



Chancellor, Dr Pai, conferred FICCI Lifetime Achievement Award



Dr. Ramdas M. Pai, Chairman Emeritus - Manipal Education and Medical Group (MEMG) and President & Chancellor of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), was awarded the 'Lifetime Achievement Award 2018' in recognition of his enormous contributions in the fields of Education and Healthcare by the

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) in New Delhi on October 30, 2018.

The award was received by Dr. Vinod Bhat, Vice Chancellor, Manipal Academy of Higher Education from Secretary, Ministry of HRD as Dr. Pai was unable to attend the function owing to other commitments.

Dr. Pai, a recipient of Padma Bhushan, "Is an epitome of dedication and perseverance, who has contributed immensely at national and international level. He has spent his entire life working with all the Group of Institutions and his name has till date been synonymous with perseverance, dedication and attaining a larger purpose in all human endeavor," says the citation.

Dr. Ranjan Pai, Chairman MEMG said, "This is a proud moment for us. I take this opportunity to congratulate him personally, as well as on behalf of the entire Manipal family. His untiring industry, dedicated perseverance and devotion to his causes have won him this award and other accolades earlier. May his unremitting endeavor go on with undiminished vigor".

"He has contributed immensely to making our Manipal Brand a respected and trusted name not just in India but internationally as well. His principled stance, his unwavering commitment to promoting



affordable and accessible education and healthcare has greatly benefited the public at large, Dr. Ranjan added.

"His quiet and unassuming generosity through the Manipal Foundation, stand eloquent testimony to his care for the vulnerable sections of our society. We are privileged to have his guidance thus far in our journey and we seek his continued guidance as we take many more steps forward in realizing the dreams of late Dr. TMA Pai and Dr. Pai himself," he added.

"On our part we wish to assure Dr. Pai that we will continue to build on the strong platform that he established for us through his dedication and sincerity spanning many decades".

Introduces electric cars to boost green initiative

Manipal Academy of Higher Education in association with Mahindras has started use of electrically powered cars to supplement its transport fleet in Manipal. The cars were flagged off for duty by the Chairman, Manipal Education and Medical Group, Dr Ranjan Pai.

“We are the first to start this ecofriendly initiative in this part of the country,” said Pro Chancellor, Dr H. S. Ballal and added that we already have a lot of other green initiatives on the campus, and this is one more initiative from MAHE towards a friendly environment”.

Various green initiatives like water recycling, green cover development, clean energy generation etc. have earned MAHE the distinction of being one of the best green campuses in the country and is known globally too for its contribution to sustainability.



“As we have a number of vehicles going to Mangaluru airport every day, to pick and drop our staff and visitors, these cars are going to be really helpful as they do not pollute,” Dr Ballal said. “Once fully charged, the vehicles can run about 120 kilometres. A charger is available at the university in Manipal and the airport authorities have agreed to install one at the airport. A third one will be made available at the MAHE campus in Mangaluru”.

Mr Derrick I. Joshua, Assistant Director, Environment Sustainability, MAHE said, “This initiative will help further reduce an estimated 50 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent emission per annum. This translates to roughly 5000 additional trees which would otherwise be needed to absorb such emissions. Zero tail-pipe emissions of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides helps reduce human health impact on local community. Another significant contributor is that the electric charging station is fed with solar generated electricity, thus practically implying a zero emission factor”.



26th Convocation

The 26th Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) was held on November 16, 17 and 18 at KMC Greens here. In a change from the previous years, the Convocation began at 3 pm on all three days for the convenience of the students and parents.

On each of the three days, over 1300 students received their degrees. A total of 4156 students had registered to receive the degrees in person. Another 928 got it in absentia. Nine undergraduates and three post graduates were awarded the Dr TMA Pai gold medal. Post graduate doctoral degrees were awarded to 85.

The Chief Guest for the first day was Dr H. Sudarshan Ballal, Chairman, Manipal Health Enterprises Pvt Ltd, Bengaluru. Prof Souvik Bhattacharyya, Vice Chancellor, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani was the chief guest for the second day and on the third, Mr Krishnakumar Natarajan, Co-founder and Executive Chairman, Mind Tree Bengaluru delivered the convocation address.

EU Ambassador opens India's first Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence

India's first Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence established by the European Union was inaugurated at the Department of European Studies (DES) at Manipal Academy of Higher Education in Manipal by Ambassador of the European Union (EU) to India and Bhutan, Mr Tomasz Kozlowski.

