Vice Chancellor Calls for Innovation: AU Celebrates 75th Republic Day

AU News, January: In his address commemorating the 75th Republic Day celebrations, Andhra University’s Vice Chancellor, Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy, urged the youth to spearhead innovation and honor the sacrifices of freedom fighters. Prof. Reddy extended his heartfelt greetings to all attendees, reflecting on the historic significance of January 26th, 1950, when India was established as the largest democratic republic. He emphasized the pivotal role played by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and a team of talented individuals in meticulously crafting the Indian Constitution, with its guiding principles of Democracy, Justice, Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity. Highlighting the importance of fulfilling Fundamental Duties outlined in the Constitution, Prof. Reddy stressed that contributing efficiently to the nation is paramount, regardless of one’s profession or position. Addressing the strides made by Andhra University (AU) in aligning with the National Education Policy (NEP), Prof. Reddy underscored AU’s commitment to quality, equity, accessibility, and affordability in education.

AU Alumnus Donates Rs 1.30 Crore Worth Equipment

AU News, January: Andhra University (AU) received a significant contribution from Dr. Deva Puranam of Viatris Pharmaceutical Company. The company donated laboratory equipment worth Rs 1.30 crore as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy. Andhra University Vice-Chancellor, Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy, said that this contribution aimed at enhancing research and teaching capabilities, particularly in physical chemistry, pharmacy, and central high-end instrument labs. Dr. Deva Puranam, an AU alumnus, praised AU’s progress and expressed commitment to further strengthening teaching and research endeavors. The Chief Minister of the State, YS Jaganmohan Reddy expressed happiness over Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy’s leadership and extended support for AU’s development. Dr. Deva Puranam’s philanthropic contributions, including the construction of a hostel building for pharmacy students and a donation for an advanced meeting hall in the chemistry department, were also acknowledged. Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy commended Dr. Deva Puranam for his services and contributions to AU, marking a positive collaboration between Viatris Pharmaceutical Company and AU for the advancement of education and research.

AU Registrar participates in National Education Summit

AU News, January: Andhra University Registrar, Prof. M. James Stephen, attended the National Education Summit on Commerce and Accountancy held in New Delhi. The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), Association of Indian Universities (AIU), and National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) jointly organized the two-day conference in New Delhi.
He commended AU's achievements over its 98-year journey, culminating in the recent A++ accreditation by NAAC and the upcoming Shatabdi Mahothsav in 2025-26. AU’s proactive approach towards innovation and resource development for Gen-Z thinkers was acknowledged, with a focus on nurturing talent in various disciplines. Prof. Reddy emphasized AU’s readiness to embrace Industry 4.0, with initiatives such as promoting startup culture and establishing incubation centers across campus.

Acknowledging the state government's support in granting over 500 teaching positions after nearly two decades, Prof. Reddy announced recruitment efforts to fill these positions, further enhancing AU’s academic prowess. Prof. Reddy urged AU to emulate the visionary spirit of India’s national leaders and constitution framers in building a developed nation that empowers every citizen. He emphasized that a confident and forward-looking India relies on the talent and skills of its youth, urging AU to equip students to shape a modern India. With these sentiments, Prof. Reddy wished all attendees a joyful Republic Day and a future filled with promise and prosperity.
Andhra University Hosts Joyous Republic Day Celebrations

AU New, January: Republic Day celebrations unfolded vibrantly at Andhra University, where AU VC Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy unfurled the national flag at the AU Silver Jubilee Grounds. Similar ceremonies took place across various college principal offices and hostel chief warden offices within AU. In the college principal’s office under AU Arts College, Prof. Narasimha Rao proudly raised the flag, while AU SDE Director Prof. K. Visweswara Rao and IASE Principal Prof. T. Sobha Sri did the honors in their respective domains. The event saw the participation of esteemed faculty members including Prof. N. Vijaya Mohan, Prof. Sharonu Raju, Prof. A. Pallavi, Prof. Srimannarayana, Prof. Haranath, Prof. Veerraju, Prof. DVR Murthy, Prof. Jarra Apparao, Prof. Ramesh Babu, and Dr. Rajamanikyam. Students from various departments, along with AU Physical Education representatives, graced the occasion, which was specifically organized by the Mahrani Petat.

