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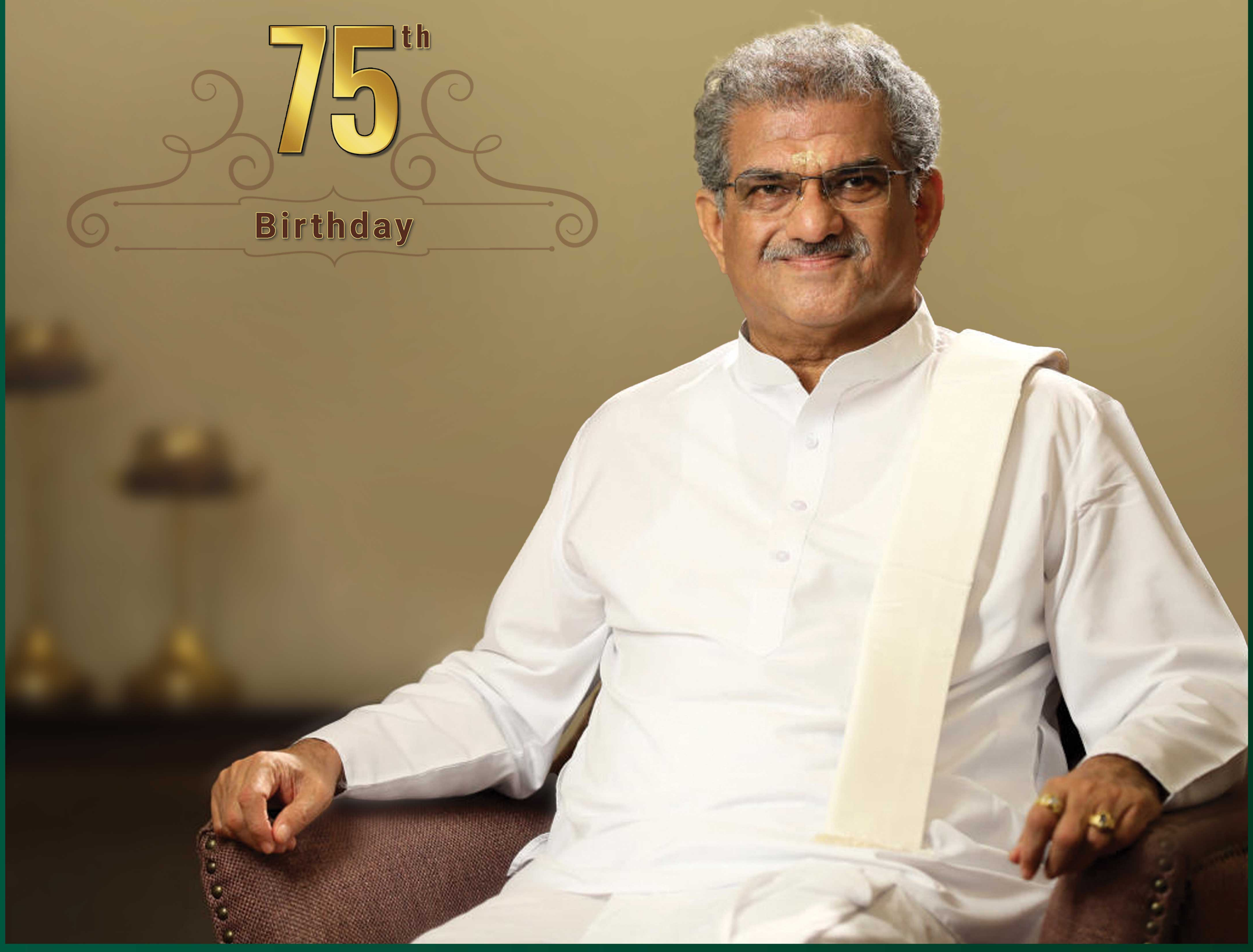

SHRI DHARMASTHALA MANJUNATHESHWARA UNIVERSITY

University / Constituent Institutions Rankings for the year 2023

Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University, Dharwad	All India	Ranked By
➢ In Top 100 Private Universities	5	IIRF by Education Post
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➢ In Medicine and Health Science	5	IIRF by Education Post

SDM College of Dental Sciences & Hospital	All India	Ranked By
➢ In all Dental Colleges (Private & Govt.)	9	The Week Survey
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➢ All Dental Colleges	4	IIRF by Education Post

SDM College of Physiotherapy	All India	Ranked By
➢ In all Physiotherapy Colleges (Govt. & Private)	4	IIRF by Education Post

SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences	All India	Ranked By
➢ Best Nursing Colleges (Govt. & Private)	9	IIRF by Education Post

SDM Research Institute for Biomedical Sciences	State Rank	Ranked By
➢ Recognized one of the top 20 Institutes in Karnataka	Top 20	The Academic Insights

New Course:
B.Sc. in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology Course has been started from the Academic year 2023-24 under the SDM Medical College recognized by RCI

New Institute:
SDM College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Sattur, Dharwad is been established from the Academic year 2023-24 recognized by PCI

New Department:
SDM University has started Centre for Cellular and Molecular Sciences a new Department under the University

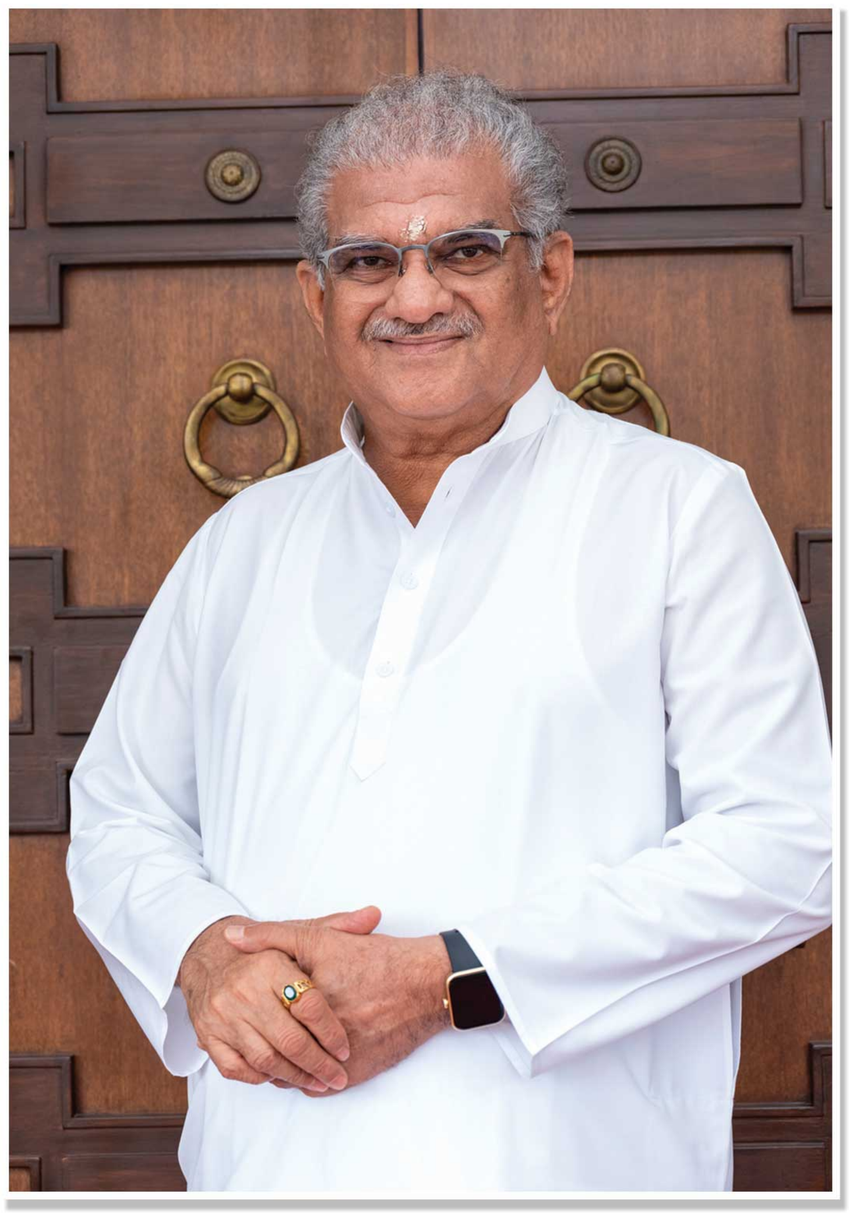
FROM THE CHANCELLOR'S DESK

I am glad to know that, Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University is releasing the Fifth Edition of the Newsletter 2023. I take this opportunity to congratulate the entire team of the University on achieving the well-deserved distinction of being "Top University" in the Country. I am sure, we will scale to greater heights in the coming years by providing state-of-the-art and affordable education and healthcare facilities in North Karnataka.

I congratulate all the personnel involved, led by the Vice Chancellor, Dr. Niranjan Kumar in contributing for the growth of the University and its Constituent Institutions with their strength and determination. The same zeal and dedication should be continued in the years ahead. I wish you all success in your sincere efforts and dedicated service.

I congratulate the Editorial Team for their sincere efforts in bringing up this comprehensive yet very specific information regarding the achievements of the University through this Newsletter.

I pray to Lord Manjunatha Swamy to bless you all with good health and happiness at all time to serve the society.



Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade
Hon'ble Chancellor

VICE CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

We are pleased to bring out the Fifth Edition of the Newsletter of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University to disseminate the activities of the University to all the stakeholders and also to share our deliberations towards achieving our University's Vision, Goal and Mission into reality through this Newsletter. It makes me overwhelmed to see the Fifth Edition coming out with the most appropriate and relevant cover pages and contents. The Newsletter is the ambassador binding healthy relation between the readers and University for the holistic growth.

This year being the 75th birthday (Diamond Jubilee celebrations) of our Hon'ble Chancellor we are proud to bring out a special feature about the Chancellor in this Newsletter. The SDM Family, Dharwad wishes him many more years of good health, happiness and strength to continue to render the Social Service to the Society.

I have a dream team which has taken up its responsibilities and is successfully discharging the duties of educating the students and treating all the patients.

I appreciate the active involvement and contributions of all members of the Newsletter Editorial Committee.

I pray to Lord Manjunatha Swamy to bless us all

Dr. Niranjan Kumar
Vice Chancellor

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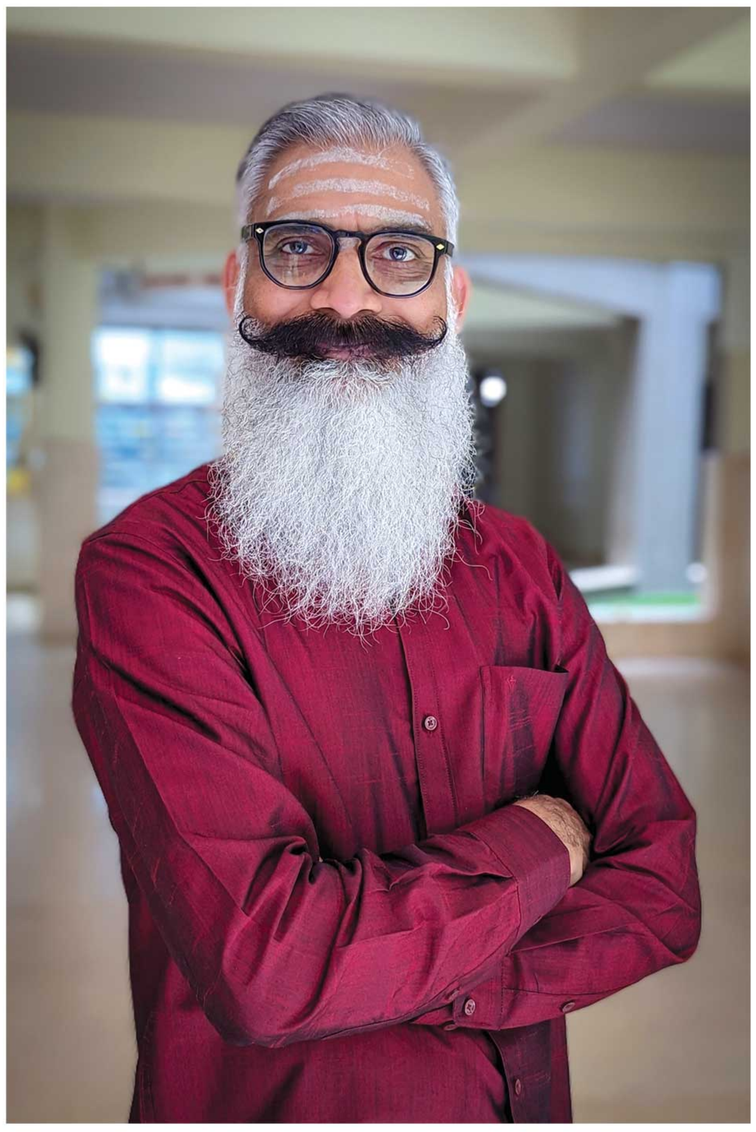

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Dr. Swamy Kalasuramath, Editor-in-Chief

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ಎಲ್ಲರೊಳಗೊಂದಾಗು ಮಂಕುತಿಮ್ಮ ॥

Be a (gentle) blade of grass at the foot of mountain,
and jasmine flower at home,
Be (strong) like a rock when fate pours (torrential)
rains of difficulties on you,
Be sweet like sugar and jaggery to the poor and weak,
Be one among all, ||

In these four short lines, this poem teaches us the secret of leading a balanced and harmonious life, emphasizing gentleness, humbleness, compassion on one hand and strength on the other hand. The poem explains in simple poetic images one of the messages of the Bhagavad Gita: samatwam, or balance in life (**Samatwam Yoga Ucchate**).