"It is an emotional moment as I inaugurate the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence. It is something special, a very prestigious award, but at the same time a confirmation of what the Department of European Studies has achieved so far. This Centre is a commitment and I am convinced Manipal will continue to make progress. Manipal and this department is an excellent example in developing contacts, partnerships and relationships with different European Studies.

Mr Kozlowski congratulated the leadership, faculty and students of MAHE on this achievement and stated that Manipal has always been a pioneer in promoting higher education and research in international relations in India in general and European studies in particular. The award comes with a grant of 1,00,000 to pursue.

India-EU interdisciplinary studies in culture, literature, education and society. This is the fifth time that MAHE has been awarded grants under the Erasmus+ Jean Monnet initiative. Previous grants have been used for chair, modules and project.

Speaking on the occasion, MAHE Pro Chancellor Dr H S Ballal, 'Our continued success in being awarded competitive CBHE grants is testimony to MAHE's research focus and capability. The Ambassador's presence in Manipal reaffirms our belief that we are at the forefront of providing an international outlook to our students.'

Under the present award, the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in India-EU Interdisciplinary Studies aims to strengthen and enhance the educational connect between India and EU. The CoE will host open-to-public workshops on European literature, winter schools for students around the world, and an India-EU Higher Education Meet.

Students at MAHE will also benefit from open electives covering topics such as 'Watching Europe – Understanding European Culture and Society through Cinema' and 'Ethics and Epics – Understanding Philosophies of Life in India and Europe'. At the end of the project, the CoE also plans to release a book on 'Understanding India-EU Intercultural Dynamics'.

Dr Neeta Inamdar, Head Department of European Studies made a presentation of the department and spoke of its growth from four persons in 2009 at the start to 40 now. Dr Neeta Inamdar expressed happiness over the selection of the department for the Centre of Excellence. She said, "Within a decade of starting the Department in 2009, this feat is achieved".



International Green Apple silver award

Manipal Academy of Higher Education won silver in the International Green Apple Award for Environmental best practice 2018. The award was received by Derrick I. Joshua, Assistant Director, Environment Sustainability, MAHE at a ceremony at the Houses of Parliament, London on November 12, 2018.

MAHE was selected for the award from 800 global nominations which competed to pick the greenest individuals, companies, councils and communities. The award winning project, Green Manipal, also earned plaudits from the judges who commented;

"This private university in India is setting itself up to be a world-class green campus. They have a broad approach encompassing renewable energy, grey water systems, stringent waste management procedures and a tree-planting program that firmly establish them as one of the most sustainable universities in Asia."

As a result of the Green Apple Award success, MAHE has been invited to have the winning paper published in The Green Book, the leading international work of reference on environmental best practice. With the win, MAHE can also take part in the Green World Awards 2019 and have 100 trees planted in their name as part of the United Nations Billion Trees initiative.

The Green Apple Environment Awards were established in 1994 as an annual campaign to recognise, reward and promote environmental best practice around the world. The awards are organised by The Green Organisation - an international, independent, non-political, non-profit environment group.

"The award recognizes MAHE's sustainable educational campus, said Pro Chancellor, Dr H. S. Ballal. "Our focus has been on aspects like waste, water, green cover and clean energy measures. Segregation of solid wastes into wet, dry, hazardous, electronic, biomedical and employing appropriate treatment measures. Water recycling and reuse of sewage, tree planting, air quality monitoring, green IT, use of examination pads, solar heating etc are some of the measures that have helped the University to reduce carbon emissions to the tune of 66,100 metric tons of CO₂e in the year 2017," Dr Ballal added.

Kids launch Daan Utsav and World Heart Day

It was day out for kids on September 30, 2018 with over 600 of them, below the age of 12 along with their parents, enthusiastically taking part in "Kidathon". The occasion was the launch of Daan Utsav 2018 and World Heart day. The message each one took with them after the walk was 'walk for a healthy life'.

The Kidathon was flagged off at Rajatadri - District Administration Complex by Dr Poornima Baliga, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dr Avinash Shetty, Medical Superintendent, Kasturba Hospital and it ended at the KMC Greens where the kids had fun doing the Zumba

This was followed by a short session on how to wash hands. It was coordinated by Dr Muralidhar Verma of KMC. At the end, the kids were given balloons and a small bag to encourage them and participate in the "Fistful of Grains" project of Daan Utsav.

