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## THE ARCHITECTS OF ACU

A Look at the Leaders Who are Building It

Medical Science | Engineering | Nursing | Pharmacy | Commerce | Management | Education | Natural Sciences

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Adichunchanagiri University (ACU) is a multi-faculty private university committed to providing quality education and fostering a spirit of entrepreneurship among its students. The university boasts a sprawling 67-acre campus situated at BG Nagara, Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District, equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure, providing an ideal environment for academic and personal growth. ACU has a vibrant academic community with 4974+ students currently enrolled. The university prides itself on its 488+ teaching faculty members, supported by 64+ adjunct/visiting faculty, and an additional 1,123+ non-teaching staff. This diverse and dedicated team contributes to the holistic development of the students. Adichunchanagiri University (ACU) is committed to nurturing entrepreneurial ideas and innovation in its students. It hosts various centers for cutting-edge research and innovation, providing a holistic educational experience in line with the university's vision and mission.

ACU comprises various constituent units, each contributing to the overall educational and research landscape. These include:

- Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy (SACCP, Estd. 1981)
- Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing (ACN, Estd. 1985)
- Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS, Estd. 1986)
- Adichunchanagiri Hospital and Research Centre (AH&RC, Estd. 1986)
- BGS Institute of Technology (BGSIT, Estd. 2005)
- BGS College of Education (BGSCE, Estd. 2007)
- Adichunchanagiri Institute for Molecular Medicine (Estd. 2016)
- BGS First Grade College (BGSFGC, Estd. 2016)
- Adichunchanagiri School of Allied Health Sciences (AHS, Estd. 2020)
- Adichunchanagiri School of Natural Sciences (ASNS, Estd. 2020)
- BGS MCH Hospital, Nagaruru, Bengaluru

### Inclusive Excellence

We educate over **4974+ students**, **80% from country backgrounds** and **58% female**. We offer **scholarships exceeding ₹2 crore** annually to ensure accessibility

### Cutting-Edge Research

Be a part of ground-breaking research at our dedicated centers like **ACU-Centre for Research and Innovation, Adichunchanagiri Institute for Molecular Medicine**, and more.

### Enlightenment

Providing opportunities for **Spiritual Development** through **Yoga, Meditation, and Community Service Activities**

### Unmatched Breadth & Depth

Explore **60+ programs, 1382 courses**, and a staggering **850 interdisciplinary options**. Gain valuable skills through **136+ Value Added Courses**.

### Entrepreneurial Spirit

We **nurture future leaders**. The **Adichunchanagiri Centre for Entrepreneurs (ACE)** equips you with the **skills to thrive in the business world**.

### Social Responsibility & Accountability

We believe in giving back. We've **adopted 11 government schools** to enhance academic excellence and empower communities.

### Award-Winning Faculty

Learn from the best. Over **110+ faculty members** hold **National / International Awards**, and **54+ have authored Books / Book Chapters**.

### Industry-Ready Graduates

**92%** of our students land jobs at the best organizations in their industries.





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The heraldic design of the logo brings out the heritage look & feel of Adichunchanagiri. The teachings from our past, from our nature and surrounding that has evolved through generation are being taught here to the next generation in a disciplined way from an institution that has a rich traditional foundation.

The colours maroon and Purple give the logo a royal touch while distinguishing it clearly from the many shades of cliched blue that is generally associated with education. The colours also symbolise courage, power, nobility, luxury and ambition.

Purple colour of the logo is inspired from a shade of purple spotted on a peacock by the University Chancellor Jagadguru Sri. Sri. Sri. Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji and is also a colour associated with wisdom, dignity, independence, creativity, mystery and magic.

The globe icon used within the shield symbolises Global standards of education, with India part of the map strategically fitting within the 'U' as though it is being highlighted, for it is today an education destination for students from world over.

## “सा विद्या या विमुक्तये”

“Sa Vidya Ya Vimuktaye – that which liberates is Knowledge”

Knowledge or vidya gives power, pleasure, and honor. Both science and spirituality enrich us with knowledge, but that knowledge is superior, which leads us to liberation. Liberation from physical, mental, and external bonds is attained through the control of external nature with the help of science; while liberation from internal bonds is attained through ethics and religion.

Hindu scriptures say: ‘Sa Vidya Ya Vimuktaye; that which liberates is knowledge.’ The main role of knowledge is to free us from all these bondages: fear, doubts, inadequacy, and uncertainty. Total knowledge is apara and para, lower and higher, according to the Mundaka Upanishad.

## VISION

Education for all with Value Systems of Equity, Empathy, Enrichment, Excellence, Empowerment, Entrepreneurship and Enlightenment to Serve the Society.

## MISSION

**Education** to all for self-reliance and socio-economic change to develop an inclusive society with shared opportunities and responsibilities.

**Empathy** towards the less fortunate, the sick, the suffering and the differently abled.

**Enrichment** to acquire abundant knowledge, requisite skills and appropriate attitude.

**Excellence** for quality assurance, enhancement and sustenance in academics and research to produce graduates of global standards.

**Entrepreneurship** for a concept or idea involving the product or service to be delivered, or a new technology to be developed.

**Enlightenment** to attain wisdom and virtues in life to think beyond self.

## Accreditation and Recognition







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Paramapoojya Jagadguru Padmabhushana Puraskrutha

**Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji**

Founder, Sri Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust ®

An embodiment of service, spirituality, and social progress, Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji left an indelible mark on the world during his lifetime. As the 71st pontiff of the Adichunchanagiri Mutt from 1974 to 2013, he dedicated his life to uplifting the underprivileged and revolutionizing society through various initiatives. Born in 1945, Balagangadharanatha's journey began not in the confines of the Mutt, but in a humble farming family. His grounding in rural life shaped his empathy for the common man and his understanding of their needs. At the age of 19, inspired by a deep yearning for spirituality, he took initiation from Sri Sri Sri Ramanandanath Mahaswamiji and embarked on a path of rigorous religious study. Under his Guru's tutelage, he mastered the Vedas, Upanishads, and ancient Indian scriptures, laying the foundation for his future leadership.

In 1974, at the young age of 30, Balagangadharanatha Swamiji ascended the spiritual throne as the 71st pontiff. Recognizing the importance of both spiritual enlightenment (Jnana) and selfless service (Karma), he envisioned a transformative role for the Mutt. He believed that true societal progress could only be achieved by addressing the needs of both the body and the soul. His first and foremost focus was on education. He understood that empowering individuals through knowledge was the key to breaking the shackles of poverty and ignorance. Through the Sri Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust, he established over 480 schools across the state, providing primary and secondary education to rural and underprivileged children. He even established free boarding and lodging facilities for Civil Services aspirants in Bangalore, ensuring equal opportunities for all.

While embracing modern education, Balagangadharanatha Swamiji also recognized the importance of preserving India's rich cultural heritage. He established Sanskrit colleges to revive the study of this ancient language and its associated knowledge systems. He believed that understanding our roots was crucial for charting a course for the future. Recognizing the importance of good health, Balagangadharanatha Swamiji established the Ayurvedic Hospital in Bangalore, showcasing the efficacy of traditional Indian medicine. He understood that healthcare should be accessible to all, and the Mutt provided medical aid to countless individuals, especially during times of natural disasters and epidemics.

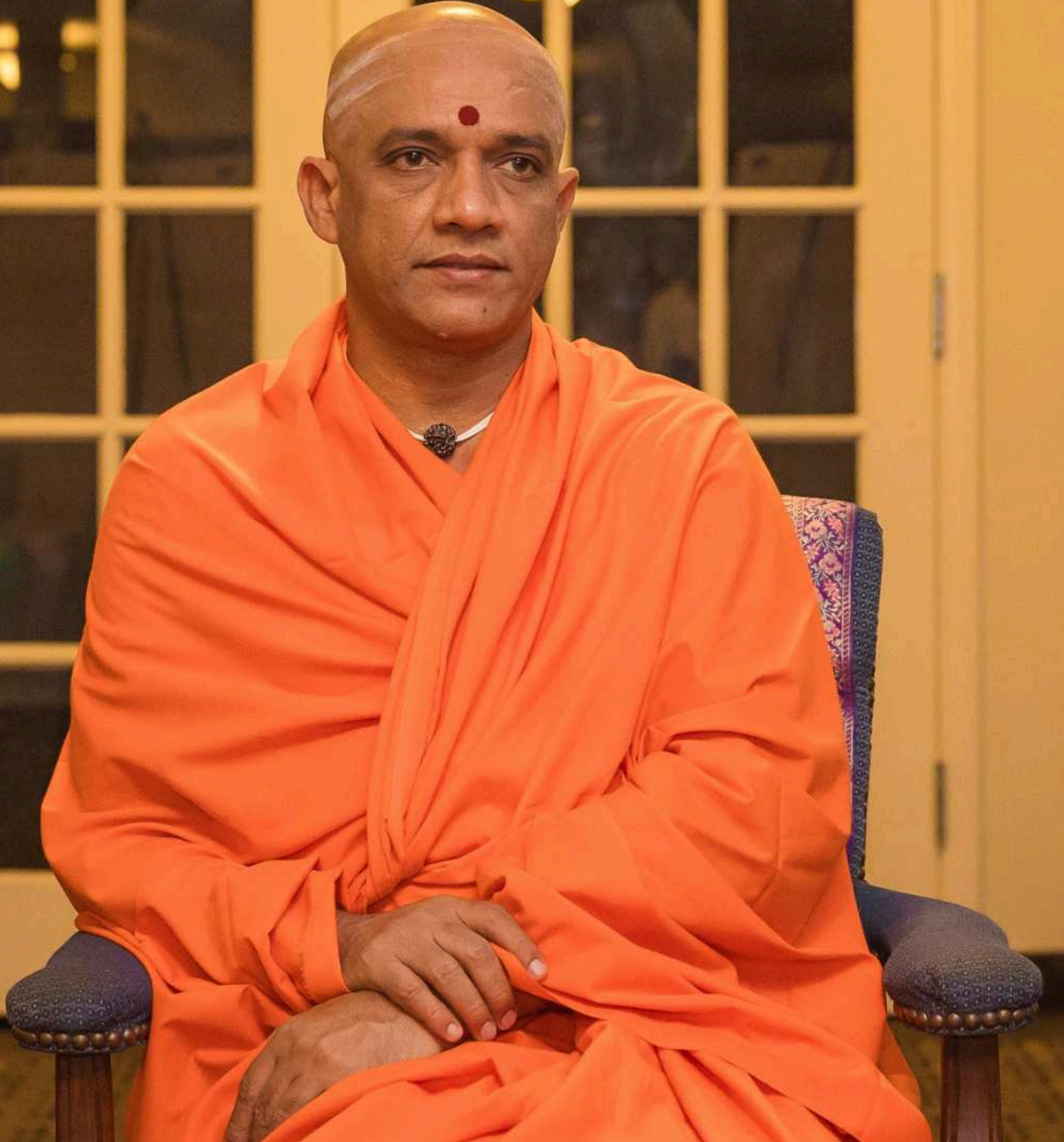
His concern for the underprivileged extended far beyond education and healthcare. He established orphanages and care centers for destitute women and children, providing them with shelter, vocational training, and a chance at a better life. He also set up centers for the care and treatment of mentally challenged and geriatric individuals, ensuring that no one was left behind. Balagangadharanatha Swamiji was a true visionary who understood the importance of environmental sustainability.

Witnessing the devastating effects of droughts and cyclones, he launched the Go-Green Earth movement, promoting afforestation and environmental awareness. He believed that progress and development must go hand in hand with protecting our planet. Throughout his life, Balagangadharanatha Swamiji remained grounded in humility and compassion. He mingled freely with the local people, participated in festivals and community gatherings, and always had a listening ear for those in need. His genuine care and concern for others earned him the respect and admiration of millions.

Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji's legacy extends far beyond his lifetime. The institutions he established continue to serve millions, providing education, healthcare, and social services to those in need. His vision for a just and equitable society continues to inspire generations of leaders and social workers. It is our collective responsibility to preserve the spirit of his work and continue striving towards his dream of a better world. Each of us can play a role, however small, in making his vision a reality.



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His Holiness Jagadguru

**Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji**

Honorable Chancellor, Adichunchanagiri University



Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji, the Honorable Chancellor of Adichunchanagiri University, 72nd Pontiff of the esteemed Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana Math, and the President, of Sri Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust® is a Spiritual leader who combines a distinguished academic background with profound spiritual wisdom. He holds a Master's Degree in Engineering from IIT Chennai, where he was awarded the Gold Medal. His dedication to knowledge also extends to Sanskrit, where he earned a Doctorate in Philosophy for "Natha Philosophy - A Cultural Study" from Gulbarga University. In 1998, he embraced an ascetic life, marking a significant turning point in his journey. His contributions have been widely recognized, and he holds Honorary Doctorates from the University of Mysore and Rajiv Gandhi University.

Hailing from a humble village, Mahaswamiji displayed a brilliance that shone beyond his surroundings. Academic pursuits came naturally to him, but his true calling lay in service. Drawn by a deep compassion for others, he volunteered at the JSB Blind School in Ramanagara. This experience proved pivotal, etching a profound mark on his soul. It was here that the seeds of an ascetic life were sown. Yet, Mahaswamiji's heart harbored another passion - music. The time spent at the JSB Blind School ignited a love for melody, and he dedicated himself to mastering a musical instrument. His dedication extended far beyond personal pursuits. At the Chikkaballapur Math, Mahaswamiji's selfless contributions left an indelible impression on his predecessor, Parampoojya Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Swamiji. But Mahaswamiji's influence wasn't confined to the Math's walls. Recognizing the need for well-rounded individuals, he ventured beyond, conducting enlightening classes for Civil Engineering students. His focus wasn't just on technical expertise; he equipped them with the knowledge to design not just sturdy structures, but enduring ones.

A firm believer in holistic development, Mahaswamiji championed the importance of strong communication skills. He took it upon himself to bridge the gap, nurturing young minds with invaluable teachings on moral values, ethics, and spiritual insights. In essence, he became an architect - not just of structures, but of well-rounded individuals prepared to navigate the complexities of life. Mahaswamiji is highly knowledgeable in Sanskrit and Advaita Vedanta. He advocates for holistic development through the paths of Jnana, Karma, and Raja yoga, drawing inspiration from the teachings of Swami Ramakrishna Paramahansa and Swami Vivekananda. Mahaswamiji actively promotes Sanatana Hindu Dharma through his writings and counseling, dispelling myths and guiding those who have strayed from the righteous path. He serves as a role model for youth navigating Western influences, embodying the balance between tradition and modernity.