"This short and beautiful poem holds the key for leading a balanced life. It advises us to be humble and gentle yet strong."

Mankuthimmana Kagga, written by Dr. D. V. Gundappa and published in 1943, is one of the best known of the major literary works in Kannada. It is widely regarded as a masterpiece of Kannada literature and is referred to as the **Bhagavad Gita** in Kannada.

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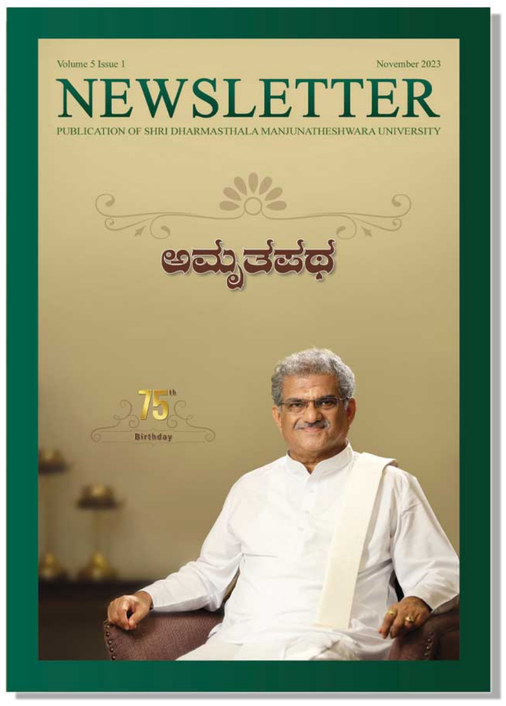
"Leadership is the capacity to translate a vision into reality"

Blessed are we to be guided by one such leader, Chancellor of Shri Dharamasthala Manjunatheshwara University, **Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade.** This year the members of SDM family are in the joyous mode of celebrating the Amrutha Mahotsava of our Hon'ble Chancellor. The front page not just significs the festive spirit; but also, as the title AMRUTHA PATHA - **ಅಮೃತಪಥ** suggests it is the journey of our true visionary leader. The odyssey of this magnanimous personality is an encyclopaedia for all.

SDM University dedicates this edition of the Newsletter to our visionary leader, which shall definitely create curiosity among our readers to get an insight of the path of a perceptive personality.



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HONOURABLE CHANCELLOR'S INTERVIEW

01. "ಕಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಮಕಲೆ ಜೀವನದ ಲಲಿತಕಲೆ"

This is one of the famous quote from DV Gundappa's Mankutimmana kagga

Sir as in the above quote you lead an exemplary life We wish to know about your activities on a regular day When does your day start?

As said by you "Living is an art". This can be an inspiration which can be from several sources. I take this from my parents and my routine activities. I start my day at 06.00 am. After freshening up, by 07.00 am I start my prayers. Sharp 07.30 am I am in the temple performing rituals.

By 09.00 am following my breakfast I give time to the devotees who wish to meet me. Here we discuss their problems and try for the solutions. I believe giving ABHAYA which is one of the Chaturdanas of Dharmasthala.

Meanwhile there will be regular administrative work which pops in, which requires guidance from me.

In between these, I have lunch, power nap for about 20 minutes and I do walk in the evening for half an hour.

People belonging to all sects meet me starting from sanyasis, students, farmers, politicians and others to seek suggestions, guidance and blessings which is done accordingly.

02. I remember another quote from Mankutimmana Kagga.

"ಖದ್ಯೋತನಂತೆ ಬಿಡುಗೊಳದೆ ಧರ್ಮವ ಚರಿಸು"

Just like how the Sun works 24 x 7, you tirelessly work Sir. In this active religious and social works of yours, do you actually have some reserve time for your family and friends? Has your family expressed anguish anytime in the past owing to your busy schedule?

"A busiest person has time for all his activities" I strongly believe in this. I do disconnect and reconnect at every moment. I cut off from all the official work during family time and give 100% attention there. I do the same in all my activities which will be mindful.

None of my family members have ever complained regarding this, in fact they appreciate my commitment both in the profession and family.

03. "ಲೋಕಹಿತಂ ಮಮ ಕರಣೀಯಂ"

This quote is very much apt to Heggade family and your close associates. It's been almost 55 years since you have been entrusted with the post of Dharmadhikari of the temple of Justice. You were in your 20's when you were blessed with this major responsibility. Sir, we all acknowledge that you are handsome even now. Dr. Niranjan Kumar Sir says you were no less than a movie hero then. At that youthful age you had an important task to be conducted smoothly. How was the transition then?

I never felt the age then and even now I don't feel it. As said earlier my father was the greatest source of inspiration to me. I always remember his words of wisdom which are the major guiding force to me even today. I used to spend most of my day and night performing temple rituals. In the year 1972, I had the responsibility of pitching in to reformation of JSS Educational Institutions, Dharwad.

With these activities I was kept as 'busy as a bee'. To tell you frankly I am not having time for food and rest since the past few years. Travelling to attend public events, administrative works, temple rituals and other socio-economic reformative activities kept me so busy that I literally had no time to think about myself.

4. Hearing you we can surely say you are leading a disciplined life. From whom and where did you learn this discipline, endurance and patience? Who is your mentor in life or whom do you admire a lot in life?

My parents who sacrificed their entire life for the reformations in Dharmasthala are truly my mentors of life. They practiced and preached "Janaseveye Janardhana Seve" which runs in the family. Seeing them I imbibed discipline, endurance and patience. I am always open for learning. I think this habit of mine has kept me progressing in all fields which I am a part of.

5. If given a choice to dine with 7 of your favourite people (Past and Present) who will they be and why?

I have not given any thought on this. I do follow strict dietary discipline which has run throughout my life. Given a choice I would dine with my family members having home food together as this is the family time I get.

6. Sir, we know that you are "Jack of all trades and interestingly master of all too…" We heard that you are also trained in classical music. As a music lover and an art lover which is your favourite song? Who is your favourite actor?

Since childhood I love Yakshagana and artists and singers of this folk art whom I still admire. Pandit. Balamuralikrishna, Pandit. Bhimsen Joshi, S. P Balasubrahmanyam, Mohammed Rafi, Kishore Kumar are few of my favourite singers. Along with music I give importance to lyrics. "Sajan Re Jhoot Mat Bolo..." is one of my favourites which says never lie as God is watching you.

7. As I discussed earlier there are many religious and social reform activities started by you. It may be in Educational Field, Rural Development Women Empowerment, the Chaturdanas of Dharmasthala and many more. Which among the lot is close to your heart and Why?

Rural development is close to my heart. I believe transformation is the secret of success. If you can transform a person, a society, a generation that is the highest level of contribution. SDM Society initiated rural development in 1982. The transformation since then is commendable. The villagers now are leading a progressive life in the field of farming, education, health and hygiene with financial security.

My better half Smt. Hemavathi Heggade has stood strong with me in all these events. "Self help is the best help" is the motto of about 25000 people working in rural development of SDM Society who have put their heart and soul in this program.

8. I remember a proverb in kannada which is slightly modified by me

" ಆಡು ಮುಟ್ಟದ ಸೊಪ್ಪಿಲ್ಲ, ಹೆಗ್ಗಡೆಯವರು ಮಾಡದ ಸತ್ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳಿಲ್ಲ "

Sir, we all have to agree you are a polymath, yet so modest. How do you remain so humble throughout?

Truely, I don't know how. This comes naturally without any effort. Frankly whatever I am blessed with today is only because of grace of lord and blessings from my parents. Whatever brilliant ideas come from any end, I openly accept it and try to implement it for the betterment of the society.

9. Khavandare you are the pioneer in establishing hundreds of SDM institutes and Programs. Few thousands work here. Through this SDM University newsletter if you would like to give few messages to your employees, what would it be?

Entering SDM Institution itself is an opportunity bestowed by the almighty to all the employees who work here including me. Starting from the lowest cadre to highest position all have an equal responsibility. Just like an automobile or any machine which requires thousands of elements for its proper functioning an institution requires adequate efforts from all its employees for its smooth conduction. I expect all my fellow staff members to realise their importance in their work place and perform their duties righteously.

10. In few of the occasions, you have said the present Kaliyuga is a boon as many advancements are happening; meanwhile in the same modern era people are stressed out, loosing courage and are mentally disturbed. Most alarming issue is, it is the youth who are mostly disturbed. As an elder brother what would be your advice to the youth regarding this?

This is a very important topic you have touched on. Youth is a nation's strength. In this modern era there are lot of opportunities waiting to be picked. One has to have eyes to see them. We need to understand life's reality, adjust accordingly with realistic expectations. Youngsters should think how they can contribute for the nation's success and provide a better future for the next generation. Never shy away from your responsibilities.

11. This year is a celebration mode for all your fans including me as we are celebrating the Amrutha Mahotsava of your birthday. On this joyful occasion we wish to know your thoughts and plans regarding future social reforms.

There are multiple thoughts and plans which are blossoming in many fields of SDM Society. To name a few we are planning for Queue complex in Dharmasthala to cut short the waiting period for the devotees, Oncology Centre in SDM, Dharwad, plans to connect more people under rural development and so on.

These plans are a continuous ongoing process and are always aimed for the betterment of the society.

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The University

Founder's Day Celebration

The Hon'ble Chancellor Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade's Birthday is Celebrated as Founder's Day in SDM University on 25th November every year. The Chief Guest, Prof. Venkappaya R. Desai, Director IIT Dharwad, delivered a Special Oration on 'Higher Education' on this occasion.

'Prerana Shibira':

The orientation program on 'Personality Development' of the newly joined employees, "Prerana Shibira" is regularly organized by the SDM University as part of the in-house training programs. In this Shibira, our Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Niranjan Kumar, stimulated the staff with his address, stating that when employees give their all, it is the management's responsibility to train them well in order to make them more productive in their endeavors and gain work pleasure.

University Convocation:

The First Convocation of SDM University was held on 15th December, 2022. Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade, the Hon'ble Chancellor presided over the program and blessed the graduates. Dr. Vijaya Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Yenepoya University, Mangalore, the invited Chief Guest delivered the convocation address. The Vice Chancellor, Dr. Niranjan Kumar, University Officials, Heads of the Institutions, faculty, students and the proud parents of the graduates, post graduates and other scholars witnessed the award of gold medals and degrees during the grand extravaganza.

University Anniversary Celebration:

The Fourth Anniversary of the SDM University was celebrated on 19th December, 2022. The Chief Guest, Prof. S M Shivaprasad, Director, Academy of Karnataka Higher Education, Dharwad enlightened the audience about the 'National Education Policy' during his invited lecture. Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellors Dr. S K Joshi and Shri V. Jeevandhar Kumar, Shri Saketh Shetty and other dignitaries were present. During the celebrations, the Chancellor released the Annual University Newsletter and congratulated the Editorial Committee for their efforts.

Mann Ki Baat:

The SDM Group of Institutions had the privilege to host the prestigious Prime Minister's 'Mann Ki Baat' Program on 25th December, 2022 at SDM Engineering College as one of the second centre in Karnataka and as a 13th centre in the country. The Vice Chancellor, Heads of the Institutions, faculty and students interacted with the Prime Minister of the country, Shri Narendra Modi.

Speak for India:

SDM University has partnered in the District Level Intercollegiate Debate Competition held on 13th January, 2023. Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor and Dr. S K Joshi, Pro Vice Chancellor (Academics) inaugurated the Debate Competition.

Republic Day Celebration:

The 74th Republic Day was celebrated in SDM University at SDM Medical College Campus. Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director and Dr. Kiran Hegde, Medical Superintendent unfurled the National Flag. Dr. Kiran Hegde delivered the Republic Day message during the celebration which was attended by senior executives of the University, Heads of the Institutions, faculty and students.