The kids are expected to put a fistful of rice everyday into that packet before they have their meals. The idea is to inculcate the idea of giving and sharing among kids. As these packets were given to the underprivileged in Udupi by VSO.



MAHE Lit Fest, MILAP 2018

The three-day second edition of Manipal Academy of Higher Education's Literature Fest began at the Dr TMA Pai Halls in Manipal on September 6, 2018. The theme for the Manipal Literature and Arts Platform (MILAP) was, "Millennium Revisited: Tradition and Transformation". The festival includes theatre and photography workshops, children and youth-oriented events, and art exhibition.

Convenor of the Fest, Dr Neeta Inamdar gave an overview of the event in its second year. MAHE Vice Chancellor, Dr H. Vinod Bhat in his presidential remarks toyed with the idea of having different events spread through the year and culminating with this festival. He said, "The idea behind the fest is to have a space for every expression in the university. There should be a platform not to rebel but to speak, to hear and to express".

Punjabi Playwright Dr Atamjit Singh inaugurated the meet and delivered the inaugural address and Kannada poet and playwright, Prof H S Shivaprakash who is also a professor of Theatre Studies at the School of Arts and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University delivered the keynote address.

On the occasion, two books, 137th and 138th, brought out by Manipal Universal Press were also released. One was Kannada Theatre History 1850-1950 by Akshara KV and the other Shrinivasa Vaidya's acclaimed work Hallabamtuhalla translated into English as "A Handful of Sesame" by Maithreyi Karnoor

A 'Screen and Stage' event with Ramakrishnan Ramanathan and Alok Rajwade, in conversation with Anusha Ravishankar was held. Enlightening the audience about the relevance of present-day theatre, Ramakrishnan Ramanathan, an Indian playwright-director from Mumbai, said, "Theatre is a living repository of languages. Being a minority art, it has the freedom to state certain things that mainstream films could never dream of. Also, India being a country with an "oral tradition", theatre will always be an important part of its culture."

The panel discussion was on 'A Negotiation with the Millennium through Four Modern Kannada Writers'. The panelists included S Diwakar, a well-known Kannada writer and journalist, Rajendra Chenni, professor of English at Kuvempu University, Shimoga, Karnataka, G Rajashekar, a renowned writer and literary critic and Raghavendra Patil. It was moderated by T.P. Ashok, a noted Kannada critic and scholar.

The discussion centered around modern Kannada literary writing which took prominence from the twentieth century and the influence of English, Sanskrit and other regional languages on it. The four panellists spoke about legendary writers, D.V. Gundappa, D.R. Bendre, Kuvempu and K. Shivaram Karanth, who have contributed immensely to the field of Kannada literature.

The theatre workshop focused on the 'Overview of Kannada and Marathi Theatre Traditions'. K.V. Akshara and Prasad Vanarase conducted it. The workshop dwelt on the history and heritage of both Kannada and Marathi Theatre. Speaking of the bond of literature with theatre, Akshara said, "The understanding of the 150-year-old art form and tradition is always intertwined with literature."

Carnatic music legend and Sangeet Natak Akademi awardee R Paramashivan's harmonium lightened the mood up in the workshop auditorium. Accompanying him was "A Life in 3 Octaves" author and the deputy editor of the Hindu, Bangalore, Deepa Ganesh. True passion and dedication showed as the 89-year-old music maestro sang a piece from the 1995 play "Vasantsena" followed by a piece from the "Jarasandha". Ganesh acted as the translator as both the guests conversed in fluid Kannada

South Zone Inter University & All India Inter Zone chess tournament for Men

57 teams vie for top honours in South Zone Inter-University Chess, Osmania top seeded

The South Zone Inter-University Chess Tournament was held at the Dr TMA PaiHall at KMC with 57 teams vying for top honours. The best four Universities qualified to represent South Zone at the All-India Inter-University Chess tournament held in Meerut later in the month. University teams from Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Kerala played seven rounds in the Swiss league format.

The tournament was formally inaugurated by International Master, Stany George Antony from Shivamogga. Speaking on the occasion, IM Stany praised the facilities in the University to conduct a chess tournament of this size and requested the authorities to consider hosting an international grand masters tournament. To which Dr H.S. Ballal, Pro Chancellor MAHE agreed.



