

AIMS NEWSLETTER

“LEARNING, LEADING, CELEBRATING”

“A Month of Progress – Key
Events, Achievements &
Recognitions”

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Paramapoojya Jagadguru Padmabhushana Puraskrutha
Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji
71st Pontiff, Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana Math

GUIDING LIGHT FOR LIFE'S JOURNEY

Scientific inventions and innovation have helped man to bloom in the materialistic world and to be proud of being wealthy. But to attain the true bliss, serenity and ease of life one must be in constant association with spirituality.



Paramapoojya Jagadguru
Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji
72nd Pontiff, Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana Math, Honorable Chancellor,
Adichunchanagiri University

"To be a Great Medical Practitioner, be a Good Listener"



Message from Dean

His Holiness Sri Sri Sri Dr. Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji, has been a cornerstone of rural healthcare and medical education for over four decades. Guided by the mission of extending high-quality and ethical medical care to underserved communities, AIMS has evolved into a distinguished centre that integrates traditional values with contemporary scientific advancements.

The institution continues to flourish under the benevolent leadership of Paramapoojya His Holiness Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji, whose unwavering commitment to education, service, and innovation has propelled AIMS toward academic excellence and societal impact. Today, AIMS stands as a beacon of medical knowledge, compassionate service, and professional integrity, contributing significantly to the regional and national healthcare ecosystem.

Each department at AIMS strives to uphold the highest standards in teaching, clinical practice, research, and community health initiatives. The culture of inquiry, collaboration, and continuous progress nurtures both faculty and students, encouraging them to pursue excellence and inspire change in the medical domain.

In alignment with this spirit, the November Newsletter serves as a chronicle of the month's accomplishments—highlighting academic engagements, research advancements, clinical activities, student and faculty achievements, and outreach programmes. It reflects the collective aspirations and dedication of the AIMS community, fostering a shared sense of pride, motivation, and purpose.

Dr. M G Shivaramu,
Principal, AIMS
Dean, Faculty of Medical &
Allied Health Sciences, ACU

*"Celebrating
Knowledge, Service,
Innovation, and
Culture at AIMS."*

Transformative Milestones at AIMS in November 2025

The November Newsletter reflects a vibrant and productive period at the AIMS marked by academic progress, professional achievements, cultural celebrations, and community engagement. A major academic highlight of the month was the three-day Research-Based Faculty Development Programme, which strengthened the research culture across the institution by equipping faculty members and research scholars with enhanced skills in study design, scientific writing, statistical applications, and preparation of fundable research proposals. Faculty and students also received distinctions at regional, national, and international platforms across conferences, workshops, research forums, and competitive events—further elevating the academic and professional reputation of AIMS.

During the month, AIMS honoured the culture and heritage of Karnataka through the celebration of Kannada Rajyotsava, reinforcing the institution's commitment to preserving and promoting the linguistic and cultural ethos of the state. The standout event of the month was Sapientia – the Intercollegiate Medical Quiz, which distinguished itself as a flagship academic competition of the institution. Alongside academic accomplishments, students demonstrated exemplary performance in sports and co-curricular competitions, reflecting the institution's emphasis on holistic growth & well-being.



Dr. K. M. Shivakumar
Chief of Hospital / Medical Superintendent
Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research
Center, BG Nagara



From Editors Desk

It gives me great pleasure to present this edition of the November Newsletter. The achievements and initiatives highlighted in these pages reflect the unwavering dedication, innovation, and collaborative ethos that characterize our institution. I extend my sincere appreciation to all faculty members, students, and staff whose consistent efforts continue to enhance the prestige and academic standing of AIMS. May this newsletter inspire each of us to further our commitment to academic excellence, holistic growth, and compassionate service to humanity.

This edition embodies AIMS' steadfast pursuit of excellence in medical education, research, community service, and cultural enrichment. It reaffirms our mission to nurture healthcare professionals who are not only knowledgeable and skilled, but also empathetic, ethical, and socially responsible.

