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Campuses: Salem, Chennai, Puducherry and Karaikal. VMRF-DU, Salem 16<sup>th</sup> Convocation & Founder's Day-July 7, 2023

Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation - Deemed to be University (VMRFDU) held its 16<sup>th</sup> annual convocation ceremony and Founder's Day at Annapoorana Auditorium, Vinayaka Mission's Kirupananda Variyar Medical College, Salem on 07<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

Dr.A.S. Ganesan, Chancellor presided over the Convocation ceremony and declared Convocation proceedings in the presence of Smt.Annapoorani open Shanmugasundaram, Trustee and Dato' Seri. Dr.S.Sharavanan, Pro-Chancellor, Directors Dr.Anuradha Ganesan. Datin' Seri. Mrs.Kamatchi Sharavanan, Mrs.S.Arunadevi Chandrasekar, Vice-President Mr. N.V.Chandrasekar and Directors Mr. N.Ramaswamy, Mr.K.Jaganathan were also present in the ceremony.

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. Kailash Satyarthi, Nobel Peace Laureate, said, "Congratulations to the graduating class of 2023. Embrace the opportunities that come with assuming new roles and pursuing your dreams. Express gratitude for the collective efforts that have brought you to this moment. As you move forward, dare to dream big, explore your potential, and take decisive action. Remember that questioning societal norms can pave the way for transformative change. Cultivate compassion, as it is an essential factor in addressing the pressing global challenges we face today. Draw inspiration from the timeless principles advocated by Mahatma Gandhi, which can guide us in our journey towards a better future."

The Honorary Degree of Doctor of Literature (Honoris Causa) is conferred upon Padma Shri Kalaimamani Prof.S.Salomon Pappiah, Tamil Scholar, Television Personality & Pattimandram Moderator, and Doctor of Science upon Padma Shri Dr.M.R.Rajagopal, Palliative Care Physician and Founder Chairman of Pallium India, for the exceptional contribution in their respective fields.

## **Event Details:**

A total of, 3593 candidates are qualified to receive degrees in their respective Faculties at the Convocation. Out of them, **93 Ph.D, 94 Gold Medals, 85 Silver Medals, and 74 Bronze Medals** are awarded to the rank holders of Postgraduates and Undergraduates of Medicine, Dentistry, Homoeopathy, Pharmacy, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Engineering & Technology, Management, Allied Health Sciences, Audiology & Speech Therapy, Arts & Science and Physical Education in the presence of members of Board of Management. Prof. Dr.A.Nagappan, Registrar, Dr.C.L.Prabhavathi, Controller of Examinations, Dr. J.Sabarinathan, Director (Academics) and other university officials have made the arrangements.

## **About VMRF DU**

Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (VMRF) is a multidisciplinary University that provides education in Semi Urban Cities in South India. higher 13 Constituent Colleges and 12 Schools across four campuses in 2 states (Tamil Nadu and Puducherry). It offers UG, PG, Ph.D and Post-doctoral programmes in Medicine, Dentistry, Homoeopathy, Pharmacy, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Allied Health Sciences, Audiology & Speech Therapy, Engineering and Technology, Arts and Science, Management, Law and Physical Education to more than 15000 students every year. Being accredited by NAAC as "A" Graded University, is recognised as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (SIRO) by the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India.

The University has always been mindful of providing community-oriented medical care through its NABH-accredited medical college hospitals with over 3000 beds. Furthermore, Engineering colleges under VMRF (DU) are ranked as "Excellent Band" in ARIIA (Atal Ranking for Institutional Innovation Achievements) in 2021 & 2022 and also placed in the Top 50-100 band in NIRF-Innovation Ranking – 2023.

Dr. Kailash Satyarthi, Chief Guest Speech in 16th Convocation 2023 of VMRFDU: https://youtu.be/PaHdRqjluDU

Padmashri Dr.Mr.Rajagopal receives Honoris Causa At Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation: https://youtu.be/jtyRWkyBzKg

Padmashri Prof.Solomon Pappaiah receives Honoris Causa At Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation: https://youtu.be/QvuiFwye1qY

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