National Science Day:

28th February, 2023, the National Science Day was celebrated in SDM University. A total of 95 scientific posters were presented by the faculty and students of constituent institutions and the SDM Engineering College. Hon'ble Chancellor, Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade, inaugurated the poster exhibition and released the compendium of posters. The Chief Guests Dr. K Dharmalingam, Research Director, Aravinda Eye Hospital, Madurai and Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor felicitated the Winners with prizes.

Registrar visited AIU SZ Conference:

Registrar, Dr. Chidendra M. Shettar represented SDM University at the AIU South Zone Vice Chancellors Meet held on 31st January and 1st February 2023 at Visakhapatnam.

Visit of Lutheran University Delegation:

An 18-member delegation consisting of Educationists, Administrators, Industry Partners and Nursing Professionals

from Lutheran University, Nuremberg, Germany visited SDM University on 7th March, 2023 for collaborative research and academic activities. The delegation headed by Prof. Clause Ulrich, Course Leader, Management and Social Economy, Prof. Uwe Kaspers, Head of Economics in Social and Healthcare and SDM University Vice Chancellor, Dr. Niranjan Kumar and other executives exchanged the views on possible collaboration between the Universities.

KSHEC Inspection:

The Karnataka State Higher Education Council (KSHEC) Inspection Committee visited SDM University with the Chairmanship of Dr. S Chandrashekar Shetty on 26th April, 2023 for the approval of new courses for the academic year 2023-24. Dr. Sacchidananda S. and Dr. Gopalkrishna Joshi were the other members.

National Sports Day:

University celebrated National Sports Day on 27th August, 2023 and various Sports activities were conducted for the Faculty and Staff. University teams won two prizes in Volleyball and Lagori.

RCI Inspection:

The Rehabilitation Council of India on 4th March, 2023 inspected the newly operational Department of Speech and Hearing, to mark the beginning of B.Sc. in Bachelors of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology Course. Dr. Usha Shastri, Professor and Head, Department of Speech and Hearing, Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore and Dr. Chandrahas Uttamrao from Mumbai were at the helm of the inspection.

IAE Training:

SDM University Senior Executives and Heads of the Institutions attended a 3-day online Capacity Development Workshop designed as per the National Education Policy and jointly organised by Institute of Academic Excellence, Commissionerate of Collegiate Technical Education, Government of Telangana and Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad from 27th to 29th April, 2023 and from 15th to 17th May, 2023.

SDME Society Annual Retreat

SDM University Executives and Heads of the Institutions attended the two-day Annual Retreat of the SDM Educational Society, Ujire on 17th and 18th May, 2023 at SDM Institute of Management Development Mysore. Hon'ble Chancellor, Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade addressed the Heads of all Constituent Institutions of SDME Society and SDM University Executives for the wholesome development and progress of the large SDM Group of institutions.

World Environment Day:

SDM University celebrated the World Environment Day on 5th June, 2023 in association with NSS Unit at SDM Dental College Campus with the Theme "Solution to the Plastic Pollution". The Chief Guest Dr. M C Tapashetti planted the saplings and demonstrated how to plant samplings and protect them in the public places.

Ph.D. Symposium:

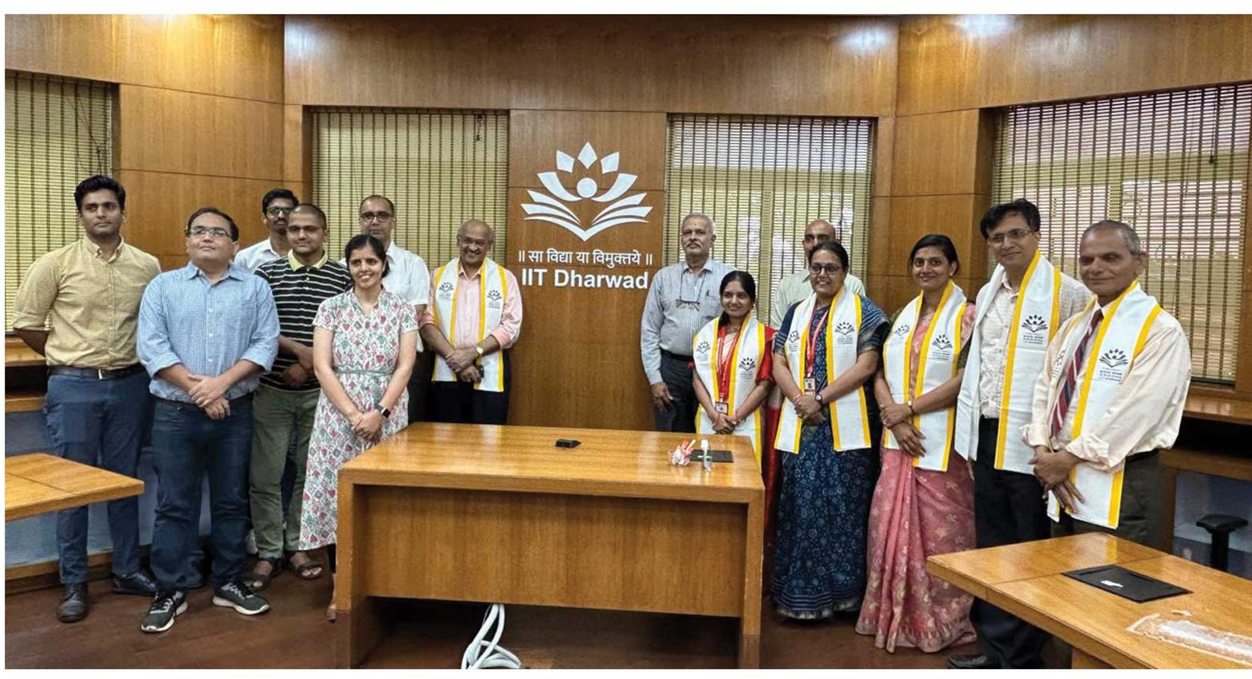
Ph.D. Symposium of SDM University was held on 17th June, 2023 to evaluate the progress of Ph.D. Scholars. Dr. Deepak Saini, Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru presided over as an external Expert for the proceedings.

Guest visit to University:

Dr. Prabhakaran Dorairaj, Executive Director, Centre for Chronic Disease Control (CCDC) and the Head, WHO Collaborating Centre for Surveillance, Capacity Building and Translational Research in Cardio-metabolic Diseases for the South-East Asia Region, also an eminent Cardiologist, Epidemiologist and Academician of global repute, visited SDM University Campus on 14th June, 2023. The visit was marked by discussions on both institutions exploring to have the collaborations in research and development.

Visit to IIT and Agriculture University, Dharwad:

The pre-clinical HODs, Dr. Nagalakshmi from Physiology, Dr. Veena Kulkarni from Anatomy, and Dr. Vidya Patil from Biochemistry and Professor of Ophthalmology Dr. Shankargouda Patil visited IIT Dharwad on 2nd May, 2023 to explore the possible collaboration between SDM University and IIT Dharwad. The delegation interacted with the Director of IIT, Prof. Venkappaya R Desai, Dean Research, Dr. Rajesh Hegde and with others for future research collaborations.



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On 23rd May, 2023, a delegation consisting of Research Director, Dr. K. Satyamoorthy, Deputy Registrar, Dr. Ajantha, Dr. Amith Joshi and Dr. Ajaykumar Oli visited Department of Biotechnology, Agricultural University, Dharwad to explore the utility of the Electron Microscope and many more Hi-tech Research Equipment if procured in the University.

PCI Inspection:

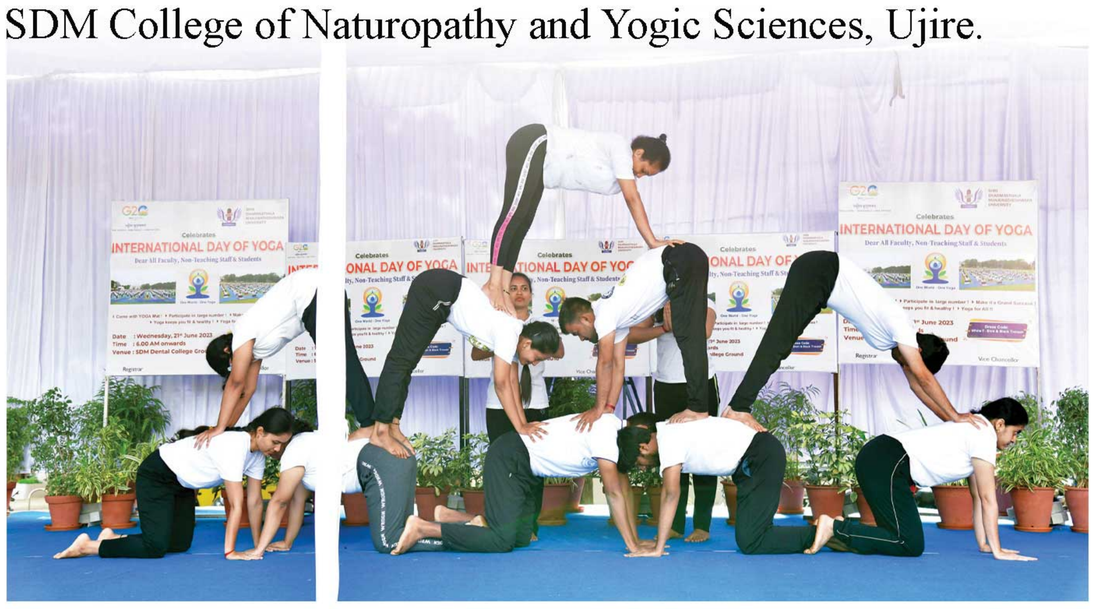
The proposed SDM College of Pharmacy of SDM University was virtually inspected by a team appointed by the Pharmacy Council of India on 27th July, 2023.

Education Expo:

University officials and faculty members participated at various Education Expos held at Hubballi, Bengaluru, Hyderabad and Shivamogga to propagate and promote various courses offered by the SDM University.

International Day of Yoga:

International Yoga Day was celebrated at the SDM Dental College Campus on 21st June, 2023. The event was inaugurated by Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, the Executive Director and was graced by Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Chidendra M Shettar, Registrar, Dr. Anand Tavargeri, Vice Principal (Dental College), Dr. Satish Patil, of Physiology and Heads of all constituent institutions. More than 400 students and staff witnessed yogasanas and pyramids by the students of SDM College of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences, Ujire.



Doctors' Day Celebration:

Three senior doctors, Dr. (Lt. Col.) U S Dinesh, Professor Emeritus of Pathology and Former Registrar, Dr. Shrirang Torgal, Professor and Head of Anaesthesiology and Dr. Subhash K. Deshpande, Professor of Anatomy were felicitated on Doctors' Day celebrations on 1st July, 2023 for their services to the community and the institution.

900th Episode of SDM Aarogya Samvada:

Continuing its historic run and the legacy of being a much appreciated initiative of the SDM University, the 'SDM Doctor Aarogya Samvada' completed its 900th episode on 18th July, 2023. It began 18 years ago to spread awareness regarding the Healthcare Services to the public, in association with All India Radio, Dharwad and has been the only program in the history of AIR Dharwad to have run successfully for the past 18 years.

To mark the milestone of the 900th episode AIR Dharwad and SDM University jointly organized a jubilant celebration participated by Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director and Dr. Basu Bevinagidad, Head of Programs, AIR Dharwad

Chancellor's Visit:

- The Hon'ble Chancellor visited SDM University on 14th December, 2022 and chaired meeting of University officials and HOIs and also helmed the 12th BOG meeting on 15th December, 2022.

- The Chancellor inaugurated the 'National Science Day' celebrations on 28th February, 2023.

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• Hon'ble Chancellor inaugurated the New Office Complex at the SDM Hospital on 30th May, 2023. He participated in the 'Ground Breaking Ceremony of Nala Diversion' as part of the Cancer Hospital Project. During this visit AIR Dharwad team interviewed and aired his exclusive interview to mark 900th episode of 'SDM Aarogya Samvada Program'.

• The Chancellor visited SDM University on 6th July, 2023 and chaired the 14th Finance Committee and BOG meetings of the SDM University.

• During his visit from 30th August to 1st September, 2023 the Chancellor inaugurated the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Sciences, Speech and Hearing Department and Ultrapure Water Plant. University Newsletter team had an exclusive interaction during this visit.

Independence Day:

The 77th Indian Independence Day was celebrated with pomp and fervour at the SDM Physiotherapy-Nursing College Campus on 15th August, 2023 this year. Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor. Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director, Dr. Chidendra M Shettar, Registrar unfurled the National Flag. Dr. Shettar delivered the Independence Day message. Two meritorious students from each college and sports achievers were felicitated during the program.