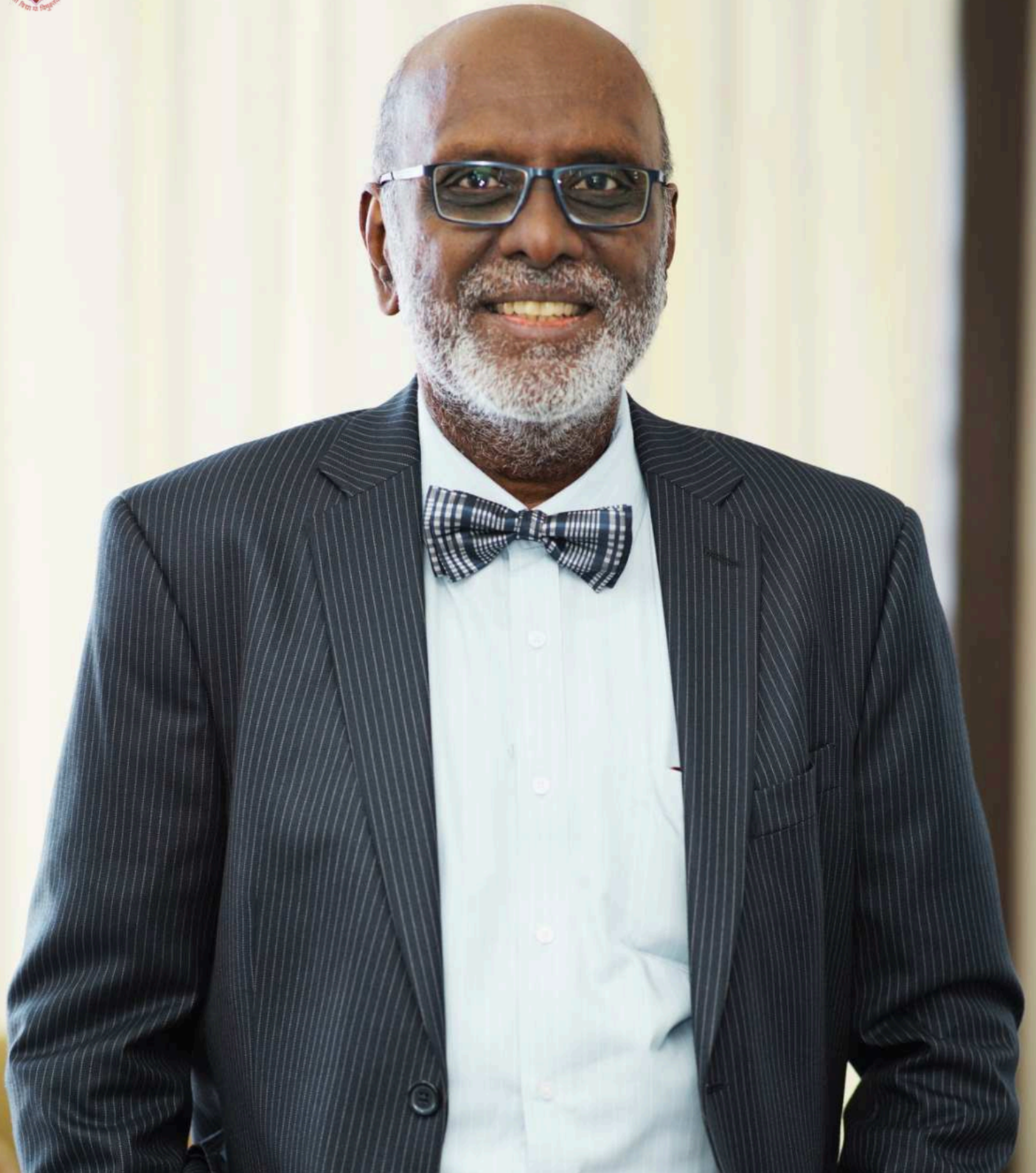
As the President of the Sri Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust®, Mahaswamiji oversees a vast educational network impacting over 150,000+ students and 500+ Educational Institutions including Schools, Colleges, and Special Institutions for the underprivileged. His initiatives include establishing Adichunchanagiri University and SAMVIT, a free residential school for talented students. Mahaswamiji has also modernized the Sri Math administration by integrating technology and emphasizing progress. Mahaswamiji is known for his love for literature, nature, and simplicity. He envisions expanding Math's activities to encompass medical colleges, eco-friendly energy systems, and research. His ultimate goal is to uplift the underprivileged, promote indigenous medicine, and preserve medicinal herbs. He continues to seek guidance from his Guru, Parampoojya Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Swamiji, even after his physical passing.

With a unique blend of scientific knowledge and traditional wisdom, Mahaswamiji strives to contribute to India's development significantly. His leadership promotes a progressive, humane, and practical outlook grounded in spirituality. Under his guidance, the Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana is poised for even greater progress. Mahaswamiji has consistently delivered discourses on Science, Religion, and Spirituality at conferences across India and abroad. He has been invited to lecture at prestigious universities like Oxford, Cambridge, Princeton, and Penn State, as well as esteemed Indian institutions like IIT-Kharagpur, BHU-Varanasi, and IISc-Bengaluru. His influence extends globally through the Adichunchanagiri Cultural and Spiritual Foundation of the USA, which promotes Indian culture, spirituality, and intercultural dialogue for a harmonious multicultural society. In recognition of his contributions, he received an Honorary Doctorate from Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) in 2023.

Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji exemplifies the harmonious integration of modern education and ancient wisdom. His leadership and vision continue to inspire and uplift countless individuals globally. His efforts to blend tradition with modernity, and spirituality with scientific progress, position him as a pivotal figure in advancing holistic education and cultural preservation. Mahaswamiji's contributions promise a future of greater understanding and cooperation in an increasingly interconnected world.



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## **Dr. M. A. Shekar**

MMBS, MD (Internal Medicine), FRCP (Edin)

**Vice Chancellor, Adichunchanagiri University**



Dr. M. A. Shekar is a renowned figure in the Indian medical landscape, particularly in the domain of diabetes and endocrinology. Presently, he serves as the Vice Chancellor of Adichunchanagiri University, responsible for steering its academic vision. He received his MBBS (1981) and MD (Internal Medicine, 1985) from the prestigious Government Medical College, Mysore, and the University of Mysore, respectively, establishing a solid foundation for his illustrious career. In recognition of his outstanding contributions, he was conferred with FRCP (Edinburgh, 2019).

Dr. Shekar's career reflects his commitment to compassionate patient care, expertise in medical research, and academic excellence. He established the Apoorva Diabetes Foundation, focused on delivering comprehensive diabetes care, and serves as a founding Diabetologist. He is also the Director of the Karnataka Institute of Endocrinology & Research and the Dean of the Government Dental College & Research Institute. Dr. Shekar has held several leadership positions, including Director of Medical Education (DME), Director & Dean at Bangalore Medical College & Research Institute, and Head of the Department of Endocrinology at Mysore Medical College & Research Institute, where he made significant contributions to the field. Dr. Shekar has held several leadership positions, including Director of Medical Education (DME), Director & Dean at Bangalore Medical College & Research Institute, and Head of the Department of Endocrinology at Mysore Medical College & Research Institute, where he made significant contributions to the field.

Dr. Shekar's contributions extend beyond institutional walls. He has served as an Inspector for the Medical Council of India and a member of esteemed bodies like the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), India. He played a pivotal role in selecting future medical professionals as a Selection Committee Member for UPSC, India. Additionally, he has actively contributed to academic development through his involvement in the Academic Council of RGUHS, Bangalore, and the Governing Council of Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru.

Dr. Shekar's achievements extend beyond his administrative roles. He has served as the Chairperson of the Scientific Advisory Committee at NADRI, Bengaluru, and has been recognized as a thought leader in the field. His numerous accolades reflect his unwavering commitment to medicine, including academic honors like first-class distinctions in Biochemistry, Pharmacology, and Medicine, along with prestigious awards like the Dr. B. C. Roy Award and recognition as a "Best Teacher" by Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS), Bangalore. His dedication to diabetes care has been acknowledged with a "Lifetime Achievement" award by the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India's Karnataka Chapter. His pursuit of knowledge is evident in his active memberships in numerous professional bodies, including the International Diabetes Federation and the Telemedicine Society of India. He has actively contributed to the medical community by presenting research and delivering lectures at national and state conferences. Dr. Shekar's life extends beyond the confines of medicine. He enjoys sports such as tennis and swimming and has a passion for music, enjoying both Indian classical and Western forms. As an avid reader, he indulges in non-fiction, exploring lost civilizations and mythology, and science fiction.

Dr. M. A. Shekar epitomizes a life dedicated to enriching the medical landscape through leadership, patient care, research, and academic contributions. His unwavering commitment and multifaceted personality make him an inspiring figure.



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## **Dr. C. K. Subbaraya**

M.Sc., PGDCA, Ph.D.

**Registrar, Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. C.K. Subbaraya is a distinguished Mathematician, a Renowned Scholar and Researcher and leader in higher education. With a strong foundation in applied mathematics, computational methods, and computer science, Dr. Subbaraya has made significant contributions to both research and academic administration. His expertise extends beyond the classroom. He has published remarkable 20 research papers in esteemed national and international journals and conference proceedings. His dedication to research is further evidenced by his participation in numerous national and international conferences and seminars. He has also served on the editorial boards of prestigious national and international journals, demonstrating his deep understanding and commitment to the field.

Dr. Subbaraya's leadership has been instrumental in shaping the landscape of technical education in India. For nearly two decades, he served as the Principal of the Adichunchanagiri Institute of Technology (AIT), Chikmagalur. Under his visionary guidance, AIT flourished, earning recognition as a premier institution in Karnataka. Dr. Subbaraya's dedication was instrumental in securing prestigious accreditations like NBA (twice), Institution of Engineers India, ISO 9001-2008 Certification, and NAAC Accreditation, solidifying AIT's position as a center of excellence.

Dr. Subbaraya's remarkable contributions have been acknowledged through numerous prestigious awards. He has been awarded as the "Best Engineering College Principal" at National level by 'Bharatheeya Vidya Bhavan'. He has been recognized by IEAE, Departments of MNRE and MSME, AICTE, AIU, CMAI, and VTU for his outstanding leadership in institutional development.

His dedication extends beyond the realm of academia. He has held prestigious positions such as National Executive Council Member of ISTE (5times), Academic Senate Member of VTU (twice), Executive Council Member of VTU (twice). He has also served as 'Court member' of Prestigious Banaras Hindu University (BHU), and Chairman of ISTE's Karnataka State Unit (twice). At Present he is appointed as Ombudsperson of VTU, Belagavi. He has also served on the governing councils of several esteemed institutions and actively participated in community service through organizations like the Rotary Club and Lions Club. Additionally, he played a pivotal role in establishing academic collaborations with international institutions like Griffith University, Australia. Also he has visited more than 20 countries and delivered invited talks in Conferences & Seminars. In recognition of his exceptional service, Dr. Subbaraya was appointed as the Registrar of Adichunchanagiri University. He continues to serve as the Director of both AIT and the Adichunchanagiri Institute of Business Management.

In his role as Registrar, Dr. Subbaraya plays a critical role in upholding the university's commitment to academic excellence and research innovation. He oversees key functions like student admissions, academic record keeping, examinations, and graduation ceremonies. His collaborative approach with university leadership ensures strategic planning and implementation, propelling the university towards achieving its mission and vision. Dr. Subbaraya's unwavering commitment to education and research continues to shape the future of Adichunchanagiri University and the broader academic landscape.





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## **Dr. Pranesh Gudur**

Ph.D. (Microbiology)

**Registrar (Evaluation), Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. Pranesh Gudur is a distinguished academician with a multifaceted career spanning education, research, and administration. His dedication to the field of health sciences is evident in his extensive experience as a professor, researcher, and university administrator. Dr. Gudur's academic journey began with a Ph.D. in Microbiology. This expertise laid the foundation for his research endeavors, which have delved into diverse areas like antibiotic discovery, anti-diabetic agents, and the impact of yoga on human health. His research portfolio boasts publications in both national and international journals, showcasing his commitment to advancing scientific knowledge.

Beyond the realm of research, Dr. Gudur has served as a pillar of academic excellence at the Karnataka College of Pharmacy, Bidar. For over two decades, he donned various hats - lecturer, senior lecturer, assistant professor, and finally, professor - sharing his knowledge and nurturing future generations of pharmacists. Dr. Gudur's administrative acumen has been instrumental in shaping the landscape of health sciences education in Karnataka. His two-decade-long tenure at Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) stands as a testament to his leadership and organizational skills. As Dy. Registrar and Director of Prasara and R&D, he spearheaded significant reforms across various university sections, including Syndicates, examinations, and curriculum development.

Dr. Gudur's vision extended beyond administrative processes. He recognized the importance of fostering scientific communication in regional languages. Under his leadership as Director-In-Charge of Prasara, RGUHS witnessed the publication of six quarterly scientific journals in diverse health science fields, along with ten Kannada language textbooks and a dedicated Kannada health science journal - "Aarogya Vijnyana." covering recent advancements in medicine, Dentistry, Ayurveda, Pharmacy, Nursing, Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences. This initiative ensured wider accessibility of scientific knowledge to the Kannada-speaking population.

Furthermore, Dr. Gudur played a pivotal role in elevating the quality of healthcare education in Karnataka. He actively participated in organizing orientation and training programs for medical colleges, aimed at securing accreditation by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH). His administrative responsibilities also encompassed conducting elections for various university bodies, ensuring smooth transitions and fostering a culture of democratic governance within RGUHS. He actively participated in formulating university statutes and establishing regional centers, demonstrating his commitment to the university's growth and development. Currently, Dr. Gudur leverages his vast experience as the Registrar (Evaluation) at Adichunchanagiri University, contributing to the university's evaluation processes and upholding academic integrity.

Dr. Pranesh Gudur's illustrious career exemplifies dedication to education, research, and administrative excellence. His contributions have not only nurtured young minds but also significantly shaped the landscape of health sciences education in Karnataka.





