published by Stanford University," said Prof. R R Biradar, Registrar CUK. He further said "we congratulate to Dr. N Sandeep for this achievement and it shows the quality of our teacher and their research work. We are committed to supporting our teachers to excel in their careers." When contacting Dr. N Sandeep to learn about his achievement, he said, "Stanford University conducts studies to know the quality of research and publication of faculties in the field of science. They prepare two lists: one year wise top two percent scientists and second career-wise top two percent scientist."

This is the fifth time my name has appeared in the year-wise world's top two percent scientist list. Every year, my ranking has improved. The first time, my rank was above one lakh; this year, it is 14000, which means I am among top 0.14 percent. As consecutively my ranking has improved and it is the fifth time appearing in the year-wise rank my name has appeared in top two percent career-wise ranking also." When asked about what are the criteria to prepare the list he said "number of

publications as corresponding and first author, citation index, H-index, quality of journals are used to prepare the rank list." He has thanked the Vice-Chancellor,



Registrar, and colleagues for their support and guidance. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayan has expressed his happiness and congratulated Dr. N Sandeep for his achievement. He said, "We are very proud of our teachers and their achievement. CUK has many bright teachers, and we are providing the required support to our teachers. CUK is known and will be known for its teaching, research, and development quality. Recently, a professor of chemistry developed a low cost face gel, a music teacher developed a new raga in Hindustani music, and now another teacher is among the world's top scientists. It shows the quality of teachers in our university. We are sure our university will become a top university in the world."

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY OBSERVED AT CUK

Wed, 11 October 2023: "In the universities, students under yield to the group and peer pressure and start taking drugs and get involved in other unhealthy activities. For that, students should develop an ability to withstand such pressures and say no to such things," said Dr. Ajay Dhage, Founder and Managing Director and Consultant Psychiatrist SumanNeuro-Psychiatry, Kalaburagi. He was speaking on the occasion of World Mental Health Day, organized by the Department of Psychology, Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi.

He further said, "Students have to develop resilience to make choices with one's value and well-being, and it is necessary for good mental health. To effectively deal with mental health issues, we should have free and open communication with family members, friends, teachers, and other well-wishers and discuss the issues. It will help to solve mental health issues at an appropriate time. Apart from discussing with known people, one should consult the psychiatrists, counselors, experts, and availability of support systems within the university to deal with mental health issues." He also emphasized that "for good mental health, a healthy and happy lifestyle is very important. One should have healthy food and regular exercise."

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof Battu Satyanaryana, who inaugurated the exhibition organized by the students of the Department of Psychology to create awareness about mental health and said, "mental health and well-being is more important than physical health. The university has a health center and counseling center for the students. You all make use of that, and we are committed to nurturing the mental well-being of our students and the community."



Don't be involved in unhealthy practices and don't use drugs and substances". Earlier to this, the coordinator of the program, Dr. Ravinder Kumar, delivered introductory remarks and said this year's theme of World Mental Health Day is "Mental Health is a Universal Human Right." On the occasion, the Head of the Psychology department, Prof. Romate John, was present.

CUK PROFESSORS GOT APPOINTMENT ORDER AT ROZGAR MELA

Mon, 30 October 2023: "Twelve CUK faculty members got appointment letter in tenth Rozgar Mela," said CUK Registrar, Prof. R R Biradar. Speaking to the press about CUK's participation in Rozgar Mela, he said, "CUK is recruiting the teaching and non-teaching staff on mission mode. In this Rozgar Mela, eight Associate Professors and four Professors have received appointment letters from Sri. Narayana Rane, Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India held on 28th October at Bengaluru". Prof. Biradar has participated in the Rozgar Mela to represent the CUK. Along with CUK, ten other central government departments participated in the event.

Regarding recruitment, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana said, "Quality of teachers is paramount to provide quality education at the center of advanced learning. Our teachers have been recruited for all India-level open competitions. Experts in the particular field selected the best deserving teachers. I am confident that they will take this university to new academic heights. In the last two rounds, we have filled 55 posts, and the remaining posts will be immediately re-notified, and soon they will also be filled up. We have also proposed to start new departments. If the government approves those posts it will be notified."



