



Principal's Desk

Reflections for the New Year

The third US president Thomas Jefferson has summarised his visions for the New Year in a perfect one liner

"I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past."

Perhaps it matches well with the aspirations of any individuals or institutions on the eve of a new year.

Of course we did the same in the previous year as well and did our best in pursuing the planned goals. It may be history today but can still provide insights and directions for a better tomorrow. Perfection is like infinity and it is the beauty of it. In the process of chasing perfection we continue to create a better world. The New Year again provides an opportunity to think big and go for it.

The uncertainties of the past year have compelled us to look for multiple paths and possibilities, sometimes even to think beyond the plans. Challenges of such tasks could be truly daunting. Yet they deserve to be tackled. Inspiration can be derived from the words of legendary humanitarian Martin Luther King - "You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step."

Many such first steps need to be envisioned and there cannot be a better time to do so than the New Year. We need to pursue the journey of excellence with renewed vigour and vitality. It may not be possible to avoid the cracks which may occasionally appear in between. But as Leonard Cohen has rightly said "There is a crack in everything. That's how the light gets in."

Prof. Satheeshchandra S.

Principal

Programmes Organised

Orientation Program for the first-year Post Graduate Students

Post Graduate centre of SDM College, Ujire conducted a virtual Orientation program for the first year PG students of 2020-2022 on 16 December 2020 through the WebEx online platform.

Delivering the Orientation address, Dr. B Yashovarma, Secretary, SDME Society said, there are mainly two types of education, highly certified education and highly educated education. Even though certified education is necessary to elicit the basic academic degree, skill-oriented education is necessary to earn good occupation skills. SDM College is one of the colleges which make the students highly educated and skilful resources.

He enlightened the students by referring to the four pillars of education, put forward by Jacques Delores. 'Learning to learn' is the quality which is very important to enrich ourselves and the opportunity to work in-depth and in a systematic way. 'Learning to do' is the practical application of what we have learned. 'Learning to be' is a kind of quality consciousness like punctuality, promptness, etc. And lastly, 'Learning to live together' is an important aspect to develop an understanding of others and to maintain a good social life.

Dr. S. Satheeshchandra, Principal, SDM College Ujire, gave a brief introduction about all the facilities and opportunities available at the institute. He added that the learning at SDM College is not teacher-oriented rather it is student-centered. The classrooms here have been transformed into discussion rooms, encouraging two-way communication at the sessions. He also added that, no matter what facilities are available, its values increase only when students utilize them completely.

Dr. Vishwanath P, Dean SDM PG Centre Ujire gave a glimpse of the PG Centre and various facilities and resources available.

Dr. Vandana Jain, HOD, Department of postgraduate studies in Psychology, welcomed the gathering, Mr. Suveer Jain, Coordinator of PG Centre and Assistant Professor, Department of postgraduate studies in Social work delivered the vote of thanks. Ms. Nefisatha P, Assistant Professor Department of postgraduate studies in Chemistry compeered the program. HODs, faculty members of all the departments, and nearly 215 first-year students were present.

'Our entry and exit must be dramatically different': Prof. Ravishankar Rao

The second day of orientation for the first year Post graduation students of academic year 20-21 commenced with the orientation address by Prof. Ravishankar Rao, Department of English, Mangalore University.

Speaking at the occasion he said, what you are at the point of entry and what you will be at the point of exit must be dramatically different. Also he urged the students to always have a positive attitude as every crisis is a challenge and one must face it instead of blaming it on others. You are transiting now to a higher level of learning. So, the task is to equip, empower and enable you with the necessary skills.

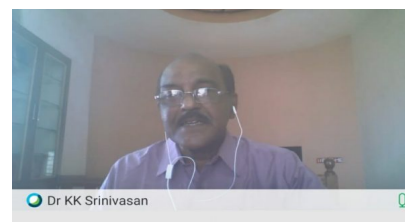
Prof. Ravishankar added that, Marks is not an important criterion, what matters is your contribution to the company. The skills required for that particular profession is what you have to acquire and the process of acquisition has to start today.