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## **Dr. Nagaraj**

M. Pharm, Ph.D.

**Deputy Registrar (Evaluation), Adichunchanagiri University**



Dr. Nagaraj brings a wealth of experience and expertise to his current role as Deputy Registrar (Evaluation) at Adichunchanagiri University. His academic journey began with a Bachelor of Pharmacy from Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy, followed by a Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Chemistry from Government College of Pharmacy, Bangalore. Dr. Nagaraj's thirst for knowledge culminated in a Ph.D. in 2008 from The MS University of Baroda, Vadodara, Gujarat.

Dr. Nagaraj has established himself as a leading figure in both pharmaceutical education and research. He served as Professor & Head of the Department of Pharmaceutical Analysis at PES University, Bangalore. During this time, his leadership extended beyond the classroom. He played a pivotal role in securing significant extramural funding, including grants from AICTE and RGUHS, to support research initiatives. His research interests lie in novel analytical method development for drug estimation and impurity profiling, a critical area for ensuring the quality and efficacy of medications. This focus is reflected in his impressive publication record of 19 research articles. Dr. Nagaraj's dedication to fostering the next generation of pharmacists is evident in his role as a supervisor for 61 postgraduate students.

Dr. Nagaraj's contributions extend beyond his own institution. His expertise has been sought after by international journals like the Journal of Chromatographic Sciences and the Journal of Analytical Sciences, where he serves as a reviewer. He has also actively participated in the academic community by convening and coordinating national and international conferences on pharmaceutical analysis and related topics. His leadership in these events demonstrates his commitment to advancing knowledge and promoting collaboration within the field.

Dr. Nagaraj's achievements are further underscored by his past appointments with the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS), Bangalore. He served as a member of various key committees, including the Board of Studies in Pharmacy (UG & PG), the Editorial Board for the RGUHS Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and the Ph.D. Registration Committee. These positions highlight the trust and respect Dr. Nagaraj commands within the academic sphere.

With his exceptional academic credentials, extensive experience in both education and research, and a commitment to fostering collaboration and knowledge advancement, Dr. Nagaraj is a valuable asset to Adichunchanagiri University. His dedication to the field of pharmacy paves the way for future generations of scientists and ensures the continued excellence of pharmaceutical education and research.



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## **Sri Umesh B. K.**

B.Sc. MBA

**Finance Officer, Adichunchanagiri University**

**Registrar, Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences**

Sri Umesh B K is a seasoned professional with an illustrious career spanning 38 years in the domains of administration and finance. Armed with a Bachelor's degree in Science and a Master's in Business Administration, Umesh embarked on his professional journey in 1986 he joined the Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences. Through diligence and dedication, he swiftly ascended the ranks, earning promotions to positions of increasing responsibility and leadership.

Over the years, Umesh's tenure has been marked by a series of notable achievements and milestones. His journey demonstrates his versatility and capability to excel in diverse administrative roles. In 1995, he assumed the role of Manager at S J C Institute of Technology, Chikkaballapura, further expanding his expertise in administrative affairs.

Umesh's exemplary leadership skills and astute financial acumen led to his subsequent promotions as Administrative Officer and eventually Registrar at S J C Institute of Technology, Chikkaballapura, concurrently serving in a similar capacity at Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences. His tenure as Registrar was characterized by strategic planning, effective governance, and fostering a conducive environment for academic and administrative excellence.

Currently, Umesh holds the esteemed position of Finance Officer at Adichunchanagiri University, where his wealth of experience and expertise in financial management continues to drive the institution's fiscal health and sustainability. Additionally, he serves as Registrar at the Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences, overseeing critical administrative functions and ensuring adherence to regulatory standards.

Umesh's dedication to excellence extends beyond his administrative roles. He actively contributes to the academic ecosystem as a member of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), championing initiatives aimed at enhancing the quality of education and institutional effectiveness. Furthermore, his involvement in the monitoring committee for developmental activities in adopted Government Schools underscores his commitment to community engagement and social responsibility.

Throughout his career, Umesh B K has exemplified professionalism, integrity, and a relentless pursuit of excellence. His multifaceted contributions to administration, finance, and academia have been instrumental in shaping the success and reputation of the institutions he has served. As a trusted leader and strategic thinker, Umesh continues to inspire colleagues and peers alike, leaving an indelible mark on the educational landscape.





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## **Dr. G. Sathish**

BHMS, MD (Hom.)

**Deputy Registrar & Purchase Head  
Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. G. Satish Kumar is a multifaceted professional with a distinguished career spanning over two and half decades. He is not only a qualified homeopathic physician (BHMS, MD (Hom)) but also a seasoned administrator with extensive experience in university and medical college leadership. His impressive journeys span across teaching, administration, research, and clinical practice.

Dr. Kumar's dedication to education is evident in his current role as Deputy Registrar & Purchase Head at Adichunchanagiri University. Here, he oversees the Authority Section, ensuring compliance with the University Act and Statutes and record-keeping for university bodies. Additionally, he acts as a vital liaison officer with government and regulatory bodies. His commitment to infrastructure development is showcased in his role as Purchase Head, where he efficiently manages procurements for the university and its colleges.

Before his current position, Dr. Kumar served as Principal at both Rosy Royal Homoeopathic Medical College & Hospital (RRHMC) and Bhagawan Buddha Homoeopathic Medical College & Hospital (BBHMC). During his tenure at RRHMC, he played a pivotal role in securing crucial approvals from the Government of India. At BBHMC, he not only spearheaded the college administration but also excelled as Professor & HOD in the Department of Organon & Homoeopathic Philosophy. His academic journey began at Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) where he served as Assistant Registrar. He held various positions within RGUHS, demonstrating his versatility. He played a key role in curriculum development, affiliation & admissions, evaluation system innovation, and research & development. Notably, he was instrumental in securing ISO certification for the university's Evaluation section.

Dr. Kumar's dedication extends beyond his official roles. He actively contributes to the field of homeopathy through various professional activities. He served as an inspector for the Central Council of Homoeopathy, ensuring quality standards in homoeopathic medical colleges throughout India. He has also been a member of the Board of Studies (UG), Homoeopathy at RGUHS, shaping the curriculum for future generations of homoeopaths. He actively participates as a resource person, examiner, and paper setter for various universities and colleges, enriching educational experiences. Additionally, he has authored and presented papers on key homeopathic concepts.

Dr. G. Satish's impressive blend of academic credentials, administrative expertise, and dedication to homeopathy positions him as a prominent figure in the field. His commitment to education and continuous improvement continues to inspire students, colleagues, and institutions alike.



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## **Dr. B. Ramesh**

M. Pharm, Ph.D., AIC

**Dean, Academics & Accreditation, Adichunchanagiri University**  
**Professor, Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy**



Dr. B. Ramesh is a highly distinguished figure in the field of pharmaceutical education and research, boasting a remarkable career spanning over 35 years. His dedication to shaping future generations of pharmacists and advancing the field through innovation is evident in his extensive experience, impressive accomplishments, and leadership roles. His commitment to education shines through his long tenure as a respected academic leader. Having served as Principal for over 16 years and currently holding the position of Dean of academics & Accreditation at Adichunchanagiri University, his impact on educational excellence is undeniable. His leadership has demonstrably contributed to the college's prestigious achievements, including accreditation by NBA and ISO certification, as well as a top-80 ranking in the NIRF rankings for Pharmacy Colleges.

Dr. Ramesh's passion for research is reflected in his prolific career. He has secured funding from various government agencies and boasts an impressive portfolio of research endeavors. He holds multiple patents, has published numerous research papers in esteemed journals, and actively guides Ph.D. and M.Pharm students. His research interests encompass diverse areas such as in-silico modeling, phytochemical analysis, and advanced chromatographic methods.

His commitment extends beyond his own institution. He actively fosters international collaboration, evidenced by his work with universities in Malaysia and his participation in conferences around the world. His dedication to professional development is further highlighted by his extensive involvement with various pharmaceutical associations, serving in leadership positions for organizations like the Indian Pharmaceutical Association and the Indian Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

Dr. Ramesh's contributions extend beyond research and academia. He serves on numerous committees within the university system, plays active roles in national and international conferences, and contributes to the advancement of the field through editorial roles in prestigious journals. His leadership has transcended the boundaries of education and research. His dedication extends beyond academia. He served as Editor-in-Chief of several publications, including college newsletters and a healthcare professional news digest. He has also actively contributed to the organization of numerous state, national, and international symposiums, workshops, and conventions.

Dr. Ramesh's exceptional career trajectory paints a picture of a dedicated educator, a visionary leader, and a passionate researcher. His unwavering commitment to academic excellence, fostering future generations of pharmacists, and advancing pharmaceutical knowledge has had a profound impact on the field and continues to inspire others. His legacy will undoubtedly continue to inspire and empower future generations of pharmaceutical professionals.



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## **Dr. Prashantha Kalappa**

Ph.D., D.Sc.

**Professor – ACU Research and Innovation Centre**

**Dean, Research & Natural Sciences, Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. Prashantha Kalappa is a distinguished scholar recognized for his profound contributions to the field of Material Science and Polymer Engineering. With over 3000 citations and an impressive h-index of 31, Dr. Prashantha stands among the top 2% of scientists globally, as acknowledged by Elsevier BV in both 2021 and 2022.

Dr. Prashantha's academic journey commenced with a Master's degree in Industrial Chemistry from Kuvempu University, Shimoga, India, followed by a Doctorate in the same discipline in 2002. His pursuit of knowledge led him to obtain a prestigious DSc. Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches from Université Lille 1 Sciences and Technology, France, in 2014, solidifying his expertise in Material Science. At the core of Dr. Prashantha's research interests lies an unwavering commitment to exploring Advanced Smart polymers processing, 3D printing, rheology, and the intricate interplay between morphology and structure-property relationships in Polymer Materials. His extensive experience encompasses the preparation and characterization of diverse polymeric materials, employing advanced techniques such as TGA/DSC, DMA, Rheometer, SEM, TEM, AFM, and Raman spectroscopy.

Throughout his illustrious career, Dr. Prashantha has held esteemed academic appointments, including roles as a Professor and Dean at Adichunchanagiri University, Mandya District, India, and various positions at Mines Douai and IMT Lille-Douai in France. He has actively contributed to fostering international scientific cooperation, serving as Dean of International Scientific Affairs and spearheading academic council initiatives. Recognized for his scholarly achievements, Dr. Prashantha has received numerous awards and honors, including the prestigious KOSEF postdoctoral fellowship from South Korea and his involvement as an executive member of the European Polysaccharide Network of Excellence (EPNOE) and Member of Royal Society of Chemistry and Member of Asian Polymer Association.

In addition to his remarkable research endeavors, Dr. Prashantha is deeply committed to nurturing the next generation of scientists. He has mentored a multitude of Ph.D. students and postdoctoral researchers, guiding them in their exploration of cutting-edge topics ranging from 3D printing for biomedical applications to the development of bio-nanocomposites for biomedical purposes. Dr. Prashantha's prolific scholarly output is evidenced by his extensive publication record, comprising 108 publications with an impressive h-index of 31. His seminal contributions have significantly advanced the understanding and application of polymer materials, leaving an indelible mark on the scientific community.

Dr. Prashantha Kalappa epitomizes excellence in academia, embodying a steadfast dedication to advancing the frontiers of Material Science and Polymer Engineering through groundbreaking research, mentorship, and academic leadership. His unwavering commitment to innovation and scholarly pursuit continues to inspire and shape the future of the field.





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## **Dr. K. M. Shivakumar**

MBBS., M.D. (General Medicine)

**Chief of Hospital / Medical Superintendent**  
**Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center**  
**BG Nagara**

Dr. K.M. Shivakumar is a highly respected figure in the Indian medical field, with a distinguished career spanning over three decades. He currently serves as the Chief of Hospitals at Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center at Bellur, Karnataka, providing invaluable leadership and ensuring top-quality patient care.

Dr. Shivakumar's academic background is truly impressive. He obtained his MBBS degree from Mysore University in 1984, followed by an MD in General Medicine in 1988. His dedication to continuous learning led him to pursue further training in non-interventional cardiology at the prestigious ESCORTS Heart Institute in New Delhi. This expertise has undoubtedly enriched his clinical practice and academic contributions.

Throughout his career, Dr. Shivakumar has been a passionate educator, dedicating a total of 33 years to teaching medical students. He has held esteemed positions, including Professor and Head of the Department of General Medicine at the Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences (MIMS). His commitment to fostering excellence in medical education is further evidenced by his tenure as Chairman of the Board of Studies for PG clinical programs at Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) from 2019 to 2022. He has also served on the Board of Studies (Medicine) at Adichunchanagiri University and the Academic Council of the University of Mysore.

Dr. Shivakumar's leadership extends beyond the classroom. He has been a Medical Superintendent at MIMS and later served as Principal, demonstrating exceptional administrative skills and a commitment to smooth institutional functioning. Driven by a thirst for knowledge and a desire to improve patient outcomes, Dr. Shivakumar has actively engaged in research activities. He has served as the Principal Investigator in several pivotal clinical trials, including studies on Sepsis-induced Coagulopathy, Convalescent Plasma Therapy for COVID patients, Aviptadil for COVID-19 treatment, and a COVID-19 vaccine candidate. His research contributions hold immense value for advancing medical treatment protocols.

Dr. Shivakumar's dedication extends to professional associations. As a Life Member of the Indian Medical Association (IMA) and the Association of Physicians of India (API), he actively contributes to the medical community. Notably, he served as the General Secretary of the API's Mandya Chapter, further demonstrating his commitment to collaborative efforts within the medical fraternity. His achievements have been recognized with prestigious awards, including the Karnataka State IMA Doctors' Day Award in 2020, the Popular Teacher Award at MIMS in 2018, and the Vaidya Ratna Award from the Lions Club Mandya in 2019.

Dr. K.M. Shivakumar epitomizes excellence in medical education, clinical practice, research, and leadership. His unwavering dedication to patient care, academic excellence, and professional development makes him a truly remarkable asset to the Indian healthcare system.



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## **Dr. M. G. Shivaramu**

MD (Forensic Medicine), MBBS

**Dean, Health Sciences (Medical), Adichunchanagiri University**

**Principal, Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences**



Dr. M G Shivaramu is a distinguished leader who has indelibly shaped the landscape of medical education and healthcare in India. His impressive career spans over three decades, marked by a unique blend of visionary leadership, exceptional teaching and research skills, and a deep commitment to humanitarian service. Dr. Shivaramu's educational background is a testament to his dedication to the field of medicine.