SPECIAL LECTURE ON 'AMRIT KAAL - VIMARSH, VIKSIT BHARAT@2047'

Thu, 02 November 2023: "Atmanirbhar Bharat is not a new word for us because we are self-reliant Bharat since the inception of civilization," said Prof. Ashwani Mahajan, Professor of Economics, Delhi University. During his talk in the 'Amrit Kaal - Vimarsh, Viksit Bharat@2047' program organized by CUK, he said, "We produced and exported the best products to the world. In return, they had nothing to offer other than gold. Though India didn't have gold mines, it was called the 'Golden Bird.' The total gold held by Indian households is more than that of the rest of the world. Before the entry of the British, India contributed 33% to the world's GDP. But today we are contributing less than 2%. Foreign rule has spoiled our industries and converted us from exporting to importing country. Again, becoming the Atmanirbhar Bharat was expressed as 'Swadeshi Andolan.' The Bombay Plan was prepared to make India a manufacturing and industrial nation. After Independence, the Government's planned economy did not align with the industry expectations. Hence, our exports and GDP growth rate kept on decreasing. Finally, we reached the 1991 economic crisis."

Talking about Nehruvian Atmanirbhar Bharat and Modi's Atmanirbhar Bharat, he said, "In 2020, our Prime Minister Modi had made the statement that Atmanirbhar Bharat is the only way to grow. There were apprehensions and confusion about whether India was returning to Nehruvian Atmanirbhar Bharat. Many experts expressed that Nehruvian Atmanirbhar Bharat is suicidal and globalization is the only way to develop. I have observed that America, China, and the world are considering reducing over-dependence on other countries. We were importing goods like clothes, toys, pharmaceuticals, and chemicals, where we were once exporters. India's manufacturing sector share in GDP has decreased to 16% from 19% within ten years. The government has raised taxes to protect our domestic economy, especially the manufacturing sector, and imports of white goods have declined significantly. This made me ask the eminent intellectuals and economists what kind of Atmanirbhar Bharat we need. They said Atmanirbhar Bharat doesn't mean raising taxes or cut-off from other worlds or stopping imports. We have to be pragmatic in



economic policies. Coming out with production-linked incentive schemes (PLIS) for the high import sectors like chemicals, mobiles, toys, and others. And in these sectors, we are doing well now. If we are Atmanirbhar, we can produce cheaper and better quality products. Today, we are a major producer of drones and medical equipment exported to the developed markets. It requires a change in our mindset. If we take the purchasing power parity, we are the 13 trillion economies, and our middle-class standard of living is much better than developed countries' middle class. Today, India is the home of more than one lakh start-ups and over 100 unicorns. If we become Atmanirbhar Bharat in all the sectors by 2047, India will become viksit Bharat."

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CUK, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, inaugurated the program and said, "To become Atmanirbhar Bharat, we should not export the raw materials instead, we should export finished goods. We should not buy foreign goods; instead, we should encourage domestic production. Hence, we can create more employment for our youths. Students should look around at what is happening, especially artificial intelligence and technological advancement, instead of limiting themselves to classroom teaching. The future is yours." On the occasion, Registrar Prof. R R Biradar, Prof. Pushpa Savadatti, Dr. Basavaraj M S, Deans, Heads, faculty members, and students were present.

VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK CELEBRATED AT CUK



Tue, 07 November 2023: "1.4 trillion dollars India's black money is invested in one of the foreign banks," said Hon'ble Justice Subhash B. Adi, former Judge High Court of Karnataka and Upa-Lokayukta of Karnataka. Yesterday, on 6-11-2023, he spoke on the occasion of Vigilance Awareness Week celebrated at CUK. He further said, "Corruption has affected the quality of delivery of public services."

Why is government school and college quality going down? Why people don't have trust in government services? It's all because of corrupt practices. Everyone of us has the responsibility to mitigate the corruption. Education and health services have been seriously affected by the corrupt practices.

Because of corrupt practices at the government hospitals, people either go to private hospitals or suffer from diseases. Due to poor education quality, many Indians are going abroad for their education. Unfortunately, corrupt practices have also entered into education institutions. Corruption is affecting socio-economic development, human rights, standard of living, exploitation of natural resources, and delivery of public utility services. The nexus between politicians, bureaucrats, and industrialists is the major cause for the corruption." Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayan inaugurated the function and said, "Teachers not taking class also causes corruption. Why are people standing in the queue before the private schools for admission?"

People prefer government jobs and send their children to private schools and colleges. And it is time to say no to corruption and join hands for the nation's development." Registrar Prof. R R Biradar also spoke on the occasion and said, "62% of India's GDP consists of black economy. It is more than the combined annual expenditure of central and state governments. Corruption has become a bottleneck for sustainable development. It is increasing inequality, affecting the delivery of public services, increasing poverty, people being deprived of basic facilities, and making our economy handicapped. If the black economy were not there, India would have become the second-largest economy in the world. Due to the black economy, India is losing 5% of its GDP". Chief Vigilance Officer of CUK, Prof. Basavaraj Kodagunti, welcomed the gathering and delivered introductory remarks. Dr. Ashish anchored the program. Dr. Swapnil Chapekar rendered the national song and national anthem. Prizes were distributed to the winners of various events organized during Vigilance Awareness Week.

