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A Day of Pride: CUK celebrates 9th Convocation

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti on 2nd October 2014, our Hon'ble Prime Minister, Sri Narendra Modi, launched a nationwide campaign, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Drawing inspiration from Mahatma Gandhi's vision of a clean and healthy India, this campaign aimed to promote sanitation, eliminate open defecation, foster hygiene, improve waste management, and inculcate civic responsibility among Indian citizens.

The Swachh Bharat initiative not only emphasizes hygiene but also fosters a mindset of responsibility, respect for the environment, and public spaces, resulting in a significantly positive impact on public health. As members of the Central University of Karnataka, we promote a clean campus, sustainable waste management, water conservation, and reduction in plastic usage. The Central University of Karnataka is not only a place of learning, but also a space where students develop their sense of responsibility towards the environment and become responsible citizens by adopting good habits. A clean environment creates a healthy atmosphere for learning and supports students' mental and physical growth.

However, the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is not a one-day activity, but a long-term movement that requires the collective effort of our citizens. Within the CUK campus, its success depends on the collective participation of students, teachers, administrators, and staff of our university. This is how we can fulfil the vision of a clean and empowered India that Mahatma Gandhi once envisioned.

Let us together take a pledge to keep our campus clean and green. Jai Hind. Jai Bharat.

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

Our land, forests, and natural ecosystems are not merely resources; they are the very foundation of life. Long ago, indigenous communities understood this truth and treated the natural world with care and responsibility. One of the strongest voices echoing this wisdom was that of Birsa Munda, a legendary tribal leader whose ideas remain remarkable even today.

Born into the Munda tribal community, Birsa Munda believed that land and forests are sacred and integral to people's lives, culture, and dignity. In the colonial period, due to imposed exploitative land systems and unlimited deforestation, the tribal people were displaced, and fragile ecosystems were destroyed. Birsa Munda's resistance was thus not only a fight for tribal rights but also a stand against the destruction of the natural environment. He knew that without forests, their identity and livelihood would also be at risk.

Today, the world's current ecological state is alarming. Indeed, according to the FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025, approximately 489 million hectares of forests worldwide disappeared between 1990 and 2025. While the rate of deforestation has decreased from 17.6 million hectares per year between 1990 and 2000 to 10.9 million hectares per year between 2015 and 2025, the scale remains deeply alarming.

It was through his constant efforts to save forests and community, that Birsa Munda's life taught us, real development could not come at the expense of nature. His vision teaches us that ecological balance and sustainable living are deeply interlinked. In an age marked by climate change and environmental degradation, this indigenous wisdom carries significant value.

The message to our students is urgent but straightforward: let the life of Birsa Munda teach us to be responsible agents of nature. Through small steps, such as saving trees, reducing waste, and respecting the environment, we can collectively work toward a greener, more sustainable future.

Prof R.R. Biradar
Registrar
Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi

INVESTOR AWARENESS PROGRAM ENLIGHTENS STUDENTS AT CUK

September 1, 2025: CUK hosted an engaging one-day Investor Awareness Program titled "Wealth Wise: Smart Moves for Young Investors", attracting enthusiastic participation from students of the School of Business Studies.

Inaugurating the event, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Vice Chancellor of CUK, stressed the importance of early financial literacy. "Knowing about various investment avenues is vital for wealth creation," he said, urging students to understand that investment extends beyond stock markets. He added that avenues such as gold, land, housing, mutual funds, and other assets play a key role in building long-term wealth. "You may not start investing now, but this is the right time to learn. Start small, over time it grows big," he advised. He also highlighted how financially aware youth contribute to a nation's economic progress.

The program's resource person, Dr Kunal Gaurav from MIT World Peace University, Pune, delivered an insightful session on financial independence. He shared three core principles: "Invest in yourself, your skills and knowledge. Pay yourself first, secure your future. And remember, saving alone is not enough; start investing as soon as you begin earning." He encouraged students to explore diverse investment opportunities.

Prof. Panduranga V Patti, Dean, School of Business Studies, further motivated learners by advising them to cultivate disciplined habits: "Invest at least half of your pocket money in meaningful assets."

The event began with a welcome address by Dr. Mohammad Zohair, Head of the Department of Business Studies. Dr. Mahendar, Head of the Department of Tourism, proposed the vote of thanks. Smooth coordination by Mr. Saiyed Sahil Eqbal and Paromit Roy, along with the national song and national anthem rendered by Dr. Jayadevi Jangamashetty, added grace to the occasion.

Program Coordinator Dr. Sailaj Konek, along with several faculty members and a vibrant student audience, contributed to the success of the event, which concluded with renewed enthusiasm for informed financial planning and investment strategies.

CUK Plants for the Future
A step toward green consciousness and tribal pride

September 1, 2025: In a powerful tribute to the 150th Birth Anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda and the observance of Jan Jatiya Gaurav Varsh–2025, the CUK organised a meaningful Plantation Drive which brought together faculty and students in a collective pledge for a greener future.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Battu Sathyanarayana, inaugurated the event by planting a sapling, setting an example for environmental responsibility. Addressing the gathering, he reflected on the extraordinary contributions of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, describing him as a symbol of courage, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment toward the upliftment of tribal communities. He emphasised that remembering such leaders strengthens our understanding of India's rich social fabric. Prof. Sathyanarayana further highlighted the indispensable role of trees in sustaining ecological balance. He spoke about how simple acts like planting a sapling can have long-term positive effects, improving air quality, enriching soil, conserving biodiversity, and contributing to climate resilience. "A tree planted today becomes a gift to future generations," he reminded the participants.

The event began with a welcome address by Dr Guru Bhagewadi, followed by an expression of gratitude from Dr D. Goutam, who proposed the vote of thanks. The presence of distinguished faculty members, including Prof. G. R. Angadi, Dr Mahender G., Dr Jagadish Biradar, Dr Ashalatha S., and Dr R. B. Bonala, added significance to the occasion.

The Plantation Drive concluded not just as an environmental activity, but as a reminder of the collective responsibility to nurture the earth while cherishing the legacy of leaders who fought for justice and dignity. The saplings planted at CUK stand as living symbols of hope rooted today, in a quest for a flourishing tomorrow.