Teachers Day Celebrations:

Two Senior Teachers, Dr. Raghavendra D Kulkarni, Professor and Former Head, Department of Microbiology, SDM Medical College and Dr. Krishna N Burde, Professor and Former Head, Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology, SDM Dental College were felicitated for their immense contribution in their fields on 5th September, 2023 by the Vice Chancellor, the Executive Director and University Officials.

University Cultural Programs:

• **Sitar Recital:** Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University in association with SPICMACAY (The Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth) organized a Classical Music Program featuring Padmashree Awardee Ustad. Shahid Parvez Khan an Internationally acclaimed Sitar Player accompanied by Pandit. Ravindra Yavagal on Tabla at Shri D. Veerendra Heggade Kalakshetra on 30th August, 2023. The program was witnessed by over 1000 students and faculty of all the constituent units and noted artists of Hubballi and Dharwad.

• **Yakshagana Performance:** University also hosted a vibrant Yakshagana -Trijanma Moksha on 4th September, 2023 by Shri Mahaganapati Yakshagana Mandali, Nidle, Dharmasthala.

New Appointment

Dr. Shrishailappa Badami has been appointed as the Principal of SDM College of Pharmacy, Sattur, Dharwad. Dr. Badami has served as a Principal of Siddaganga College of Pharmacy, Tumakuru and has over 25 years of teaching experience in the field of Pharmaceutical Sciences in various capacities.

New Appointment

Dr. K Satyamoorthy, a Senior Scientist has been appointed as the Research Director of SDM University from May 2023

New Appointment

Dr. Prasanna Baindoor, Additional Professor of Orthopaedics has been appointed as Deputy Controller of Examinations of SDM University from April 2023

Leadership Training Program:

University has conducted a two-day Leadership Training Program in association with M. R. Pai Foundation - Forum of Free Enterprises, Mumbai for the selected students of SDM University on 15th and 16th September, 2023. Mr. Vivek Patki and Mr. Sachin Kamath were the Resource persons.

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Department of Anatomy:

• Dr. Veena Kulkarni, Professor and HOD, and Dr. Suresh Managutti, Associate Professor, chaired oral and poster paper presentations, respectively, during a scientific session at the Global Congress of Anatomists and 69th National Conference of Anatomical Society of India, held at Gadag Institute of Medical Sciences, Gadag.

• Dr. Roshni Sadashiv, Assistant Professor, presented an oral paper titled "Anatomical study and clinical significance of basivertebral foramen of S1 vertebra." Ms. Sharanya presented a poster titled "Incidence and variations of pyramidalis muscle in adult and fetus: Its relevance and clinical implications."

• Ms. Aamna Kausar presented an oral paper titled "An insight into the variations in the atlantal part of vertebral artery along with its relation to the neighboring surgically important structures and bony landmarks: A Cadaveric study."
• Ms. Sonal Nayak presented an oral paper titled "Morphometric analysis of main sulci of brain with its clinical implications - A cadaveric study" at the same conference.

Department of Physiology:

• Department organized a comprehensive CME program titled 'Gut Brain Axis' on 24th June, 2023. This event not only aimed at disseminating valuable knowledge but also celebrated the contributions of two former HODs of the Department of Physiology, Dr. Shobha Nallulwar and Dr. S L Karne, who were felicitated during the occasion. The event witnessed active participation with around 180 delegates registering for the CME.

Department of Biochemistry:

• The Clinical Biochemistry Lab has undergone a significant upgrade with the installation of fully automated integrated analyzers, ROCHE Cobas 6000, capable of processing 1000 tests per hour. This modernization was formally inaugurated on 18th October, 2022, by the Chancellor Poojya Shri D Veerendra Heggade. Subsequently, the lab has initiated several new tests, enhancing patient care and clinical support.

• The department successfully hosted the 8th State level Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Biochemists - Karnataka Chapter (AMBKCCON-2023) on 19th and 20th May, 2023. This event was conducted under the auspices of AMBI and featured a pre-conference workshop on 18th May, 2023, focusing on "Blueprinting of Question Papers and Electives in Medical Education."
The conference's theme was "New Era of Diagnostics for Preimplantation and Prenatal Testing - Biochemical and Genetic Tools for Fetal Well-being." Dr. S P Kulkarni served as the Organizing Chairperson, and Dr. Vidya S Patil as the Organizing Secretary. The conference witnessed the participation of approximately 150 delegates and featured 15 invited guest speakers from both within and outside the state.

Department of Pathology:

• National Pathology Day, observed on 13th April, 2023, commemorated the birth anniversary of Dr. V. R. Khanolkar, a prominent figure in Indian Pathology and Medical Research history. Dr. Jagadish Kanabargi, a senior consultant pathologist from Dharwad, received felicitation during this event. Additionally, an engaging quiz competition took place, involving both MBBS and BDS students.

Medical College

• World Blood Donor's Day was celebrated on 14th June, 2023. Blood donation Camp was organized by Blood Centre and 11 donors were felicitated.

Department of Pharmacology:

• Dr. Radhika Sherkhane was nominated as the 'NMC appointed coordinator/observer by the National Medical Commission, Delhi, for NMC's rBCW workshop held at KIMS, Hubballi, from 19th to 21st January, 2023.

• Organized 'EXPO-PILLS,' an innovative student exhibition on 3rd and 5th April, 2023, featuring 3D models and videos. This event served as a platform to showcase the remarkable talents of our students.

• Dr. Radhika Sherkhane, Professor and Head, received well-deserved recognition for her contributions to Biomedical Ethics at KIMS, Koppal, on 31st May, 2023.

• In July 2023, Dr. Sudhindra Prathap. A, successfully completed his Ph.D from Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Salem, Tamilnadu.

• Department introduced 'INFO-PILLS,' an innovative and unique approach involving weekly short video summaries to help students grasp important topics easily. These summaries are conveniently accessible via a television set in the department.

Department of Microbiology:

• Dr. R D Kulkarni was felicitated on the occasion of Teachers' Day Celebration at SDM University.

• Dr. Pavithra Jain secured the 3rd prize in a Poster Presentation Contest at MYCOCON 2023, an International Conference on Fungal Infections

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• The NABL online surveillance of the Molecular Biology Laboratory was conducted on 27th September, 2022, and the accreditation was continued.

Department of Otolaryngology:

• Dr. Raghunath Shanbag was invited as faculty for the 1st National FESS and Anterior Skullbase Surgery course Hands on Cadaveric Dissection Program" held on 13th and 14th May, 2023, at Trustwell Hospital.

• Dr. Raghunath Shanbag was invited as faculty for the "National Ventral Skull base Cadaver Dissection course" held on 19th and 20th September, 2023, at M S Ramaiah Medical College, Skill Lab.

• Dr. Shraddha Pai completed the certified course in Assessment and Management of Vestibular Disorders conducted by Cyclops Medtech in March 2023.

• Dr. Arunkumar was elected as an Ethical committee member for KIMS Karad.

• Dr. Arunkumar contributed to a chapter titled "Airway Changes Detected By Cone Beam Computed Tomography (CBCT) In Muscular Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction Subjects Treated With Disclusion Time Reduction Therapy (DTR)" in the book "Handbook of Research on Clinical Applications of Computerised Occlusal Analysis in Dental Medicine," published by IGI Global, 3rd Edition.

• Dr. Habibulla successfully completed the Second Rhinology Fellowship.

Medical College

Department of Community Medicine:

• On 1st December, 2022, World HIV Day was observed at Government High School in Yadwad. The department conducted health education sessions for students, emphasizing safe sexual practices. The event also included a competition for the best essay on HIV/AIDS, followed by prize distribution.

.• In January 2023, the department collaborated with the Indian Cancer Society to conduct cancer screening in Mummigatti village. A total of 340 adults were screened for oral, breast, and cervical carcinoma. Two suspected cases of cervix cancer and two cases of oral cavity carcinoma were referred to SDM for further evaluation and treatment.

• The department engaged in multi-centric research in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) on sudden adult deaths in the age group of 15 to 45 years. The results of this research are eagerly awaited from ICMR, promising valuable insights into this critical health issue.

• World Breastfeeding Week was observed at RHTC Yadwad on 8th August, 2023. Approximately 60 rural women received education on exclusive breastfeeding practices, promoting maternal and infant health.

• In September 2023, the department conducted a comprehensive health check-up for 1200 students of JSS School in Vidyagiri, Dharwad. This initiative underscores the commitment to the health and well-being of the younger generation.

Department of General Medicine:

• Dr. Kiran Aithal, Professor and HOD took charge as **Chairman of API Hubli- Dharwad** in August 2023.

• Scientific talks were deliverd by Dr. Kiran Aithal and Dr. Mohan K at KAPICON 2023- Bellary in August 2023.

• Dr. Rajendrakumar P won 1st prize in quiz on Critical care at Best of Brussels workshop on POCUS in July 2023.

• Dr. Basavaraj V H, Dr. Kiran Aithal and Dr. Mohan. K were faculty for Medicine Update 2023 at KIMS Hubballi on 12th May, 2023.

• Dr. Mohan K received certificate of excellence in reviewing from Archives of current Research International in April 2023.

• Dr. Siddaganga and Dr. Mrutyunjaya were instructors for ACLS and BLS since February 2023.

• Dr. Naveen K and Dr. Siddaganga received consolation prize for poster presentation on National Science Day in February 2023.

• Awareness programmes were conducted on:
14.11. 2022 - World Diabetes Day, 04.03.2023 - World Obesity Day, 17.05.2023 - World Hypertension Day, 25.05.2023 - World Thyroid Day

• Conducted CME in association with the Department of Rheumatology on Common Problems in Rheumatology and Geriatrics on 13th October 2023.

Department of General Surgery:

• Dr. B Srinivas Pai, HOD, delivered the Prof. M. P. Pai Oration on "Acute Abdomen: An Unconquered Territory" at the 41st Annual Conference of KSCASICON in Kalaburgi.

• Dr. B Srinivas Pai, HOD and Prof, received the Dr. Mahadevan Award for his study on the "Role of Diagnostic Laparoscopy in Non-specific Pain Abdomen" at the same conference.

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• The department organized a CME on "Management of Oral Cavity Cancers" in association with HCG Centre. This event featured talks by Dr. Milind Shetti on "The Role of Radiotherapy in Oral Cavity Cancers" and Dr. Prasad Gunari on "The Role of Chemotherapy in Oral Cavity Cancer."

• Another CME on "Basics of Suturing and Knotting - Hands-on Training" took place in collaboration with AMA (Advanced Medtec Academy) and AMS (Advanced Medtec Solution). Professor Anurag Shrivastav delivered a guest lecture on suturing and knotting techniques.

• The Department of General Surgery celebrated Surgeons' Day on 24th June, 2023, by felicitating and honoring Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Dr. P G Mahalingashetty, and Dr. Mallikarjun Desai, Professor (Emeritus), for their outstanding contributions to the field of Surgery.

Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology:

• Dr. Carol Luke and Dr. Shoba accomplished a significant milestone by completing a one - year Fellowship course in Minimally Invasive Surgeries (Gynaecology) from our University, demonstrating their commitment to advanced surgical techniques.

• Dr. Seema's certification as a Master Trainer for implant insertion underscores her expertise and role in training others in this essential aspect of healthcare.

• Cervical cancer screening camps were organized in Jodalli, Mammighatti, Dummavad, Dulikoppa villages, and at SDMCMSH, contributing to the early detection and prevention of cervical cancer.

• Malnutrition screening camps were conducted in Agadi and Yadwad, addressing the critical issue of malnutrition in the community.

• Collaborating with FPAI, Dharwad, the department hosted cervical cancer and breast screening camps at Karnataka University, Dharwad emphasizing the importance of early detection and timely intervention.

• In May 2023, the department conducted a CME on 'Serum Maternal Markers and Chromosomal Analysis in PCOS,' fostering knowledge exchange and professional development in this specialized area of women's health.

• Various awareness programs were conducted at SDMCMSH, including those focused on breastfeeding, Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS), and postnatal exercises. These initiatives aimed to educate and empower women regarding their health and well-being.

• Dr. Rameshkumar K serves as the President, Dr. Sahana Naik as the Secretary, and Dr. Kiran Naik as the Treasurer for HDOGS, reflecting their leadership roles and contributions to the field of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

National Service Scheme

• "World Malaria Day" was observed on 29th April, 2023. Mr. T. P. Manjunath, District Entomologist, Dharwad was invited as a Guest Speaker.

• A tree plantation drive was organized by NSS and the Department of Community Medicine at Yadwad village on 29th July, 2023.

