

VMRF – DU, Salem 17th Convocation held on 7th July, 2024

The 17th Convocation ceremony of Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation – Deemed to be University (VMRFDU) was held on 07.07.2024 at Annapoorana Auditorium, Vinayaka Mission's Kirupananda Variyar Medical College, Salem.

Dr. A.S.Ganesan, Chancellor presided over the Convocation ceremony and declared open the Convocation proceedings in the presence of Smt. Annapoorani Shanmugasundaram, Trustee and Dato' Seri. Dr.S.Sharavanan, Pro-Chancellor, Vice Presidents Mr.N.V.Chandrasekar, Dr.Anuradha Ganesan, Directors Datin' Seri. (Mrs.) Kamatchi Sharavanan, Mrs.Arunadevi Chandrasekar Mr.N.Ramaswamy, Mr.K.Jaganathan and Executive Directors (Campus Development) Ms.Vasundara Sharavanan, Mr.Gokul Krishnan Sharavanan, Mr.Shanmugasundaram Ganesan, Ms.Aavardhini Chandrasekar of VMRFDU.

The Vice-Chancellor **Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir** delivered the welcome address and read out a comprehensive annual report of the University.

Congratulating the graduating batch, the Chief Guest **Dr. Viswa Mohan Katoch, President, JIPMER, Puducherry** said that, it is important for each one of them to reflect upon what is the purpose of education and how well they can 'solve the problems in their profession, work and life for desired improvement in the quality with their decisions and actions in whatever they do'.

The Honorary Causa – Degree of Doctor of Science was conferred upon Thiru. Palam Kalyanasundaram, Padma Shri Recipient & Social Activist, Former Librarian, Shri Kumara Gurupara Swamigal Arts College, Srivaikuntam and Founder, NGO-Paalam (Bridge) for his outstanding achievements & commitment to the society and the Honorary Causa – Degree of Doctor of Literature was conferred upon Princess Aswathi Thirunal Gouri Lakshmi Bayi, Padma Shri Recipient & Literary Scholar

Chairman Emeritus, Pallium India Writer and a member of the Royal Family of the Former Princely State of Tranvancore for her outstanding achievements and commitment in the field of Literature and Education.

A total of 3665 candidates received their degrees in the respective Faculties at the Convocation. Out of them, **75 Ph.D. Degrees**, **113 Gold Medals**, **96 Silver Medals** and **77 Bronze Medals** to the rank holders of Undergraduates and Postgraduates belonging to the faculties of Medicine, Dentistry, Homoeopathy, Pharmacy, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Allied Health Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Architecture, Management, Arts & Science, Physical Education and Law.

Consequent upon awarding the above Degrees, the **Chancellor Dr.A.S.Ganesan** administered the pledge taking ceremony to the Graduates.

The Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. J. Sabarinathan, Registrar Prof. Dr.A.Nagappan, Controller of Examinations Prof.Dr.K.Manivannan and all Directors, University Officials, Deans, Principals, Faculty Members, Staff, Graduates & their family members, Students participated in the Convocation.

Prof. Dr. A. Nagappan Registrar