CUK Honours Its Teachers

September 4, 2025: CUK celebrated Teachers' Day with heartfelt tributes, inspiring messages, and recognition of faculty achievements. The event brought together teachers from across the university, reflecting the spirit of gratitude rooted deeply in Indian culture.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana initiated the celebration by emphasizing the pivotal role of educators. "Teachers are the nation builders," he said, highlighting how every teacher—from primary school till university contributes to shaping students, society, and the nation. He proudly announced that CUK secured a 150–200 range in the NIRF 2023–24 rankings, crediting this accomplishment to the dedication of the teaching community. He encouraged faculty to strive for even higher excellence, make effective use of research and infrastructure facilities, strengthen alumni networks, and build robust industry-academic collaborations.

Registrar Prof. R. R. Biradar, in his address, described teachers as guiding lights who transform youth and contribute to Viksit Bharat. Drawing from spiritual symbolism, he noted that a teacher embodies the qualities of Brahma, Vishnu, and Maheshwara creator, preserver, and destroyer of ignorance. "Guru is more than God," he quoted Kabir Das, reminding educators of the virtues they must uphold.

Director of Research and Development Prof. N. Satyanarayana reflected on the teacher's role as a model of knowledge, skill, and attitude, urging constant self-introspection to meet societal expectations.

The event also honoured distinguished faculty: Prof. Sheshnat Bhosle, Dr Sanjeet Sarkar, and Dr Nrusingha Charan Pradhan for their research publications; Dr Rohinaksha Shrilaru, Prof. M. A. Aslam, Dr Babu N, Dr Jayadevi Jangamshetty, and Dr Raghavendra Bonal for book publications; and award recipients Dr P. S. Kattimani and Dr Jayadevi Jangamshetty.

Program Coordinator Prof. R. S. Hegadi welcomed the gathering, while Dr Rajiv Joshi anchored and delivered the vote of thanks. The national song and anthem were rendered by Dr Jayadevi Jangamshetty, Dr Ravi Kiran Nakhod, and Dr Swapnil Chapekar. The celebration concluded with a renewed sense of commitment, reminding every teacher at CUK that their influence extends far beyond classrooms, shaping the nation one learner at a time.

CUK CELEBRATES THE COURAGE OF INDIA'S WOMEN WARRIORS

September 11, 2025: CUK came alive with inspiration and patriotic pride as it hosted a seminar titled "Celebrating Indomitable Courage and Empowerment of Women Warriors of Bharathavarsha". Organised by the ABRSM–CUK Unit in collaboration with IQAC, the event aimed to rekindle the legacy of India's historic women warriors whose bravery continues to inspire generations.

Inaugurating the session, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana emphasised the relevance of remembering these heroines. "We have to learn many lessons from the sacrifices of India's great women warriors," he said, urging students and faculty to revisit the historical struggles that shaped modern India. He highlighted the heroism of Kittur Rani Chennamma, Rani Abbakka Chowta, and Ahilyadevi Holkar, calling them symbols of courage and self-reliance. Drawing parallels to India's journey toward Vikasit Bharat 2047, he stressed that true progress requires understanding our past and embodying the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat. Keynote speaker Prof. Pavitra R. Alur delivered an inspiring address highlighting the extraordinary contributions of women warriors. She noted that Kittur Rani Chennamma, widely regarded as India's first woman freedom fighter, bravely resisted British rule in 1824, even defeating and killing officer Thackeray. She also emphasised upon the valour of Rani Abbakka Chowta of Ullal and Ahilyadevi Holkar of Indore, who fought relentlessly against external and internal

threats while also preserving Indian culture and tradition."These queens are timeless role models, especially for women who face adversity with grace," she said. The event was attended by Prof. Channaveer R. M., President of the ABRSM–CUK Unit, Prof. M. Amrendra, IQAC Director, Oragunti Anjaneyalu, Dr Akhilesh Mishra, Dr Bhavana, faculty members, and students. The seminar concluded with a powerful reminder: the courage of India's women warriors is not just history; it is a living legacy that constantly inspires today's generation.

CUK LAUNCHES SOFT SKILLS CENTRE

September 11, 2025: CUK marked a significant step toward holistic student development with the inauguration of its Soft Skills Development Centre, alongside the university's first soft skills training program, which saw enthusiastic participation from students and faculty. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana urged students to build character rooted in values.

"Develop a personality like Dharmaraja, not Duryodhana," he said, emphasising that true personality shines through soft skills such as communication, leadership, teamwork, empathy, creativity, and adaptability. He encouraged students to make full use of the centre's programs. Guest of Honour Prof. Bhimrao Bhosle highlighted the growing importance of soft skills in the context of NEP 2020, noting that modern challenges require creative and emotionally intelligent individuals. "Soft skills include communication, body language, psychological awareness, and behavioural abilities," he said. Dean Prof. Panduranga Patti added, "Soft skills are like packaging—good packaging attracts attention, and a strong personality opens doors." Director Dr Sushma welcomed the gathering, calling the initiative a significant step for student transformation, and shared plans to extend training to staff, industries, and the public. The program was anchored by Dr Safia Parveen, with a vote of thanks by Dr Kavita Sangolagi. Faculty members, including Dr Mohammed Zohair, Dr Ganapati B. Sinnoor, Prof. K. Padmashree, and others, participated in the event.

PREPARING LEADERS OF TOMORROW: LIFE SKILLS TRAINING INITIATED AT CUK

September 15, 2025: CUK inaugurated a transformative 10-day Life Skills Training Programme, marking a significant step toward equipping students especially aspiring social work professionals with essential personal and professional competencies. Organized by the Department of Social Work, the programme drew enthusiastic participation from MSW students committed to strengthening their life skills.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Bhattu Satyanarayana, in his inaugural address, emphasized the increasing need for life skills in today's rapidly shifting world. "Life skills are very important in the present complex world," he noted. He reflected on how traditional family structures once offered security, while modernization and nuclear families have introduced greater risks and challenges.