Global Alumni Meet 2018



“Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal hosted the third biennial Global Manipal Alumni Convention in Manipal on December 14 and 15, 2018. The first two meets were held in Malaysia and Bengaluru. “Some 2,000 alumni from 25 countries visited their alma mater during the silver jubilee celebration. The theme for the great reunion was, “One Manipal – Friends for Life”.

Inauguration of KEF-MIT R & D Centre at Manipal Institute of Technology was done by MIT alumnus, Mr Faizal E Kottikollan, Founder and Chairman KEF Holdings, UAE in the presence of Dr Ranjan Pai, Chairman MEMG Bengaluru and Mrs Vasanti R Pai, Trustee MAHE Trust



Kasturba Medical College, Manipal

International Symposium On Tobacco Control And Regional Stakeholders Meeting



The Department of Community Medicine, Kasturba Medical College organized the International Symposium on Tobacco Control and Regional Stakeholder Meeting on September 18, 2018, Tuesday at Dr. T.M.A. Pai Halls, KMC, MAHE. Dr. Selvarajan, Deputy Director, State Program officer, NTCP, Dept. of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka Inaugurated the program watered the plants which signified strengthening of bonds between the District and State Government officials, Manipal Academy of Higher Education and the Tobacco Control Capacity Program (TCCP). Prof. John Britton, Director, UK Tobacco & Alcohol Studies, University of Nottingham, UK was the Guest of honor. There were 105 participants including 21 government officials, 37 other professionals, 9 RC-UK Project staff, 22 MRC-UK Project staff and 16 others.



IGCLA 2018

The Indo-German convention of Lindau Alumni (IGCLA) was held from the September 20 to 23, 2018 to motivate young researchers and students from different disciplines to take up a career in research and promote national and international collaborations. About 600 delegates from 27 colleges participated in the convention. There were workshops, panel discussions, talks, interaction with Lindau alumni, quiz and research presentations. Sessions were conducted by Medecins sans frontiers (MSF), IISc, Bangalore and Pro Recognition, Germany. A total of 145 poster and 44 oral presentations were made. The spectacular conference concluded with distribution of prizes for quiz and research presentations.

South Zone ACBICON Conference 2018

The South Zone Association of Clinical biochemists of India conference was held from December 6 to 8, 2018. The theme for the conference was "Recent trends in Biochemistry Education and Research" ACBI general secretary Dr Rajiv Ranjan Sinha, south zone ACBI representative Dr Kannan Vaidyanathan and Karnataka ACBI representative Dr Shashikanth Nikam attended this event as well as inaugural function. Karnataka Medical Council awarded 4 credit hours to the conference. Four different workshops were conducted which were attended by more than 100 delegates.



National Symposium on Hemovigilance Program of India

The Department of Immunohematology and Blood Transfusion, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal organized National Symposium on Hemovigilance Program of India on 08/09/2018. Dr. Vinod Bhat Vice Chancellor of Manipal Academy of Higher Education was the Chief Guest. Experts from the field of blood transfusion Dr. Debasish Gupta, Dr. Shivaram, Dr. Sitalakshmi, Dr. Shwethapriya shared their experience. Regulatory aspects of blood banking were discussed by former Drugs controllers, Dr. D Roy and Dr. Selveraj

National Tuberculosis Conference at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal

The Department of Microbiology, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal organized National Tuberculosis Conference with the theme "Towards TB Elimination: Vision of the Nation" on October 6, 2018. This conference was successful in bringing together the stalwarts in the field of tuberculosis, both from private and public sectors, to share their knowledge and experience with the 150 delegates, including researchers, physicians, public health personnel and microbiologists discussing and sharing their experiences in an effort to get aligned with the national goal of eliminating tuberculosis by 2025. There were 26 poster and 5 oral presentations.