AU United Club Hosts Vibrant Flash Mob to Celebrate Student Togetherness

AU News, January: The AU United Club organized an engaging and vibrant flash mob at the Andhra University College of Engineering’s basketball court. The event, themed “Strengthening Bonds: A Celebration of Student Togetherness,” aimed to introduce the AU United Club and encourage freshmen to participate in cultural activities, providing a refreshing break from their academic routines. The flash mob featured lively music and high-energy dance performances that created a positive and exciting atmosphere on campus. Beyond entertainment, the event sought to foster a sense of unity among the students, bringing them together in a celebration of togetherness. The participants’ enthusiasm and skilled dance moves contributed to making the experience unforgettable, leaving a lasting impression on the college community. The success of the flash mob can be attributed to its ability to uplift the spirits of everyone present, transforming an ordinary day into a memorable celebration. Such events play a crucial role in building a sense of community and camaraderie among students. It’s likely that the positive impact of this flash mob will be remembered and cherished by the Andhra University College of Engineering students for years to come.

AU Contingents Shine at District Republic Day Parade

AU New, January: Thirty contingents from Andhra University (AU) participated in the District Republic Day parade at the police barracks. Each contingent represented groups or units, showcasing AU’s discipline, dedication, and commitment to national events. Participation in such parades allows educational institutions like Andhra University to demonstrate their patriotic spirit and community engagement. Republic Day parades typically feature marching contingents, cultural performances, and demonstrations highlighting the country’s unity and achievements. The involvement of AU contingents in the District Republic Day parade underscores a commitment to patriotic observances. AU Chief Security Officer Mahmood Khan congratulated Vice-Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy, acknowledging the university’s representation and contribution to the event.

Andhra University Women’s Hostel. Prof. A. Narasimha Rao from AU Arts College, along with Chief Warden Prof. A. Pallavi and Dean of Student Affairs Prof. N. Vijaya Mohan, added to the festive spirit as they participated as honored guests.
Prof. Prasad Reddy Urges Andhra University Students to achieve Heights of Pride

During the AU MBA Students' Freshers Day celebrations at the AU Convocation Hall, Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy emphasized the need for AU students to reach a level that fills Andhra University with pride. Speaking as the chief guest, he encouraged students to maximize their two-year university period, emphasizing that their knowledge acquisition is crucial for personal development. Prof. Prasad Reddy highlighted Andhra University's legacy of transforming ordinary students into extraordinary individuals through non-formal education. He emphasized that the journey in college is as important as the end goal, encouraging students to enjoy every moment and cultivate a positive mindset. The current batch of students is actively participating in AU's centenary celebrations. Prof. A. Narasimha Rao, Principal of Arts and Commerce College, expressed dedication to shaping programs, facilitating placements with 78 organizations, and providing job opportunities for 171 students, resulting in an annual salary of Rs. 24 lakhs for the department's students. The collective efforts of university officials and the commitment of the faculty aim to create a conducive environment for students to flourish and contribute to the university's legacy.

AU News, January: Andhra University research student Stephen was awarded a doctorate for his research titled 'Integrated Groundwater Aquifer Management Using Pervious Concrete in Visakhapatnam City, Andhra Pradesh, India: A Remote Sensing GIS Approach' in the AU Geo-Engineering Department. Stephen's doctorate was conferred by the University in recognition of his significant research contributions. He received his doctoral degree from the Vice-Chancellor's office, presented by Vice-Chancellor Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy. Stephen conducted his research under the supervision of Prof. Adinahru and Prof. Mohammed. University officials, along with many professors and researchers, extended their congratulations to Stephen on this remarkable achievement.

AU News, January: Andhra University research student Bala Tejeswara Rao was awarded a doctorate in Chemical Engineering. Andhra University conferred this doctorate in the AU Chemical Engineering Department for his research on the topic of "Studies on Production, Partial Purification, and Immobilization of Novel Arbha-Aminose by Using Meat Brown Residue from Streptomyces Erisocaselin under Solid State Fermentation." The doctoral degree was recently conferred to Bala Tejeswara Rao by AU VC Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy at the university office. The research was conducted under the supervision of Yugandhar and Prof. Sriramireddy. Many university professors and researchers extended their congratulations on this occasion.
AU News, January: The students expressing happiness about Prof. Prasad Reddy's appointment as Vice-Chancellor indicates a positive reception. The students at Andhra University are overwhelmingly happy and supportive of the re-appointment of Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy as the Vice-Chancellor. The celebration organized at AU KV Gopala Swamy Outdoor Stage reflects the enthusiasm among the students. Spirited Ceremony and Celebrations: Students from Seven colleges organized a grand ceremony at AU KV Gopala Swamy outdoor stage to celebrate Prof. Prasad Reddy's re-appointment. The students participated in the event with enthusiasm. Progress in Colleges, Departments, and Hostels: During the celebrations, students highlighted the progress made in their respective colleges, departments, and hostels over the last four years. This indicates a positive impact and growth under Prof. Prasad Reddy's leadership. Positive Testimonials from Students: Students, such as Harshita Devaguptapu from the Law College, expressed their satisfaction with the development of AU Law College. The positive testimonials indicate a sense of pride among the students, and they appreciated the improvements in their educational environment. Encouragement and Supportive Measures: Prof. Prasad Reddy's initiatives, including creating hostels for female students, providing a safe environment, quality food, and other facilities, have been well-received by the students. They appreciate the support and encouragement provided during his first term as Vice-Chancellor.