• A guest lecture was organised with the Board of Industry-Academia Partnerships (BIAP) on the topic, “Financial literacy and awareness” on 29th July, 2023. Mr. Nandan Gulaldavar was invited as a guest speaker.

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Department of Orthopaedics

• Conducted a CME on "Proximal Humerus Fracture" on 8th February, 2023 at Ishaavaasyam Auditorium, SDM Speciality Hospital. Dr. Amit Putti, Consultant Orthopaedics Surgeon, Forth Valley Royal Hospital and Kings Park Hospital, Sterling, Scotland was the faculty.

• Dr. Vigneshwar J, Orthopaedics Postgraduate, won First Prize in postgraduates Quiz conducted at KOACON-2023 Belagavi held from 3rd to 5th February, 2023.

• Dr. Santsoh S. Jeevannavar, Professor and HOD, Department of Orthopaedics, has participated as a faculty in 7th E.S.T.R.O.T. Congress, Frankfurt, Germany (European Cartilage Society) and presented a paper and a poster on 03rd to 05th July 2023 at Frankfurt, Germany.

• Dr. Santosh S. Jeevannavar, Professor and HOD, Department of Orthopaedics, has presented a scientific paper in 67th Conference of Indian Orthopedic Association held at Amritsar from 28th November 2022 to 03rd December, 2022, which has been approved for Dr. Joy Patankar Gold Medal Award.

Department of Paediatrics

The Department of Paediatrics conducted a workshop for Post Graduates on the topic of "Ventilate - Paediatric Mechanical Ventilation" in the month of March and also conducted College Level IAP UG quiz in the month of August.

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, Vice Principal and HOD Paediatrics Presented paper and poster in 7th International EMBA Congress Donor Human Milk as a bridge for successful breastfeeding held at Madrid, Spain.

Department of Dermatology

• Dr. Naveen K N, Prof and HOD, Department of Dermatology was elected as President of Hubballi - Dharwad Dermatologists Association. He has also won the University best chess player held in SDM.

• Dr. Sweta Prabhu, Associate Professor, is appointed as a member of the NMC Curriculum Core Committee.

• Dr. Sowmyashree Krishna, Assistant Professor was appointed as the course director for "ECLS" Workshop conducted for 97 Interns in June 2023.

• The Department of Dermatology conducted Orientation Programme Dermabasics - 2023" for the first year Dermatology PG Students across the State on Sunday, 12th February, 2023. Around 200 participants from all over Karnataka took part in this occassion. It was jointly conducted in association with IADVL Karnataka Chapter and Association of Hubballi - Dharwad Dermatologists.

• The Department of Dermatology SDM in association with IADVL Karnataka, Hubballi - Dharwad Dermatologists Association observed Leprosy Day Celebration on 8th February, 2023. Dr. Shashi Patil, (DHO) delivered guest lecture on "Recent NLEP Guidelines in Treatment of Leprosy.

Department of Psychiatry

Department of Psychiatry, SDM College of Medical Sciences and Hospital, Dharwad hosted the 17th Annual Psychiatry PG CME on 11th June, 2023 themed Psychiatric Rehabilitation. The CME shed light on important topics such as Nuts and Bolts of Psychiatric Rehabilitation. The topics were well appreciated by the delegates, in view of their day-to-day clinical implications. Yet another important aspect of CME was workshop on assessment of disability in persons with mental illness.

Department of Psychiatry in association with Department of Mental Health Nursing Observed 'International Day against Illicit Drugs' on 26th June, 2023.

Department of Psychiatry in association with Department of Mental Health Nursing Observed World Suicide Prevention Week from September 6th onwards with the aim of creating awareness for university staff and students, as well as among general public.

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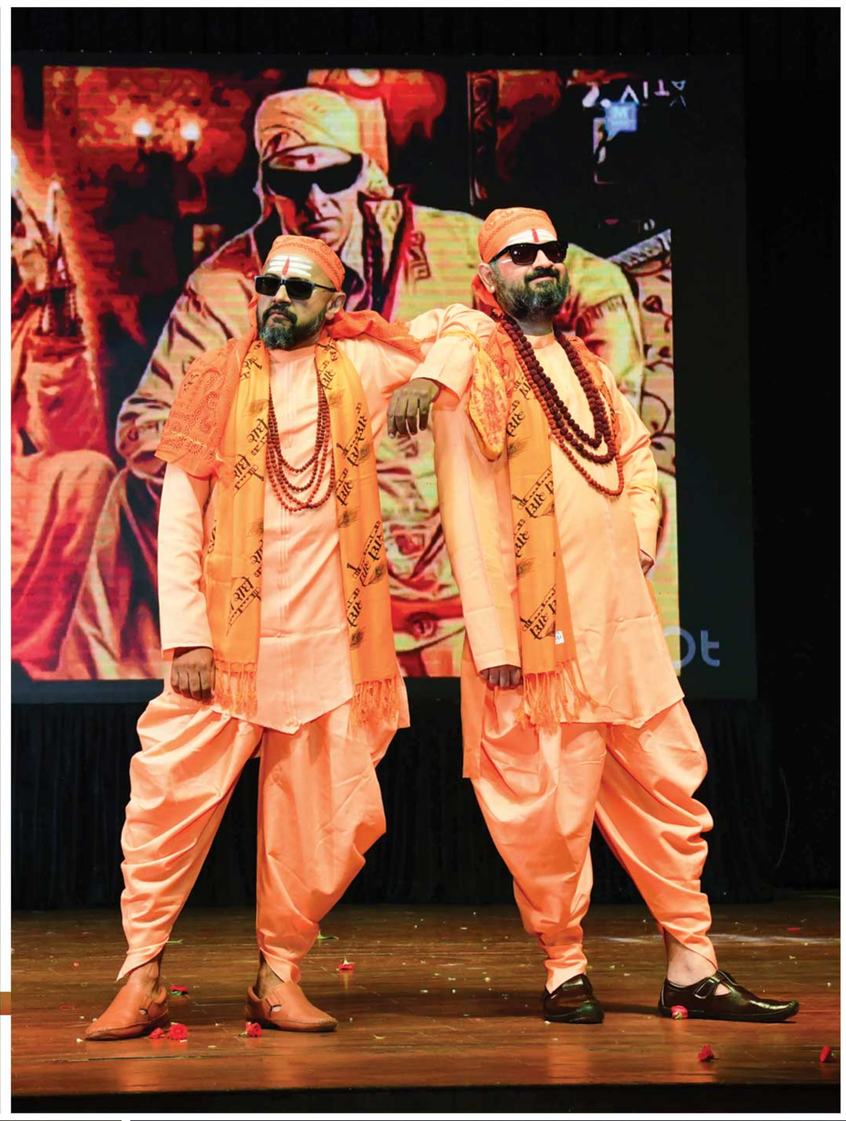

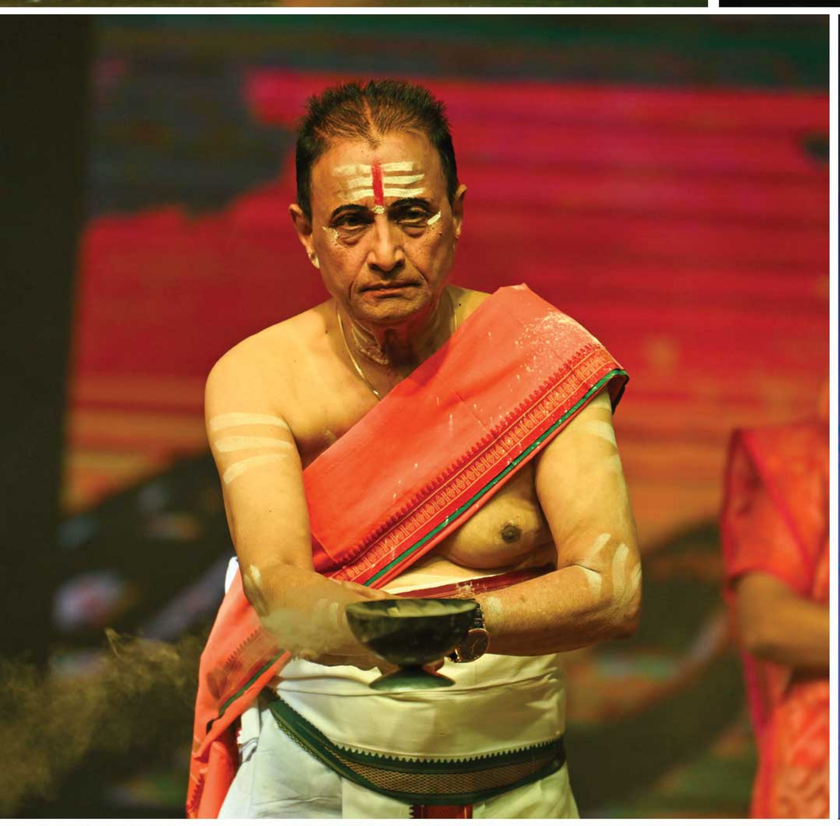

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Department of Critical Care Medicine:

• This 30-bedded tertiary referral department boasts a multidisciplinary team of Intensivists, dedicated Critical Care Nurses, Perfusionists, Respiratory Therapists, Dieticians, Physiotherapists, and Bio-Medical professionals. The collaboration extends across various departments, fostering holistic patient care. It is equipped with state-of-the-art technologies. The department offers advanced services including CRRT, Plasma Exchange, IABP, ECMO services, and NAVA ventilation, ensuring the highest quality of care for critically ill patients.

• Pioneering the way, the department initiated a full-time ECMO program with a Retrieval Unit in September 2022. The aim is to provide economically reserved local populations with top-notch services at an affordable cost. So far, 12 ECMO cases have been successfully connected, with a survival rate of 65%.

• The department contributes to medical education through various critical care training programs, including a two-year fellowship program under the prestigious SDM University. Collaborations with ISCCM offer programs like IDCCM, CTCCM, and IDCCN. Additionally, the department runs a BSc Respiratory Therapy program (3+1 years).

• The department has not only excelled in medical care but also in community engagement. The "Critical Care Awareness Month - May 2023" was a month-long event that combined academics, public outreach, and cultural awareness. This initiative has garnered significant popularity in the North Karnataka region, among both the general public and the medical community. It serves as a testament to the department's commitment to holistic healthcare and community well-being.

Department of Physical Education:

• The department successfully hosted the SDM Chess Tournament on 5th March, 2023, open to all SDM Educational Institutes.

• Teaching staff and MBBS students actively participated in the "Invictus-23" Inter Medical Sports Tournament - 2023, held at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, from 17th to 24th April, 2023.

• Deparment organized the "Crossover'23" Inter-Medical Basketball Invitational Tournament for both Men and Women, conducted from 4th to 7th May, 2023.

• Coordinated the Annual Sports event for BSc Medical Allied Health Science on 23rd and 24th June, 2023, fostering a spirit of athleticism.

• Hosted the "Battledoor'22" Inter-Medical Shuttle Badminton Invitational Tournament for both Men and Women, held from 6th to 8th July, 2023, promoting sportsmanship and competition.

• Orchestrated the "Knights of Honor '23" Inter-Medical Chess Invitational Competition for both Men and Women, taking place on 8th and 9th July, 2023, contributing to the enrichment of chess enthusiasts within the medical community

Department of Ophthalmology:

• Dr. Ashwitha Alva, final year PG, from our department has won the first prize for Best Neuro-Ophthalmology Free Paper Award on "Socio-demographic and etiologhical profile of Third, Fourth and Sixth cranial nerve palsies", at 42nd Karnataka State Ophthalmic Conference held from 27th to 29th October, 2023 at Bangalore, India.

• Dr. Mridula Prabhu, Professor, has participated in 26th Dr. Somanna Memorial State level Annual IMA - KSB Shuttle Badminton Tournament held at Father Muller Indoor Stadium, Kankanady, Mangalore on 12th and 13th August, 2023 and won Open women's doubles, Above 35 Women doubles, mixed doubles, Overall Championship amongst women.

• Department of Ophthalmology conducted CME "Potpourri in Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus" on 26th March, 2023.

Medical College

Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery:

• The inauguration of the new Carl Zeiss Tivato700 microscope on 2nd March, 2023, was graced by the presence of Chancellor Poojya Shri D Veerendra Heggade of SDM University. This state-of-the-art microscope not only supports microvascular work within the department but also facilitates supra-micro endeavors.

The department is renowned for its expertise in micro-vascular reconstructive procedures. Prior to the acquisition of this microscope, the department has successfully completed about 750 free tissue transfers, 28 reimplantations of fingers and hands, and up to 600 Arterio-Venous fistula surgeries. The addition of this cutting-edge microscope has further fortified the department's capabilities in micro and supra-micro procedures.