Twenty five colleges/industry participated in the conference



Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore

MEDISAFECON'18

MEDISAFECON'18, an international patient safety conference was hosted by Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore in association with KMC Hospitals, Mangalore and American Medical Students' Association, Mangalore, at the Dr. T M A Pai International Convention Centre on 11th November 2018. The conference aimed at providing an update on ideas pertaining to patient safety from various aspects, and involved experts in their respective fields from India and the UK. The conference was well attended by over three hundred delegates, from various institutions across Karnataka and Kerala



Manipal College of Dental Sciences, Mangalore

46th IPS National Conference

The inaugural ceremony of the preconference courses of the 46th IPS

National Conference was held at MCODS, Mangalore. Dr. Dilip Naik, Dean, MCODS was the Chief Guest and Dr. Kashinath, President, Indian Prosthodontic Society was the Guest of Honour. The other dignitaries were Dr. Manoj Shetty, organizing secretary, 46th IPS National Conference and Dr. Sanath Shetty, Scientific Chairman, 46th IPS National Conference. Dr. Shobha Rodrigues, Head of Department, Prosthodontics, MCODS, welcomed the gathering and Dr. Umesh Pai, Preconference chairperson proposed the vote of thanks. Five Preconference courses with a wide array of topics covering the contemporary topics of prosthodontics were conducted.



MaxFacsSkills Centre, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, MCODS, Mangalore conducted a two-day hands-on workshop on Emergency skills training for dental interns on December 21 and 22, 2018. A total of 54 budding dentists participated in the workshop.

The workshop was aimed to build confidence in handling Medical Emergencies among dental house surgeons.



Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Standard methods in evaluation of antimicrobials

A two-day workshop on "Standard methods in evaluation of antimicrobials" was organised by the Department of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology (DPBT), MCOPS, MAHE in collaboration with Manipal McGill Centre for Infectious diseases (MAC ID), Prasanna School of Public Health, MAHE on December 10 and 11, 2018 at PG Seminar Room, department of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology.





ISPOR Manipal Student Chapter Seminar on Health Economics and Outcomes Research

ISPOR Manipal Student Chapter held a half day seminar themed “Opportunities in Health Economics and Outcomes Research in India” on November 26, 2018. The objective of the seminar was to highlight the growing opportunities in the field of HEOR in India for the graduates. A total of about 80 participants registered for the Seminar.

National workshop on “cGMP, Compliance and Data Integrity”

A Two-day national workshop on “cGMP, Compliance and Data Integrity” was organized by GMP unit, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences (MCOPS) in association with Medorganics India Pvt. Ltd. The workshop was held on September 21 and 22, 2018 at PGR conference hall, MCOPS. Faculty, students and research scholars from other colleges across the country had registered for this workshop in large numbers. Delegates also included professionals from pharma majors like Hetero Labs Ltd and Astra Zeneca Pharma India Pvt. Ltd

Manipal College of Nursing



Workshop on Developmental Supportive care (DSC)

The department of Child Health Nursing, Manipal College of Nursing, MAHE Manipal, organized the workshop on “Developmental Supportive care (DSC)” on December 08, 2018 at MCON Manipal. Developmental Supportive Care is an approach that focuses on minimizing noxious stimuli while individualizing infant care and stimulation based on observable physiologic responses and behavioral cues. The workshop emphasized the importance of DSC in Neonatal Care, understanding of pre-term behavior and importance of early intervention & follow up and family centered care. There was practice sessions where the participants were given hands on training of DSC. A total of 46 participants including the staff nurses, faculty and students from Manipal, Udipi, Mangaluru and Davanagere attended the workshop

School of Allied Health Sciences

One-day National Symposium on “Emerging trends in Health Professions Education”

Health Professions Education Unit, SoAHS organized a one-day National Symposium on “Emerging trends in Health Professions Education” on November 2, 2018. The national symposium included keynote, expert talks and panel discussions on trending themes of education practice. 60 delegates registered for the symposium



Indo-Japan Symposium on Molecular Medicine

The School of Life Sciences (SLS), Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal in collaboration with the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Japan organized a one-day 'Indo-Japan Symposium on Molecular Medicine' on September 19, 2018 at SLS, Manipal. This is part of the continuing collaborative arrangement between the two institutions aimed at exchange of research knowledge, expertise, education and training in the areas of mutual expertise in the area of biomedicine.



Conference on importance of Genome Biology in human health and disease



The 87th Annual Conference of the Society of Biological Chemists (India) on the topic 'Genome Biology in Health and Disease' was held at the School of Life Sciences (SLS) Auditorium in Manipal. It was inaugurated by Pro-Chancellor of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Dr. HS Ballal, in the presence of Dr. H Vinod Bhat (the Vice-Chancellor, MAHE), Dr. Umesh Varshney (President, SBC(I)), Dr. V Nagaraja (President, JNCASR, Bengaluru), Dr. Ganesh Nagaraj (Secretary, SBC(I)) and Dr. K Satyamoorthy (Director, SLS, MAHE). The conference, organized by the School of Life Sciences from November 25 to 27, 2018 and had over 70 eminent scientists and 350 delegates participating in about 20 sessions over three days.