CUK AND NIPER PROFESSORS GET RESEARCH GRANT FOR DEVELOPING PAIN KILLER MOLECULE

Wed, 15 November 2023: Central University of Karnataka, in association with the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) Hyderabad, has received a prestigious research grant from the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, for the research project titled 'Therapeutic leads for pain from Conus peptides of Indian marine coast'; with a total grant of Rs. 89,58,600. Prof. Konkallu Hanumae Gowd, Department of Chemistry, CUK, and Dr. Rajesh Sonti, Pharmaceutical Analyst, NIPER, Hyderabad, are the project's principal investigators. Dr. Manoj Pandurang Dandekar and Dr. Chandraiah Godugu, Biological Sciences, NIPER, Hyderabad, work as project co-investigators, said the sanction letter issued by the DBT.

While talking to the press, Prof. Hanumae Gowd noted, "Chronic pain is a pathetic and undesirable situation depreciating the quality of life for many people worldwide. The use of opioids in pain treatment is a common practice leading to addiction and long-term usage results in several side effects. Hence, there is an urgent unmet need for alternative therapies for pain management. Conotoxins from cone snail venom offer a rich source of diverse peptides and are proven for their regulation in chronic pain. FDA-approved Prialt, an N-type calcium channel blocker used to treat chronic pain, has more potency than morphine and is non-addictive. Several peptides were taken forward for clinical trials owing to their potent analgesic properties. Interestingly, Indian marine cone snails are unique in the diversity of ecological niches of prey and predators, leading to the

evolution of specific conotoxins in the venom duct of Indian cone snails. The decades of research by Prof. P. Balaram, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, and Late Prof. K.S. Krishnan, National Centre of Biological Sciences (NCBS), Bangalore,



has yielded unique peptide sequences of conopeptides from Indian marine cone snails. However, the structural and the pharmacological activity of these peptides is still unexplored. There is a high chance that the proposed studies will result in the finding of lead molecules for pain therapy." Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayan has expressed his happiness about the award of a grant to the CUK Professor and congratulated him for his achievement. He said, "Professors like Hanumae Gowd are assets to the university and role models to other teachers to work for the nation building." Registrar Prof. R R Biradar also expressed his happiness and congratulated Prof. Hanumae Gowd.

Mon, 20 November 2023: "Ramayana is a great epic, and it is treated as a history text because it has a lot of factual and contextual information," said Dr. Vijaykumar H, Department of Kannada, CUK. He spoke at the Maharishi Valmiki Jayanthi celebration at CUK on November 18, 2023. He further said, "Ramayana is also considered beneficial text in South Asian countries such as China, Thailand, Cambodia, etc. Valmiki was a historian, great educator, social reformer, administrator, philosopher, and political expert. But he is considered as one of the greatest poets that India has ever produced." Prof. Chennaveer R M, Dean of Campus Development, Central University of Karnataka, presided over the program and said, "We consider Valmiki's Ramayana a masterpiece as it is a very influential epic. No epic can match Ramayana. It is a highly poetic work with immense poetic value, significance, and importance." Dr. Sangamesh coordinated the program, welcomed the gathering, and delivered introductory remarks. Deans, Heads. Coordinators, teaching and non-teaching staff, Research scholars, and students were present.



CUK REGISTRAR R. R. BIRADAR'S BOOK ON 'SUSTAINABILITY OF RURAL NON-FARM ECONOMY' RELEASED



Prof. G Vishwanathan, Vice Chancellor VIT Vellore. Former Deputy Chairman of Planning Commission Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Editor of Economic and Political Weekly Dr. Mahendra Dev, Indian Economic Association President Dr. Tapan Kumar Sandiyal, and Prof. R R Biradar, Registrar, Central University of Karnataka releasing the book

Thu, 04 Jan 2024: The Book authored by Central University of Karnataka's Registrar, Prof. R R Biradar, on the Sustainability of Rural Non-farm Economy, was released on Friday in the valedictory session 106 of the Indian Economic Association held at KIIT University Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The book was released by Prof. G Vishwanathan, Vice Chancellor VIT Vellore.