• International Plastic Surgery Day, observed on 15th July, 2023, was marked by an enlightening presentation by Dr. Anil R. His topic, "Surgeons with no boundaries," emphasized the significant contributions of the Plastic Surgery team to the progress of medical college. The department consistently conducts such awareness programs for the general public, fostering greater understanding of their vital work.

Department of Nephrology:

• It is one of the largest nephrology departments in North Karnataka, equipped with 34 dialysis machines that cater to approximately 2000 dialysis sessions each month. The department is at the forefront of medical technology, boasting a state-of-the-art Baxter Prismaflex CRRT machine. This technology plays a vital role in caring for critically ill patients in the ICU.

• A significant milestone was reached when Chancellor Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggadeji inaugurated the Ultrapure R.O plant, making it the second of its kind in the state. This advancement enhances the quality of care provided by the department.

• Another noteworthy accomplishment is the completion of 50 renal transplants. This transplant program has proven to be a valuable asset, benefiting all sections of society in North Karnataka.

• The department has also made strides in medical education by being one of the first to offer a super specialty course. It currently admits three candidates each year for the DM Nephrology program, contributing to the development of future nephrologists and advancing the field.

Department of Rheumatology:

• At the 24th conference of the Asia Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology (APLAR), held in Hong Kong, Dr. Pramod Chebbi, Associate Professor, made a significant contribution. He presented an original research article, which was the result of a collaborative effort with the Karnataka Rheumatology Association. APLAR is an esteemed International Organization affiliated with nine Asia Pacific countries, including developed nations such as Australia, China, and Japan.

Dr. Chebbi's presentation at this prestigious conference underscores the department's commitment to advancing the field of rheumatology and its dedication to impactful research in collaboration with leading associations.

Department of Endocrinology:

• The department conducted CME on the occasion of "World Thyroid Day" on 25th May, 2023 at DRH Auditorium in association with Department of General Medicine.

• Dr. Lohit Kumbar, Assistant Professor, received the award for Best Case Report of the Year 2022 published in the APIK Journal of Internal Medicine. Award was received at the KAPICON state conference held at Ballari in August 2023.

News from Principal's office:

• Dr. Rathnamala Desai was acknowledged as one of the 50 most effective Principals, based on a survey conducted by Educationtoday, a premium education magazine, featured in their June 2023 issue.

• She was elected as an Expert/National Master Trainer for introducing implants (Implanon NXT) by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, and FPAI. Conducted training sessions for doctors, medical officers, and service providers in various locations, including New Delhi, Assam, Kolkata, Dharwad, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, and Ahmedabad.

• Dr. Desai participated in the South Asia Regional Summit in Kathmandu, Nepal, on 19th to 20th January, 2023, organized by the Ministry of Health and Population, Government of Nepal, in collaboration with the Family Planning Association of Nepal (FPAN) and IPPF South Asia Regional Office.

• She provided a technical expert consultation on "Review the WHO Guidelines on self-care interventions for health and well-being, in the Indian Context," on 20th July, 2023, in New Delhi.

• Participated in the Strategy, Charter/re-branding, and anti-racism workshop of the IPPF-SARO International meeting held in New Delhi on 21st to 22nd August, 2023.

• She was appointed as an Expert Resource Person and Member of a Technical Resource Group by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, India, for the review and finalization of a draft "Reference Manual for Subdermal Single Rod Contraceptive Implants."

Hospital Report

NABH Accreditation Entry Level:

We are proud to announce that our hospital successfully completed the NABH accreditation entry level process in the month of June. This achievement reflects our commitment to providing high-quality healthcare services.

Departmental Inspection:

Following the NABH accreditation, we have undergone a rigorous departmental inspection, ensuring that our facilities and services meet the highest standards of quality and safety.

Academic Excellence:

Since its inception in 2018, our Department of Hospital Administration has witnessed tremendous growth. We are pleased to share that two batches have graduated with flying colors, showcasing the dedication and hard work of our students and faculty.

NMC Recognition:

The National Medical Commission (NMC) has granted recognition for three seats in our hospital for the next five years. This recognition is a testament to the quality of medical education and training we offer.

Medicolegal Education:

Our medical superintendent, hospital administration PG, and the Forensic department recently attended a Moot Court event held at SDM Law College in Mangalore. This event focused on medicolegal cases, further enhancing our expertise in this crucial area.

Poster Presentation Success:

Our hospital received recognition for a prize-winning poster presentation at the Critical Care Unit. This achievement reflects the dedication and innovation of our healthcare professionals.

World Kidney Day Celebration:

We celebrated World Kidney Day with enthusiasm and participation from the entire college. This event not only raised awareness about kidney health but also strengthened our sense of community.

Collaboration with JSS/SDM Engineering College:

We have initiated a collaboration with JSS/SDM Engineering College in Dharwad, welcoming new interns to our hospital. This partnership enhances our interdisciplinary approach to healthcare.

Inter-Institutional Exchange:

As per the wishes of the Honorable Chancellor, we successfully conducted inter-institutional exchange programs with SDM College of Management Studies. These exchanges have enriched our knowledge and ideas.

Department Expansion:

We are thrilled to announce the expansion of our Department of Hospital Administration. This expansion will enable us to provide even better services and educational opportunities.

Dental College

The Alumni Association of SDM College of Dental Sciences and Hospital 'Spandana' hosted a ground breaking First-ever Digital Dentistry Rendezvous on the 1st and 2nd September, 2023. The inauguration was graced by our Honourable Chancellor, Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade, Dr. Dibyendu Mazumdar (President, Dental Council of India), Shri Surendra Kumar (Vice-President, SDME Society) and Vice-Chancellor Dr. Niranjan Kumar. The two-day event was marked by profound scientific deliberations and stands as a testament to Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheswara University's commitment to advancing dentistry through innovation and collaboration.

Root Canal Awareness Week was celebrated with great fervour by the Department of Conservative Dentistry from 24th February, to 6th March, 2023. The celebrations included a debate competition on Digitization in Dentistry, and a treatment drive to render treatment to all the OPD patients. A lecture and hands on workshop on Bio-mimetic Restorations with Dr. Krishna Vyas, a speaker of international repute as the resource person was conducted as part of the celebrations.

Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology celebrated International Radiology Day as "Roentgen Week" from 2nd to 8th November, 2022 by conducting workshop on CBCT, and Quiz competition.

The 10th Annual Conference of AOMSI (Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons of India), Karnataka State Chapter, was hosted by the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery from 14th to 16th September, 2023. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, and esteemed dignitaries of the governing body of AOMSI.

An article titled 'Human salivary concentrations of brain derived neurotrophic factor correlates with subjective pain intensity associated with initial orthodontic therapy' was published in Nature Portfolio Journal by Sagar Bhat, Ameet Revankar and Roopak Naik.

Dr. Ashith Acharya from Department of Forensic Odontology was appointed to the Executive Board of the International Organisation for Forensic Odonto-Stomatology (IOFOS) at its conference in September 2023 in Croatia. He is the first from Asia to be accorded this honour.

Department of Pediatric Dentistry conducted "Anti-Tobacco Day" in collaboration with Department of Pediatrics, KIMS Hubli with the theme "We need food, Not Tobacco". This included a talk by Dr. Shruti Patil to create awareness regarding ill effects of tobacco chewing in children and street plays to depict the same at various public places in Hubballi-Dharwad City from 24th to 31st May, 2023 which was received with good response.

The Department of Periodontics conducted various activities for Oral Hygiene Day celebrations on 1st August, 2023, which included camps, a lecture series, an essay competition, radio-talks and published articles on oral health in local newspapers. A drive to collect used toothbrushes and distribution of bamboo toothbrushes was done to emphasize about the green way of maintaining oral hygiene.

A Student Exchange Programme was undertaken to increase the exposure and experiences of the students to newer and varying schools of thought. As a part of this programme, eight of our interns visited KLE VK Institute of Dental Sciences, Belagavi from 22nd to 30th May, 2023 which was followed by the visit of eight of their interns to our college from 24th July to 1st August, 2023. The programme was very much appreciated by the students of both the colleges.

ನಿಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪಾರ ಶಕ್ತಿಯಿದೆ, ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲವಿದೆ ಅವುಗಳ ಸದುಪಯೋಗದಿಂದ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಪ್ರಗತಿಯನ್ನು ಸ್ವತಃ ನೀವೇ ಸಾಧಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಬೇಕಾದ ಸಹಾಯ, ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ ನಾವು ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

Prosthodontist Day was celebrated on 23rd January, 2023 with Dr. Prakash Nidwani as the resource person who conducted a workshop on "Implant Impression techniques." The prizes for the events conducted were distributed by the Chief Guest Mrs. Padmalatha Niranjan Kumar, Member, Board of Governors, Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University.

The Department of Public Health Dentistry has made significant advances this year with successful execution of 40 oral screening and treatment camps. These have provided dental check-ups to 5500 patients, delivering 1836 treatments. Notably, the mobile dental bus covered an impressive 4103 kilometers to reach underserved villages located in seventeen taluks of Dharwad, Haveri, Belgavi and Uttar Karnataka districts.

The poster titled "Ergo Sure Posture Trainer" by Dr. Ravi Shirahatti , Dr. Hema T.S, and Dr. Akshata Agnihotri secured the Second Prize at the SDM University-level poster competition for National Science Day.

Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Oral Microbiology organised an International Webinar to mark National Oral Pathologists Day by the Guest Speaker Dr. Vimi S. Mutalik, on the topic "Essentials of an Oral Pathology experience" on 16th February, 2023.

Book Exhibition Cum Sale was organized by the Library, SDM College of Dental Sciences and Hospital, Dharwad from 11th to 13th July, 2023 in the Library Premises. The book exhibition was inaugurated by Shri Saketh Shetty, Director of Administration, Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University.

32nd Graduation day was conducted on 16th December, 2022. Amongst undergraduates Dr. Ashish Kallur won President Gold Medal for his exceptional performance in Academics. The Meritorious Post Graduate Award was presented to Dr. Boddupalli Tejasree Kameswari from the Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry.

Dr. Kiran Raddar,
Professor, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, won bronze medals in singles and doubles Badminton Competition held at Thailand in February 2023 and also has won Silver Medal in Javelin Throw in Asia Pacific Masters Games in May 2023 held at Jeonbuk, South Korea.

Annual Cultural Week Udbhav-2023 (One Celebration, Countless Memories) was inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Pandit. Ganapati Bhat Hasanagi one of the finest Classical Vocalists of our Nation and the Guest of Honour Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan Kumar, Member, Board of Governors on 25th August, 2023. The 5 day-long event saw enthusiastic participation from students who showcased their extracurricular talent. The faculty too participated actively in the event and entertained students with special performances.

Physiotherapy College

SDM College of Physiotherapy has Secured 4th Rank in All India, 1st Rank in Zone and 1st Rank in State as per the Indian Institutional Ranking Framework (IIRF) - 2023 which has released the Professional college rankings for 2023.

Dr. Sanjay Parmar, took over as Principal of SDM College of Physiotherapy from this academic year.

The year 2023 began with many faculty and students participating in paper and poster presentations at the ICPT conference in Mumbai. The 5 papers and 6 posters presented received 2 prizes for paper and 2 prizes for posters. Faculty was also invited as Resource Persons at the conference. This trend has continued since then with many faculty attending CME conducted in-house and outside.

Dr. Sanjay Parmar, was also resource person for a CME on Recent Advances and Updates on Management of Children with Neurological Disorders organized by Keshav Seva Sadhana in association with Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa. He recently visited University of Manitoba, Canada as a Research Scientist for 10 days.

Seven teams from SDMCPT actively participated in the poster competitions held by SDM University on the occasion of National Science Day in February 2023. The teams secured the 2nd and 3rd place while two more teams were awarded Consolation Prizes.

The faculty have since December 2022, published 10 research articles in various journals including 4 research publications in international journals by Dr. Sanjay Parmar.

Dr. Rajeev Lal attended a Guest Lecture on “Scientific Basis for Inching towards Eternity" by Dr. P D Gupta, Retired Director Grade Scientist of Centre of Cellular Molecular Biology (CCMB). He and Dr. Sanjay Parmar attended a 3-day College Administrators Online Training “Capacity Development Program” organized by The Institute for Academic Excellence (IAE), Hyderabad in association with Jawaharlal Nehru Technical University. Four faculty members also successfully completed a two-week online Faculty Development Program on “Trends in Research and Scientific Writing” organized by Indian Spinal Injuries Centre - Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences, New Delhi.

Dr. Sanjay Parmar and 6 PGs attended the CME on “Gut Brain Axis: Are they really in talking terms?” organized by Department of Physiology, SDMCMS&H.