Dr. Aliya Nusrath
Vice Principal
Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical
Sciences, ACU

Key Highlights of the Month

- Research-Based FDP
- World Anatomy Day 2025
- World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week
- Workshops and Academic Enrichment Activities
- Community Outreach Initiatives
- Kannada Rajyotsava Day Celebration
- Alumni Sports Event
- Sapientia: An Intercollegiate Medical Quiz

FDP – Workshop on Research Methodology, Biostatistical Analysis & Funding Pathways

The Scientific Committee and IQAC of AIMS successfully organized a comprehensive three-day Interinstitutional Workshop on Research Methodology, Biostatistical Analysis, and Funding Pathways from 11th to 13th November 2025 at the MEU Hall. The workshop was designed to benefit research scholars, postgraduate students, residents, PhD scholars, and faculty members, with the aim of strengthening their foundational understanding of research principles, enhancing analytical and statistical skills, and providing clarity on identifying and applying to funding opportunities for academic and clinical research projects. The workshop began with an inaugural ceremony, which included an invocation song followed by the traditional lighting of the lamp by dignitaries. Dr. Amita K, Coordinator of the Scientific Committee, welcomed the participants and set the stage for the academic sessions. The Presidential Address was delivered by Dr. M. G. Shivaramu, Principal of AIMS and Dean of Health Sciences (Medical), who emphasized the critical role of methodologically sound research in advancing medical science and evidence-based practice. Vice Principal Dr. Aliya Nusrath also addressed the participants and encouraged them to actively engage in the sessions and apply the knowledge gained in their research endeavors.

On the first day, the academic sessions introduced participants to the fundamentals of health research. Dr. B. Ganesh delivered an engaging talk on “Introduction to Health Research – Scope and Relevance,” highlighting the importance of understanding the objectives, impact, and practical applications of research. This was followed by Dr. Aliya Nusrath, who provided an in-depth explanation on hypothesis development and framing research questions, helping participants to conceptualize research ideas with clarity. Dr. Amita K then guided attendees on formulating precise and measurable research objectives that align with study design. The first day also included a session by Dr. Prashantha Kalappa on literature review and publication processes, which familiarized participants with strategies to identify, analyze, and synthesize scientific evidence for research projects. Participants were also introduced to variables, scales, and sampling techniques by Dr. Raghavendra S. K, equipping them with essential biostatistical knowledge. The day concluded with interactive group activities, during which participants applied the concepts learned to frame research questions, draft objectives, and perform basic biostatistical exercises, allowing them to engage in practical, hands-on learning.

The second day focused on advanced methodological concepts and statistical applications. The day began with a detailed session by Dr. Praveen Kulkarni on study designs, including observational and interventional studies, which enabled participants to understand the different approaches to research and the contexts in which each is appropriate. Dr. Raghavendra S. K then explained sample size calculation and the concept of study power, emphasizing the importance of ensuring statistical reliability and validity in research findings. This was followed by a series of sessions by Dr. Praveen Kulkarni covering parametric and non-parametric statistical tests, correlation, regression, and basics of survival analysis, equipping participants with the knowledge to analyze and interpret research data accurately.





Dr. Tejaswi H. L. delivered a session on data presentation, teaching participants effective techniques for visually communicating research findings. Practical group activities on study designs and statistical test selection allowed participants to apply theoretical knowledge in simulated research scenarios. The second day concluded with a session by Dr. Anil Kumar on critical appraisal of scientific papers, which helped participants develop skills to evaluate the quality, validity, and reliability of published research and strengthen their analytical reasoning.



The final day of the workshop focused on research funding, grant writing, and intellectual property. Dr. Akila Prashanth provided a comprehensive overview of the funding landscape, highlighting national and international agencies and the types of research projects they support. Dr. B. Ganesh guided participants on identifying fundable research questions and aligning them with funding priorities, explaining how researchers can increase their chances of securing grants.

The day continued with detailed sessions on grant proposal structure and budgeting techniques, enabling participants to develop accurate, compelling, and fundable research proposals. Mr. Sudhir delivered insightful presentations on patents in medicine, covering the process from generating innovative ideas to filing patent applications, and shared practical tips for navigating intellectual property procedures. The workshop concluded with a session on common pitfalls in grant writing and reviewer expectations, providing participants with practical guidance on how to avoid errors and meet the standards expected by funding agencies.

The workshop concluded with the collection of participant feedback, a valedictory ceremony, and the distribution of certificates to all delegates and resource faculty. Over the three days, the workshop successfully enhanced participants' ability to design scientifically robust research studies, select and apply appropriate biostatistical tools, interpret and present research data effectively, and prepare well-structured grant proposals.



The event also fostered a collaborative and interactive learning environment, encouraging discussions, professional networking, and academic growth, making it a highly impactful initiative of AIMS that will support participants in their future research endeavors.