Former Deputy Chairman of Planning Commission Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Editor of Economic and Political Weekly Dr. Mahendra Dev, Indian Economic Association President, Dr. Tapan Kumar Sandiyal, and Prof. R R Biradar were present. After the book was released Prof. R R Biradar said, "The book presents

the occupational shift of workers in favor of rural non-farm activities (RNFAs) and examines their impact on poverty, income inequality and living conditions of rural non-farm households by social groups. It also examines the rural-urban disparity in demography and literacy, health status, economic domains, and standard of living in India on 75 years of Independence. It identifies the potential threats to inclusive and sustainable development of the rural economy in India. It highlights the importance of rural-urban linkages for the sustainable development of rural non-farm economies. It attempts to analyze the trends and patterns of rural non-farm activities in India and Karnataka and the factors contributing to them. The book also explains the growth process of

rural non-farm activities. It provides strategies and policy suggestions for sustainable development of rural non-farm economy in the era of globalization."

Prof. G Vishwanathan, Vice Chancellor VIT Vellore, said, "The book gives a holistic picture of the rural non-farm economy. The book is based on field research, giving a realistic and contemporary picture of the rural non-farm economy. It will be an excellent source for academicians, researchers, rural marketers, and policymakers in rural economies, industries, entrepreneurship, and women's empowerment. I suggest those interested in the rural economy must read it."

SOCIAL WORK CAMP FOR MICRO PLANNING



Tue, 19 Dec 2023: "Education is very important for human development," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi. He was speaking at the inaugural function of a five days 'Micro-Planning for Village Development' camp organized by the Department of Social Work, CUK at Gunjhabalad village of Kalaburagi Taluk on Monday 18th December 2023.

He further said, "If we educate our children, they can change the face of the village. Hence, I advise you to give first priority to educating your children."

He also said, "To develop the village and improve your standard of living, you should make the best use of government schemes like Jan Dhan Yojana, Kaushalya Vikas Yojana, Phasala Bhima Yojana, Mudra Yojana, etc, which are meant for village development." Prof. Channaveer R.M, Head of the Department of Social Work, addressed the villagers and said, "This camp is being organized to prepare an integrated village development plan and educate the residents to make effective use of this plan for village development."

During this camp, we will organize activities related to Health, Education, Skill Development, and Livelihood. Various resource experts will talk about life skill training, self-employment opportunities, entrepreneurship development, social and resource mapping, psycho-social issues of elders, women and early motherhood challenges, child development, cleanliness and waste management, Self Help Groups for village development, etc.

Hence, I request all of you to actively participate in this camp and join hands with us to work for the development of your village." Dr. Mahesh Chougule, Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University, Thailand, was the chief guest of the program, and he said, "It is very appreciative that CUK is taking an active part in the rural development. These kinds of activities are needed for the development of the villages."

All stakeholders' participation and systematic resource mapping and usage are very important for the village's development. On the occasion, Panchayath Development Officer Smt. Vidharani, SDMC Chairman Sri. Mantesh Singe, Sri. Laxmiputra Yenkachhi, Prof. Pavitra Alur, Dr. Sivamoorthy M, Dr. Chitakala Venkareddy, Villagers, and Students were present.

CUK STUDENTS STAGE A PLAY 'WAITING FOR GODOT' BY SAMUEL BECKETT

Fri, 22 Dec, 2023: On Wednesday, the Department of English, Central University of Karnataka, staged an adaptation of Waiting For Godot by Samuel Beckett. Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Basavaraj P Donur, Head, Department of English, Faculty members, and Students across the Departments attended the show. The Act play was performed by UG and PG students of the Department of English and directed by Dr. Ashish Belamkar, Assistant Professor, and Indraje (BA III Sem). The play displays the idea of Absurdity, which is a rebellion in itself against the conventional notions and arrests the concept of hope in life; the play also challenges and subverts the technical aspects of the traditional theatre in terms of stage, plot, action, spectacle, and music by incorporating the ideas from Theatre of Absurd.



After the play, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana expressed his views and said, "Art plays a significant role in our daily lives. It is the need of the hour to bring out more experimental and creative ways of making art as it would contribute to the progressive society of Vikasit Bharat." Prof. Basavaraj Donur, Head of the Department of English, said, "It is appreciating that students brought out such an engaging play over a challenging theme of hope and waiting. 'Waiting' itself is a challenging task, and even more so, to enact the act of 'waiting.' It shows the talent of our students, and we try to provide the platform to develop them." The show ended with the students thanking Prof. Donur for his constant support and encouragement for all such creative and literary activities in the Department.