He earned his MBBS degree from Mysore Medical College and subsequently pursued an MD in Forensic Medicine from JN Medical College, Belgaum. These qualifications equipped him with a strong foundation in both clinical practice and the medico-legal aspects of healthcare. His leadership acumen shines through his current roles as Principal of Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS) and Dean of Health Sciences (Medical) at Adichunchanagiri University. For over four years as Dean, he has provided dynamic leadership to the faculty, fostering excellence in research, academics, and outreach programs. Dr. Shivaramu's principalship at AIMS for the past thirteen years has been nothing short of transformative. His vision and strategic direction have propelled the institution to new heights. Under his guidance, AIMS secured the prestigious ranking of 11th best private medical college in India by Outlook I Care Rankings (2021). This remarkable achievement is just one of the many accolades the institute has received under his leadership, a testament to his unwavering commitment to quality education and service.

Dr. Shivaramu's dedication extends beyond academics. He has been instrumental in initiating super specialty services at Adichunchanagiri Hospital and Research Center, significantly expanding the scope of care offered to patients. His commitment to continuous improvement is evident in his efforts to enhance faculty training and research activities, leading to improved student outcomes. His leadership extends beyond the walls of AIMS. He has played a pivotal role in securing NABL and NABH accreditation for the institute, demonstrating his commitment to maintaining the highest standards in healthcare delivery. His dedication to environmental initiatives and quality education has also been recognized through various awards.

Dr. Shivaramu's commitment to professional development is commendable. He actively participates in training programs, ensuring he remains at the forefront of medical education and accreditation processes. A prolific scholar, Dr. Shivaramu has authored a book and published over 30 research articles in peer-reviewed national and international journals. His contributions extend beyond academics, with active memberships in esteemed organizations like the Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE) and the Karnataka Medicolegal Society (KAMLS). His commitment to service is exemplified by his role as Executive Editor in Chief of the Journal of Medical Sciences and Health (JMSH).

Dr. Shivaramu's leadership extends beyond healthcare. He actively contributes to various educational institutions, serving on the Governing Councils of prestigious colleges across Karnataka. He is also deeply involved in community service initiatives, holding leadership positions in organizations like Rotary Club BG Nagara. Dr. M G Shivaramu is a true visionary leader who has made a significant impact on medical education and healthcare in India. His dedication to excellence, unwavering commitment to service, and passion for continuous improvement make him a role model for aspiring medical professionals and educators alike.



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## **Dr. Bharathi D. R.**

M. Pharm., Ph.D.

**Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, Adichunchanagiri University**

**Principal & Professor, Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy**

Dr. Bharathi D.R. is a pillar of excellence in pharmaceutical education, with a distinguished career spanning over three decades. Currently serving as the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Principal & Professor at Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy (SACCP), Adichunchanagiri University (ACU), her dedication to fostering a vibrant learning environment and advancing the field is truly remarkable.

Dr. Bharathi's commitment to academic leadership began in 1993. Over the past 13 years, she has played a pivotal role in shaping curriculum development and fostering a positive learning experience for students. Her proven track record speaks volumes: student outcomes have flourished and continuous improvement in pharmaceutical education at SACCP is a testament to her vision.

Beyond academics, Dr. Bharathi is a prolific researcher. Her impressive body of work includes a staggering 104 published research papers and presentations at 11 international symposiums. She has also authored two books and holds two patents, with two more in the pipeline. Her research grants total a significant 50 Lakhs, further solidifying her dedication to pushing the boundaries of knowledge. Under her guidance, 2 Ph.D. scholars and 60 PG scholars have embarked on successful research journeys. Dr. Bharathi's leadership extends beyond SACCP. She is a life member of prestigious organizations like the Association of Pharmacy Teachers of India, the Karnataka State Pharmacy Council, and the Indian Pharmaceutical Association.

Dr. Bharathi's achievements are truly noteworthy. She is an approved PG & PhD Guide for both RGUHS and ACU, and her expertise has been recognized by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) as an assessor. She has held numerous leadership positions, including serving as the Faculty of Pharmacy, BOS, of ACU and RGUHS. Her contributions extend to curriculum design, having served as a resource person for RGUHS workshops and as a member of the Quality Practices Advisory Committee, RGUHS.

Dr. Bharathi's contributions transcend the realm of academics. Her leadership has secured NAAC Accreditation and UGC 2(f) Recognition. Furthermore, she drafted regulations for a unique B. Pharm + MBA (5years) program. Under her guidance, SACCP has seen the establishment of a Drug Information Centre, ICT-enabled classrooms, and a Centralized Research Lab. Her commitment extends to social outreach. She has designed certificate courses, framed value-added and add-on courses, and implemented Mentor-Mentee and Remedial Classes to ensure all students thrive. She established the Youth Red Cross Society at SACCP and received recognition from NSS & Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports Government of India for conducting a successful Swachh Bharat summer internship program.

Dr. Bharathi D.R. is a true leader, scholar, and champion for social good. Her dedication to excellence in pharmaceutical education and her unwavering commitment to student success make her an invaluable asset to SACCP and the broader academic community.





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## **Prof. Chandrashekar H. C.**

M.Sc. Nursing (Community Health Nursing), B.Sc. Nursing (Post Basic)

**Dean Faculty of Nursing, Adichunchanagiri University**  
**Principal, Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing**

Professor Chandrashekar H C brings a wealth of experience and dedication to his role as Principal & Dean of the Faculty of Nursing at Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing, Adichunchanagiri University. His impressive career trajectory reflects a deep commitment to excellence in both education and leadership. Professor Chandrashekar's academic foundation is firmly established with a Master's degree in Community Health Nursing and currently pursuing his Doctoral Program in Nursing, demonstrating his focus on public health and preventative care. His professional journey began in the clinical setting, where he honed his skills as a Staff Nurse at M S Ramaiah Hospital. Recognizing his passion for imparting knowledge, he transitioned to academia, serving as a Nursing Tutor before joining Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing in 2006.

Professor Chandrashekar's dedication to the institution is evident in his steady progression through various faculty positions, culminating in his appointment as Principal in 2021. Throughout his tenure, he has demonstrably championed academic excellence. He actively participates in the university's governance structure, serving on the academic council and board of studies for the Faculty of Nursing. Beyond his own institution, Professor Chandrashekar contributes to the wider academic community by serving as a paper setter, evaluator, examiner, and supervisor for examinations across various universities. His involvement with inspection committees at RGUHS(LIC) & KNC further underscores his commitment to maintaining high standards in nursing education.

Professor Chandrashekar's leadership extends beyond administrative duties. He fosters a collaborative environment, believing in the power of teamwork. He values respect for authority and fosters a sense of community and belongingness among his peers. His dedication to student well-being shines through in his compassion and willingness to guide and counsel those in need.

Professor Chandrashekar's commitment to continuous learning is evident in his proficiency in a range of computer programs. His multilingual fluency encompasses English, Kannada, Hindi, and Malayalam, allowing him to connect effectively with a diverse student body. He has further demonstrated his dedication to scholarship by guiding Master's students and organizing workshops and faculty development programs focused on research methodology and systematic reviews.

Professor Chandrashekar H C stands as a role model for aspiring leaders in nursing education. His unwavering dedication to academic excellence, collaborative leadership, and student success make him an invaluable asset to the Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing and the wider nursing community.





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## **Dr. A. T. Shivaramu**

M.Sc. (Math), M.Ed., M.Phil., Ph.D.

**Dean, Humanities & Social Sciences, Adichunchanagiri University**

**Principal, BGS College of Education**

**Administrative Officer, SACST®**



Dr. A T Shivaramu is a 27+ years experienced professional with a strong Educational, Administration, and Management background. With over 17+ years of experience as a Principal, he has successfully managed students affairs and implemented initiatives to promote students growth and achievement. He has collaborated with other professionals to provide each student with the highest level of education. He is serving as an Administrator at SACST® Sri Kshetra Adichunchanagiri, overseeing multiple schools and more than 40K+ students. He is passionate about education and has been serving as a Dean for the past 5 years, ensuring regulatory compliance and creating conducive learning environments for students.

In addition to his roles in education, Dr. A T Shivaramu is a present member of various governance and policy-making bodies of Adichunchanagiri University. These include the Board of Management, Board of Studies, Committee of Academics, The Academic Council (Humanities & Social Sciences), Finance Committee, The Research Council, Work & Purchase Committee, Joint Faculty Committee, Fee Regulation and Malpractice Committee. His involvement in these bodies showcases his commitment in shaping the university's policies and ensuring its smooth functioning.

In the field of research, Dr. A T Shivaramu has extensive experience. He is currently guiding four Ph.D. scholars who have registered for their Ph.D. degree course in Education under Adichunchanagiri University. Additionally, he has also guided one Ph.D. scholar who is registered for his Ph.D. degree course at Dravidian University. Furthermore, he has guided five M. Phil. scholars who have registered for their M. Phil. degree courses at Dravidian and Allagappa University. He has also supervised the submission of two M.Ed. dissertations in Education and the award of M.Ed. degrees from KSOU Mysore University. Moreover, he has supervised the submission of two M. Phil. dissertations in Education and the award of M. Phil. degrees from Bharathidasan University. Lastly, he has overseen the submission of eight M. Phil. dissertations in Education and the award of M. Phil. degrees from Annamalai University.

Dr. A T Shivaramu has an impressive list of accomplishments in the field of education. He has attended a total of 40+ International, National, and State-level Conferences, Webinars, Seminars, Workshops, and Orientation programs. Additionally, he has organized 7+ such programs for students and staff internally. At the national level, he has been a resource person for 15+ programs, while at the State Level, he has been involved in 50+ programs. Furthermore, at the organization level, he has contributed to a staggering 150+ programs. He has also served as an external resource person for 35+ national and state-level programs. Within the internal trust level, he has been a resource person for 50+ staff and faculty members at the national and state level, and for 70+ students. In conclusion, he has trained over 50,000+ students and student-teachers in school education and higher education, as well as 3,000 teachers, lecturers, and heads of institutions.

Dr. A T Shivaramu with extensive Administrative & Management experience, educational expertise, and active involvement in governance and policy-making bodies make him a valuable asset to the field of Education & Administration.



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## **Dr. M. B. Anandaraju**

B.E., M.E., Ph.D.

**Dean, Corporate Affairs - HR, Training & Placement and Student Affairs, ACU**  
**Professor, Dept. of Electronics & Communication Engineering**  
**B G S Institute of Technology, BG Nagara**

Dr. M B Anandaraju is a highly respected academician with a strong background in Electronics and Communication Engineering. He currently serves as the Professor and Head of the Department at B.G.S Institute of Technology (BGSIT) and also holds the position of Dean of Corporate Affairs, overseeing HR, Training & Placement, and Student Affairs. With a comprehensive educational journey culminating in a Ph.D. in Electronics from the University of Mysore, Dr. Anandaraju brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to his academic and administrative roles. His journey in academia spans over two decades, during which he has held progressive roles at esteemed institutions before assuming his current leadership position at BGSIT. During his tenure at BGSIT, he has overseen significant growth and innovation in the Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering.

Dr. Anandaraju's contributions extend beyond traditional academia, as evidenced by his active involvement in organizing workshops, technical talks, and seminars aimed at fostering academic growth and industry relevance among faculty members and engineering students. He has conducted numerous national and international training programs, seminars, and conferences, which have enriched the academic landscape. A prolific researcher, Dr. Anandaraju has authored over 40 international journal publications, showcasing his expertise in areas such as Genetic Algorithms, Image Encryption, FPGA-based Implementations, and more. His innovative research contributions have garnered international recognition, with several patents filed both nationally and internationally, including methods for auto-tuning PID controllers and lung cancer detection using deep learning techniques.

Dr. Anandaraju's commitment to academic excellence is underscored by his extensive engagement in webinars, where he stays abreast of cutting-edge developments in his field. His areas of interest span a diverse range, including Power Electronics, Control Systems, Biomedical Signal Processing, and Neural Networks, reflecting his multidisciplinary approach to research and teaching. In addition to his scholarly pursuits, Dr. Anandaraju is deeply invested in the holistic development of his institution. His contributions extend to various administrative roles, including Director for Training and Placements, IEEE Execom Member, and involvement in numerous committees aimed at enhancing the academic and extracurricular experience of students.

Dr. Anandaraju's impact extends beyond his institution, as he serves as a recognized Ph.D. guide in prestigious universities such as Adichunchanagiri University, University of Mysore, and Visvesvaraya Technological University, mentoring the next generation of researchers and scholars. His dedication to advancing knowledge, fostering innovation, and nurturing talent underscores Dr. M B Anandaraju's profound influence in the realm of Electronics and Communication Engineering, making him a revered figure in both academia and industry.





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## **Dr. Shobith Rangappa**

Ph. D, MRSB, MRSC

**Director, Adichunchanagiri Institute for Molecular Medicine  
Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. Shobith Rangappa is a renowned researcher and academician with a notable career spanning several decades. He currently serves as the Director of the Adichunchanagiri Institute for Molecular Medicine at Adichunchanagiri University, located in B. G Nagara, Mandya. Dr. Rangappa has made significant contributions to the field of Cancer Biology and has achieved numerous accolades and honors throughout his career. His journey in academia and research is marked by an impressive array of accomplishments. Dr. Rangappa's research skills are evident in his significant scholarly impact, with over 3,130 citations, an impressive H-Index of 35, and an I10 Index of 62, which demonstrate the depth and breadth of his influence in the scientific community.

Dr. Rangappa has published over 90 papers, indicating a prolific and consistent contribution to the field of molecular medicine. He has secured seven patents, demonstrating his innovative approach towards addressing pressing medical challenges. He was honored with the prestigious JASSO fellowship award from Japan in 2022, furthering his research collaboration with Hokkaido University. Additionally, he was awarded the VGST KFIST-LI project grant of 15 Lakhs by the Government of Karnataka for his groundbreaking research project focusing on the sensitization of triple-negative breast cancer cells.

Dr. Rangappa's contributions have been recognized on national and international platforms, evident from his appointment as an Executive Committee Member for the Indian Science Congress and his receipt of the Prof. R C Shah Memorial Lecture Award in 2018-19. His involvement in various committees and conferences, including chairing and co-chairing plenary sessions, underscores his leadership and expertise in the field.

Dr. Rangappa earned his Ph.D. in Life Science from Hokkaido University in Japan, where he was mentored by Prof. Shin-Ichiro Nishimura. He has extensive experience in organizing workshops, delivering plenary lectures, and fostering collaborations with esteemed institutions and companies worldwide. Dr. Rangappa is a prominent figure in his field and is currently supervising the research of five Ph.D. scholars in the field of cancer therapeutics. His contributions to the field have been widely recognized, and he continues to be a leading authority in the domain of life sciences. Moreover, he is serving as a Scientific Advisor at two CROs, LIVEON Biolabs Pvt. Ltd. in Tumkur, Karnataka, and Dhriti Bio Solutions in Mysore, Karnataka.