Dr. Salima Bijapuri and Dr. Sangeeta Appannavar participated in the “Pelvic Floor Muscle Rehabilitation” workshop organized by the college in association with WOW International Institute of Pelvic Floor Research Rehab and Education (IIPRE). Dr. Shubha Akadas attended webinar on “Male Pelvic Floor Rehab” conducted by WOW IIPRE organized by Physio Inculcators and Swarnagiri Neuro Physiotherapy and Multispecialty Clinic Kota, Rajasthan.

Dr. Sweta Kulkarni received the Significant Contribution Award at “DSU PHYSIOCON 2023” National Conference in Bangalore. She along with 11 students participated in the poster and paper presentations at the Conference where students secured 3rd place in paper presentation and 1st place in Quiz competition.

Dr. Jyoti Jeevannavar was awarded the Exceptional Service in Paediatric Physiotherapy at SCIENTIFICA 2023 by Keshav Seva Sadhana in association with Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa. She completed the Online certificate course in “Screening for depression and suicide in Children and also attended an International Conference by the European Society of Tissue Regeneration in Orthopedics and Traumatology (E.S.T.R.O.T.) Congress in Frankfurt, Germany in July 2023.

The college organized a splendid 3-days Students Cultural Fest - “Kriva - 2023”, showcasing the diverse talents of its students through music, skits, dance, and more. The event was inaugurated on by Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade, Hon’ble Chancellor, Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University, Dharwad and Pandit M. Venkatesh Kumar in the esteemed presence of Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director and Member of BOG, and all the dignitaries of SDM University. Indoor and outdoor games for students and staff of the college were also arranged as part of fest.

Dr. Jyoti Jeevannavar and Dr. Salima Bijapuri rendered a talk on SDM Radio Doctor “Aarogya Samvada” on different occasions.

Dr. Sharmila Dudhani along with 7 PG students attended the one-day workshop on "Role of Physiotherapy in Craniofacial and TMJ disorders" conducted by Dr. Renuka Chilajwar (PT), organized by IAPWC Solapur District Maharashtra in Association with CNS Hospital Solapur

A workshop on Advanced Orthopedic Physical therapy-Pilon IASTM and Chiropractic Application was successfully organized by the institution which was conducted by the Brazilian Physical Therapist Gustavo Pilon.

In an era of rising infection rates an infection control sensitization and training session was successfully conducted by the infection control committee for students and teaching staff of the college. BLS training was arranged for 130 Interns and PG's along with the Department of Emergency Medicine, SDMCMS&H.

As a part of educational visit Dr. Salima Bijapuri and Dr. Shweta Bhatbolan and PGs of Community Physiotherapy Department, visited Composite Regional Centre for persons with disabilities - Divyangjan, Davangere which is a center for skill development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of PWD under NEPID(Secundrabad). They along with PGs, Interns and Final Year students were part of Disability Evaluation camps organised by the NGO "Operation Equip India" Hubballi in various villages surrounding Dharwad as part of community outreach programmes. A number of PG's and interns were also deputed as physiotherapists for the Annual JFK Football matches at Shanteshwar High School, Amminbhavi.

On the occasion of International Women's Day, Dr. Jyoti Jeevannavar along with 4 interns were part of the free Mega Health Check-up Camp organised by IMA Women Doctors Wing in association with Rotary Club of Seven Hills and Rotary Club Dharwad Heritage, at Dharwad, for the benefit of women Municipal and Asha workers where 156 women availed of the physiotherapy services. The efforts were very much appreciated by all.

Six skill enhancement workshops were conducted for interns by all the faculty in their various branches of physiotherapy. 8 webinars were also conducted by internationally placed alumni of the college as part of Alumni Engagement programme along with other internationally renowned Speakers. Student guidance programmes were also conducted to impart information regarding higher education and opportunities abroad.

Dr. Sanjay Parmar participated in the Education Show at The Chancery Pavilion, Bengaluru, Dr. Ravi Savadatti in the Education Expo 2023 organised by Deccan Herald-Prajavani Group while Dr. Rajeev Lal and Dr. Sweta Kulkarni in the Education fair organized by TV 9 to promote the courses offered by our University.

47 graduates were conferred with their degrees during the 21st BPT and 17th MPT Convocation was held on 15th and 16th December, 2022. 14 students of BPT 2017-18 batch secured totally. 24 subject-wise ranks as declared by the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangaluru on the 25th Convocation for the year 2023.

A number of students represented SDM University in the South Zone Inter University Tournament 2022-23 at Reva University, Bengaluru for various sports events securing the 10th place for the University. They also participated in similar tournaments at SRM Institute of Sciences and Technology. Two students were also part of Inter University Yoga (Women) team which represented in the All-India Inter-University Yoga Competition held at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT), Bhubaneswar (Odisha). Students also participated in the "Knights of Honor" Inter Collegiate Chess Tournament organized by SDMCMS&H, Dharwad

The college also recently celebrated the World Physiotherapy Day with a week full of events including community camp in Poly-Clinic Hubballi, symposium, blood donation Camp, poster competitions and walkathon.

All this has been along with the highest patient care being offered at all times with the various departments setting record highest number of patients in a day to highest number of sessions in a month. Approximately 44000 patients were treated and 54000 treatment sessions delivered during the year.

Nursing College

Principal's Desk:

Prof. David A Kola

Nursing as a discipline has evolved significantly and its scope is continuously expanding. In today's dynamic health care landscape nurses are playing pivotal roles from direct patient care to education, research and leadership positions.

Globally the demand for skilled nurses is immense and on rise, opening up diverse career opportunities, Recognising this. Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University is unwavering to its commitment in providing best possible resources in all aspects to produce quality-oriented nursing professionals equipped with advanced competencies, clinical judgement analytical thinking and positive professional attitude. At the SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences our effort is to empower both graduate and post graduate nursing students to practice the Nobel profession with the utmost care and concern filled with compassion.

About Institute:

The SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences was established in the year 2006 under the auspice of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Education Society with the support and blessings of Poojya Shri D.Veerendra Heggade. It is one of the leading Institute in Karnataka, set with high standards to learn and practice Nursing with a vision. The Institute is heading towards excellence under the able leadership and patronage of Honorable Chancellor Poojya Shri D.Veerendra Heggade, Vice Chancellor Dr. Niranjan Kumar and Executive Director and Member of BOG Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan. The Institute of Nursing Sciences has gone through a huge transformation since its establishment and has become a most culturally diverse Institute in Northern Karnataka. Today it is a constituent unit of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University subscribes to tripartite mission including outreach that bridges the areas of education, service and research. The Institute provides leadership for education of Nurses at the undergraduate and master's level within an integrated dynamic and diverse healthcare system meeting strict education standards set by apex bodies.

As an ambitious Institution it is consistently placed on the top with a reimagined undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum, cutting-edge facilities, inspirational academics and vibrant campus life. It is a place where students can attain widely recognised and respected qualification. Through unique academic experience students develop highly valuable leadership skills such as global citizenship intercultural intelligence, personal and social responsibility.

We are committed in providing technical resources in pursuit of academic's success for our students. We achieve this goal by working in partnership with Medical College and Hospital, Nursing Services to implement innovative ideas in the care of patients that create richer teaching and learning experience. We also provide professional development opportunities by effectively integrating innovative educational technologies into teaching practices, and work collaboratively in meeting the needs of faculty and students.

Courses offered:

At this Institute we offer four programs recognized by Government of Karnataka, approved by Karnataka State Nursing Council - Bangaluru, Indian Nursing Council - New Delhi affiliated to Karnataka State Diploma Nursing Examination Board, Bangaluru and Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University, Dharwad.

- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing [Ph.D Nursing]
- Master of Science in Nursing in all five specialties [M.Sc. Nursing]
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing [B.Sc. Nursing]
- Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery [DGNM]
- General Duty Healthcare Assistant Course [GDHA]

Para nursing to reduce the burden of non-nursing activities on Nurses and provide employment opportunity to economically weaker section, whose dream is to contribute to human care and lead life with dignity for such deserving students a one year value added program was launched in the year 2020 under Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University.

The Institute filled all the facilities housed in independent building and meets the standard norms of Indian Nursing Council, New Delhi. Full-fledged simulation laboratories and well-furnished library "AKSHARA" is the hallmark of the Institute.

Hands on clinical experience to the students of our Institute are provided in 1200 bedded state of art parent Medical College Hospital, Rural Health Training Centre and Urban Health Training Centre.

Training:

The emphasis is placed on clinical learning to prepare competent nursing personnel in provision of quality holistic nursing care to the patients and their families. Our efforts are to become model Institute in provision of Nursing Education in Karnataka.

Institutional Ranking:

• We are glad to place on record that the SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences has secured 8th Place in Top 10 Nursing Colleges 2019 as published in Higher Education Review Magazine December 2019 issue.

• SDM Institute of nursing Sciences Dharwad stands 10th place in All India Category, 4th place in South Zone Category and 2nd Rank in State - A survey conducted by Indian Institutional Framework 2022- Education post.

• SDM Institute of nursing Sciences Dharwad stands 9th place in All India Category, 4th place in South Zone Category and 2nd Rank in State - A survey conducted by Indian Institutional Framework 2023 - Education post.

World Asthma Day:

World Asthma Day was observed on 2nd May 2023 in collaboration with Pulmonology Department SDMCMS&H, NSS unit SDMINS and PRISTINE Pearl Pharmaceutical Company Ltd. The silent walking awareness rally was started from SDM Urban Health Training Centre, Vidyagiri to Jubilee Circle approximately 2kms walked on BRTS lane, distributed pamphlets, posters to the public.

International Midwife Day:

International Midwives Day was observed by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecological Nursing, on 5th May, 2023 at SDMINS, to commemorate, the Theme "Together Again: from Evidence to Reality". The events included poster exhibition and guest lecture by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecological Nursing SDMCMSH.

Nurses Day - Our Nurses, Our Future:

The International Nurses week was celebrated on 12th May, 2023 as a mark of respect to the pioneer of modern nursing Ms. Florence Nightingale at Institute of Nursing Sciences and Smt. Anita Surendra Kumar inaugurated the celebration.

Lamp Lighting and Oath Taking Ceremony:

The Lamp Lighting and Oath Taking Ceremony of 18th batch of GNM and 15th batch of B.Sc. Nursing of SDM Institute of Nursing Science's was conducted at Poojya Shri D. Veerendra Heggade Kalakshetra.

World Environment Day:

World Environment Day was celebrated on 5th June, 2023 in Pudakalakatti village collaboration with Community Health Nursing Department and NSS Unit SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences. Faculty and NSS Volunteers conducted rally

International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking:

The Department of Mental Health Nursing and NSS Unit of the Institute of Nursing Sciences in collaboration with SDMCMS&H Dharwad observed "International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking" from 26th to 28th June, 2023.

Poster Exhibition and Role Play Programme:

A poster exhibition and role-play program took place on 26th June, 2023. Dr. Niranjan Kumar, Honourable Vice Chancellor of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University Dharwad, was the Chief Guest and discussed the side effects of drugs on health. Dr. Abhay Matkar, Head of the Department of Psychiatry SDMCMS&H Dharwad, emphasized the theme "People first: Stop stigma and discrimination, strenghten prevention".

Street Play at College of Dental Sciences:

On 27th June a street play was conducted at SDM College of Dental Sciences and Hospital. Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director and Member BOG Shri Dharmasthala Manunatheshwara University Dharwad, was the Chief Guest. Dr. Balaram Naik, Principal of SDMCDS&H Dharwad, and Prof. David A. Kola were present during the event.

Village Rally and Role Play:

On 28th June, in Pudakalkatti village with an aim to raise awareness against drug abuse and illicit trafficking. Dr. Sachin, Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry, SDMCMS&H. Dr. Nagesh V. A. Associate Professor, Department of Mental Health Nursing SDMINS, and Mr. Vishwesh K, a Psychiatric Social Worker. Nursing students, faculty, public, and high school students were participated.

Breastfeeding Week Celebration:

World Breast Feeding Week from 1st August to 7th August 2023 was observed by Department of Child Health Nursing and Obstetrics Gynecological Nursing, SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences, in association with SDM College of Medical Sciences and Hospital Dharwad. Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan, Executive Director and Member BOG Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University Dharwad, along with Dr. Asha Nervi, Head Department of OBG, inaugurated weeklong activities by unveiling the theme "Enabling Breast Feeding, Making the difference for working parents". Dr. Chaitra, OBG Department and Dr. Jasmeen Pediatric Department of SDMCMS&H delivered guest lecture to the students and mothers attending OBG and Pediatric OPD on 7th August, 2023. Students of SDMINS enacted a street play on various aspects of Breast Feeding pertaining to the Theme in different parts of the Hospital.