He highlighted the crucial role of social work students in addressing societal issues. "Use the knowledge gained here to solve real-world problems. Become life skills trainers for rural communities," he urged. Prof. Pavitra R. Alur, Head of the Department of Social Work, described the initiative as a train-the-trainers programme aimed at developing skills such as stress management, effective communication, decision-making, creative thinking, self-awareness, interpersonal relationships, and empathy, preparing MSW students to train adolescents in the future. Programme Coordinator Dr. Chitkala Venkareddy welcomed the gathering and explained the methodology and structure of the sessions. She emphasized that the programme seeks to empower individuals, build self-confidence, and equip students with the ability to address challenges while helping others do the same. Life skills training modules were distributed to the students. Prof. Channaveer R. M., Dr. Lakshmana, Dr. Sivamoorthy, Dr. Srinivasa, Dr. Harish, and Dr. Bhagyashree were present alongside faculty and students.

CUK LAUNCHES SWACHHOTSAV 2025 WITH A CALL FOR COLLECTIVE CLEANLINESS

September 18, 2025: CUK inaugurated Swachhotsav 2025 with a strong message of environmental responsibility and sustainable living. The fortnight-long cleanliness initiative, observed from 17th September to 2nd October under the Government of India's Swachh Bharat Mission, opened with an inspiring address by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, who urged the university community to take proactive steps in protecting nature. "We should behave responsibly towards nature and protect it for future generations," he reminded participants that pollution-driven diseases are increasing due to collective negligence. He appealed to everyone to keep their surroundings like homes, streets, hostels, offices, and the campus clean and hygienic, warning that failing to act today will force future generations to pay a heavy price for basic necessities like clean water and air. Chief Guest Prof. Channaveer R. M. echoed this sentiment, reflecting on the moral and cultural roots of cleanliness. Citing Basaveshwara's teachings, he emphasized the importance of both inner and outer purity. "Cleanliness is next to godliness. It must become part of our daily lives, and for that we need attitudinal change," he said.

He stressed the role of public cooperation in achieving and sustaining an open-defecation-free India. Director of Campus Development Prof. Veeresh Kasabegoudar highlighted India's low tree-per-person ratio and encouraged continuous efforts to keep the campus green. CUK's Swachh Bharat Mission Nodal Officer Dr Jagadish Biradar briefed participants on the wide range of activities planned, including shramdaan, cleanliness drives, waste-to-wealth exhibitions, awareness programmes, rallies, workshops, and plantation drives. The event also saw the inauguration of a 'Selfie Booth' signature campaign.

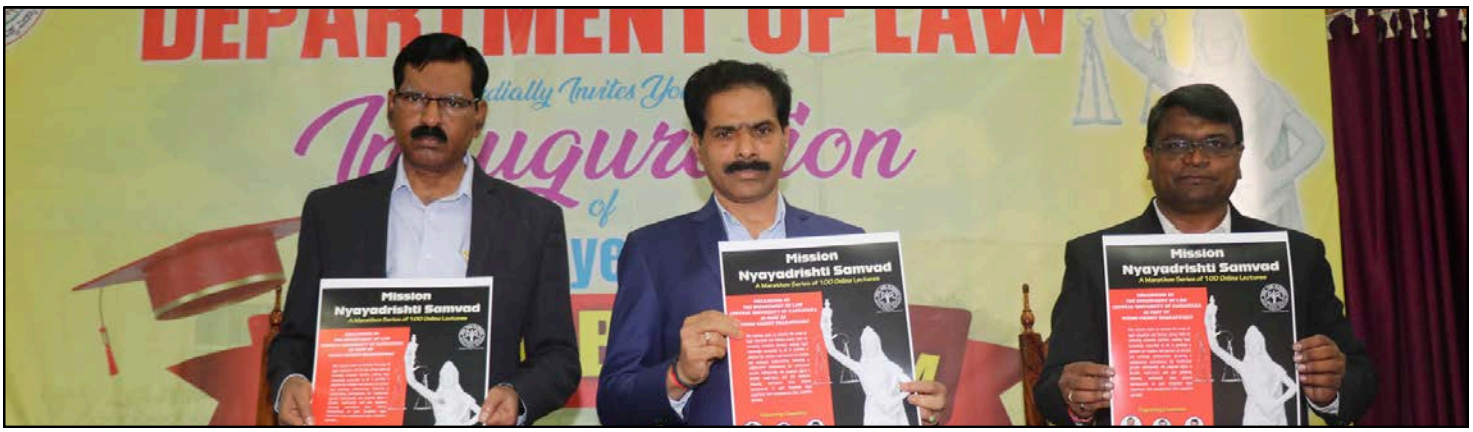
ABHIYANTRIKOTSAV 2K25: A WEEK OF INNOVATION AND INSPIRATION AT CUK

September 20,2025: The weeklong ABHIYANTRIKOTSAV 2K25 at CUK concluded with an inspiring call for innovation, excellence, and service to society. The closing ceremony, held on 19th September, celebrated a vibrant fusion of technology, creativity, and youthful energy, drawing participation from engineering students, faculty, and school children across the region.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, in his valedictory address, urged budding engineers to draw inspiration from the legendary Sir M. Visvesvaraya, whose visionary engineering from dams and bridges to flood protection systems and industrial institutions laid the foundation for modern India. "Create wonders in the world by taking the example of Sir M. Vishweshwaraya. He is a role model for all engineers," he said, encouraging students to make full use of CUK's advanced laboratories to gain hands-on practical knowledge. The celebration featured a plantation drive and green rally, reaffirming CUK's commitment to sustainability. A Project Expo showcased innovative models.

IoT-based home automation, AI-powered robotic arms, motion-sensing vehicles, retinal vessel segmentation systems, and RFID door-locking mechanisms were shown. The Operation Sindoor Exhibition further captivated visitors with replicas of INS Vikrant, Rafale, BrahMos, S-400, Arjun Tank, and MQ-9. Events like the Hackathon and Coding Quiz attracted participation from students of other universities, highlighting the collaborative spirit of the fest. The ceremony concluded in the presence of Dean Prof. Paramesh, senior faculty members, and enthusiastic students.