Melaka Manipal Medical College

64th Annual National Conference of the 'Association of Physiologists and Pharmacologists of India, 2018 - APPICON 2018'

This conference was jointly conducted by the departments of Physiology and Pharmacology, Melaka Manipal Medical College and Kasturba Medical College Manipal, as a flagship event to celebrate both the 25th anniversary of Manipal Academy of Higher Education and the 20th anniversary of Melaka Manipal Medical College. The five-day scientific festival (27th Nov 2018 to 1st Dec 2018), commenced with a day-long CME themed 'Physiological and Pharmacological perspectives on life style disorders'. It was inaugurated by Dr K Ramnarayan, Chairperson, Manipal University Jaipur. The three-day conference was inaugurated by Dr Vedprakash Mishra, Chancellor, Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences, Karad. The conference included keynote addresses, plenary sessions, webinars, a panel talk and a total of nine symposia, conducted by renowned scientists and global experts in the fields of neurobiology, space brain, stem cell research, medical education, nutrition and integrative medicine. 650 delegates were present. Most of them presented scientific papers and e-posters. The conference felicitated two exemplary doyens of Physiology, Dr A Krishna Rao and Dr P Laxminarayana Rao, former Deans, KMC, Manipal.





Cadaveric Demonstration of Human Body for Yoga Trainers”- An MMMC social outreach initiative

Department of Anatomy, Melaka Manipal Medical College, MAHE organized half day workshop for Yoga teachers / trainers of South Karnataka on December 24, 2018. This was conducted as part of a 3-day training program for Yoga teachers of South Karnataka by Vedavyasa Yoga Prathistana, Mysore

Prasanna School of Public Health

International conference on Intercultural Social Work

An International Conference in Intercultural Social Work with the theme Rethinking Social Work Practice, Research and Education in the light of Cultural Complexities in a Globalised World was organized by MSW Program, PSPH, MAHE in collaboration with James Cook University Australia-- Department of Social Work on November 29 and 30, 2018. The Conference was addressed by ten eminent International speakers from Aberkyn Change Leadership, Dubai, Middle East, James Cook University, Australia, University of South Australia, Nelson Mandela University South Africa, Catholic University of Eichstatt Ingolstadt Germany, University of Costa Rica, Costa Rica and from India. Around 130 participants were present from across the globe including researchers, academicians, practitioners, and students. There were 20 oral papers and 18 posters presented on various social issues like ageing, migration, mental health, psychosocial care, intercultural social work. The outcome of the conference was initiation of formation of a global research group and developing different models and approaches of social work intervention in multicultural setting and designing an effective pedagogy to train social work graduates



Manipal Institute of Technology

National Conference on Condensed Matter Physics and Applications [CMPA -2018]



The sixth annual National Conference on Condensed Matter Physics and Applications (CMPA 2018) organized by the Department of Physics, provided a platform for academicians, teachers and young researchers to interact with distinguished scientists and to know the latest in the field of Condensed Matter Physics. The conference was inaugurated by Prof. Kattera A Suresh, Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences Autonomous Institute under the Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, Bengaluru. Dr. Poornima Baliga, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Manipal Academy of Higher Education and MIT Director, Dr D Srikanth Rao were present. There were 145 participants and 55 research papers from different parts of the country were presented in oral/poster sessions. Apart from these presentations, six invited talks by researchers from various fields in condensed matter physics were also arranged.

The department of computer science and engineering and education technology cell, MIT, Manipal jointly organized Research workshop on Cryptography, Cryptanalysis and Network Security: Current challenges and future Directions from September 14 to 20, 2018. Nineteen participants from different departments of MIT and 24 participants from government agency participated in this workshop



Two-day workshop on “Leed Green Associate Credentials”

This workshop was conducted in collaboration with USGBC where experts delivered lectures on various aspects for Green Building and its rating systems. The event was attended by 61 delegates from Department of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Architecture and Department of E & E Engineering and was sponsored by the institute.