Dr. Rangappa's research interests span diverse areas, such as cancer therapeutics, structure-based drug discovery, glycomics, targeted drug delivery systems, and mi-RNA-based targeted gene expression studies. His notable publications, including groundbreaking studies on apoptosis in triple negative breast cancer cells and noncoding RNAs in gastrointestinal cancers, exemplify his commitment to advancing knowledge and addressing critical medical challenges.

Dr. Shobith Rangappa's career trajectory, marked by groundbreaking research, prestigious awards, and impactful collaborations, positions him as a leading authority in cancer biology, poised to continue making significant contributions to the field and society at large.



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## **Dr. B. N. Shobha**

M.Tech., Ph.D.

**Principal, B G S Institute of Technology, BG Nagara**



Dr. B.N. Shobha brings in a wealth of experience and a distinguished record of achievement to her role as Principal of BGS Institute of Technology. With a remarkable 30-year career, she has not only nurtured young minds but also actively pursued cutting-edge research, leaving a significant mark on the academic landscape.

Dr. Shobha's dedication to research is evident in her impressive publication record. She has authored & co-authored 20 International journal articles which presented her work at 9 International Conferences and 28 National Conferences and contributed to 7 publications in the SAS Tech Journal. Her research extends beyond theoretical exploration, as evidenced by her success in securing funding grants. These include the KSCST STI grant and the AICTE MODROB grant, totalling nearly 12 lakhs. This funding has fuelled her innovative spirit, leading to the development of ground breaking solutions.

Dr. Shobha's passion for innovation is further reflected in her establishment of the AICTE IDEA Lab at BGSIT, a testament to her commitment to fostering a culture of creativity and practical problem-solving. Her vision extends beyond the institute walls, as demonstrated by her role in establishing a Ground Station for Satellite Communication, a project with far-reaching implications. Dr. Shobha's intellectual curiosity is further underscored by her five patents, spanning diverse fields like wireless sensor networks, medical diagnostics using deep learning and even artificial intelligence-driven astronaut shoe design.

Dr. Shobha's expertise extends far beyond research. She is a highly respected figure within the academic community, evidenced by her membership in five professional bodies and she is an elected member for two terms of the Institution of Engineers (India) Karnataka state centre. Her leadership extends beyond the classroom, with her involvement as a member in over 20 councils, committees and boards. Dr. Shobha's dedication to academic excellence is further recognized by the 15 academic, research and administration awards she has received. She is a sought-after speaker, having delivered 18 International and National invited talks and lectures.

Dr. B.N. Shobha is a multifaceted leader who seamlessly blends exceptional academic achievement with a passion for innovation and a commitment to fostering a vibrant academic environment at BGS Institute of Technology. Her dedication to research, industry collaboration and student development has positioned her as a true leader in the field of technological education.



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**Dr. Shwetha H. N.**

M.Sc., Ph.D.

**Principal, Adichunchanagiri School of Natural Sciences**

Dr. Shwetha H.N., a distinguished academician and leader in the field of Computer Science and Mathematics, brings a remarkable blend of expertise and dedication to her role as Principal at ASNS, Adichunchanagiri University. With a career spanning over 15 years, her journey reflects a profound passion for nurturing young minds and fostering intellectual growth.

Dr. Shwetha's academic foundation began with a deep fascination for Mathematics, which blossomed into a resolute commitment to encouraging critical thinking and intellectual curiosity in her students. Her educational background is equally impressive, marked by a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science (2004) from Govt First Grade College, Tumkur, a Master's degree in Mathematics (2006) from MES College, Bangalore University, and a recent Ph.D. in Graph Theory (2023) from Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi.

Her professional odyssey commenced in 2009 as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematics at BGS Institute of Technology, Adichunchanagiri University. In 2023, she embarked on a new chapter, leveraging her leadership acumen to excel as the Principal of ASNS. Dr. Shwetha's teaching philosophy transcends the mere transmission of knowledge. She meticulously crafts an engaging and inclusive learning environment that empowers students to delve into concepts, challenge assumptions, and cultivate their unique perspectives. Her dynamic lectures, interactive discussions, and hands-on projects all have a singular objective – to ignite a deep appreciation for Mathematics and Computer Science, while equipping students with the necessary skills to excel in their academic pursuits and future careers.

Dr. Shwetha has carved a niche for herself as a researcher, authoring numerous publications in esteemed SCOPUS indexed journals. Her dedication extends to active participation as a lifetime member of prestigious organizations like the Indian Mathematical Society (IMS) and the Indian Science Congress (ISC). Her research interests encompass a captivating spectrum, ranging from Graph Theory to Graph Labelling and Graph Energy.

Beyond her administrative responsibilities as Principal, Dr. Shwetha remains deeply invested in mentoring and guiding Ph.D. scholars as they navigate their research endeavors and academic aspirations. Dr. Shwetha H.N. embodies the true essence of an inspirational academic leader, meticulously shaping young minds and propelling them towards a future brimming with possibilities.





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## **Dr. Komala H. K.**

M.Sc., B.Sc., Ph.D.

**Principal, BGS Institute of Nursing Sciences  
Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. Komala H.K. stands as a pillar of excellence in the field of nursing education, with a distinguished career spanning over 15 years. Her dedication to fostering a future generation of skilled and compassionate nurses is evident in her journey from Clinical Instructor to Principal.

Dr. Komala's academic background is a testament to her continuous pursuit of knowledge. Holding a Ph.D. in Nursing reflects not only her in-depth expertise in Community Health Nursing but also her commitment to research and pushing the boundaries of the field. Her additional qualifications, including the National Diabetic Educator Programme and Public Health Nutrition course, showcase her dedication to staying at the forefront of contemporary healthcare practices.

Throughout her career, Dr. Komala has worn various hats, each contributing to her growth as a leader. As a Professor and Principal, she has nurtured the academic and professional development of countless nursing students. Her commitment to innovative teaching methods is evident through her exploration of flipped classroom approaches and concept mapping, as demonstrated by her research presentations at national and international conferences. Dr. Komala's leadership extends beyond the classroom walls, as evidenced by her role as a resource person for workshops and seminars, actively sharing her expertise with the wider nursing community.

Dr. Komala's accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. Her research has been recognized with prestigious awards like the "Most Innovative Research Award" and the "Best Paper Presenter Award." Additionally, her contributions to education have been lauded with the "Dronacharya Award" and the "Education Icon Award 2023," solidifying her reputation as a leader in the field.

Dr. Komala's dedication extends beyond individual achievements. Her involvement in professional bodies like the Trained Nurses Association of India and the Society of Community Health Nurses of India reflects her desire to collaborate and contribute to the improvement of the nursing profession as a whole. Her additional roles as an examiner, evaluator, and inspector demonstrate her commitment to upholding high standards within nursing education and practice.

Dr. Komala H.K. embodies the essence of a true leader in nursing education. Her passion for learning, innovative teaching methods, commitment to research, and dedication to the profession make her a role model for aspiring educators. As she continues her journey, Dr. Komala undoubtedly holds the potential to shape the future of nursing and equip the next generation of healthcare professionals to excel.





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**Prof. Rohith N. R.**

MBA, M.Com., MA (Economics)

**Principal, BGS First Grade College  
BG Nagara**



Professor Rohith N R is a highly accomplished academician and financial professional with a distinguished record of academic excellence and a deep commitment to advancing knowledge. His educational background is remarkably diverse, encompassing an MBA (2011) from St. Aloysius Institute of Management and Technology, Mangalore, an M.Com (2015) from KSOU, Mysore, an MA in Economics (2020) from Kuvempu University DDE, Shivamogga. This ongoing pursuit of a doctorate exemplifies his unwavering dedication to pushing the boundaries of financial knowledge.

Professor RNR's research interests are equally impressive, focusing on Green Finance, Marketing, and Sustainable Development. This combination reflects a well-rounded and forward-thinking approach that recognizes the importance of environmental responsibility and long-term viability in financial practices.

Professor RNR's professional career is no less remarkable. He began his journey in 2013 as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Management Studies at BGSIT, ACU. His talent and dedication were quickly recognized, leading to progressive roles as Head of the Department and Vice-Principal. Currently, he serves as the esteemed Principal of BGS First Grade College, a position that capitalizes on his proven leadership abilities. Significantly, Professor RNR also brings valuable real-world experience to his academic pursuits. His prior role as an Analyst in the Trade and Settlements Division at Northern Trust Operating Services Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, equips him with practical industry insights that enrich his teaching and provide students with a clear understanding of contemporary financial practices.

Professor RNR has also made significant contributions to the broader academic community. He is a prolific researcher, having authored and published numerous papers in SCOPUS Indexed, Peer-reviewed National, and International Journals. Furthermore, his commitment to scholarly exchange is evident in his active membership in esteemed organizations such as ISTE (Indian Society for Technical Education), InSc (Institute of Scholars), and ISC (Indian Science Congress).

Throughout his career, Professor Rohith N R has consistently demonstrated a multifaceted approach to education and research. His dedication to academic excellence, industry experience, and insightful research make him a true driving force who inspires and guides future generations of professionals.



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## **Sri Girianna T.**

B.E. (Electrical and Electronics Engineering)

**Principal, SJBGS Polytechnic, BG Nagara**

Sri. Giriyantha T is a highly respected figure in the field of technical education, with a distinguished career spanning over three decades. Presently, he serves as the Principal of SJBGS Polytechnic, BG Nagara, a position he has held with dedication and leadership since May 2011.

His journey in technical education began in 1987 when he joined SJM Polytechnic, Challakere. There, he not only excelled as a faculty member but also rose to the position of Head of Department (HOD). His leadership and expertise played a pivotal role in shaping the department and nurturing young minds.

Sri. Giriyantha T possesses a strong academic foundation, having earned his Bachelor of Electrical & Electronics Engineering degree from the prestigious Govt. BDT College of Engineering Davanagere. His thirst for knowledge and passion for the field is further reflected in his impressive record of research contributions. He has published insightful papers on diverse topics such as design and failure analysis of pistons, industrial material transport systems, modernization in engineering technology and science, and the mechanical characteristics of composite materials. These publications demonstrate his commitment to pushing the boundaries of technical knowledge and sharing his expertise with the academic community.

Beyond academics, Sri. Giriyantha T is a prolific workshop conductor, actively engaged in fostering practical skills and igniting innovation in students. His workshops cover a wide spectrum of cutting-edge areas, including database management with Python, Ideathon (RRR) – a platform for creative problem-solving, Generative AI, advanced surveying technologies, and computer-aided design (CAD) drawing. This dedication to practical learning ensures that his students graduate with not only theoretical knowledge but also the hands-on skills necessary to thrive in the dynamic engineering industry.

Sri. Giriyantha T's dedication to education, both within the classroom and through workshops, has unquestionably shaped countless students' careers. His leadership, academic achievements, and commitment to fostering practical skills make him a true asset to the field of technical education.





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**Dr. Ravi K. S.**

MBBS, MS(ENT), DHM, MBA, CPHM

**Deputy Chief of Hospital &**

**Professor, Department of ENT, Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center, BG Nagara**

Dr. Ravi K.S. is an exceptional Surgeon and a distinguished leader in the field of otorhinolaryngology (ENT). He is highly committed to providing outstanding patient care, fostering academic excellence, and improving healthcare administration. Currently, he serves as the Deputy Chief of Hospital at Adichunchanagiri Hospital, where he leverages his extensive clinical expertise to guide healthcare teams and consistently improve patient outcomes. Dr. K.S. is also a prestigious professor in the Department of ENT, where he mentors the next generation of medical professionals.

Dr. K.S.'s career path demonstrates a profound commitment to clinical practice and healthcare leadership. He has a Bachelor of Medicine (MBBS), a Master of Surgery in ENT (MS), a Master of Business Administration (MBA), and a Diploma in Hospital Management (DHM). He also underwent specialized training in hospital administration at the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) and the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW). This unique blend of medical expertise and administrative acumen positions Dr. K.S. as a leader in contemporary healthcare delivery.

During his illustrious career, Dr. K.S. has accumulated over 12 years of academic experience, sharing his knowledge and clinical wisdom with numerous medical students. Furthermore, his administrative experience of more than 5 years has significantly improved healthcare operations, ensuring that quality and patient safety remain a top priority. Dr. K.S. is also actively involved in Clinical Trials.

Dr. K.S.'s skillset is both impressive and diverse. He possesses exceptional clinical leadership qualities, guiding healthcare teams towards achieving optimal outcomes for patients. His unwavering commitment to quality and patient safety ensures that every patient receives the highest standard of care. Moreover, his expertise in financial management and strategic planning empowers him to navigate the complexities of modern healthcare systems. Dr. K.S.'s deep understanding of regulatory compliance guarantees that Adichunchanagiri Hospital adheres to the highest ethical and legal standards.

Dr. Ravi K.S. is a visionary leader who embodies excellence in both clinical practice and healthcare administration. His unwavering dedication to patient care, academic pursuits, and operational efficiency make him an invaluable asset to Adichunchanagiri Hospital and the wider medical community.



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## **Dr. Aliya Nusrath**

MBBS. MD, ACME

**Faculty of Medical & Allied Health Sciences, Adichunchanagiri University**  
**Vice Principal, Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences**



Dr. Aliya Nusrath is an accomplished academician and administrator with a distinguished career spanning 25 years of teaching experience for undergraduates and 22 years for postgraduates. She currently serves as the Vice Principal of the Faculty of Medical & Allied Health Sciences at Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences, affiliated with Adichunchanagiri University.

Dr. Nusrath's expertise in curriculum development is widely recognized, particularly in her implementation of Competency-Based Medical Education (CBME) in Biochemistry for First MBBS students at Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and RGUHS, Bengaluru. Her contributions to the field of medical education extend beyond the classroom, as she actively engages as an examiner for both undergraduate and postgraduate programs and serves as a resource person for various institutional programs.

Dr. Nusrath's research endeavors have culminated in the publication of a book titled "Competency-Based Clinical Biochemistry: A Practical Manual for First MBBS students" and over 40 publications in peer-reviewed indexed national and international journals. She is recognized as a guide for MD and Ph.D. scholars by both RGUHS and ACU, reflecting her significant contributions to academia.