Teaching Moral Values Vital, Says Former AU Law College Professor

AU New, January: Former professor of AU Law College, and former VC of DSNLU, Prof. Y. Satyanarayana, emphasized the importance of leadership that instills moral values in today's youth, stating that society eagerly awaits such guidance. Satyanarayana made these remarks during his participation in the recent Gandhiji-National Integration Program held at the AU Gandhian Studies Centre. During the event, homage was paid to Mahatma Gandhi with the laying of flowers on his portrait, followed by tributes. Vijaya Viharam Ramanamurthy was present as a special guest, elucidated on the utilization of Gandhiji's ideologies in conflict resolution. AU Arts and Commerce College Principal, Prof. Narasimha Rao, and Gandhian Studies Centre Director, Prof. K. Seethamaniyam, also addressed the gathering. Human Rights Council Secretary M. Shyam Prasad, Visakha Steel Plant INTUC Leader Mantti Rajasekhar, Prof. T. Sobhashree, Prof. S. Haranath, Dr. P. Kishore Kumar, and others were among the attendees.

AU Students Express Joy and Gratitude-Saying Thank you CM Sir

AU News, January: AU Vice-Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy recently unveiled the lecture series poster under the auspices of Andhra University's Gandhian Studies Centre in his office. Rector Prof. K. Samadhia, Registrar Prof. M. James Stephen, Arts College Principal Prof. A. Narasimha Rao, Director of Gandhian Studies Center Prof. K. Seethamaniyam, and others participated in the event.

AU NSS Program Officers and Volunteers Win State-Level Awards

AU New, January: NSS program officers and volunteers from Andhra University have been honored with prestigious state-level awards. Dr. V.S. Krishna Government College NSS Program Officer, Dr. Pola Umanaheswara Rao, and GIET Pharmacy College student, D. Lakshmi Srilekha, were selected for these awards, which were presented on the 12th of this month. Recently, AU VC Prof. PVGD. Prasad Reddy felicitated the awardees in his office. Prof. Prasad Reddy congratulated them. Six NSS volunteers and one program officer from AU represented the university at the National Youth Festival from the 12th to the 16th of this month. AU NSS Coordinator Prof. S. Haranath and others were also present during the event.

AU VC Unveils Andhra University Employees' Association Calendar

AU News, January: Andhra University, Vice Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy unveiled the New Year Calendar 2024 of the Andhra University Employees Cooperative Society. During the event, the Vice-Chancellor commended the employees for their contributions to the university's development. Also present were Registrar Prof. M. James Stephen, President of the cooperative society Prof. V. Siddhiaiah, Vice President Lakshmana Babu, Secretary Khadhar Baba, Directors Dokkara Srinivas, Prof. A. Pallavi, Dr. U. Yugandhar, D. Govind, K. Kiran, Manager RV Ramana, and other staff members.

AU Students Participate in National Youth Festival

AU News, January: Andhra University's National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers participated in the 27th National Youth Festival (National Youth Festival-2024) held in Nashik, Maharashtra. Following the event, they recently paid a courtesy visit to AU Vice-Chancellor Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy in his office, where he congratulated them. Six NSS volunteers and one program officer from AU represented the university at the National Youth Festival from the 12th to the 16th of this month. AU NSS Coordinator Prof. S. Haranath and others were also present during the meeting.
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VC Congratulates Commerce Student on JRF Selection

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IGBC Student Chapter opened at Andhra University

AU News, January: A student chapter of the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) was recently initiated in the Civil Engineering Department of Andhra University as part of the 6th Harith Prem Bharat Mahutsav 2024. The 369th Student Department within the AU Civil Engineering Ring Department aims to raise awareness about Green Buildings among the youth. The inauguration of the student chapter saw the presence of notable individuals, including IGBC Visakhapatnam Regional Center Chairman Leela Prasad, Vice Presidents Dr. K. Kumar Raja and Prof. G. Sasibhushan Rao, as well as the Principal of AU Engineering College. Certificates related to the initiation of the student chapter were handed over during the program. The Head of the Department, Prof. Satyanarayana Reddy, played a key role in the event, and IGBC Senior Counselor Srilekha, along with others, actively participated. The collective effort to promote awareness of green building practices among students and youth in the region is evident. Such initiatives significantly contribute to sustainable practices and environmental consciousness within the academic community.