Dr. Shankarnarayan. K. HOD, Department of English introduced the chief guest and welcomed the gathering, Ms. Madhushree, Assistant Professor, PG Dept. of Commerce proposed vote of thanks. DR. Navyashree G.C, Assistant Professor, PG Dept. of Psychology was the Master of Ceremony for the day. Dr. Vishwanath, Dean, SDM PG Centre, Dr. B.Sampath Kumar, Registrar of the college, staff and students were present.



Webinar on "Commercial Prospects and Chemistry of Value Added Plant Products"

The department of Chemistry under the STAR College Scheme of Department of Biotechnology, Government of India organized a webinar on "Commercial Prospects And Chemistry of Value Added Plant Products" by Dr. K.K. Srinivasan, Former HOD and Professor (Rtd),



Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal on 19th December 2020. The resource person spoke on the chemistry of herbal medicines and their useful products and highlighted the importance of extraction of plant products for commercial value at the international markets. He also said herbal medicines and self treating remedies are increasingly popular in many countries due to increasing awareness among the consumers. Production of high quality raw materials, use of low input cultivation methods, standardization and knowledge in phytochemical analysis and process technology to ensure quality assurance are the steps to success, he added.

Ms. Swathi welcomed the gatherings, Ms. Rakshitha B.B. introduced the guest to the audience, Ms. Prajna Nayak proposed vote of thanks. The programme was co-ordinated by Ms. Prerana. M.

Guest Lectures

- The Department Economics and Rural Development organised an online guest lecture on “Digital Banking” for the students of III semester BCOM on 21 December 2020. Mr. Vinay Jain, SBI Ranebennur delivered the resource talk. The program was coordinated by Mr. Abhinandan Jain.
- The Department of PG Studies and Research in Commerce organised a department orientation programme for first year M Com students on 18 December 2020. Mr Chandan Rao, Soft Skill Trainer and Motivator, Udupi oriented the students on ‘Significance of Post Graduation, Career Planning and Employability Skills’. The orientation programme was held through Google meet platform and 50 students attended the orientation programme.
- The Department of PG Studies and Research in Physics organized an online invited talk on ‘Electronics Today’ on 19 December 2020. Mr. Ashokan Nair P V, Senior Service and qms administrator, Nikai Electronics, Dubai was the resource person. About 65 participants of I and II year M. Sc Physics s were present.
- The Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology organized a guest lecture on “Learning at the Postgraduate level” by Dr. M.Y Manjula, Professor of Psychology, Christ University, Bangalore on 19 December 2020. Dr. M.Y. Manjula narrated stories and gave real life examples during the session and focused on the key features of learning at postgraduate level. The students of I and II year M. Sc Psychology participated in the programme.
- Department of English organised a guest lecture on the topic ‘Communal Disharmony and Intolerance in the play Final Solutions’ for III BA English Optional students on 21 December 2020. Ms Inchara B R, St Mary’s International School, Chikmagalur was the recourse person. Ms Shubharani P S Assistant Professor in English Coordinated the programme.
- Department of English organised a guest lecture on the topic ‘Death of a Bird’ for III BA English Optional students on 29 December 2020. Ms Saraswathi C K, Asst Professor, Vivekananda College, Puttur was the recourse person. Ms Pavithra Jain Assistant Professor in English Coordinated the programme.
- Department of English organised a guest lecture on the topic ‘Communication Skills’ for I B Voc students on 31 December 2020. Mr Shankar Bhat, Asst Professor, Dept of English, SDM Polytechnic College Ujire was the recourse person. Ms Apoorva Hegde Assistant Professor in English Coordinated the programme.

Alumni Interactions

- The Department of PG Studies and Research in Social work organised an alumni interaction on “Experience Sharing” for second year MSW students by Mr John Fransis D’Souza, HR Executive, Autocratic Engineers, Phase 1-21 & 22, Park, KIADB Export Promotion Bengaluru on 26 December 2020.
- The Department of PG Studies and Research in Social work organised an alumni interaction on ‘Current trends in HRM’ for second year MSW students by Ms Pallavi, Executive-HR, Naavinya CAD Soft Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru on 28 December 2020.