Dr. Nusrath's administrative prowess is evident through her tenure as Vice Principal and Head of the Biochemistry Department at AIMS, as well as her roles as IQAC Coordinator and Chairperson of the Board of Preclinical Medical Studies at Adichunchanagiri University. She actively engages in professional associations, serving as Joint Secretary of the Association of Medical Biochemists, Karnataka Chapter, and participating in various institute committees at AIMS. Dr. Nusrath's commitment to continuous learning is demonstrated through her diverse training and skills, encompassing educational methodologies, quality management systems, and advanced medical education technologies. She holds certificates from esteemed institutions such as RGUHS and St. Johns Medical College, enhancing her proficiency in curriculum implementation and health research fundamentals.

As a Life Member of the Association of Medical Biochemists of India and the Indian Medical Association, Dr. Nusrath's dedication to advancing the field of medical sciences is unwavering, making her a respected figure in academia and beyond. Her expertise is widely recognized, as she has been invited to speak at numerous medical colleges and conferences, sharing her insights and chairing sessions on various topics. Dr. Nusrath has also contributed to the field of nutrition biology as a guest teacher for Integrated M.Sc. and Ph.D. courses at CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore.



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## **Dr. Prakash S. Goudanavar**

M.Pharm, Ph.D (Pharmaceutics)

**Vice Principal, Professor and Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutics & Regulatory Affairs,  
Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy (SACCP)  
Faculty of Pharmacy, Adichunchanagiri University**

Dr. Prakash Goudanavar is a distinguished academician, researcher and leader in the faculty of Pharmacy. With over 18 years of teaching experience and a strong foundation in the Pharmaceutical Industry (6 years), he brings a unique blend of theoretical knowledge and practical application to his role as Vice Principal, Professor, and Head of the Department of Pharmaceutics & Regulatory Affairs at Adichunchanagiri University.

Dr. Goudanavar's expertise is further validated by his recognition as an expert staff in Tablets and Parenterals by the FDA Goa. His research contributions are noteworthy, with a prolific record of Publications (65 National and 33 International papers), presentations (29 National and 2 International), and financial grants secured (4 projects and 2 seminars worth a combined value of 35 lakhs). This dedication to research extends beyond his work, as evidenced by his guidance of 7 Ph.D. scholars to completion and mentoring 6 more. He has also fostered the research development of 45 postgraduate students.

Dr. Goudanavar's achievements extend beyond academia. He has been recognized with awards for his research presentations at national and international conferences. He has chaired scientific sessions and served as a keynote speaker for numerous international conferences. He is also a respected reviewer for indexed national and international Pharmaceutical journals and holds membership on the editorial and advisory boards of such journals. Furthermore, he is the author of 3 textbooks and has held positions of leadership and influence within academia, having served as the Chairperson of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of Pharmacy and as a member of the Academic Council at Adichunchanagiri University. He played a pivotal role in establishing a new M.Pharm Program in Pharmaceutical Regulatory Affairs.

Dr. Prakash Goudanavar has spearheaded numerous quality initiatives at the Faculty of Pharmacy, including serving as the Nodal Officer for NIRF and NIRF-Innovation rankings. He has also taken on the role of Quality Management System (QMS) Coordinator for ISO 9001-2015 certification, ensuring adherence to international standards. He holds the position of Vice President of the Institution Innovation Council, driving innovation and excellence within the institution. He is also entrusted with overseeing the NAAC and NBA Criterion, playing a crucial role in maintaining and enhancing the quality standards of the faculty.

Dr. Goudanavar is life time member of Indian Pharmaceutical Association and Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers in India, which demonstrates his commitment to professional development and collaboration within the field. He is true asset to Adichunchanagiri University and faculty of Pharmacy.





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## **Dr. Rajesh Venkataraman**

M.Pharm, Ph.D.

**Professor & Head Department of Pharmacy Practice Faculty of Pharmacy  
Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy, Adichunchanagiri University  
Head, Clinical Trials, Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center**

Dr. Rajesh Venkataraman is a distinguished leader in pharmacy education and research, with an unwavering dedication to improving patient care. He serves as both Professor and Head of the Department of Pharmacy Practice at Sri Adichunchanagiri College of Pharmacy, Adichunchanagiri University. Dr. Venkataraman additionally holds the prestigious position of Head of Clinical Trials at Adichunchanagiri Hospital, solidifying his commitment to translating research into tangible benefits for patients. His expertise extends beyond traditional academic boundaries.

As Clinical Trial Head, he meticulously oversees clinical trials, evaluates novel pharmaceutical interventions, and ensures rigorous adherence to regulatory standards. This dedication to evidence-based practice ensures the safety and effectiveness of new treatments reaching patients. His scholarly contributions are equally impressive. Dr. Venkataraman has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals, solidifying his position as a thought leader in the specified field. Furthermore, his innovative frameworks for summative and formative assessments have demonstrably improved learning outcomes, nurturing a next generation of pharmacists equipped for the demands of the modern healthcare landscape.

Dr. Venkataraman's vision extends beyond the classroom walls. He is a passionate advocate for bridging the gap between research and practice. He has spearheaded initiatives such as the Outcome-Based Internship program, ensuring pharmacy students gain invaluable practical experience. Additionally, he established a Stipend-Based Clinical Research Training program, empowering students to "Learn & Earn" valuable research skills during their education. His leadership extends to numerous service initiatives within Adichunchanagiri University (ACU). Dr. Venkataraman has been instrumental in coordinating the "ADVERSE DRUG REACTION MONITORING CENTRE" and the "MEDICAL DEVICE ADVERSE EVENT MONITORING CENTRE," under The Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) safeguarding patient safety. He has also played a pivotal role in establishing innovative programs like the Ambulatory Care Centre and the Asthma Clinic at Adichunchanagiri Hospital, improving access to specialized care.

Dr. Venkataraman's dedication is further evidenced by his consistent recognition as a top performer, receiving the "Best Performer - Academic and Research" and "Best Performer" awards from ACU. He has also successfully coordinated two cycles of The National Board of Accreditation (NBA) for the Institution. His influence extends beyond the walls of ACU. He serves as an External Member of Board of Studies for renowned universities like Savitribai Pune University and RGUHS, shaping pharmacy education across India. He actively shares his expertise as a Consultant, Adjunct Faculty, and Resource Person at international conferences. His impressive qualifications are further bolstered by his international experience. He holds a Licensor Basic Teaching qualification from Malaysia and possesses extensive experience in clinical teaching at international standards while coordinating Objective Structural Examination (OSCE) and Hospital Pulau Pinang, under the Ministry of Health, Malaysia. His commitment to research excellence is evident in his role as the Principal Investigator for several funded clinical trials. These trials have explored the efficacy of various nutraceuticals, the prevalence of health concerns among adolescents, and the potential of various natural products for managing obesity and digestive issues.

Dr. Venkataraman is also a prolific author, having published books on Clinical Research, internet addiction in healthcare, social pharmacy, and pathophysiology for pharmacy students. He embodies the spirit of a visionary leader, a dedicated researcher, and a passionate advocate for patient care. His unwavering commitment to bridging the gap between research and practice positions him as a driving force in shaping the future of pharmacy education and patient care.





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## **Dr. Shashikala S. V.**

M.Tech., Ph.D.

**Vice Principal and Head, Department of Computer Science and Engineering  
B G S Institute of Technology, BG Nagara**



Dr. Shashikala S.V. is a distinguished academician with a remarkable career spanning over three decades. Currently, she serves as the Vice Principal and Head of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, demonstrating her exceptional leadership qualities and unwavering commitment to academic excellence.

Dr. Shashikala S.V.'s educational background is a testament to her dedication to lifelong learning. She obtained her Bachelor's degree in Computer Science and Engineering from Mysore University in 1991, followed by a Master's degree (2005) and a Ph.D. (2021) in the same discipline from VTU, showcasing her progressive pursuit of knowledge. Her extensive teaching experience of 30 years, with the last 16 years as a Professor and Head of the Department, has established her as a pillar of the institution. As the Vice Principal for the past 0.9 years, she has contributed significantly to the university's administrative leadership.

Dr. Shashikala S.V.'s leadership has been instrumental in driving the Department of Computer Science and Engineering to new heights. Under her guidance, the department has received accreditation by the NBA, a prestigious recognition of its quality education. The student intake has witnessed a phenomenal growth, rising from 60 to 180, reflecting the department's increasing popularity. Her dedication extends beyond academics. Dr. Shashikala S.V. is a passionate advocate for holistic student development. Her efforts have motivated students to excel in various fields. This is evident in the department's impressive achievements: a student securing the 1st rank in CSE and 8th rank in ISE at the undergraduate level under VTU, another student securing the 1st rank in PG (CSE) under ACU, and active participation in national-level events like Smart India Hackathon and Floorball competitions.

Dr. Shashikala S.V.'s commitment to research is commendable. She has published 12 research papers in Scopus-indexed journals, while her Google Scholar profile boasts 30 publications. Additionally, she has presented research papers at 8 IEEE International Conferences and reviewed papers for 6 conferences. Her research guidance has empowered 8 scholars, with 2 already receiving their Ph.D. awards. Her active memberships in professional organizations like IEEE, CSI, and MISTE showcase her dedication to the field of computer science. She has also served as a member of the Board of Studies, and Chairperson for the College Internal Complaint Committee and Cultural Committee, further demonstrating her well-rounded leadership skills.

Dr. Shashikala S.V.'s dedication to research is further reflected in the grants she has secured. The "Establishment of ICT Infrastructure through Digital Library" project funded by VGST (K-FIST LEVEL 2) with a grant of 40 Lakhs and KSCST Students Projects with a grant of 15 Thousand exemplify her commitment to acquiring resources for fostering academic excellence. She is a remarkable leader, scholar, and mentor who has significantly contributed to the Department of Computer Science and Engineering's growth. Her dedication to education, research, and student development makes her an invaluable asset to the university community.



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## **Dr. Dinesha R.**

M.Sc., Ph.D.

**Associate Professor and Vice Principal  
Adichunchanagiri School of Natural Sciences, BG Nagara**

Dr. Dinesha R is a distinguished academician who wears two hats with remarkable expertise – Associate Professor and Vice Principal at Adichunchanagiri School of Natural Sciences, Adichunchanagiri University. His journey began with a deep fascination for the hidden potential within natural resources. Earning his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Mysore University in 2013, Dr. Dinesha delved into the intriguing properties of "BGS-Haridrin," a glycoprotein found in turmeric. Mentored by the esteemed Dr. Leela Srinivas, former Director of Adichunchanagiri Biotechnology and Cancer Research Institute, Dr. Dinesha's doctoral work laid the foundation for his unwavering commitment to exploring the wonders of nature's bounty.

This passion for discovery was evident even before his doctoral pursuits. Since 2002, Dr. Dinesha has been on a relentless quest to unearth promising antioxidant compounds from herbs, spices, and dietary components. His focus extends beyond mere identification; he relentlessly seeks to unveil their unique functionalities, including anti-inflammatory, antimalarial, anti-carcinogenic, and memory-enhancing potential.

Dr. Dinesha's dedication transcends the boundaries of his own research. He has actively participated in the National Cancer Institute's RAPID project, a testament to his commitment to the global fight against cancer. Within this prestigious project, he explored the potential of  $\beta$ Turmerin, another turmeric-derived glycoprotein, as a promising anti-cancer molecule. His influence extends beyond research. Dr. Dinesha has served as a guiding light for over 55 undergraduate and postgraduate students, meticulously mentoring them through their dissertation work. His dedication to nurturing future generations of scientists is truly commendable.

Dr. Dinesha's remarkable achievements have garnered well-deserved recognition. His research contributions have been acknowledged by the AD Scientific Index, and he has been featured in the World Scientist and University Rankings for the past three years (2022–2024). His expertise extends beyond research. Dr. Dinesha has a distinguished teaching career, having imparted knowledge in Chemistry to engineering students (2009–2016); Health Science to College of Physical Education students (2011–2019) and Biochemistry–Biotechnology to Post Graduation students of School of Natural Sciences (2019– till date).

The depth and impact of Dr. Dinesha's research are further evidenced by his prolific publication record. He boasts an impressive 85 research articles published in esteemed national and international scientific journals, with one even ranking among the top 2500 most-read and cited articles on Science Direct. Dr. Dinesha's innovative spirit extends far beyond academia. He has filed two Indian patents – one for a novel synergistic polypeptide composition (Application No.: 202141038719) and another for a process to enhance bioavailability and combat macular degeneration (Application No. 202341037710). These patents showcase his potential to translate scientific discoveries into solutions that benefit society.

Dr. Dinesha R stands as a multifaceted leader in the field of natural product discovery. His unwavering dedication to research, education, and innovation makes him a true asset to the scientific community





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## **Prof. Victoria Sarvand**

M.Sc., B.Sc.

**Vice Principal & HOD, Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing  
BG Nagara**

Professor Victoria Sarvand has an outstanding reputation in the field of nursing education, having dedicated over 18 years to the profession. Throughout her career, she has demonstrated a deep commitment to her students, an unwavering pursuit of knowledge, and strong leadership skills that have made her an invaluable asset to the academic community.

Professor Sarvand's academic journey began with a strong foundation. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Nursing, followed by a Master's degree in Nursing, which showcase her dedication to the field. Currently, she is pursuing a Ph.D. in Nursing, which reflects her desire to further contribute to the profession by advancing nursing knowledge.

Her professional experience is as rich and diverse as her academic background. She has held various positions throughout her career, including Clinical Instructor, Professor, and Vice-Principal. Her breadth of experience enables her to connect with students at all levels, offering practical guidance and theoretical knowledge.

Professor Sarvand's leadership extends beyond the classroom. As Vice-Principal, she plays an important role in shaping the overall academic environment and ensuring students are well-equipped for their careers. She is actively involved in committees dedicated to curriculum revision and quality initiatives, which is a clear indication of her commitment to student success.

In addition to her leadership roles, Professor Sarvand is an accomplished researcher. She has published numerous articles in national and international journals, contributing to the advancement of nursing knowledge. Her research also sets an exemplary standard for her students, inspiring them to pursue their own research and make meaningful contributions to the field. Professor Sarvand's dedication has been recognized by the prestigious Education Icon Award 2023, which is a national recognition of her significant contributions to the field of nursing education.