Legislative Council Member Congratulates AU VC

AU News, January: Member of the AP Legislative Council, Kumbha Ravi Babu, recently launched the book "Food Security in India: Issues and Challenges" in the presence of AU VC Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy. Dr. K. Ravibabu unveiled the book in his chamber alongside AU Center for Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy Studies Director Dr. P. Subbarao, who edited the book. The book compiles research papers presented by 24 authors during a two-day conference, covering topics such as food security post-Covid, food security among tribal communities, the role of international organizations, and the impact of food security on socially and economically backward groups. Additionally, AU VC Prasad Reddy unveiled the poster for the upcoming two-day national conference, "Understanding Social Exclusion in India: Emerging Challenges in Social Inclusion," scheduled for March 22-23. Dr. Subbarao, Dr. Shantrao, CSASE IP staff, and others participated in the program.

Principals of B.Ed Colleges congratulated VC

The members of the Association of B.Ed Colleges under Andhra University (AU) are evidently pleased with the re-appointment of Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy as the Vice-Chancellor.

VC Prasad Reddy Launches Book on Sociological Perspectives

AU News, January: AU VC Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy launched the book "Sociological Perspectives on Teacher Education" written by Dr. T. Sharon Raju, Head of the Education Department at Andhra University. He appreciated Prof. T. Sharon Raju for covering various aspects of teacher education that are beneficial for present society. During the launch, Prof. Sharon Raju elaborated on topics such as Education and Sociology, Sociological Studies of Education and Technology, Agencies of Socialization, Teaching in Professional Socialization, Education and Social Change, Education and Social Mobility, Social Progress and Education, Culture and Education, History of Education in India, New Education Policy 2020, Education and National Integration, Development of University Education, and National Education Policy. He expressed confidence that the book would be valuable for students and researchers. AU Registrar Prof. M. James Stephen, former Governing Council members Girija Augustine, CDC Dean Prof. C.N.V. Satyanarayana Reddy, and others participated in the event.

Andhra University Buzzes with Energetic Sports Competitions

AU News, January: Research students of Andhra University got encouragement for sports. Prof. Muniswamy, Chief Warden of the University Research Scholars Hostels, gave special funds to the students to develop the sports complexes in the vicinity of the hostels. They have developed the premises and encouraged them to play sports as a leisure activity. To this extent, a check of Rs. 35 thousand was handed over to the research students. He said that with these funds, the research students will take care of sports facilities in the premises of GVMC Balayogi Vidya Hostel. Chief Warden thanked Prof. Muniswamy on this occasion. Research students Siva, Duvasagur, Manikutis and others participated in this program.

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AU VC Commends Tennis Team for Achievements; Mallika Sai Secures Silver in Boxing Championship

AU News, January:
Andhra University's lawn tennis team secured second place in the South India University Competition held at Laila College, Krishna University from December 26 to 31. AU VC Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy congratulated the players in his chamber on Saturday. The team members include M. Anantha Mani from MSR Siddhartha College, Sampreet from Dr. LB College, Akhil Kumar Reddy and Abhishek from Samata College, Murali Krishna from Dr. LB College, and K.V. Krishnamohan from Andhra University. AU Registrar Prof. M. James Stephen, Love and Care Ministries Founder Dr. P. Yesupadam, IIRM Honorary Professor Roop Kumar, AU Director of Physical Education Prof. N. Vijaya Mohan, Department Head Prof. A. Pallavi, and Physical Director Lakshmaiah were also present. The team has qualified for the All India University Competition. SGJS Mallika Sai, representing the Andhra University women's boxing team, secured a silver medal in the 50-52 kg category at the All India University competition held at Lovely Professional University, Punjab, from the 19th to the 23rd of the month. AU VC Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy congratulated Mallika Sai and her father Malleswara Rao in his chamber and presented them with flowers. Mallika is a first-year engineering student studying CSE at Dr. LB College. AU Registrar Prof. M. James Stephen, AU Director of Physical Education Prof. N. Vijaya Mohan, Department Head Prof. A. Pallavi, Love and Care Ministries Founder Dr. P. Yesupadam, IIRM Honorary Professors Roop Kumar, and Coach Dronacharya Awardee I. Venkateswara Rao also participated in the event.