National Library Week Events

Workshop-“Enhancing Clinical Decisions: Leveraging ClinicalKey for Healthcare Excellence”

The ACU Learning Resource Centre, in collaboration with AIMS IQAC, Elsevier, and LIS Academy, conducted a workshop on “Enhancing Clinical Decisions: Leveraging ClinicalKey for Healthcare Excellence” on 14th November 2025 at the BGS Global Broadcasting Centre. A total of 92 faculty members and postgraduate students participated.

The session, held under the guidance of Dr. M. G. Shivaramu, featured a keynote address by Dr. Aliya Nusrath and was attended by Dr. Vasanthakumar M. Mr. Abhishek Gupta delivered hands-on training on ClinicalKey, demonstrating clinical search tools, AI features, drug interaction checks, and workflow integrations. Participants found the workshop highly relevant and informative, noting improved confidence in using ClinicalKey for evidence-based clinical decisions. As the first ClinicalKey session at AIMS, it successfully created awareness about digital clinical resources, with future subscription plans to be considered based on stakeholder demand.



Training session on – Koha D-space software

The ACU Learning Resource Centre, in collaboration with AIMS IQAC and ACU Constituent Libraries, conducted a Training Programme on Koha and DSpace Software on 18th November 2025 for in-house librarians and supporting staff. The session, held from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, focused on hands-on training in library management, digital preservation, and repository workflows. Dr. Triveni Hundekar guided participants through Koha modules including acquisitions, budgeting, circulation, and reporting, as well as DSpace CRIS (v8) features such as community creation, metadata standards, and submission workflows. Participants gained practical skills, confidence, and efficiency in managing libraries independently.

The programme successfully enhanced proficiency in Koha and DSpace, improved library operations, strengthened digital repository management, and provided hands-on experience in cataloguing, circulation, and reporting. Recommendations included independent practice for librarians and the continuation of regular capacity-building sessions to further enhance their skills. The programme concluded successfully, reinforcing ACU's commitment to library automation, digital preservation, and the professional development of its library staff.



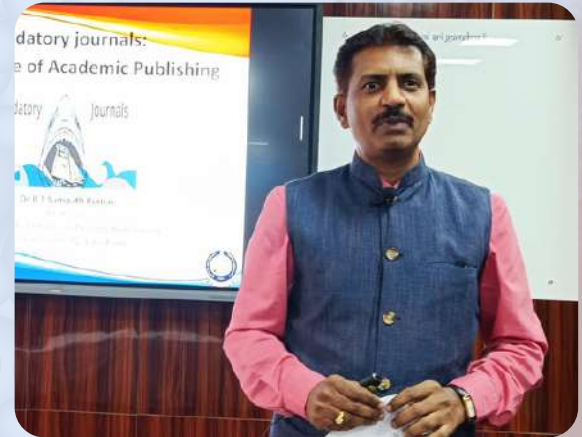
“Introduction to ACU Learning Resource Centre: An Information Literacy Programme”

The ACU Learning Resource Centre, in association with AIMS IQAC, conducted an orientation programme for 1st MBBS students on 21st November 2025 as part of National Library Week, where Dr. M. Vasanthakumar introduced the library's vision, facilities, rules, and OPAC system. Students were also trained in information literacy, including search techniques, identifying reliable sources, plagiarism awareness, citations, and accessing e-resources and the D Space repository. The session was well received and helped students gain confidence in using the library's physical and digital resources.



Guest Lecture on the Dark Side of Academic Publishing

Adichunchanagiri Learning Center, AIMS, ACU organized a Guest Lecture on “Predatory Journals – The Dark Side of Academic Publishing” on 21st November 2025 at the BGS Global Broadcasting Centre. The event was guided by Dr. M. G. Shivaramu and chaired by Dr. Aliya Nusrath, with dignitaries Dr. Vasanthakumar M and Dr. B. T. Sampathkumar in attendance. The lecture focused on identifying red flags of predatory journals, understanding their academic and financial consequences, and choosing credible publishing platforms. Dr. Sampathkumar delivered an insightful session on tools and best practices to avoid fraudulent journals. Held in collaboration with AIMS-IQAC, the programme drew over 60 participants who reported improved awareness and appreciated the session’s relevance and practical value in strengthening research integrity.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH / COMMEMORATIVE DAYS

School Dental Health Programme

The Department of Dentistry, Adichunchanagiri Hospital & Research Centre, conducted a School Dental Health Programme on 17th November 2025 for 200 students from AC Giri Residential School. Held as part of Children’s Day activities, the camp aimed to improve oral hygiene awareness among children. Dr. Lakshmi M. S. and Dr. Kavitha conducted oral screening and delivered interactive sessions on proper brushing techniques, preventive dental practices, and daily oral care habits. Students participated enthusiastically and showed strong interest in learning about dental health. Feedback indicated increased motivation among children to maintain good oral hygiene. The programme strengthened community outreach, highlighted the importance of early dental screening, and encouraged planning of future school-based dental health initiatives.