CUK INTRODUCES FIVE-YEAR BA LL.B



September 25, 2025: CUK marked a historic milestone with the inauguration of its five-year integrated BA LL.B programme, approved by the Bar Council of India, for the academic year 2025–26. Delivering the inaugural address, Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.P. Sandesh, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, described an advocate as "a social engineer with the noble responsibility of uplifting the downtrodden and transforming society." He reminded the newly admitted students that the knowledge they gain must ultimately serve the nation, the community, and their families.

Encouraging students to embrace the challenges of the legal profession, Justice Sandesh urged them not to be discouraged by its modest beginnings. "Do not compare yourself with other professions. Work hard to earn name and fame," he noted, stressing dignity, discipline, and dedication. Drawing inspiration from Swami Vivekananda, he advised students to cultivate discipline, hard work, time sense, self-confidence, and courage, calling them essential traits for every successful advocate. He also emphasized the "seven lamps of advocacy," recommending the addition of an eighth—tact—reminding students that true professional satisfaction lies in contributing meaningfully to society. In his presidential address, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana underscored that honesty forms the foundation of legal practice. "A client approaches an advocate with the hope for justice. Excel with integrity, and success will follow," he said. He encouraged students to utilize CUK's vibrant academic environment and rich resources to develop both professional excellence and ethical responsibility.

As part of the launch, the Department of Law introduced Mission Nyayadrshti Samvad, a marathon of 100 online lectures under Vision Viksit Bharat@2047, aimed at expanding access to quality legal learning.

HEALTHY WOMEN, STRONG NATION: CUK'S SWASTH NARI PROGRAMME INSPIRES CHANGE

September 25, 2025: CUK hosted an impactful programme titled "Swasth Nari: Sashakt Parivar", emphasizing that women's health is not just a personal concern but a foundation for strong families and a progressive nation. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, in his address, highlighted the growing empowerment of women through education and supportive government initiatives. "Women's health contributes to the nation's empowerment. When men understand women's health, they can understand women better," he remarked, stressing the need for informed conversations around women's wellbeing.

Guest of Honour Ms. Uthara U.V., Female Counsellor at CUK, shed light on the alarming statistics surrounding women's health. "Nearly 57% of women in India are anemic. Women require more nutrition due to biological demands, and we must begin their empowerment from our own homes," she noted. She called for the eradication of age-old misconceptions surrounding menstruation and encouraged society to acknowledge both the physical and mental health needs of women.

Nodal Officer Prof. Pavitra Alur emphasized the importance of creating supportive environments at home and workplaces. "We must speak openly about women's health issues. Addressing them without hesitation builds a healthy society. It is the responsibility of every citizen," she said.

The session began with a warm welcome by Dr. Chitkala Venkareddy, followed by a prayer song and the national anthem rendered by Dr. Swapnil Chapekar. Devika delivered the introductory remarks, and Bhavana proposed the vote of thanks. Staff and students also took a pledge to promote empathy, respect, and sensitivity toward women.

TWO CUK FACULTY PARTICIPATE IN ERASMUS MOBILITY PROGRAMME

October 4, 2025: Marking a major milestone in CUK's global outreach, Dr Gavinolla Mahender, Head and Associate Professor, and Dr D. Goutam, Associate Professor, Department of Tourism and Hotel Management, have been invited to participate in the Erasmus Staff Mobility Programme at Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences (VUAS), Latvia. The programme, scheduled from October 4 to 21, 2025, reflects CUK's expanding international footprint. During the visit, the faculty members will represent CUK at the prestigious E³UDRES² Science Festival and the 5th International Scientific Conference from October 13–17, 2025. They will present research papers, deliver lectures to masters students in tourism and allied fields, and take part in academic exchanges. Their itinerary also includes excursions and field visits across Europe to study tourism management models, research methodologies, and best practices in scientific writing—valuable insights that will help strengthen CUK's academic ecosystem. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana congratulated the faculty members for the achievement.

Registrar Prof. R. R. Biradar and Dean Prof. Panduranga V. Patti extended their support and appreciation, expressing confidence that the visit will pave the way for future international partnerships. The participating faculty members conveyed their gratitude to the university administration and Vidzeme University for enabling this enriching academic journey. This collaborative venture marks another step in CUK's mission to cultivate global-ready scholars and strengthen its international reputation.

VALMIKI JAYANTI AT CUK HIGHLIGHTS ETHICS FOR A MODERN WORLD

October 8, 2025: CUK observed Maharishi Valmiki Jayanti with reverence and intellectual reflection, celebrating the timeless values and ethical teachings of the great sage. The event brought together faculty, students, and scholars to revisit the moral foundations laid by Valmiki through the Ramayana, one of humanity's most enduring epics.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, in his presidential address, described Maharishi Valmiki as "a great messenger to mankind." He emphasised that the Ramayana continues to guide human relationships, familial values, and reverence for nature. Stressing the relevance of India's epics in contemporary education, he said, "To understand India, one must read the Ramayana and Mahabharata. These texts are universal and continue to shape our moral compass." Delivering the thematic address, Dr Shamala R. highlighted that the Ramayana is not merely a tale of triumph of good over evil but "a profound exploration of dharma."

She noted that the epic delves into the complexity of duty, justice, compassion, loyalty, and the consequences of human choices. She also reflected on the Ramayana's influence across cultures, languages, and civilisations.

Registrar Prof. R. R. Biradar described Valmiki's work as "an existential guide to harmony and righteousness." He emphasised that Valmiki's teachings form an essential part of the values envisioned for Viksit Bharat @2047, reminding students that the epic remains a beacon of spiritual wisdom in a world filled with turmoil. The event began with a warm welcome by Coordinator Dr Sangamesh. Vande Mataram and the National Anthem were rendered by Dr Jayadevi Jangamshetty and Dr Swapnil Chapekar. Ashta proposed the vote of thanks, and Sowjanya anchored the programme. The celebration concluded with a collective reflection that Valmiki's Ramayana is not just literature but a timeless guide.