Staff Publications

- Dr. Shalip, Professor, Department of Political Science has published an article on ‘Indo-Pak 1971 war: Leadership of Indira Gandhi’ in Contemporary Research in India, A Peer Reviewed Multi-disciplinary International Journal, (NAAS Score 2019:3.23, Indexed in Indian Citation Index with impact factor: 4.58(CIF) Volume: 10, Issue: 3, September 2020, ISSN 2231-2137.
- Dr Yuvaraja U, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Economics has published a Kannada Article on ‘Shala Shikshana: Samudayika Mruvinyasa Agtya’, in Udayavani Daily on 28 December 2020, p-5.

Staff Achievements

- Dr. Chidananda H L, Assistant professor, PG Department of Commerce an Online Course on ‘Academic Writing’ conducted by Swayam and examination held in the month of September 2020.
- Dr. Muruganandan S, Assistant professor, PG Department of Commerce completed the online certificate course on ‘Options Trading Strategies In Python: Basic’ conducted by National Stock Exchange (NSE) Academy on 17 December 2020.
- Dr. Kumara Hegde B.A, Professor, Department of Botany participated as a resource person in the webinar on ‘COVID-19, Importance of Vaccination’ organised by The Field Outreach Bureau, Shivamogga, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India and GFCFW, Shivamogga on 15 December 2020.

- Dr. Kumara Hegde B.A, Professor, Department of Botany participated as a resource person in the webinar on 'COVID-19, on COVID-19, organised by The Field Outreach Bureau, Shivamogga, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India and Govt. First Grade College, Shikaripuraon 17 December 2020.

Staff Participation

- Dr. Sudheer K V, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology participated as a resource person for a one day workshop on 'Emotions, Attitude and Performance' on 17 December 2020 organized St. Philomena Pre-university college, Puttur.
- Dr. Vandana Jain, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, participated as a resource person on the topic 'Aapta Samalochane Hagoo Corona Sandharbhadalli Aarthika Kasta Nastada Sandharbhadalli Manasika Sthirate Hege Kaaydukolluvudu' on 25 December 2020 organized by Gelati Jnanavikasa Kendra at SKDRDP Belthangadi.
- Dr Chitra B C, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies in Social Work, SDM College, Ujire has delivered a resource talk on 'Positive attitude at workplace and habits for better life' for field supervisors of SKDRDP from all over Karnataka at Centre for Potential Excellence, Belthangady on 19 December 2020. There were 35 beneficiaries.
- Dr Chitra B C, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Social Work, SDM College, Ujire has delivered a resource talk on 24 December, 2020 topic titled 'Effective Communication & Handling stress in day to day life' for Fund Managers of SKDRDP from all over Karnataka at Centre for Potential Excellence Centre, Belthangady. There were 35 beneficiaries.
- Dr Dhaneshwari, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Social Work attended as a resource person to deliver a talk on 'STI/RTI' at SIRI Belthangady on 9.12.2020.
- Dr Dhaneshwari Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Social Work attended as a resource person to give training on 'Participatory Rural appraisal' at Inchara Foundation Mangalore on 23 December 2020.
- Mr Sooryanarayan P Bhat, Assistant Professor, Department of English attended a webinar on 'Developing Self - Access Materials for your Hybrid Classroom', organized by Cambridge Assessment English on 1 December 2020.