Children's Day & International Girl Child day

The Department of Paediatrics, in association with Government Primary School, Vaderapura, celebrated Children's Day and International Girl Child Day 2025 on 26th November with PGs, interns, faculty, teachers, and 120 children. The programme began with an invocation and sapling planting, followed by a welcome from Shri Murlidhar and an address by Dr. K. B. Mahendrappa, who encouraged students to dream big, stay disciplined, and be confident. Activities included dance performances, games, clay modeling, and drawing competitions, with prizes and gifts such as T-shirts, stationery, and cake for all children. The event successfully promoted awareness of child rights, education, discipline, and girl child empowerment and concluded with prize distribution.



World Diabetes Day 2025: Strengthening Rural Health Awareness

The Department of Community Medicine, AIMS, observed World Diabetes Day 2025 by organising a diabetes screening and awareness programme on 14th November 2025 across the Family Adoption Villages and RHTC service villages of Kadabhalli and Lalinakere. The initiative aimed to educate the rural population on diabetes, its risk factors, symptoms, complications, and preventive strategies, while emphasising lifestyle modification and the importance of regular health screening. Faculty members, MSWs, and interns actively engaged in conducting awareness sessions and on-site screening, reaching over 200 beneficiaries. Individuals with abnormal findings were counselled and referred to AIMS Hospital and RHTC for further evaluation.



Free Health Camp

The Department of General Medicine organized a Free Health Camp on 17 November 2025 at the General Medicine OPD in collaboration with the Endocrinology team. The camp provided free screening for diabetes and hypertension to the local community. A total of 250 patients were evaluated. All participants underwent blood glucose screening, and those with abnormal or borderline values were advised further evaluation. Doctors also conducted brief awareness sessions on lifestyle modification, diet, exercise, and the importance of regular follow-up.

The camp received an excellent public response and successfully promoted early detection and preventive health practices. The department recommends conducting such camps regularly to support community health.



World Immunization Day

The World Immunization Day 2025 programme was held on 20th November 2025 by the Department of Pediatrics, AH&RC, B.G. Nagara at the Pediatrics OPD, with 150 participants, including PGs, interns, faculty, patients, and attendants. The event aimed to raise awareness on the importance of immunization under the theme “Immunization for all is Humanly Possible.” The programme began with the watering of the Tulsi plant and was attended by Dr. M. G. Shivaramu, Dr. Ravi, and Dr. Mahendrappa K. B. Dr. Ravi spoke on the necessity of immunization and the availability of daily vaccination services, while Dr. Mahendrappa highlighted its history and benefits. A student role-play helped clarify common doubts for the public.



The event improved awareness, motivated parents to vaccinate their children, and concluded successfully with no challenges, with a recommendation to conduct it annually.

National Constitution Day

AIMS NSS Units 1 & 2, in collaboration with the Department of Community Medicine, observed National Constitution Day 2025 with a pledge-taking ceremony on 26th November at LH-1, AIMS. The event, attended by 250 MBBS students and faculty, included the National Constitution Pledge and an address by Dr. Raghavendra S. K. on the importance of constitutional values and responsible citizenship. Students shared positive feedback, expressing that the session strengthened their awareness of fundamental duties and democratic principles.



Guest Lecture on “Approach to Ventricular Arrhythmias”

The Department of General Medicine, in collaboration with the Department of Cardiology, AIMS, organized a Guest Lecture on “Approach to Ventricular Arrhythmias” on 28th November 2025 at the BGS Global Broadcasting Center. The event was attended by 200 faculty members, postgraduates, house surgeons, and MBBS students. The programme began with an invocation and a welcome by Dr. Rajshekar H. K. The session was graced by senior faculties and HODs from General Medicine, Anaesthesia, and Paediatrics. Dr. Aashith Sridhar, Chief Interventional Cardiologist, delivered an insightful lecture featuring ECG tracings, case discussions, and evidence-based management strategies for ventricular arrhythmias. Participants actively engaged in discussions and appreciated the session for its clarity and practical clinical relevance.