CUK STAGES 'ONE ACT, ONE JUDGEMENT' PLAY

October 10, 2025: The Department of Law, CUK, organised drama competitions on landmark judgments of various court cases. The students recreated the scenes of the court hearings and judgments.

Addressing the gathering, the HOD and Dean, Dr Basavaraj Kubakaddi, said, "Judiciary is the protector of cultured human society. We need to understand the law and principles in our everyday activities. It is the responsibility of the law department students to send the right message to society."

The coordinator of the program, Dr Anant D. Chinchure, said, "The performances by recreating the court scenes will awaken the law students about the court cases and also send a social message in the present context. The society closely observes higher educational institutions, Law practitioners, and students. Hence, the law students have to act sensibly in society." The three performances, based on Laxmi v. Union of India (2014), Aman Kachroo Case (2009), and D.K. Basu v. State of West Bengal (1997), were enacted by students of the Department of Law. Dr Jayanta Booruah delivered remarks.

Meenakshi Sharma welcomed the gathering. Prajwalita Bharadwaj rendered Vande Mataram and the National Anthem. Wasgah Shafkat anchored the session. Pavel proposed the vote of thanks. Dr Renuka Gubbewad, the jury members, Dr Prakash Balikai, Dr Kiran Gajanur, Dr Shiva, Research Scholars, and Students from different departments were present in the program.

EAT MINDFULLY, LIVE KINDLY: CUK VC

October 16, 2025: The need of the hour is for students to eat good food and have a caring relationship with each other while studying on the same side of student life, said Central University of Karnataka Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana. Inaugurating the valedictory function of "Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan," a nation-wide campaign dedicated to women's health and family well-being, held as part of the initiative of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at the Central University of Karnataka here today, he said that health is our wealth if we keep the surroundings clean. When the environment is polluted, we become unhealthy. No matter how difficult the situation is in life, you have to accept it as a challenge and strive to your goals in life. Take care of your health. Mental health is the foundation of physical health. Avoid junk food and eat local and seasonal food. Dr Angadi explained the health issues faced by women and youth at different stages of life. She interacted with the girl students on vaccines and immunisation available for the wellbeing of women. Lastly, she recommended exercising regularly and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The programme coordinator, Prof. Pavithra Alur, read out a detailed report on the series of events organised by the Central University of Kadaganchi under Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan. Certificates of appreciation were also distributed to the students and faculty on the occasion. Swapnil Chapekar sang the welcome song. Dr Madhuri delivered the welcomed address, Dr Renuka L Nayak introduced the guests. Anil B Kamble of the English Language Training Centre compered the programme. Dr Bhavana gave the vote of thanks. Dr Jyoti Tegnur, Dr Raghunath, Dr R.S. Chitkala V, Dr Rajashree, Dr Renuka L. Nayak, Dr Vijayendra, Dr Jayalaxmi, and hundreds of students from various departments participated in the programme.

NATIONAL STUDY TOUR BY CUK STUDENTS

October 16, 2025: The Department of Tourism and Hotel Management, Central University of Karnataka, organized a National Study Tour for the second-year MBA Tourism and Travel Management students from 28th September to 11th October as part of their academic curriculum. The tour covered major tourism destinations across six states such as Ahmedabad (Gujarat), Jaipur (Rajasthan), Agra (Uttar Pradesh), Amritsar (Punjab), Dehradun (Uttarakhand), and Delhi.

The primary objective of this study tour was to provide practical exposure to students in the field of tourism, with a focus on sustainable tourism development. During the journey, students interacted with local stakeholders, including tourism officials, entrepreneurs, and service providers, gaining valuable insights into best practices, challenges, and innovations shaping India's tourism landscape. This experiential learning initiative aimed to bridge theoretical knowledge with real-world applications and will culminate in a comprehensive report based on students' observations and learnings. The tour was flagged off by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, who commended the department's efforts in promoting hands-on learning.

Dr Mahender Gavinolla, HOD and Prof. Panduranga V. Patti appreciated the students' enthusiastic participation and the successful organisation of the program. Faculty coordinators Dr Naveen Kumar T. G. and Dr Nataraj Patted guided the students throughout the tour.

CUK HOSTS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MYTH, HISTORY & THEATRE

October 17, 2025: The Department of English, Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi, is organising a Two-Day International Conference on "Myth, History and Tradition in Drama and Theatre" on 2nd and 3rd December 2025. The conference aims to foster rich academic exchange through paper presentations, panel discussions, and case study analyses of classical and contemporary theatrical works. Special attention will be given to how theatre engages with memory, identity, trauma, resistance, and cultural heritage. Through interdisciplinary perspectives and cross-cultural dialogues, the conference will examine how myth and history inform allegory and dramatic storytelling. It will also investigate the theatre's role as a powerful tool for political commentary and social critique, particularly in modern and postcolonial contexts. David Schalkwyk, Director of the Shakespeare Institute (UK), Prof. Elisabetta Marino, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Prof. Dhananjay Singh, ICSSR, Dr Khagendra Acharya, Kathmandu University, Prof. Amitkumar, EFLU Hyderabad, Prof. Sandhya Tiwari, Central University of Kashmir, and other distinguished speakers will deliver talks. Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, released the brochure and said, "Indian theatre has a rich legacy, and the performances keep us alive. It is the most realistic and effective representation of human life." He commended the department's efforts in promoting academic events. Registrar Prof. R. R. Biradar, Dean Prof. Vikram Visaji, Head Prof. Basavaraj Donur, and organising secretaries Dr Renuka L. Nayak and Mr Mahendra M were present. Scholars, researchers, and practitioners are invited to participate.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT CUK

October 30, 2025: CUK in Collaboration with ESIC Medical College, organised a Breast Cancer Awareness Programme and Screening Camp on October 29, 2025, as a part of the Cancer Awareness Month. Addressing the gathering, Registrar Prof. R R Biradar highlighted the increasing effect of Breast cancer among the urban young women due to changes in lifestyle, including unhealthy diet, consumption of alcohol, increased stress, tensions, and lack of physical exercise. He emphasised the importance of regular health check-ups, early diagnosis, and prompt treatment initiation. Furthermore, he emphasised that women's health is of utmost importance in building a developed nation. The chief guest, Dr Srinivasa Murthy, Director and Head of the Department of Pathology, ESIC Medical College, Kalaburagi, emphasised the importance of regular screenings and self-examination to facilitate early diagnosis, which significantly improves survival rates. Guest of honour, Dr Priyanka, underscored the importance of regular health check-ups and vigilance for breast cancer symptoms among women, noting that the programme plays a significant role in fostering a health-conscious environment in the university.