Professor Victoria Sarvand is not only an exceptional educator but also a role model, a leader, and a scholar. Her passion for nursing education and her unwavering commitment to student success make her a true pillar of academic excellence.



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## **Dr. Vasanthakumar M.**

B.Sc., M.L.I.Sc., Ph.D.

**Chief Librarian, Adichunchanagiri University**



Dr. Vasanthakumar M is a highly respected figure in the field of library and information science (LIS). With a career spanning over 38 years, he has distinguished himself through exceptional academic leadership, research contributions, and administrative expertise. His dedication to education is evident throughout his career. He has served as faculty and Head of the Technical Section at Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University, where he nurtured the next generation of LIS professionals. Instrumental in establishing the Ph.D. program in LIS at Adichunchanagiri University (ACU), he continues to guide and mentor Ph.D. scholars. His commitment extends beyond his institution, as he frequently serves as a resource person for information literacy programs and delivers guest lectures at various universities and conferences.

Dr. Vasanthakumar is a prolific researcher with a strong publication record in peer-reviewed journals. His research interests are reflected in his h-index (a measure of research impact) and citations on platforms like Google Scholar and Scopus. He actively contributes to the research ecosystem within ACU by facilitating the initiation of the IRINS Research System, introducing research tools for faculty and researchers, and providing plagiarism detection services. His leadership extends to developing and implementing the curriculum for the Ph.D. program in LIS and serving as an ACU-recognized research guide, evaluator, and adjudicator for Ph.D. theses.

Dr. Vasanthakumar's administrative experience is extensive. He served as Senior Librarian at Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS) for over 26 years, followed by a leadership role as Head of the Technical Section at Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University. Currently, he is the Chief Librarian at ACU. He has played a pivotal role in modernizing library infrastructure, implementing Library and Information Technologies, and adopting software solutions like NewGenLib, Symphony, and Koha. His vision for knowledge accessibility led to the creation of ACU Jnana Khanaja, a digital library powered by Dspace software. Additionally, he champions innovative approaches to knowledge resource management, discovery, and dissemination.

Dr. Vasanthakumar's leadership extends beyond administration. He actively engages with ACU faculty and researchers, guiding them on navigating e-content platforms and conducting research data discovery. He is a strong advocate for information literacy, spearheading the university's information literacy program and capacity-building programs for ACU librarians. His dedication to continuous improvement is further evidenced by his active participation in various university committees, including the University Council, Academic Council, and Research Council. His accomplishments have earned him recognition beyond ACU. He was awarded the prestigious Best Librarian Award by the Government of Karnataka in 2018. His active membership in professional organizations like the Indian Library Association, Karnataka Library Association, and Karnataka Health Science Library Association further underscores his commitment to the advancement of the LIS field.

Dr. Vasanthakumar M is an exemplary figure who embodies scholarship, innovation, and leadership. His dedication to education, research, and knowledge accessibility has significantly impacted the academic environment at ACU and beyond. He continues to be a driving force in shaping the future of information science and empowering researchers and educators with the tools they need to thrive.



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## **Sri Dharmendra Y. P.**

MA (Political Science)

**Public Relations Officer, Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center  
BG Nagara**

Dharmendra Y P is a distinguished figure in the field of public relations, with over three decades of experience. He holds a Master's degree in Political Science from Mysore University and began his career in 1996 as a Public Relations Officer at the renowned Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center, B G Nagar. Since then, he has been a committed and dependable member of the institution, dedicating his expertise to its service and the wider activities of Adichunchanagiri University.

Throughout his tenure, Dharmendra has led various initiatives aimed at improving healthcare accessibility and promoting community welfare. He has organized over 600 general health camps, providing free health check-ups and treatment to thousands of individuals. He has also planned and executed more than 3000 eye check-up camps and cataract surgeries, significantly improving the vision health of many beneficiaries.

In addition to healthcare, Dharmendra has shown a strong commitment to societal well-being by supporting disabled persons through specialized health check-up camps and launching initiatives aimed at improving the health of school children. He has collaborated with Adichunchanagiri University to promote all-round development activities for government schools, nurturing educational growth and community engagement.

Dharmendra's humanitarian efforts have gone beyond the local level. He has played an instrumental role in village sanitation projects, ensuring access to clean drinking water, and organizing malnutrition relief camps in partnership with NGOs. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he served as a volunteer, contributing to comprehensive health management and receiving commendation from both the district administration and his organization.

Dharmendra's selfless nature has extended beyond his community to the international level. He has partnered with the Rotary Self-Service Organization to organize cleft lip surgery camps, enabling hundreds of people to receive life-changing surgical interventions every year. Furthermore, he has coordinated artificial leg fitting camps and a total of 31 successful knee replacement surgeries in just one day. In addition, he has provided free health services to flood-affected regions, demonstrating his unflinching devotion to serving disadvantaged communities in times of crisis.

Dharmendra's exceptional service has earned him a reputation as a reliable and compassionate figure, offering invaluable support to patients throughout their healthcare journey. His 25 years of dedicated service reflect not only professional expertise but also a deep-seated commitment to fostering health, well-being, and community resilience. Dharmendra Y P's legacy serves as a testament to the transformative power of compassion and service in building healthier, more resilient communities.





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## **Sri Shivakumar Y. S.**

BA

**Public Relations Officer, Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center  
BG Nagara**

Sri Shivakumar Y is a dedicated professional in the public relations field. He currently serves as the Public Relations Officer at Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center, where his commitment to clear communication and strategic outreach plays a vital role in shaping the institution's public image. His educational background, including a Bachelor of Arts degree from Mysore University, has equipped him with strong communication skills and a critical understanding of various social and cultural contexts, which has proven invaluable in his role as a Public Relations Officer.

As the Public Relations Officer, Sri Shivakumar plays an essential role in disseminating information to the public, fostering positive relationships with stakeholders, and managing the hospital's reputation. His dedication extends beyond communication, as he possesses a genuine understanding of the healthcare industry and the importance of clear and transparent communication in building trust with the community. His commitment to patient well-being and the hospital's mission shines through in his daily interactions and efforts.

Sri Shivakumar's strategic approach to public relations is evident in his ability to identify key messages, develop compelling content, and utilize appropriate communication channels to reach target audiences. He leverages various tools and platforms, including press releases, social media, and community events, in effectively communicating the hospital's mission, values, and impact to the larger society.

In addition to his professional work, Sri Shivakumar has dedicated himself to philanthropic initiatives, including sanitation projects in villages, clean drinking water access, and malnutrition relief camps in collaboration with various non-governmental organizations. He has also volunteered his services during the COVID-19 pandemic, aiding in all aspects of healthcare management, and was lauded by the district administration and his organization for his efforts. He has partnered with the Rotary Self-Service Organization to organize cleft lip surgery camps, artificial leg fitting camps, and 31 successful knee replacement surgeries in just one day. Furthermore, he managed to provide free health services to flood-affected regions, demonstrating his unflinching devotion to serving disadvantaged communities in times of crisis.

Sri Shivakumar's dedication to his profession is evident in his commitment to continuous learning and professional development. He actively seeks opportunities to enhance his skills and knowledge, staying abreast of the latest trends and best practices in public relations. Through his strategic communication efforts, Sri Shivakumar plays a vital role in shaping the public perception of Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center. His expertise and dedication make him a valuable asset to the institution, ensuring its continued success and positive reputation within the community.



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## **Dr. Manjunath S. H.**

ME, Ph.D., FIE, MISTE

**Warden, Boys Hostel, ACU**

**Professor & Head, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, B G S Institute of Technology, BG Nagara**



Dr. Manjunath S H stands as a luminary in the field of Mechanical Engineering, currently serving as the esteemed Professor and Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at BGS Institute of Technology, BG Nagara, and Adichunchanagiri University. With a robust educational background, including a Bachelor's degree from BMSCE, Bangalore University, a Master's from UVCE, Bangalore University, and a Ph.D. from VTU Belagavi, Dr. Manjunath brings a wealth of academic competency and research expertise to his role. His core discipline lies in Mechanical Engineering, with a specialization in Alternate Fuels and Composite Materials, a field of paramount importance in today's era of sustainability and environmental consciousness. Dr. Manjunath's scholarly pursuits span over 33 years, encompassing teaching and research, making him a revered figure in academia.

His illustrious career includes various significant roles at esteemed institutions, including Professorships at REVA University and Headship positions at Sapthagiri College of Engineering, SJB Institute of Technology and K.S. Institute of Technology. His tenure has been marked by his unwavering commitment to academic excellence and research innovation. He has made substantial contributions in the realm of research, with a remarkable track record of publications and research projects. His research interests lie in exploring alternate fuels, composite materials, and efficient heat transfer mechanisms. He has published extensively in reputed international journals and conferences, and his work has been well-received by the scientific community and actively serves as a reviewer for prestigious journals like Elsevier International Journal.

Beyond his research endeavors, he is actively involved in various professional memberships, including the Indian Institute of Engineers, the Indian Society of Technical Education, and The Science Congress Association, where he contributes to his peers' academic discourse and professional development. His dedication to fostering the next generation of engineers is evident in his role as a mentor and guide to numerous research scholars, with several Ph.D. candidates under his guidance. His commitment to nurturing talent extends to his involvement in faculty selection committees and advisory roles for academic conferences and seminars.

Within the Department level, Dr. Manjunath shoulders multiple responsibilities, serving as the Boys Hostel Warden, Program Coordinator, and Criteria Coordinator for NBA and NAAC accreditations. His proactive approach to Departmental administration and organization has been instrumental in the establishment of two Centres of Excellence and the successful execution of various academic and extracurricular activities. Looking ahead, he envisions a future for the department and the college that is rooted in research excellence, industry collaboration, and holistic student development. His ambitious plans include securing research grants, forging partnerships with industry stakeholders, and enhancing the visibility of the institution through digital platforms and international collaborations.

Dr. Manjunath S H's illustrious career is a testament to his unwavering dedication to the field of Mechanical Engineering and his relentless pursuit of academic and research excellence. As a visionary leader, mentor, and scholar, he continues to inspire generations of students and researchers to push the boundaries of knowledge and innovation.



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## **Smt. Bharathi R.**

B.E, M.Tech

**Lead, Student Affairs and Services (SAS), Adichunchanagiri University**  
**Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electronics & Communication Engineering**  
**B G S Institute of Technology, BG Nagara**

Smt. Bharathi R epitomizes excellence in academia, serving as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering at BGS Institute of Technology. With a dynamic background in VLSI and Embedded Systems, she brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to her teaching endeavors. Armed with a Bachelor's degree in Electronics & Communication Engineering and a Master's in Technology and pursuing her Ph.D., she has dedicated six years to shaping the minds of future engineers.

In her capacity as an educator, Smt. Bharathi has curated an enriching academic experience for her students, imparting courses at the undergraduate level that span a diverse spectrum of subjects including Fiber Optics and Networking, Management and Entrepreneurship, Image Processing, Real-Time Systems, Real-Time Operating Systems, and Embedded Systems. Her commitment to providing holistic education is evident in her multifaceted approach to curriculum design and delivery, fostering a deep understanding of core concepts alongside practical applications.

Smt. Bharathi's scholarly pursuits extend beyond the classroom, with a significant contribution to research and academia. Her academic prowess is underscored by a remarkable portfolio of publications, with 14 papers published in esteemed national journals, and an additional 3 papers in reputed international journals. Furthermore, she has presented her research findings at various international conferences, further enriching the academic discourse in her field of expertise.

In addition to her academic responsibilities, she serves as a beacon of guidance and mentorship for students, leading the Student Affairs and Services at Adichunchanagiri University. As the Training and Placement Officer, she has played a pivotal role in facilitating career opportunities for students, achieving an impressive placement rate of around 80% annually. Through her diligent efforts, she has forged strong partnerships with over 40 multinational companies, facilitating placements for more than 1000+ students with lucrative packages, both domestically and internationally.

Beyond her role in academia and student affairs, she has been actively involved in various administrative capacities, contributing to the smooth functioning of college and university-level programs. Her dedication to the holistic development of students is evident in her unwavering commitment to facilitating admissions, and guiding students through the process with care and expertise.

In essence, Smt. Bharathi R embodies the ethos of academic excellence, mentorship, and leadership. Her contributions to education, research, and student welfare have left an indelible mark on the academic landscape, inspiring generations of students to reach their fullest potential and contribute meaningfully to society.





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**Smt. Shilpa T. N.**

M.A., B.Ed.

**Principal, BGS PU College, BG Nagara**

Ms. Shilpa T. N. is a renowned Principal at BGS PU College, BG Nagara, who has made significant contributions to pre-university education. Her academic achievements are impressive, as she holds a Master of Arts in Kannada and a Bachelor of Education, which have equipped her with a profound understanding of the language and pedagogical principles. Her foundation is further strengthened by a Bachelor of Arts in Kannada, which has enabled her to excel in the educational realm.

During her tenure as Vice-Principal at BGS PU College (2017-2023), Ms. Shilpa demonstrated exceptional leadership acumen. Her organizational skills, curriculum development expertise, and commitment to student well-being were remarkable. She played a pivotal role in fostering a thriving learning environment, spearheading initiatives that promoted holistic development, and ultimately propelling the institution towards academic excellence.

Ms. Shilpa's passion for language and cultural heritage is remarkable, as evidenced by her time as a distinguished Lecturer in the Department of Kannada at SGSC PU College (2008-2016). Her innovative teaching methodologies instilled a love for learning in her students, demonstrably enhancing their linguistic proficiency. Her journey began as a Lecturer in the Department of Kannada at MH Degree College, Ramanagara, in 2007, where she honed her pedagogical skills and ignited a passion for empowering students through education. As the Principal of BGS PU College since 2023, Ms. Shilpa continues to champion academic excellence. Her visionary leadership fosters a culture of continuous learning, innovation, and inclusivity. Her unwavering commitment to academic integrity and student-centric initiatives propels the institution towards even greater heights of success and distinction within the realm of pre-university education.

Ms. Shilpa's dedication extends beyond her professional achievements. Her active participation in workshops, orientation programs, and cultural events reflects her commitment to continuous learning and engagement with the broader educational community. This dedication serves as a powerful testament to her enduring passion for shaping young minds and sculpting a brighter future through the transformative power of education.

Ms. Shilpa T. N.'s inspiring journey is a testament to the profound impact that passionate and dedicated educators can have on shaping young minds. Her unwavering commitment to excellence and dedication to student success serves as a beacon of inspiration within the field of pre-university education.