Feedback was highly positive, and many requested more such academic programmes. The event successfully enhanced clinical knowledge, ECG interpretation skills, and interdepartmental learning.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

International Pathology Day 2025

The Department of Pathology, AIMS, BG Nagara, celebrated International Pathology Day 2025 on 5th November 2025 with a focused Hands-on Workshop on Liquid Based Cytology, conducted in association with KCIAPM. The event, held at Lecture Hall-1, attracted nearly 200 participants from UG, PG, Allied Health Sciences, and faculty. The programme featured an insightful address by Dr. Vijay Shankar, highlighting the vital role of pathology in healthcare, followed by remarks from Dr. Shivaramu, Principal and Dean, who emphasized teamwork and innovation.



To encourage student engagement, the celebration included a role play competition and a poster presentation featuring 32 entries, judged by faculty experts from Pathology, Anatomy, Microbiology, and Biochemistry. Dr. Jeslin delivered the Vote of thanks, appreciating the collaborative efforts that made the event successful. The programme strengthened awareness about pathology's significance while promoting creativity, teamwork, and interdisciplinary learning among students



“MEDHORIZONS”

Motivational Talk for Medical Students

A motivational talk titled “MEDHORIZONS” was organized on 29th November 2025 by IQAC – AIMS and MEU AIMS, with around 250 students and faculty attending. Dr. E. S. Chakravarthy introduced the DOTCOR values—Digital Quotient, OPD-based Learning, Communication, Trust, Obedience, and Respect—highlighting ethics, empathy, and continuous learning. The interactive session was well-received, motivating students and reinforcing core professional values essential for becoming responsible and compassionate doctors.



World Anatomy Day 2025 (SDP)

The Department of Anatomy, AIMS, celebrated World Anatomy Day 2025 on 17th November 2025 with a full-day academic and creative student engagement programme at the AIMS Campus, B.G. Nagara. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from 200 students across MBBS, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, along with more than 25 faculty members.

World Anatomy Day 2025 concluded successfully, fostering academic enrichment, creativity and a vibrant learning atmosphere. The event strengthened interdisciplinary bonding among students from various health science programs and reinforced AIMS' commitment to holistic and innovative medical education.

The programme was graced by Dr. M. G. Shivaramu (Principal & Dean), Dr. Aliya Nusrath (Vice Principal), and Mr. Umesh B. K. (Registrar). After registration, a vibrant series of creative, anatomy-themed competitions—Body Painting, Drawing & Painting, Pencil Sketching, Rangoli, and Anatomy Reels—showcased students' creativity, teamwork, and strong conceptual understanding. Participants presented innovative interpretations of anatomical structures through models, storytelling, and artistic visualizations. The valedictory ceremony included an invocation by Ms. Anagha Vidyarani and a welcome address by Dr. Tejaswi H. L., Professor & Head of Anatomy.

Dr. M. G. Shivaramu appreciated the students' artistic skills and highlighted anatomy as the foundation of healthcare education. Prizes were awarded across categories, recognizing exceptional creativity and academic merit. Prizes were awarded across categories, recognizing exceptional creativity and academic merit. Feedback reflected the event's engaging format, collaborative atmosphere, and enhanced learning experience. Students shared that the competitions deepened their understanding of anatomy, while faculty observed increased enthusiasm and conceptual clarity. The celebration reinforced the value of blending art with science and encouraged future student-centered academic initiatives.



World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week (SDP/COMMEMORATIVE WEEK)

Role play challenge - Awareness programme - "Act now: protect our present, secure our future"

The Department of Microbiology, in collaboration with the AIMS Students' Council, conducted a roleplay event for World Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Week on 18th November 2025 at AH&RC. The theme was "Act Now: Protect Our Present, Secure Our Future." A total of 346 participants attended, including MBBS, Nursing, Allied Health Sciences students, healthcare workers, and the general public. Six student teams presented roleplays highlighting AMR causes, spread, public health impact, and prevention, with a focus on responsible antibiotic use. Audience feedback through Google Forms and written responses reflected strong appreciation for the engaging and informative performances. The event improved AMR awareness, communication skills, and promoted responsible antimicrobial practices. Minor challenges included time management and microphone issues. Suggestions included enhanced logistical support and refreshments. The programme concluded with positive participation and reinforced the need for collective action against antimicrobial resistance.