"Health is wealth. Women should prioritize their health to lead a happy life"

Dr. Renuka Naik, the program coordinator, encouraged young girls and women above 30 years of age to check themselves regularly. Dr. Jyoti Tegnoor, Medical Officer, CUK, gave introductory remarks and spoke about different types of cancer and their preventive measures. She said, "Every lump or scar is not cancer; instead of getting scared, one must consult the doctor."

ONE DAY CONFERENCE ON "YUGADHARMA: ALIGNING NYAYA SHASTRA WITH DEMANDS OF DIGITAL ERA" HELD AT CUK

November 7, 2025: Hon'ble Justice Dinesh Maheshwari, Chairperson, Law Commission of India and Former Judge, Supreme Court of India, inaugurated the One-Day Conference on "Yugadharma: Aligning Nyaya Shastra with Demands of Digital Era" organized by the Department of Law, CUK. He highlighted the strong foundations of Bharatiya Nyaya Shastra and stressed the need to update it for the digital age. Emphasizing ethics in technology, he noted the tensions between innovation and regulation, transparency and privacy. He stated that AI must never replace authentic human intelligence. Guest of Honour Justice Krishna S. Dixit, Judge, High Court of Orissa, emphasized that Bharatiya values are rooted in truthfulness and praised India's inclusive cultural heritage. Citing global examples, he noted that India's constitution remains strong due to its value systems. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana spoke on the vision of Vikasit Bharat 2047, underscoring the need for a strong legal system supported by well-trained advocates and judges. He emphasised the integration of modern technology with Nyaya, Dharma, and Arthashastra and announced the new five-year BA LLB and LLM programmes.

To start with, Dean Prof. Basavaraj Kubakaddi welcomed the gathering; Dr Jayant Buruvah gave introductory remarks; Miss Ragini anchored; and Dr Anant Chinchure proposed the vote of thanks. The national song and anthem were rendered by Dr Jayadev Jangamshetty, Dr Ravikiran Nakod, and Dr Swapnil Chapekar. Registrar In-Charge Prof. Channaveer R. M., trustees, faculty members, delegates, and students were present.

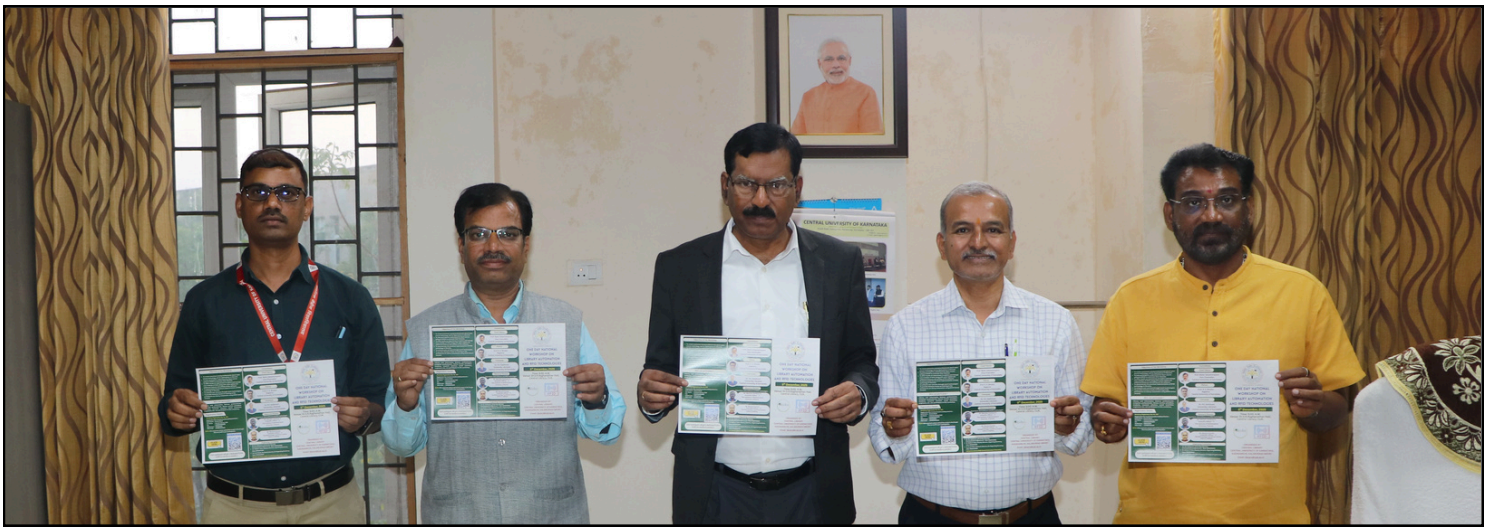
SURVEY OF INDIA AND CUK SIGN MOU

November 13, 2025: "Academicians, research institutes, and industries working together is the need of the hour for national development," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUK, after signing the MoU with the Survey of India. He emphasised the importance of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research, noting that the MoU will benefit departments such as Geography, Geology, Computer Science, ECE and Physics. He added that practical, industry-ready skills are essential in today's knowledge economy, and this will offer students hands-on learning and provide research opportunities for scholars and faculty. Shri Avanish Kumar, Director, Karnataka Geo-Spatial Directorate, Survey of India, highlighted that the organisation is India's oldest scientific department.

He added that it plays a crucial role in producing foundational geospatial data under the National Geospatial Policy-2022 to strengthen national development and sovereignty.