Andhra University Buzzes with Energetic Sports Competitions

AU News, January:
Andhra University is buzzing with enthusiasm as sports competitions unfold at the AU venue. AU Registrar Prof. James Stephen recently oversaw these competitions, kicking off the shuttlecock event with a toss. He highlighted Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy's initiative in organizing these competitions to unearth talented athletes from rural areas. Prof. Stephen encouraged participants to leverage this platform to showcase their skills at national and international levels. The competition intensified at the constituency level, with Peethalavani Secretariat and Siripuram Secretariat teams battling it out fiercely in the shuttlecock final. Ultimately, Peethalavani palem emerged victorious, clinching the East Zone title. In the evening ceremony, trophies and certificates were awarded to the winning teams across various sports by DSDO June Galiate. The event saw the presence of AU Arts Hostels Chief Warden Acharya Veerraju, several District Sports Department officials, Secretariat Education Secretary Jhansi, Indore in-charge Prasad, as well as numerous GVMC employees and secretariat secretaries.
The students expressed their happiness saying thank you CM Sir

AU News, January:
Congratulations to VC Prasad Reddy! There was a collective sigh of relief when Chief Minister Shri Jagannath Reddy reappointed Andhra University Prof. Prasad Reddy as the Vice Chancellor. This decision is viewed as a positive step to ensure the continuity of the vision and programs already in place, indicating that Prof. Prasad Reddy's leadership aligns seamlessly with the ongoing goals of the university. The reappointment of Prof. Prasad Reddy is perceived as a measure to maintain stability and uphold the established vision and programs of Andhra University. The former Vice-Chancellors and senior professor congratulated.

AU’s Glorious Legacy Continues

Andhra University stands out as one of the institutions that have brought glory to the country. Many notable individuals have contributed to AU’s prestige. It is truly commendable that Vice Chancellor Prof. PVD Prasad Reddy has been reappointed for a second term to lead such a prestigious university. Over the past four and a half years, his leadership has propelled AU to great heights. Various reforms have been initiated under his tenure, aimed at securing a golden future for the students. AU is poised to achieve even greater progress under his guidance*

- K. Narayanasamy, Famous actor and director

Prof. Prasad Reddy’s Second Term: A Fortunate Chapter for AU’s Development

Andhra University is fortunate to have Prof. Prasad Reddy appointed as VC for the second time, a decision welcomed by AU and its employees. Over the past four years, his administration has demonstrated efficiency and effectiveness. The grounds of AU Engineering College, once a hub for anti-social activities, have been transformed into a facility for athletes. Additionally, AU has successfully reclaimed alienated university lands, a process spanning several decades. Congratulations to him on this achievement. With his continued leadership, AU is poised for further remarkable developments in the coming years*

- Former employee of AU

Thank you C.M Sir

“I have been observing AU for the past 15 years, but in the last four years, revolutionary changes have taken place in the University. Vice Chancellor Prof. Prasad Reddy has developed the University infrastructure on a large scale, constructing modern buildings to meet future needs.”

- Varshini

AU College of Engineering

It is a pleasure to see Prof. Prasad Reddy as VC

“It is a pleasure to appoint Prof. Prasad Reddy as AU VC once again. He is proof of commitment and superior leadership. AU’s progress has been taken to the highest level, with revolutionary changes initiated in the development of the university. At the national level, AU is being promoted as a benchmark for higher educational institutions like IITs and IIMs. AU has been placed at the top of the country in the NIRF ranking. AU will make further progress in the next three years.”

- Prof. Lajapatri, Former VC Dr.B.R. Ambedkar University

“Four Years of Solid Development at AU”

Andhra University has made significant progress in recent years. Having served in the university administration alongside many VC’s, I have witnessed the remarkable achievements attained by the university in these past four years. Under the leadership of Prof. PVD Prasad Reddy, tremendous efforts are being dedicated to securing a golden future for AU students. AU has achieved the best rank in NMC with an A Double Plus rating. Additionally, AU will soon be celebrating its centenary. In this context, the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Prasad Reddy is a momentous occasion.”

- Prof. K. Vasuwara Rao, Director, AU SEE

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