SAPIENTIA 2025 (SDP)

INTERCOLLEGIATE MEDICAL QUIZ



SAPIENTIA 2025, the Annual Inter-Collegiate Medical Quiz of Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS), BG Nagara, was conducted on 28th November 2025 by the Student Council in association with the AIMS Student Support Cell and the AIMS Internal Quality Assurance Cell. The event aimed to nurture analytical reasoning, clinical aptitude, and creative decision-making among undergraduate medical students and interns. With over fifty teams participating from medical colleges across Karnataka, the programme offered a vibrant platform that promoted collaboration, intellectual challenge, and academic excellence.

The day began with registration at 9:45 AM, followed by a highly engaging preliminary round featuring thirty-five diverse questions, including MCQs, video-based scenarios, medical analogies, historical clues, and riddles. Ten top-performing teams qualified for the semi-finals, where case-based tasks, written assessments, and a medical crossword tested their depth of understanding. Six teams, including one representing AIMS, advanced to the grand finale. The final round presented an exciting blend of challenges such as connecting medical images, identifying triads, reordering sequences, general medicine problem-solving, bidding strategies, and a fast-paced rapid-fire segment.

After a closely contested battle that extended into three tie-breaker rounds, the Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences emerged as the overall winner, represented by Ramesh S. Basetti and Vinay Kumar D., securing the first prize of ₹15,000. The second prize of ₹10,000 was awarded to Sri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Medical College & Research Centre, represented by Prithviraj Rajan and Aishwarya R. The Mysore Medical College & Research Institute team, comprising Yashas M. S. and Preethan B. R., secured third place with a prize of ₹7,500. All participants received certificates and tokens of appreciation, and prizes were distributed during the valedictory ceremony in the presence of distinguished faculty members and dignitaries.

Participants expressed great appreciation for the innovative and interactive format of the quiz, noting that it strengthened applied clinical reasoning and encouraged healthy academic competition. Many teams highlighted the enriching experience of interacting with peers from diverse institutions and expressed keen interest in returning for future editions of SAPIENTIA.





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KANNADA RAJYOTSAVA 2025

“A Grand Cultural Celebration at ACU”



Adichunchanagiri University celebrated Kannada Rajyotsava 2025 with great enthusiasm and cultural fervour on 26th November 2025 at the BGS Auditorium of the university campus. The programme aimed to promote and preserve Kannada language, literature, and heritage. The event was attended by over 2000 delegates, including esteemed guests, faculty members, students, and members of the community.

The celebrations were graced by Paramapoojya Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji, Hon'ble Chancellor of ACU, who blessed the gathering with his inspiring presence. Dr. Nagathihalli Chandrashekhar attended as the Chief Guest and delivered the keynote address, encouraging everyone to embrace their mother tongue and cultural identity.



The Vice Chancellor, Dr. S. N. Sridhara, Registrar Dr. C. K. Subbaraya, Trustee Sri D. Devaraj, CEO Dr. N. S. Rame Gowda, Former President of Karnataka Media Press Shri M. Siddaraju, Principal & Dean Dr. M. G. Shivaramu, and Dean of Academics & Accreditation Dr. B. Ramesh also graced the occasion with their presence. Students and faculty members actively participated and contributed to the vibrant program.

The event commenced with a video presentation titled “Namma Vachana, Bahuvachana,” which set the theme for the celebration. Video tributes were paid to the legendary Padmabhushana awardee Dr. S. L. Bharyappa and Padmashree awardee Salumarada Thimmakka. The programme featured a Bharatanatyam welcome dance, which set a festive and cultural tone for the day. Soulful Kannada musical performances highlighted the linguistic pride and rich cultural heritage of Karnataka. During the event, Kannada books authored by ACU faculty and students were released, showcasing the university's contribution to regional literature.



Dr. M. G. Shivaramu welcomed the guests and acknowledged Dr. Nagathihalli Chandrashekhar's remarkable contributions to Kannada literature. Dr. S. N. Sridhara emphasized the historical and cultural significance of Kannada Rajyotsava in his address. The Rajyotsava awardees, Dr. N. S. Rame Gowda and Shri M. Siddaraju, were felicitated for their outstanding contributions to society. Student achievers in literary and cultural competitions were also recognized and appreciated for their talents.