To initiate the proceedings, Prof. Vijayakumar, Director, University-Industry Hub, explained that the MoU will promote joint project proposals, exchange of technical expertise, workshops, student internships, co-authored publications, and shared use of research infrastructure. It will also support curriculum development in Geoinformatics, Remote Sensing, GNSS, Cartography, and Surveying with support from Survey of India experts. The nodal officer, Dr. Mahalingam, proposed the vote of thanks. Officials from Survey of India and CUK faculty members were present.

VC RELEASES BROCHURE FOR LIBRARY AUTOMATION & RFID WORKSHOP



November 13, 2025: "The Central Library, Central University of Karnataka Kalaburagi, is organizing a National Workshop on 'Library Automation and RFID Technologies' on 5th December 2025 at Dr. S. R. Raghanathan Hall, Central Library, CUK," said Dr P S Kattimani, Librarian, CUK. Technologies that support library automation, RFID-based access management, and open-source library software such as Koha, equip library professionals with the latest technical skills for effectively managing automated library systems. He added that the event will have hands-on training sessions and demonstrations of Koha software and RFID technologies, to be conducted by renowned experts, professionals, and developers in these fields. The event will focus on areas such as RFID integration, Koha customisation, circulation and cataloguing modules, and real-time applications of automation in library services. Library professionals, academicians, and students from universities, colleges, and research institutions across India are expected to participate. The program will provide a platform for professional networking and sharing of best practices in digital library management. The workshop is being organised under the guidance of Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUK, Prof. R. R. Biradar, Registrar, CUK, Dr P. S. Kattimani, University Librarian and Convener, and Dr Satish V Totar, Deputy Librarian along with the Central Library team.

A SPECIAL LECTURE ON "INSTANT BEVERAGES FOR A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE" HELD AT CUK

November 19, 2025: "Healthy people are the true assets of a nation," said Prof. R. R. Biradar, Registrar, CUK, at an event on "Instant Beverages for a Healthy Lifestyle" organised by the Department of Commerce. He stressed that India faces rising cases of diabetes, BP, cancer, and heart attacks due to unhealthy eating, stress, and lack of exercise. He urged students to adopt nutritious food habits, regular physical activity, yoga, and meditation, adding that health—not material wealth—is key to achieving Viksit Bharat 2047. Sri Anilkumar Kadadi, Founder & Director of Buyu Food Pvt. Ltd., highlighted how many commercial beverages contain excess sugar and preservatives. He explained that Buyu Food produces 41 natural, healthy products such as Baobab, Rosella, Moringa, and Papaya leaf powders, along with fruit juices, using safe, certified methods. Prof. Panduranga V. Patti welcomed the gathering, Miss Komal anchored the event, and Mallkarjun proposed the vote of thanks. Faculty members and students were present.

CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK FROM 14th TO 20th NOVEMBER 2025

November 21, 2025: The Central Library celebrated National Library Week with great enthusiasm and active participation from students, faculty members, and staff. The week-long celebration aimed to promote the significance of libraries in fostering knowledge, supporting academic excellence, and encouraging lifelong learning among the university community. As part of the celebration, various awareness programmes, competitions were organised to highlight the wide range of resources and services offered by the Central Library, including digital databases, e-resources, research support tools, and student-centric facilities.

Dr P.S. Kattimani, University librarian, welcomed the guests and highlighted the importance of celebrating the National Library week, and briefed about the competitions and activities that were organised for the students, research Scholars, and faculty members. The event was graced by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, who emphasised the pivotal role of libraries in shaping the intellectual culture of higher education institutions. He appreciated the efforts of the Central Library in continuously upgrading its services, adopting modern technologies, and providing user-friendly facilities to meet the diverse academic and research needs of the university community.

He encouraged students and faculty to make extensive use of the library's digital and print resources, and also emphasised the importance of initiatives such as the Scopus Database, Turnitin, and One Nation One Subscription, which contribute to enhancing the efficiency and accessibility of library services. Further, he expressed that the library is a treasure of knowledge. Spending more time in the library and reading more textbooks increases students' competitiveness. Don't rely on Artificial Intelligence; authentic information can only be obtained through books, encyclopedias, dictionaries, and other reliable sources. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor congratulated all the students who got the prizes in the competitions, as well as the participants.

Speaking later, Prof. R.R. Biradhar, Registrar of the university, said that in today's modern age of technology, all kinds of information are available at our fingertips, but studying books in the library is still beneficial in building a good personality. The use of social media is advantageous to a certain extent but cannot provide the precise knowledge and power that books provide. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. M Prashanth, Dean of the Earth Sciences, said that one should develop an interest in reading books. Mr Rajkumar Kalyani compered the program. Dr Satish Tetar, Deputy Librarian, delivered the vote of thanks. Deans and Heads of various Departments, library staff, faculty members, and research scholars and students from various departments were present on the occasion.

JANJATIYA GOURAV DIWAS CELEBRATED AT CUK

November 22, 2025: "Tribal communities are among India's earliest freedom fighters," said Prof. M. T. V. Nagaraju from IGNTU, Madhya Pradesh, during the Janjatiya Gourav Diwas celebration at CUK on the occassion of the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda. He highlighted the sacrifices of unsung tribal heroes such as Tilak Manjhi, Dora and Chakra Bisoi, Sidhu and Kanhu Murmu, Birsa Munda, Jatra Bhagat, Alluri Sitaram Raju, Komaram Bheem, Kanakalata Barua, and Rani Gaidinliu, who united their communities against British oppression and defended Jal, Jamin, and Jangal. He stressed the need to include their stories in educational curricula. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, in his presidential address, noted that tribal resistance was so strong that the British enacted protective laws for their land. He emphasised equal opportunities under the Constitution, the rise of leaders from tribal communities, and India's journey from food grain importer to emerging economic power. He urged everyone to preserve national sovereignty and ensure development reaches the last person in society. Dr Sangamesh welcomed the gathering; Dr Goutam D presented details of the year-long celebrations; Thaunksapa Sangtam and Ashtha Pathak anchored the event; and Dr Shamala R proposed the vote of thanks. Prizes were distributed to competition winners. Faculty members and students attended the event.