77th Independence Day:

Shri Dhrmasthala Manjunatheshwara University and its constituent Institutions celebrated 77th Independence Day at SDM Institute of Nursing Sciences and Physiotherapy premises in a very colourful ceremony.

Chief Guest Dr. Chidendra M Shettar Registrar, Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University hoisted the National flag.

World PCOS Day:

World Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Day was observed by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Nursing, on 1st September, 2023, jointly organized by SDMCMSH and SDMINS. The events included Poster Exhibition. Health talks were delivered by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Nutrition and Dietetics SDMCMSH and the College of physiotherapy, Institute of Nursing Sciences. Finally, Student of Nursing Institute presented Skit on causes and prevention of PCOS among teenagers.

Teachers Day Celebration:

Teacher's day was celebrated on 5th September, 2023, the senior faculty were felicitated on this occasion.

World Suicide Prevention Day:

The Department of Mental Health Nursing and Department of Psychiatry SDMCMS&H Dharwad. Observed the "World Suicide Prevention Day" on 7th to 12th September, 2023 with the theme of "Creating Hope Through Action"

World Mental Health Week:

World Mental Health Week was observed from 3rd to 10th October, 2023. All the activities in observation of week were directed towards the theme for the year 2023 "Mental health is a universal human right". Dr. Rathnamala Desai Principal SDMCMS&H, inaugurated the week-long celebration. Dr. Abhay Matkar Professor & HOD Department Psychiatry delivered the guest lecture and interacted with the staff and students. Dr. Kiran Heggade Medical Superintendent SDMCMS&H highlighted the importance of maintenance mental health among the health professionals. Prof. David A Kola Principal SDMINS was presented the brief report on activities conducted during the Mental Health Week.

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Research Institute for Biomedical Scienes (RIBS)

Message from Principal's Desk

SDM Research Institute for Biomedical Sciences a constituent Unit of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara University, has been ranked among **Karnataka's best 20 educational Institutes 2023** published by "The Academic Insight" Magazine, 2023.

Dr. K. Satyamoorthy has been appointed as new Chief Supervisor of SDMRIBS.

Academic and Hands-on Training Programs (Cell, Molecular and bioinformatics) are being arranged for outside students.

Student Achievements (2022-23)

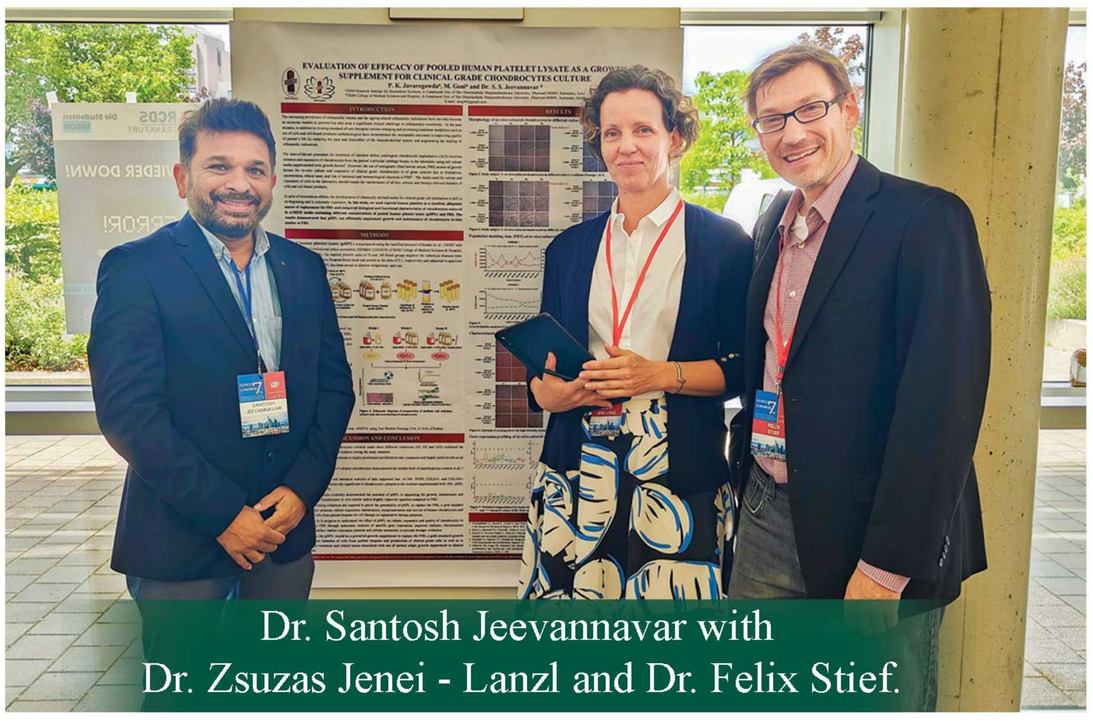
Ms. Apeksha Padakannaya (107/120) and Meghana Variyar (109/120), recently cleared TOFEL. This will help them in getting scholarships to pursue higher education abroad.

Special Guest Lecture and Felicitation

Our faculty members presented special lecture at BLDEs, K.C.P Science College, Vijaypura and SRNM College of Applied Sciences, Shimoga. Both faculty members are Alumni of the same institution and were felicitated.

Participation and Awards

In collaboration with Department of Orthopedics, SDMCMSH, a poster has been presented on 3rd July, 2023 at 7th ESTROT Congress, Frankfurt, Germany.



Dr. Santosh Jeevannavar with
Dr. Zsuzas Jenei - Lanzl and Dr. Felix Stief.

Placement at SDMRIBS

We are proud to announce that first batch M.Sc. graduates' had 100% placement at various institutions and positions within 3 months of their course completion.

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Student's Corner - Medical

Co-Curricular Achievements

• SDM Women's and Men's basketball team have secured the 1st and 2nd place respectively at the "Crossover '23" event organised by SDM Medical College conducted from 4th to 7th May, 2023.

• Mr. Abhiman AR and Ms. Gauri Sreeenidhi have secured 1st place at the badminton tournaments: 'Invictus 2023' conducted in KMC Manipal and "Battledore'23" conducted in SDM Dharwad, in the mixed doubles category.

• The SDM Badminton team have secured 1st place at the badminton events "Battledore'23" in SDM Dharwad and "Tatvum 2023" conducted by JSSMC, and were runner ups at "Pegasus 2023" conducted by CMC Vellore all in team event category.The team members are Dr. Pradeep Kumar (HOD Neurosurgery), Dr. Prajwal Udupa, Dr. Navneet Bhat, Dr. Nischith G, Mr. Abhiman AR, Mr. Tarun Teja, Mr. Nischith Gouli, Dr. Vigneshwar and Dr. Shravan S Channal.

• SDM students have bagged the 2nd place in Dance at the "Invictus 2023" event conducted by KMC, Manipal.

• Mr. Shankar Guled, from Final Year UG, secured the second place in the Knights of Honor Rapid and Blitz Chess Tournament conducted at SDM Medical College from 8th - 9th July 2023.

Academic Achievements

• Dr. Milana, PG, Department of Pathology won 3rd prize in poster presentation titled "Fetus-in-Fetu - A rare case report" at APCON 2022 conducted at M S Ramaiah Medical College, Bengaluru.

• Dr. Amoghavarsha, Dr. Yashaswini S and Dr. Udit Umesh Umarani, PG Students from Department of Emergency Medicine, won the 1st place in Medical Quiz conducted by Critical Care Medicine Department, SDMCMSH Dharwad. They also secured 3rd place in National level quiz in EM India, Pune at National Conference of Emergency Medicine.

• Dr. Yashaswini S won the 1st place in Poster presentation at Critical Care CME at SDMCMSH and at AEMECON, National Conference of Emergency Medicine, Coimbatore.

• Mr. Ajay Srivathsa from 3rd year, has published an article on "Unlocking the power of statistics: Navigating through truth and misleading maze" in the Indian Journal of Surgery on 29th August 2023.

ದೇವರು ನಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಇದ್ದಾನೆ. ಭಜನೆ-ಪೂಜೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡುವುದರಿಂದ ಹತ್ತಿರವಾಗುತ್ತಾನೆ. ಭಜನಾ ಕಮ್ಮಟದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಹಾಡುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಣತರನ್ನಾಗಿಸುವುದು ನಮ್ಮ ಉದ್ದೇಶವಲ್ಲ. ನೀವು ಸಮಾಜಕ್ಕೆ ಸನ್ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರಾಗಬೇಕು, ಸದ್ಗುಣವಂತರಾಗಬೇಕು.

Student's Corner - Dental

Academic Achievements :

• Dr. Jaene Alex Varghese and Dr. Soumendu Karmarkar, House surgeons won the Best Paper at IDA Karnataka State Student Dental Conference on 19th November, 2022 held at DAPM RV Dental College, Bangaluru.

• Dr. Gayathri S and Dr. Lekha, House surgeons under the guidance of Dr. Kruthika S. Guttal won the Best Paper at IDA Karnataka State Dental Conference on the topic "Delineating the grey areas in Radiodiagnosis-Radiomics.

• Dr. Amruta Kudupali, House Surgeon secured 1st place in Paper presentation at the 6th International Dental Students Congress, Indian Association of Dental Students in collaboration with Dr. GD Pol Foundation at YMT Dental College Mumbai on the topic "Elixir to support Oral Health"

• Dr. Megha M George secured 1st place in paper presentation at IAOMR National PG Convention 2022 conducted from 26th to 28th August 2022 in Jaipur.

• Dr. Farhan Ahmed and Dr. Nishath Tajin won the Best Paper presentation at the 9th IPS Karnataka State Branch Conference in Navodaya Dental College, Raichur held from 10th and 11th April 2023.

• Dr. Aasadur Rahaman was awarded Certificate of Appreciation for Best Paper in 37th IACDE National Conference held on 17th to 20th November, 2022 at Bhopal.

• Dr. Noureen Nahar secured 1st prize in 33rd IOAMR National Conference held in Bhubaneswar from 8th to 10th December 2022 on topic "Potential role of JVA in chronically displaced disc an MRI correlation study".

• Dr. Maturi Naga Udaya Kanth won the Best poster award at the 43rd National Conference of Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry at People's College of Dental Sciences and Research Centre, Bhopal held from 24th to 26th November, 2022.

Co-Curricular Achievements:

• Panchami Sarpangala (Final year BDS student) secured 1st place in KIMS CUP Chess Tournament on 11th June, 2023 and represented SDM University in South Zone and secured 10th place.

• Dr. Asha S Malali, II Year PG student participated has won the 2nd Prize in Women doubles in Indian Dental Association's Karnataka State Inter-Branch Shuttle Badminton tournament 2023 conducted on 27th and 28th May, in Hospet.

Udbhav 2023

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Club Activities

Cultural Club

The Cultural Club organized Desi Kreedegalu on 5th May 2023. The event was inaugurated by Smt. Padmalatha Niranjan Kumar, Board of Governors, and Shri. Saketh Shetty, Director Administration wherein different outdoor desi games like lagori, goli, buguri (top), tyre bandi, hagga jagata (tug of war), lemon and spoon were organized along with food stalls set up by students and staff

This event was a grand success which was coordinated by Dr. Anil R, Mr. Mruthyunjay Salimath and other members of Cultural Club.

Photography Club

SDM Photography Club organised theme based photography competition from March 2023. A total of 72 photography club members and 96 students participated. The themes given included Architecture of SDM, Sports activities at Campus, Beauty of Monsoon, Utsav Cultural Festival at Glance and Flora at the Campus.

The best photos were judged by Dr. Swamy Kalasuramath and coordinated by Kshitij Viveki, Kanak Magdum, Abhishek Handigol, Veerbhadragouda Patil.

Literary Club

Read, Listen, Write, Reflect

The Literary club headed by Dr. Sunil Mannual and team with over 181 members with an active blog with the title 'Connecting the dots…" has conducted 12 events including Debates, Book reading sessions, Drama, Book swap, Pictionary, word hunt, Story writing, poetry and quiz.

The literary club has also conducted following events in coordination with other committees

- Debate – Artificial Intelligence: Boon or Bane. Coordinated with Physiotherapy College for World Physiotherapy Week
- Debate - Motion: The UN has failed to fulfill its primary mandate of preventing and resolving international conflicts and promoting and protecting human rights. Coordinated with Literary Committee of Utsav 2023.
- Symposium on Science and Sanskrit. Coordinated with NSS Unit of the Medical College
- All Literary events of Utsav 2023 - JAM, Word Games, Quiz, Turncoat, Dialogue Writing, 3-line story etc

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