Paramapoojya Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Dr. Nirmalanandanatha Mahaswamiji, in his Ashirvachana, reflected on the emotional and expressive power of the mother tongue and encouraged everyone to cherish their linguistic heritage, drawing inspiration from Rashtrakavi Kuvempu's literary journey. The event concluded with cultural performances by ACU students, including Dollu Kunita, Yakshagana, Kamsale, Bharatanatyam, and musical renditions, leaving the audience inspired and filled with pride for Karnataka and the Kannada language.

KANNADA RAJYOTSAVA 2025

“A Grand Cultural Celebration at ACU”

The programme contributed to quality education by highlighting Kannada literature and culture and promoted cultural inclusion, thereby addressing reduced inequalities. It also reinforced the importance of safeguarding cultural heritage and encouraged collaboration between the university and the community. The outcomes of the event included strengthened awareness and pride in Kannada language and culture, recognition of eminent personalities and student achievers, and enhanced literary and cultural engagement within the university community. The event was conducted smoothly, with no challenges or specific recommendations reported.

The Kannada Rajyotsava Programme 2025 at Adichunchanagiri University successfully celebrated the rich heritage, language, and culture of Karnataka while inspiring students, faculty, and community members to cherish and preserve their mother tongue.



“LAVIA” AHS Freshers Day: 2025

The Adichunchanagiri School of Allied Health Sciences organized the Fresher’s Programme for the newly admitted AHS and BPT students on 27th November 2025 at the BGS Auditorium. The event served as a warm welcoming platform, aimed at helping freshers begin their academic journey with confidence, enthusiasm, and a sense of belonging.

The programme commenced with a heartfelt welcome by the organizing committee, followed by the traditional lighting of the lamp, symbolizing wisdom, knowledge, and the start of a new chapter for the students. Faculty members and invited guests graced the occasion and extended their best wishes to the new batch. They encouraged the students to make the best use of institutional resources, participate actively in academic and extracurricular activities, and uphold the values of discipline, respect, and professionalism.

As a part of the event, students were introduced to the campus culture, facilities, support systems, and the ethos of the institution. The orientation helped them understand the code of conduct, academic structure, and expectations that guide student life at the university. An interactive session with faculty members from various departments enabled the freshers to clarify their doubts and develop a better understanding of the academic environment they were stepping into.

The cultural segment of the programme added energy and excitement to the event. Senior students presented a variety of performances—including dance, music, and other artistic expressions—that showcased their talents and helped create a welcoming, lively atmosphere.



Faculty Awards & Achievements

33rd Annual Conference of the Karnataka Medico-Legal Society (KAMLS-CON-2025)

Dr. M. G. Shivaramu chaired the ATS Iyengar Oration at the 33rd KAMLS-CON-2025, held at S R Patil Medical College, Badagandi, on 7-8 November. During the event, Dr. Venkata Raghava delivered the prestigious oration, adding to the academic stature of AIMS. Students also brought laurels to the institution, securing top positions in both oral and poster presentation categories. The conference concluded with appreciation extended to all participants for their contributions and active engagement.



“Dr. Mahendra G Receives FOGSI-AGE Star Eagle Award 2025 at Pune Workshop”

Dr. Mahendra G was honoured with the FOGSI-AGE Star Eagle Award 2025 for his contribution to the EAGLE Project during the Gynac Endoscopy Workshop held on 14th November 2025 at JW Marriott, Pune.



“Dr. Chirag K. C. Enhances AIMS’ Academic Presence at NAPCON 2025”

Dr. Chirag K C, Assistant Professor, Department of Respiratory Medicine, AIMS, BG Nagara, served as a panelist at NAPCON 2025 in Jaipur (14-17 Nov 2025). On 16 Nov, he discussed TB management with comorbidities such as diabetes, CKD, COPD, liver disease, and immunosuppression, strengthening AIMS’ academic presence and contributing to national TB care discussions.



“Dr. Sumalatha Arunachala Elevates AIMS’ Research Profile at Global Critical Care Congress”

Dr. Sumalatha Arunachala presented the FAST COPD multicentric study at ESICM LIVES 2025 held at ICM - International Congress Centre Munich, Germany, gaining global attention from 7,000+ experts and enhancing AIMS’ international research visibility.