CUK REGISTRAR PROF. R R BIRADAR FELICITATED BY THE CUK TEACHERS

November 25, 2025: Prof R R Biradar, Registrar, Central University of Karnataka was felicitated by the faculty members of Tourism and Hotel Management, Commerce and Electrical Engineering departments, CUK for attending and presenting a research paper on Economic Benefits of Microfossils in Oil Exploration in India: A Case study of ONGC at the international conference organised by the University of Pisa, Italy recently and also for completion of his second Ph D in Public Economics from CMDR, Dharwad. The members of these departments appreciated the Registrar for his efficient discharge of services both as a good administrator as well as an excellent researcher. Carrying out both administrative and academic activities is a very difficult task. Recently, Prof. Biradar was also awarded the Best Teacher Gem Award by the Karnataka State Educational Institutions Employees Association, Bengaluru, for his 25 years of contributions towards teaching and research, along with administrative responsibilities at KUD and CUK. On the occasion, Prof. Panduranga V Patti, Dr. Goutam D, Dr. Jagadeesh Biradar, Dr. Udaya Patil, and Dr. Sangamesh were present.

SAMVIDHAN DIVAS CELEBRATED AT CUK

November 26, 2025: "Law students should be the guardians of the Constitution of India. They should follow the rules and protect the interests of society and citizens," said Hon'ble Sri Chennappa Gouda, 3rd Addl. District and Sessions Judge, Kalaburagi. He was speaking on the occasion of the Samvidhan Divas celebrations organised at the CUK, Kalaburagi, in association with the District Legal Services Authority, Kalaburagi. While discussing the significance of the Constitution, he quoted Dr B.R. Ambedkar: "The constitutional remedies enshrined in the Constitution are the heart and soul of the Constitution." He further said that "the Constitution is the mother of all the laws in India, and the three branches of the government, i.e., the Judiciary, Legislature, and Executive, shall work in accordance with the Constitution." He also emphasised how the Judiciary has laid down the Doctrine of Basic Structure to protect the nature of the Indian Constitution. Sri Srinivas Navale, Senior Civil Judge and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Kalaburagi, urged the law students to develop a sense of social service and be the voice of the voiceless. He said, "The motive of the Constitution is to avoid discrimination, spread peace, and maintain equality." Prof. R.R. Biradar, Registrar, Central University of Karnataka, said, "The celebration of Constitution Day is important in creating awareness of law and igniting minds to attain Viksit Bharat by 2047."

In his presidential address, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Karnataka, said, "The Constitution of India regulates the entropy of the system. In a country of 140 crore population, imagine what happens if we don't follow the rules. It is important for all of us to abide by the laws to maintain societal order. Without fulfilling our duties, it is inappropriate to fight for our rights." Dr Basavaraj M. Kubakaddi, Dean, School of Legal Studies, gave introductory remarks and welcomed the gathering. Dr Renuka S. Gubbewad proposed the vote of thanks, and Dr Jayanta Boruah anchored the program. The Deans, Heads, staff members, and students were present.

SPORTS FACILITIES INAUGURATED AT CUK

November 27, 2025: "Sports facilities are very important for making our students healthy and fit," said Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUK. He was speaking after the inauguration of the cricket practice net, badminton court, and shuttle badminton court at CUK. He further said, "Construction of a 400-meter running track and handball court is in process; soon they will be operational. We already have a cricket ground, basketball courts, football fields, and a sophisticated gym and fitness centre on campus. I advise students to utilize these facilities to maintain their health and fitness. We expect our students to participate in the national and international sports events and bring name and fame for the university as well as to the country." On the occasion Registrar Prof. R R Biradar, Director Physical Education Prof. M S Pasodi, COE Dr. Kota Saikrishna, Finance Officer Ramadorai, Prof. Basavaraj Donur, Prof. G R Angadi, Dr. Basavaraj Kubakaddi, Dr. Veeresh Kasabegoudar, Dr. P S Kattimani, Dr. Shamala R, teachers and students were present.

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Hindi Competitions for CUK Staffs and students

One day seminar on Tourism and Sustainable Transformation

Rashtriya Karmayogi training sessions for all the staff of CUK

Dusshera celebration at CUK

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EV vehicle for students' transportation

Special talk on Earthquake Prediction

CUK signs MoU with Infosys Springboard

Blood Donation Camp at CUK

CUK Commemorates International Day of Non-violence

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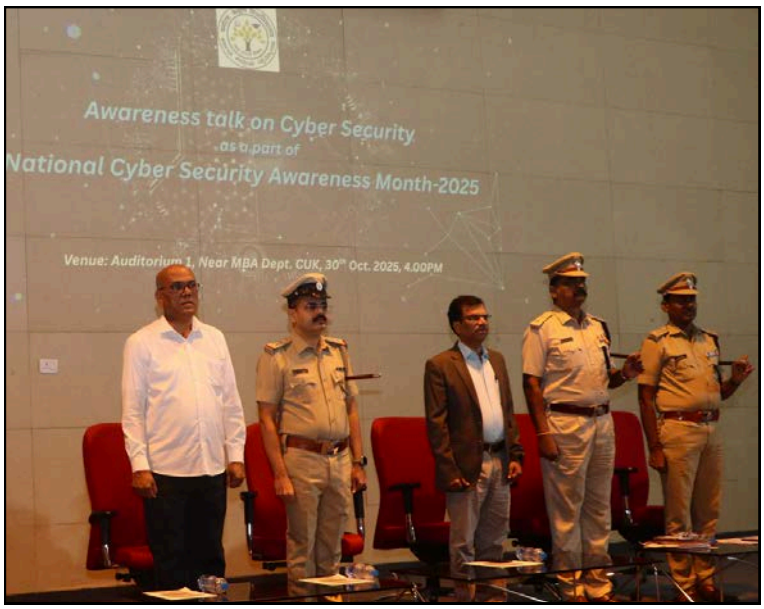
CUK Ring Road Street Light Poles Inaugurated

Special Lecture on Politics of Protectionism at CUK

Vigilance Awareness Program at CUK



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