- Mr Sooryanarayan P Bhat Assistant Professor, Department of English attended a webinar on 'Progression by Design: How Cambridge English Qualifications help Learning', organized by Cambridge Assessment English on 8th December 2020.
- Dr. Sanmathi Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of History participated in the National Level Webinar on 'India- China Lecture Series-3' organized by Shri & Smt. P. K. Kotawala Arts College, Patan & Jammu Kashmir Study Centre, Gujarat on 20 December 2020.
- Dr. Sanmathi Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of History participated in State Level Quiz competition on the occasion of Kanakadas Jayanthi organized by IQAC and Department of History Government Women's College Hunsur, Mysore on 15 December 2020.
- Prof. S N Kakathkar, Professor, Department of Physics participated in a two days online workshop on 'NAAC - WAY FORWARD' organized by SDM College of Management, Mangaluru in association with SDM College, Ujire on 15 and 16 December 2020.
- Prof. S N Kakathkar Professor, and Apeksha Jain, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics participated in the state level webinar on 'Quantum Information' organized by the department of Physics, MMK Mysore on 24 December 2020.
- Dr. Vishwanatha P, Mrs. Nanda Kumari. K.P, Mrs. Divya, Ms. Ganavi, Mr. Rajesh Hegde, Ms. Sangeetha and Dr. Narayana Hebbar have participated in the webinar on 'Commercial Prospects And Chemistry of Value Added Plant Products' organized by the Department of Chemistry, Sri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara College, Ujire on 19 December 2020.
- Dr. Narayana Hebbar, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry participated in the webinar on 'Oscillatory Shear of Polymer Modified Bitumen' organized by Anton Paar, Scientific Instrument Industry on 23 December 2020.
- Dr. Rajesh Hegde, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry participated in the three day virtual National Workshop on 'Advanced Materials for Energy and Environment Applications' organized by Yogi Vemena University Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh from 21 to 23 December
- Prof. B. Ganesh Nayak, Professor, Department of Mathematics attended a webinar on 'Ramanujan's Life and his Elementary Works' organized by the Department of Mathematics MMK & SDM Mahila Maha Vidyalaya Mysore on 30 December 2020.

- Dr. Kumara Hegde B.A, Professor, Department of Botany participated in a national webinar on 'Art of Writing Research Proposal and Thesis Report' presented by Dr. Savitha Mishra, Principal, Siliguri W.B, organised by Atal Bihari Vajpayee To, ABHAV foundation Bilaspur, CG.
- Dr. Kumara Hegde B.A, Professor, Department of Botany participated in a two days online workshop on 'NAAC Way- Forward' organised by SDM College of Business Management And PG Centre for Management and Research, Mangaluru on 15 and 16 December, 2020. The program was organised in association with the IQAC-PARAMARSH scheme. SDMC Ujire.
- Dr. Sudheer K V, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology attended a webinar on the topic 'NAAC-Quality Assurance in Higher Education" on 15 December 2020, organized by St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru.
- Mr Ravishankar K R, Dr. Dhaneshwari, Dr Chitra B C, Ms Swathi B, Dr. Athul. S. Semitha, Assistant Professors, Department of PG Studies and research in Social Work, SDM College, Ujire participated webinar on 'Impact of Covid-19 on Rural Students' organised by Department of Sociology, Sri Adichunchanagiri First Grade College, Channarayapatna, Karnataka, India held on 26 December, 2020.
- Mr Ravishankar K R, Dr Chitra B C, Dr. Dhaneshwari, Ms Swathi B, Dr. Athul. S. Semitha, Dr. Akshatha K Asst Professors, Department of PG Studies and research in Social Work, SDM College, Ujire participated webinar on 'Alcohol & drug Abuse in elderly is not a Myth" organised by Team Vayomanasa Sanjeevani Clinic & Services, National Institute Of Mental Health And Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) Bangalore on 28 December, 2020.
- Dr. Akshatha.K. Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and research in Social Work has participated in an online webinar titled How Yoga Works and Which Yoga Works for Older Adults, organized by National Institute of Mental Health And Neuro Sciences, Bengaluru on 21 December 2020.
- Dr. Athul. S. Semitha, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and research in Social Work participated in the National webinar on 'Career Pathways in Social Work' organized by Department of Social Work, St. Joseph's College, Devagiri, Calicut, Kerala held on 15 and 16 December, 2020.

Student Achievements

- Students of Digital Media and Film Making have won a National Level Award for their COVID-19 themed short movie, *Savi*. The movie has won the award for 'Best Editing' at the National Short Film Competition organised by the Department of Journalism, Alva's College, Moodubidre. The Editing of the short film was done by Shiljo, a student of B.Voc in Retail and Supply Chain Management. Antony PJ from Digital Media and Film Making has directed the film alongside a team of students from the same batch. The national level contest entries were judged by famed film makers Ashwini Kumar Bhat and Chetan Mundadi.
- Ms. Swathi P.S, II M.Sc Psychology has cleared National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted in July 2020 in her first attempt.
- The students of handball have won the 'Tulunada Cup Invited open Handball Tournament' in the Men's Section held at Ajjarakadu, Udupi on 26 December 2020.