“Dr. Ravindra S. Pukale Shines at 35th KSOGA Annual Conference 2025”

Dr. Ravindra S. Pukale, Professor of OBG, at the 35th KSOGA Annual Karnataka Obstetrics & Gynecology Conference held from 31st October to 2nd November 2025 at Sri Siddhartha Medical College, Tumkur.

Dr. Pukale contributed as a Resource Person, enhancing the scientific sessions with his expertise. On Day 1, he chaired the Padmarao CME and received the prestigious FKCOG Degree. On Day 2, he served as a Panelist on Hyperglycemia in Pregnancy, sharing key clinical insights. On Day 3, he acted as an Honourable Judge for the Poster Presentations.



Achieves HERMES Certification in Adult Respiratory Medicine 2025”

Dr. Chirag K. C., Assistant Professor, Department of Respiratory Medicine, for passing the **HERMES European Examination in Adult Respiratory Medicine 2025 (EDARM)** by the **European Respiratory Society, Switzerland**. This prestigious achievement reflects his clinical expertise and commitment to international standards. It strengthens AIMS' academic reputation and will enhance training, research, and collaboration opportunities in the Department of Respiratory Medicine.



Research Excellence Awarded: THORAXIS'25 Winner

Dr. Kusuma K. N., Associate Professor, Department of Pathology, who won the **First Prize for Oral Presentation at the International Conference - THORAXIS'25** held at **Panimalar Medical College Hospital & Research Institute, Tamil Nadu**, on 20-21 November 2025. Her research titled **“Immunohistochemical Assessment of HE4 Expression in Invasive Breast Cancer”**, conducted under the guidance of Dr. Vijay Shankar S., The institution congratulates Dr. Kusuma K. N. and extends best wishes for her future academic and research endeavours.



Student Awards & Achievements



ACU Intercollegiate Volleyball Tournament 2025

The ACU Intercollegiate Volleyball Tournament 2025 held on 6th November at the ACU Stadium saw over 200 participants, where AIMS secured Second Place and students Dr. Ananya Vasisht, Sanjana, and Prathik M earned top individual awards



Pre-conference Workshop – 25th FHNO 2025 (Foundation for Head & Neck Oncology).

Dr. Kusuma and Dr. Yogitha attended the FHNO 2025 Oncopathology Workshop at Kidwai, Bengaluru, gaining hands-on training in head & neck diagnostics and securing Third Place in the intercollegiate quiz.



33rd Annual Conference of Karnataka Medico-Legal Society (KAMLSCON 2025)

AIMS students Khushali Rai, Kishan Kumar Sagar, and Janet R George won top Oral and Poster awards at the 33rd KAMLS-CON 2025 held at S R Patil Medical College, Badagandi, bringing pride to the institution.



“Excellence in Pathology: Dr. Aparna Raj Awarded First Prize”

Dr. Aparna Raj, Postgraduate in the Department of Pathology, for winning the **First Prize in E-Poster Presentation at SSMCCON 2025**, held at **Siddhartha Medical College Hospital & Research Institute**, Tumkur, from 19–21 November 2025. She presented the poster **“Hard Palate Epignathus – A Rare Congenital Immature Teratoma,”** conducted under the guidance of Dr. Vijay Shankar S, Professor, and Dr. Sumaya, Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology. Her research was highly appreciated for its scientific merit and clinical relevance.



Alumni Engagement

“Blue Raptors Win Heritage Cup at AIMS Alumni Sports Meet 2025”

The Heritage Cup – AIMS Alumni Sports Meet 2025 was held on 26th November 2025 at the institution’s basketball court, beginning at 6:00 PM, and brought together alumni, students, and faculty for an evening filled with sportsmanship, camaraderie, and nostalgia. The event opened with an electrifying 3-Pointer Contest, where participants demonstrated exceptional skill, with Preetham Chand S Gowda securing the top position after an intense round of competition. The highlight of the evening was the thrilling basketball match between the Blue Raptors and the Red Hawks, a fast-paced and closely contested game marked by teamwork, strategic play, and enthusiastic audience support. The Blue Raptors clinched victory with a narrow 54–50 win.

Dr. Eshaan B. R. was honoured as the Most Valuable Player (MVP) for his outstanding performance and leadership on the court. The Heritage Cup concluded with renewed alumni connections and memorable moments that celebrated the institution’s spirit and heritage. AIMS, ACU extends heartfelt congratulations to all participants –especially the alumni–and appreciates the sportsman spirit, teamwork, and dedication demonstrated throughout the event.