MONTH LONG UGC-NET COACHING PROGRAM CONCLUDED

Sun, 24 Dec, 2023 "Students should inculcate the habit of asking questions, it will encourage the teachers to come with more preparedness," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Karnataka, while addressing the students in the valedictory session of the month-long UGC-NET training program jointly organized by the Department of Law and Students for Holistic Development of Humanity (SHoDH), North Karnataka on Friday. Further, he said, "University is always committed to organizing such programs for the benefit of the students. UGC-NET is a national-level examination that tests the teaching and research aptitude, concentrating on those aspects. It comprises two papers, i.e., General Paper and subject-specific, and students should work hard to pass the examination. We are ready to extend the library timings till 10 PM to facilitate the students. You should work hard to acquire knowledge because we live in the knowledge economy. Knowledge is an asset." While addressing the students Registrar, Prof. R.R. Biradar said "UGC-NET is considered for Ph.D. admissions in various Government and Private Universities. As per the UGC minimum qualification for the Post of Assistant Professor and a Post-Graduate degree, UGC-NET is a must.



Hence, you have to give utmost importance to this exam if you want to join the academics and research." On this occasion, Honorable Vice Chancellor felicitated Prof. Basavaraj P. Donur, Prof. Srikantaiah K.C., Dr. S. Lingamurthy, Dr. Suresh Anuganti, Dr. Akhilesh Mishra, Dr. Mayur Pujari, Dr. P.B Bagewadi, Dr. Mandala Chandrashekhar Goud and Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi for engaging the classes for the students as part of this coaching program. It is worth mentioning that all the teachers have engaged in special coaching classes without remuneration. Dean, School of Legal Jurisprudence Studies, and Program Coordinator Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi thanked all the teachers and students for their active participation.

MARKING LEGAL LEGACIES: COMMEMORATING 901 YEARS OF JURISPRUDENTIAL EVOLUTION AT MARTUR, KALABURAGI



Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor CUK, Justice E S Indires, Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Karnataka, Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dean of the School of Legal Jurisprudence Studies, CUK present on the occasion

Sat, 6 January 2024: "Whatever we have as "Law" today originates from ancient texts and principles developed by Jurists of different eras," said Justice E S Indires, Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Karnataka. During his talk on the occasion of a commemorative event marking 901 years since Chalukya Chakravarthy Vikramaditya VI's visit to Martur to honor Vijaneshwara, the esteemed author of Mitakshara on 6th January 2024 at Vijaneshwara Bhavan Research Center, Martur in Kalaburagi District.

The Vijaneshwara Pratheestan and the Department of Law, CUK, organized the program. Quoting some examples, she further said, "the "Neighbour principle" of Ginger Bottle Case (Donoghue v Stevenson), where Lord Atkin held the manufacturers responsible for the next neighbor, i.e., consumers, which is now followed in current consumer laws. "Protective discrimination," developed by Justices O Chinnappa Reddy and M M Dutt in Bijoe Emmanuel; Ors vs. State of

Kerala, granted protection to three children of the Jehovah's Witness sect for singing the National Anthem. This intent can also be seen in Articles 15 (4) and 16 (4) of the Constitution of India, also known as Melting Point. "Prakriti Rakhashti Rakhsita" says that nature protects those who protect it; that is the principle of balancing the ecology, as seen in the current Environmental laws. And Panchayat Raj Rules, which persisted in Indian society since immemorial".

Justice Indiresh specifically talked about career aspects and said, "To be successful, you have to work hard, especially for an initial 5-10 years. Only you will become an expert in the Law Profession. Many people find it difficult to follow the path of seniors, but at the same time, you have to be pragmatic. Read the biographies and autobiographies of successful advocates and judges and have your vision and dream, but don't have negativity; always be positive."

Guest of Honor, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Vice-Chancellor, CUK, also addressed the gathering and said, "Rule of Law is fundamental. We need good lawyers to protect the interests of the client and the nation. Law and order are very important for the development of any society. Professor Satyanarayana said: "Corruption and compromise are weakening our public institutions and their efficiency. Any country can only progress if the doctors, teachers, and judiciary function without pressure, bias, and fear. Hence, we have to uphold these things in our profession."

The President of Vijaneshwara Pratisthana Trust, Sri Basavaraj Patil Sedam, "I advise and encourage you to confront challenges boldly." An MoU was signed between the CUK Law Department and Vijaneshwara Pratisthana Trust to jointly organize workshops, seminars, research, and certificate courses on Mitakshara and the ancient Indian legal system. Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dean of the School of Legal Jurisprudence Studies, CUK, welcomed the gathering, Mahadevayya Karadalli delivered introductory remarks, S. C. Patil, Trustee of Vijaneshwara Pratisthana Trust (R) proposed vote of thanks and J Nagaraj anchored the program. Teachers and Students from CUK, and other Law Colleges participated in the event.

