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Participants of the UGC Sponsored National Level IQAC Conference on "Quality Initiatives in Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Processes in Higher Educational Institutions" on 24th August 2018.

The Conference began with a prayer and Lighting of The Lamp. This was followed by a welcome speech by the Principal Dr. Nirmala Joseph. The principal highlighted the importance of quality in education in the

current age of internet and open learning environment. It was followed by an address by the Director Father Prasanth Madtha who spoke about traditional learning and modern learning. The concept note of the conference was read out by Ms. Shivakami Rajan, IQAC Coordinator and it was followed by the release of the book of abstracts by the keynote speaker Dr. Jeevan Kumar. D. The opening ceremony was formally closed by Dr. Soney Mathews who then handed over the first session to Dr. D.Jeevan Kumar.

Dr. D. Jeevan Kumar is currently a consultant to the Karnataka Regional Branch of the Indian Institute of Public Administration, Bangalore and Trustee, Karnataka Chapter of the Sarvodaya Internal Trust. He is also an Honorary Professor at the Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University, Gadag. His session highlighted about the impediments in HEI's, Critical questions that's needed to be addressed on priority and the need of the hour in the current environment. He highlighted key statistics from the latest 2016-2017 AISHE report about the current status of HEIs in India and its growing numbers. This was followed by a deep discussion about the impediments that the current HEIs are facing like excessive governmental interferences through various governmental and semi-governmental agencies at all level-central and local -viz HRD, council of HEIs, UGC and Bangalore Central University (BCU). He also highlighted the poor financial support and assistance given to Education by the Government at central and state level- a mere 8%, a dismal figure compared to US/Japan/China. The dearth of effective leadership, inefficiencies of leadership, and the expectations of stakeholders from leaders were cited with few examples in the recent past. He also spoke about the efficiencies and quality of teachers, the recruitment process, compensation and transfer patterns of teachers. The impact of the usage of vernacular language on global educations, staff development programme, usage of technologies in classroom and administration were discussed in length, along with the importance and need for skill development to compete with global competition and employability of the students. He emphasised the importance of research collaborations and innovative programs to mitigate global competition. He then critically asked questions of the current pattern of HEI education with respect to duration and architecture of the course, single entry-single exit ,lateral entry-lateral exit, assessment and evaluation patterns, pedagogy, integrated programs, reforms in governmental management of educations, increased role of technology and student empowerment. He ended his session stating the colleges are a pathway of possibilities and successful HEI's should impart in its students critical thinking, analytical aptitude and skill to compute complex information's.

**Dr. Subramoniam Rangaswami,** Professor of Eminence in Medical Education, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education & Research, in the second session, spoke about **"Quality Initiatives for Positive Participation".** He discussed in depth the student's role in the participative role of qualitative initiatives in terms of examination, assessment and evaluation. After lunch, the afternoon session began with a panel discussion on the topic "The new RAF of NAAC" moderated by Dr. Soney Mathews. The panellist were Dr. Siddalingaswamy,(Coordinator, QAC, Office Of Commissioner Of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore), Dr. Sakuntala Samuelson,(Principal, Surana College UG) Dr. G Uma(Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, St. Joseph's College, Bangalore). This interactive panel

discussion threw open to questions with regard to the new revised accreditation frameworks of NAAC and many queries were discussed and answered by panelist with the excellent participations from the participants.

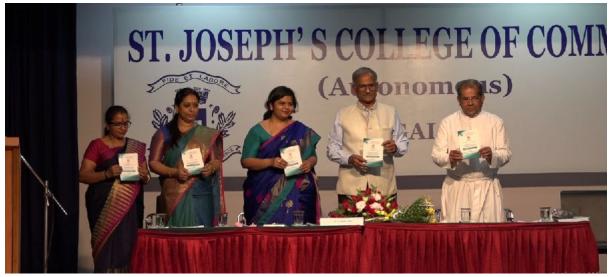
The last session was the paper presentation by the participants. The call for paper was sent to the all colleges across the country and this call received a good response of 42 full papers. The books of abstracts carried the abstracts of these full papers and was released in the inaugural session of the conference. The chairs to the paper presentation were Dr. Sheela Augustine, Dr. Raja Jebasingh and Dr. Himachalapathy. The day ended with certificate distribution and a feedback session by the participants.



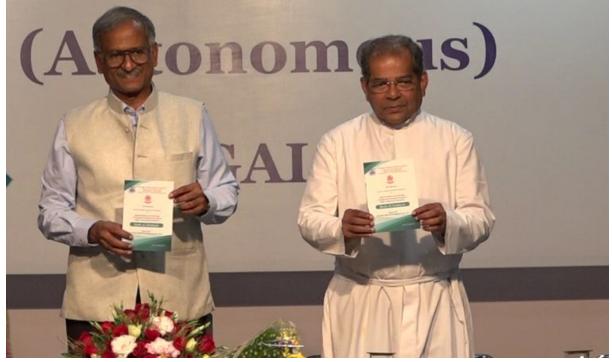
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Dr. D. Jeevan Kumar Hon. Professor at the Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University was the keynote speaker in the UGC Sponsored National Level IQAC Conference on "Quality Initiatives in Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Processes in Higher Educational Institutions" on 24th August 2018.



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