Manipal Institute of Technology Hosts Fulbright-Nehru Specialist Program

Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT), Manipal hosted a course-cum-workshop from December 10 to 23, 2018 titled “Matching, Modeling, Meta-Analysis, Information Theory & Machine Learning”. Dr. Pitschiah Mandava, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, USA, was the Fulbright-Nehru Specialist and Course-Lead. Also present was Dr. Ramesh Galigekere, Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering (BME). Delegates from across the country – including some from Premier Institutes (IIT, IIIT), NIT, and also from Medical/Health-sciences, participated in this program.

School of Management

Career Guidance Program conducted by HR student



HR student club of School of Management, MAHE visited schools and conducted career guidance program for the students of 10th standard. The team of presenters emphasized on the need to identify the skills, strengths, weaknesses, and passion of the individual before choosing a career path. They explained the importance of choosing one among the major streams Science, Commerce and Arts and the different career scopes that lead from the three streams. A range of sessions providing students the insights on various skills required for different career paths was well conducted by the presenters.

The sessions were conducted for 107 students in several batches

MCH

Workshop and Certificate Course titled “Introduction to Playback and Improv Theatre”

On September 16, 2018, MCH hosted a Workshop and Certificate Course titled “Introduction to Playback and Improv Theatre” by Laxmi Priya who is an alumna of MCH. Both Playback Theatre (Theatre of Spontaneous renditions of real life stories) and Improv Theatre (Spontaneous narrative theatre) are embodied ways to learn about oneself and various concepts that might be original to theatre, but can well extend to other forms of arts. The objective was to use body, voice and imagination to ground oneself in the given context while foregrounding authenticity and presence in performance-making. The event was attended by both bachelors and masters students of MCH. Students from different departments of MAHE also took part. The workshop was intensive and the students got hands-on training in both forms of theatre





International Conference on Commerce and Pharma Management – September 2018

Department of Commerce organised an inter-disciplinary International Conference on 'Commerce and Pharma Management' in association with Department of Pharmacy Management, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal on September 27 and 28, 2018. The conference had Manipal International University, Malaysia and Deakin University, Australia as knowledge partners. About 105 research papers were presented during the conference.

Glorious year of MAHE silver jubilee celebrations conclude

Curtains came down on the silver jubilee celebrations of Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal on December 22, 2018 at an impressive function at Fortune Inn Valley View in Manipal. Some of the highlights of the glorious year gone by, were presented to a packed Chaitya Hall audience by Pro Chancellor, Dr H.S. Ballal and Vice Chancellor Dr H. Vinod Bhat in their speeches, also through a short video made by School of Communication.

On the occasion, a book on 25 years journey of MAHE was released by chief guest Prof K Umamaheshwar Rao, Director NITK Surathkal. Past and present, registrars and registrars of evaluation of the University were honoured. The past and present vice chancellors were honoured at the inaugural function in January. Mr N.R. Narayana Murthy, founder Infosys was the chief guest then.

"This is an important year for us for many reasons," said Dr Ballal in his welcome address as he enumerated some of the achievements.

"Firstly, because Academy of General Education, mother of all institutions under Manipal completed 75 years of existence this year. Then, MAHE was recognized as an Institution of Eminence by Union HRD Ministry and our Chancellor, Dr Ramdas M Pai was honoured by FICCI for his contribution to Education and Health Care with the Lifetime Achievement Award," Dr Ballal said.

Vice Chancellor Dr H Vinod Bhat speaking about the silver jubilee year said, "I look back at the year with a sense of fulfillment. We asked for the moon and got it." That's how he summed up every aspect of the rewarding year. "It was a year when nothing went wrong. Conferment of IOE status, an all-time high annual publication count and quality research," he said. He also announced that a strategic partnership was being finalized with University of New South Wales, Sydney Australia, a top 50 university in the world.

Chief Guest Prof Rao speaking on education in the country today, said, "Although seven lakh students appear for JEE for entry into IITs, only one per cent of them succeed. But the society rarely thinks about the 99 per cent who are left in the lurch. Commercialization has marred the sanctity of education. There is a need to bring back the lost glory of student-teacher relationship".

He added: "There is also the need for change in the way we gauge education which should not be object oriented, but should have a holistic approach where students are not left to be confused about the choice of their career". MAHE Registrar, Dr Narayana Sabhahit gave the vote thanks. Prof Anup Naha was the master of ceremony.