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## **Sri V. Puttaswamy**

M.A., M.Ed., PGDHE, K-SET, NET

**Principal, BGS Model Public School, BG Nagara**



Sri V Puttaswamy is an esteemed educator who has achieved remarkable success throughout his distinguished 16-year career. Presently, he serves as the highly respected Principal of BGS Model Public School, demonstrating his steadfast commitment to shaping the minds of future generations and being at the forefront of education.

Puttaswamy has an impressive academic background, having attained a Master of Education, a Master of Arts in English, a Bachelor of Education with method subjects in History and English, and a Bachelor of Arts with a focus on History, English, and Sociology. Additionally, he has obtained a PGDHE, certification course in Curriculum Design, Development, and Implementation, and has qualified in both KSET (2016) and NET (2022). With such extensive educational qualifications, he has developed a deep understanding of various pedagogical approaches and subject matters, enabling him to effectively guide and support both students and educators.

Puttaswamy's professional journey reflects a wealth of experience across diverse educational settings. He has served as an Assistant Professor, Assistant Teacher, Principal, Lecturer, and Teacher Educator, demonstrating his versatility and adaptability. His leadership roles at BGS College of Education, CKS English School, and BGS Model Public School showcase his ability to inspire and motivate students and faculty alike.

Puttaswamy's dedication to continuous learning is evident in his active participation in numerous workshops, seminars, and webinars. He has participated in over 70 events covering a wide range of topics, including curriculum development, effective teaching strategies, the integration of technology in education, and the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. This continuous pursuit of knowledge ensures that he stays abreast of the latest advancements in education and implements innovative practices that benefit the entire school community. His intellectual curiosity extends beyond the classroom. He has actively participated in research endeavors, presenting papers at international and national conferences on topics such as "the impact of COVID-19 on education" and "the role of virtual classes in language teaching". He has also prepared a dissertation on "Attitude of Teachers towards Reading Difficulties of Students in English," demonstrating his commitment to scholarly inquiry and improving educational practices.

Sri V Puttaswamy is a remarkable educator who embodies a unique blend of academic excellence, extensive experience, a passion for professional development, and dedication to research. His leadership and expertise position him as a valuable asset in the field of education, and his unwavering commitment to student success is truly inspiring.



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## **Smt. Darshini C.**

M.Sc., B.Ed.

**Vice-Principal, BGS Model Public School, BG Nagara**

Smt. Darshini C. is a dynamic force in education, seamlessly blending academic expertise with astute leadership. Currently, she serves as the Vice Principal of BGS Model Public School in BG Nagara, leveraging her extensive experience to shape a thriving academic environment.

Smt. Darshini's educational background is a testament to her intellectual curiosity. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Microbiology, delving into the intricacies of life. Her Master's degree in Biotechnology further broadened her scientific knowledge base. Recognizing the power of effective pedagogy, she pursued a Bachelor of Education specializing in Chemistry and Biology, solidifying her ability to translate complex knowledge into engaging learning experiences.

Smt. Darshini's professional journey reflects a deep commitment to student success. As Principal of Athreya Educational Institutions, she navigated the unprecedented challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic with remarkable resilience. Under her leadership, the school not only ensured uninterrupted learning but also prioritized staff development and curriculum enhancement, fostering a space where students could flourish.

Her diverse experiences paint a picture of a well-rounded education leader. Prior to her principalship, Darshini thrived as a Biology NEET faculty, igniting the aspirations of future medical professionals. Her time as a Biology Lecturer and Child Officer saw her design innovative teaching methods, nurture co-curricular opportunities, and provide personalized support, ensuring no student fell behind. Darshini's dedication extends beyond traditional classrooms. As an Assistant Teacher and HOD Science, she spearheaded initiatives that not only achieved a 100% pass rate in science subjects but also fostered a love for the environment and scientific discovery through student clubs.

Smt. Darshini's impact extends beyond the walls of academic institutions. Her role as a Training Placement Officer demonstrably increased placement success rates, ensuring students were equipped with the skills needed to thrive in the professional world. Her multifaceted career even encompasses experience in business development and retail management, highlighting her adeptness at strategy, relationship building, and team leadership – valuable skills that translate seamlessly to the educational landscape.

Smt. Darshini C. embodies the true spirit of an educational leader. Her passion for learning, unwavering commitment to excellence, and unwavering focus on empowering students make her an invaluable asset to any institution.





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## **Sri A. H. Gopal**

MA (His. & Geo), M.Ed., M.Phil. K-SET (Edu)

**Assistant Professor, BGS College of Education**  
**Academic Coordinator, BGS College of Education**

A.H. Gopal stands as a beacon of excellence in the field of education, particularly in the domain of teacher education. With an illustrious academic journey and an impressive array of publications, workshops, seminars, and conferences under his belt, Gopal's contributions to the realm of education are exemplary. His academic journey commenced with a Bachelor's degree from the esteemed University of Mysore in 1993, majoring in History, Economics, and Geography. Subsequently, he obtained a Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree from the same university, specializing in History and Geography, in 1994, graduating with First Class honors. Gopal's thirst for knowledge led him to pursue a Master of Arts in Geography from the University of Mysore in 1996, where he secured First Class honors yet again. Further enriching his educational qualifications, he attained a Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree from the University of Mysore in 1997, demonstrating his dedication to academic excellence.

Driven by his passion for continuous learning and scholarly pursuits, Gopal expanded his academic horizons by acquiring additional qualifications. He earned a Master of Arts in History from KSOU in 2011 and a Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in Education from Alagappa University in 2012, both with outstanding academic performances. His quest for scholarly distinction culminated in the attainment of the Karnataka State Eligibility Test (K-SET) certification in Education in 2021, marking another milestone in his academic journey.

Throughout his career, Gopal has been a prolific author, with five books and numerous articles to his credit. His publications cover diverse topics ranging from educational methodologies to the nuances of social sciences, reflecting his broad intellectual interests and deep insights into pedagogical practices. In addition to his scholarly contributions, Gopal has been actively engaged in disseminating knowledge and fostering academic discourse through workshops, seminars, and conferences. With over a decade of teaching experience as an Assistant Professor at BGS College of Education, Mandya, he has nurtured the minds of countless aspiring educators, leaving an indelible mark on the landscape of teacher education.

Gopal's expertise and contributions have been recognized and honored on numerous occasions. He has received accolades for his exemplary leadership and organizational skills, notably being honored as a National level organizing lecturer for his outstanding contributions to talent development during national competitive exams. Furthermore, Gopal has been a sought-after resource person, imparting his knowledge and expertise in various academic forums. He has conducted workshops on curriculum development, question paper framing, and innovative teaching methodologies, empowering fellow educators with valuable insights and practical strategies.

In recognition of his scholarly endeavors and commitment to advancing the frontiers of education, Gopal continues to inspire and empower the academic community, leaving an indelible legacy in the realm of teacher education. His dedication, scholarly rigor, and passion for excellence serve as a guiding light for educators and scholars alike, embodying the spirit of lifelong learning and intellectual curiosity.



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## **Sri A. C. Devananda**

MA (Kan & His.), M.Ed., K-SET (Edu), NET (Kan)

**Assistant Professor, BGS College of Education**

**Administrative Coordinator, BGS College of Education**



Devananda AC possesses an impressive academic background, holding Master's degrees in Kannada, Education, and History, alongside Bachelor's degrees in both Education and Arts. This diverse educational foundation demonstrates a deep commitment to lifelong learning, which has become the cornerstone of Devananda's distinguished career. Devananda's qualifications extend beyond his degrees. He has successfully cleared the Karnataka State Eligibility Test (K-SET) and the National Eligibility Test (NET), both prestigious markers of academic excellence in India. These accomplishments highlight Devananda's dedication to academic rigor and a passion for fostering excellence in education.

He complements his academic prowess with strong technical skills. His Diploma in Computer Applications equips him with proficiency in essential software programs like MS Office and PowerPoint. This technical expertise enhances Devananda's efficiency in research, lesson planning, and communication, contributing significantly to his professional endeavors. He boasts over two decades of experience shaping young minds. Currently serving as an Assistant Professor at BGS College of Education, his career trajectory has included esteemed institutions like Karavali College of Education and Rajeev College of Education, with roles ranging from lecturer to assistant professor. This progressive path showcases his continuous growth and dedication to the field of education.

Devananda's influence extends far beyond the classroom. His research delves into critical topics, including educational resilience and technological integration in teaching. He has published extensively, with seven articles in esteemed journals and 18 book chapters. Additionally, he has actively disseminated knowledge through 27 paper presentations at seminars and conferences, fostering discussions on crucial issues impacting education.

A true advocate for lifelong learning, he actively participates in faculty development programs, workshops, and training sessions. This dedication to continuous improvement in teaching methodologies, research skills, and technology keeps Devananda at the forefront of educational innovation. Devananda's commitment to educational excellence transcends regional boundaries. His participation in national and international seminars, symposiums, and webinars facilitates the exchange of ideas, collaboration with global peers, and exposure to the latest trends and best practices. This proactive involvement emphasizes Devananda's global perspective and dedication to fostering inclusive and progressive educational practices.

Devananda AC embodies the qualities of an erudite scholar, a dedicated educator, and a visionary leader. His impressive academic background, extensive professional experience, and impactful scholarly contributions inspire future generations and contribute to positive change in the global educational landscape.



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## **Sri Pandu T.S.**

Diploma in Civil Engineering

**Maintenance Engineer, Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS) and  
Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center, BG Nagara**



Sri Pandu T.S. is a Maintenance Engineer at Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS) and Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Center. He has over three decades of experience dedicated to ensure the smooth functioning and upkeep of the institute's infrastructure.

As a Diploma holder in Civil Engineering, Sri Pandu has the technical knowledge and expertise essential for effective site management. He utilizes this knowledge to oversee various aspects of construction projects, meticulously planning and executing them to ensure that they meet the highest standards of safety and functionality. Sri Pandu's contributions extend beyond construction. As a Maintenance Engineer, he is responsible for ensuring that the existing infrastructure of AIMS and Adichunchanagiri Hospital are well maintained. This involves vigilant monitoring of facilities, prompt identification of any maintenance needs, and the implementation of effective solutions to prevent disruptions and ensure the seamless operation of critical medical services in the Hospital.

Sri Pandu's dedication is evident in his meticulous attention to detail, ensuring that every aspect of the infrastructure is maintained to the highest standards, creating a safe and hygienic environment for patients, staff, and visitors alike.

Throughout his tenure at AIMS and Adichunchanagiri Hospital, Sri Pandu has seen significant growth and change. His ability to adapt and evolve his skills alongside the institute's development is a testament to his professionalism and commitment. Sri Pandu's dedication serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and exemplifies the unwavering spirit required to keep the institute functioning at its best.





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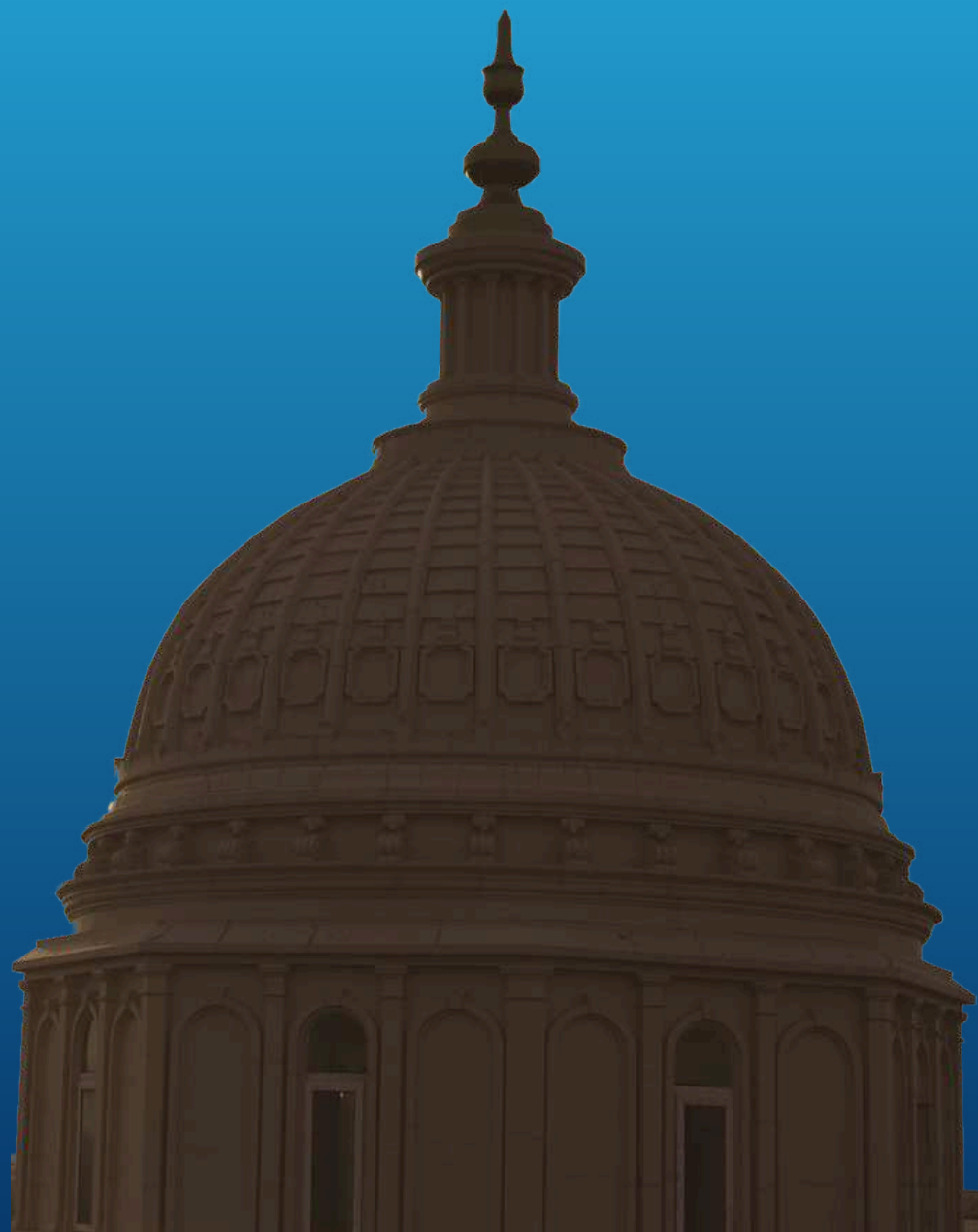
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