CAMPUS PLACEMENT DRIVE AT CUK



Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor CUK, Training and Placement coordinator of Rastrotthana Parishat Bengaluru, Dr. Manjula Veeranna and other dignitaries on the Campus Placement Drive at CUK

Tue, 9 January 2024: "To be a good teacher, you must work with commitment, dedication, discipline, and sincerity," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor CUK. Today, he spoke at the University's inauguration of the Campus Placement Drive, organized in association with Rastrotthana Parishat Bengaluru. Addressing the B. Ed trainees, he said, "Whichever organization you join, you should bring a good name and fame to the university and the institute where you work. To provide better career opportunities to our students, we have strengthened our placement cell and invited reputed companies and institutions. Rastrotthana is one of the most reputed organizations in the education sector. Teaching the kids at an early stage is a challenging job. For that, you have to have special skills and personality."

Talking about the uniqueness of CUK, he said, "As we get students from across the country, we have a good blend of people from different cultures, languages, socio-economic backgrounds. This provides a perfect platform for our students to teach equity, diversity, and inclusiveness. Hence, they will be able to work under any circumstance. So they will become appropriate human resources for the organizations." The Training and Placement Coordinator of Rastrotthana Parishat Bengaluru, Dr. Manjula Veeranna, spoke briefly about the organization. She said, "Rastrotthana Parishat presently has 11 CBSC schools across the state, including Kalaburagi, and we are coming up with four more schools. We want to become a role

model institution in every district. Hence, we are looking for outstanding teachers who can become partners in nation-building. We are looking for Teachers who are open-minded and lifelong learners. Rastrotthana Parishat is the best place to work and grow." Rastrotthana Parishat's Kalaburagi convener Krishna Joshi also spoke on the occasion and said, "Rastrotthana Parishat was started in 1965 at Bengaluru to build a healthy and sustainable society. Its main aim is to 'Rastra Devo Bhava'. It is involved in the people's service through various activities such as education, cattle protection, slum development, etc.,. We believe that moral and valuable education is crucial for nation-building and making good human beings. We are looking for good teachers who understand our value orientation and join hands in nation-building."

Dean School of Education, Prof. G R Angadi, speaking on the occasion said, "Teachers are nation builders. Today, other than software engineers, good teachers are in demand globally. As our Prime Minister says, We must use this opportunity to make India Vishwa Guru. We are training our trainees keeping the nation's expectations in mind. Along with knowledge, inculcation of Indian ethos and values are very important." Placement Officer Dr. Paramesh welcomed and delivered introductory remarks. He said, "There will be three rounds in this recruitment process. It starts with a written test, then a demo class, and finally an interview by the Human Resource Managers." Dr. Mayur Pujar proposed a vote of thanks. All the BEd trainees of CUK attended the event.

TWO-DAY CONFERENCE ON 'SOCIAL WORK AND DIVERSITY: A CATALYST FOR CHANGE'



Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor CUK, Prof. R.R. Biradar, Registrar CUK, Prof. Manohar Pawar, Charles Sturt University, Australia, Prof. Channaveer R.M., Dean of SSBS, CUK, and Dr. Baswaraj Gadgay, Regional Director, VTU, Regional Centre Kalaburagi, Prof. Pavitra R. Alur, Head of the Department of Social Work at Two-Day Conference on 'Social Work and Diversity: a Catalyst for Change' inaugurated at CUK

Thu, 11 January 2024 "Social work and diversity is connected to social development," says Prof. Manohar Pawar, Charles Sturt University, Australia. He was speaking as keynote speaker in a two-day National conference on the theme, "Social Work and Diversity: a Catalyst for change," organized by Department of Social Work, Central University of Karnataka, in collaboration with Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi, and Regional Center, Kalaburagi, was sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi.

He further said, "Social work contribution to workplace diversity is immense. It addresses the issue related to diversity and makes society broader. There are three key obstacles in the path of achieving diversity such as deep-rooted prejudices, inconsistency or gap between words and deeds, and leaders, systems, and structures do

not own the responsibility and remain uncommitted in actions."

Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Honorable Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Karnataka and other delegates inaugurated the national conference. He said "social workers have great responsibility in the present dynamic society. They play a vital role in implementing the policies and programs introduced by the government. They must work at the grassroots level to lay the foundation for Vikshit Bharat, India's vision @2047." Dr. Srinivasa D, organizing secretary of the National Conference and Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, CUK, delivered introductory remarks and explained the conference's objectives. The Chief Guest, Col. (Prof.) Y.S. Siddegowda, former Vice-Chairman of KSHEC, Bengaluru Government of Karnataka, and former Vice-Chancellor, Tumkur University, along with other delegates, released six books

authored by Dr. Srinivasa D and calendar of the Department of Social Work. Prof. Annamaria Campanini, President of the International Association of Schools of Social Work, University Milano, Bicocca, Italy, addressed the gathering virtually. Prof. R.R. Biradar, Registrar, Central University of Karnataka, also addressed the gathering.

Prof. Channaveer R.M., Dean of SSBS, Central University of Karnataka, and Dr. Baswaraj Gadgay, Regional Director, VTU, Regional Centre Kalaburagi, were present. Prof. Pavitra R. Alur, Head of the Department of Social Work, delivered a welcome address. Dr. M. Sivamoorthy anchored the program, and Dr. Lakshamana G. delivered a vote of thanks. Invitees, delegates, and students were present. Two Plenary sessions with 14-panel speakers and six parallel sessions were conducted as part of the conference.

CUK HOSTELS BUYS PRODUCTS FROM WOMEN SHG



Prof. Channaveer R.M., Dean of SSBS, Central University of Karnataka, and others delivering the food products produced by women's Self-help Groups at Gunj Babalad

Tue, 16 January 2024: "Gunj Babalad women SHGs have great potential to achieve development," said Prof. Manohar Pawar from Charles Sturt University, Australia. He spoke after delivering the food products produced by women's Self-help Groups at Gunj Babalad village in Aland Taluk of Kalaburagi District. This initiative is taken by the Department of Social Work, CUK, and Deena Dayal National Rural Livelihood Mission, implemented by Zilla Panchayat Kalaburagi.

He further said, "Women are very enthusiastic, passionate, and dedicated; this project has the potential to empower them and liberate them from dependence. If they effectively continue this project, their products can be in state- and national-level markets because they are of excellent quality and are tastier. They must help agriculture to provide a market at their doorstep by procuring the raw materials from local farmers. As students are involved in this project, knowledge acquired by

studying through this fieldwork is more valuable than classroom knowledge." He also donated Rs. 5000 to Kayaka Women SHG. Dean, School of Social and Behavioral Science Prof. Channaveer R M also spoke on occasion and said "under the micro-planning for village development by the Department of Social Work we have chosen Gunj Babalad village.

Our students and faculty are working with women SHGs, Village Panchayat, and NRLM Officials from Zilla Panchayat Kalaburagi to develop this village. Twenty-one female SHGs are coming forward to work with us. We have chosen food products and garments for this project at the initial level. CUK hostel will buy monthly 15 quintals of Tur Dal, two quintals of Chana Dal, two quintals of Moong Dal, one quintal of Pickle, 3000 Papads per day, 12 quintals of wheat flour, noodles, Chilli, and Turmeric powder. through this initiative, around 110 women have access to regular employment

Over the period, we want to take it to other institutionals and retail customers. CUK MBA department will help the women SHG in packaging, branding, promotion, and distribution." Head Master Government, Primary School Ningappa, also spoke on the occasion. "we have to take this opportunity and work as a business.

We should not allow our daily family work and issues to hinder our business. We have to give special preference to work because it creates direct employment for women and indirect employment for men. It will help our village to develop economically and socially. CUK Hostel Mess Manager Dhanaraj Tomar has received the sample products and said, "We will keep buying regularly based on the requirements." On the occasion, Kayaka Self Help Group president Nandadevi and other SHG office bearers and members actively participated and were positive about their products.

BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF SWAMI VIVEKANANDA AND NETAJI SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE CELEBRATED AT CUK

Thu, 25 January 2024: "Swami Vivekanand and Subhas Chandra Bose are the real role models of today's youths," said Dr. S. Linga Murthy, Associate Professor from the Department of Economic Studies and Planning (DESP) at the Central University of Karnataka. He was speaking at a function organized by the Department of Law, CUK, on Wednesday to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekanand and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

He further said, "Swami Vivekanand's speech in Chicago has inspired the Westerners, and people got attention to Indian philosophy and religion. He has become the spiritual ambassador of India to the world. Similarly, Subhas Chandra Bose has significantly contributed to the Indian freedom movement. Through INA, he established a parallel Indian army and united the forces against the British. Today's youths should follow them as a role model and work for nation-building."

Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dean School of



Legal Jurisprudence Studies, presided over the function a LLM student, from the 2022-24 batches, Miss. Pushpalata Kumari was felicitated for being appointed as an Assistant Prosecution Officer (APO) in Bihar. Dr. Anant D Chinchure, Dr. Renuka S Gubbewad, Research Scholars, and LLM Students were present for the program.

ONE WEEK AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON 'SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE INAUGURATED

Mon, 29 January 2024: "POSH act provides natural justice to the women at the workplace," said Hema Kulkarni, Advocate, High Court of Karnataka, Kalaburagi. Today, she was a keynote speaker in the inaugural program of creating awareness about sexual harassment of women in the workplace, organized by CUK's Internal Complaints Committee (ICC).

She further said, "Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act 2013 provides guidelines for education, inquiry, and the employer's responsibility to make the place safe and women-friendly. Under this act, an employer has to display the dos and don'ts related to sexual harassment at the prominent workplaces of the organization to create awareness among the stakeholders. It is the employer's responsibility to provide a safe workplace to the employees."

Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, CUK, presided over the program and said, "ICC does not only apply to the employees but also the students. We have to use this act to



Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, CUK, Former District and Session Judge Kadluru Sathyanarayanacharya, and other dignitaries on the occasion of One Week Awareness Program on 'Sexual Harassment at Women at Workplace at CUK Kalaburagi.

make our university a safe place for working and studying. You should be aware of the laws that empower women and don't be afraid of using them." Chairperson of the CUK IIC committee, Prof. Sunitha Manjanbail, welcomed the gathering and Registrar incharge, Prof. Channaveer R M, Members of CUK ICC Dr. Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dr Renuka Gubbewad, Dr. Reshma Nadaf, Samarthini Serikar, and Dr. Pallavi Patil, Women NGO representatives were present on the occasion.

THREE-DAY NATIONAL LEVEL WORKSHOP ON COMPUTER NETWORKS AND CYBER SECURITY THREATS INAUGURATED



Vice-Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Registrar Prof. R. R. Biradar, Organizing Secretary Dr. Nagaraj V Dharwadkar and other dignitaries at the workshop

Wed, 31 January 2024: "Cyber security is paramount in the digital age," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayan, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUK. He was speaking after the inauguration of the Three-Day National Level Workshop on Computer Networks and Cyber Security Threats organized by the Department of Computer Science (MCA), CUK. He said, "For effective, efficient, and faster communication, computer networking is essential. Digital India is becoming a game changer for Indian economic and social development. Because of digital India, even rural people can access advanced technology and markets like urban populations. It is bridging the gap between urban and rural India."

Prof. R. R. Biradar, Registrar, CUK, said, "Digitization and networking have helped the country to share resources very easily from one person to another and from one place to another. ICT has helped for the socio-cultural and economic development of the nation." On the occasion, a New Computer Lab in the Department of Computer Science was inaugurated. Organizing Secretary Dr. Nagaraj V Dharwadkar introduced the conference's theme and explained its objectives. Prof. Srikantaiah K C, Prof. R. S. Hegadi, Mr. Manjunath Kashyap from Airowire Bangalore, Dr. Anil K. Kannur from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering from BLDE, Vijayapur, Dr. Gururaj

Mukarambi, Dr. Madhuri Kagale, Dr. Parshuram Kamble, Dr. Sukanya, Miss. Shilpa, Mrs. Poornima, Mr. Parshuram, and Mr. Bapu were present. Members said, "Along with quantitative research, qualitative research should also be given importance. Research should have feasibility, interest, and novelty, and it should not be for the sake of publication. Ethics plays a vital role in the research. It is expected that all the research is 100% ethical." Dr. Paramesh, Dean of the School of Engineering, said, "Using IEEE and accessing its online contents are essential for the research. Our students have done many activities through the IEEE students' wing."

Dr. P.S. Kattimani, the University Librarian, delivered an introductory speech and explained the workshop's objectives. Prof. Srikantaiah K C, Dean School of Computer Science, Shri. Kota Sai Krishna, Controller of Exams, Dr. Dhanukumar Pattanshetti, IEEE, Client Service Manager, Bangalore, Prof. N. Laxman Rao, President, Telangana State Library Professional Association, Mr. Ashish K Das and Faculty members were present. Dr. GJP Dixit anchored the program, and Mr. Rajkumar Kalyani proposed a vote of thanks and she concluded the program.



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