

# 31st Convocation 2023

18, 19, 25, and 26 November 2023

KMC Greens, Manipal







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The Members of MAHE Trust, Board of Management, Academic Council,  
Faculty, Staff and Students of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal

cordially invite you to the

# 31<sup>st</sup> Convocation

18 - 19 November, 2023 and 25 - 26 November, 2023 | KMC Greens, Manipal | 3.00 PM - 6.00 PM

**DAY 1 :** Saturday, 18 November, 2023

**CHIEF GUEST**

**Lt. Gen. (Dr.) Narendra Kotwal**, SM, VSM  
Director and Commandant  
Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC), Pune

**DAY 2 :** Sunday, 19 November, 2023

**CHIEF GUEST**

**Dr. Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi**  
Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI)  
Govt. of India, New Delhi

**DAY 3 :** Saturday, 25 November, 2023

**CHIEF GUEST**

**Prof. (Dr.) T. G. Sitharam**  
Chairman  
All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi

**DAY 4 :** Sunday, 26 November, 2023

**CHIEF GUEST**

**Mr. Vinod Easwaran**  
MD & CEO  
Jio Payments Bank, Mumbai

**Lt. Gen. (Dr.) M. D. Venkatesh**  
Vice Chancellor, MAHE

**Dr. H. S. Ballal**  
Pro Chancellor, MAHE

**Dr. Ranjan R. Pai**  
President, MAHE Trust

**Dr. Ramdas M. Pai**  
Chancellor, MAHE



# PROGRAM DAY 1

18 November 2023

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## UNIVERSITY ANTHEM



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शान्ता उदन्वतीरापः शान्ता नः सन्त्वोषधीः ॥

शान्तानि पूर्वरूपाणि शान्तं नो अस्तु कृताकृतम् ।  
शान्तं भूतञ्च भव्यञ्च सर्वमेव शमस्तु नः ॥

इयं या परमेष्ठिः वाग्देवी ब्रह्म संशिता ।  
ययैव ससृजे घोरं तयैव शान्तिरस्तु नः ॥

इदं यत्परमेष्ठिनं मनोवाङ्ब्रह्मसंशितम् ।  
येनैव ससृजे घोरं तेनैव शान्तिरस्तु नः ॥

इमानि यानि पञ्चेन्द्रियाणि मनः षष्ठानि मे हृदिः  
ब्रह्मणा संशितानि ।  
यैरेव ससृजे घोरं तैरेव शान्तिरस्तु नः ॥



DR H S BALLAL, PRO CHANCELLOR, MAHE  
DECLARES THE CONVOCATION OPEN





## WELCOME ADDRESS



**Dr Sharath K Rao, Pro Vice-Chancellor – Health Sciences, MAHE delivered the welcome address.**

Chief guest of this evening: Lt Gen Dr Narendra Kotwal, Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee MAHE Trust; Dr Ranjan R Pai, President MAHE Trust; Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellors - Dr Dilip Nayak, Dr Narayan Sabhahit, Dr N N Sharma, Dr Giridhar Kini, Registrar, Dr Vinod Thomas, Registrar Evaluation Director Student Affairs, Dr Geetha Maiya, Deputy Director, Centre for Doctoral Studies, Dr Vasudha Devi, Heads of Constituent institutions of MAHE, Administrators, Faculty members, Members of the press and electronic media, distinguished invitees, parents of degree awardees, graduates and postgraduates, PhD Scholars, ladies, and gentlemen.

A very Good Afternoon to you all.

I extend a warm welcome to all of you and thank you for accepting our invitation to celebrate the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher

Education (MAHE), deemed to be a university and an institution of eminence. My dear students, as you are all aware, the convocation ceremony is a momentous occasion for the university and all of you. It is a moment to savor, a moment that is the culmination of all that you have worked very hard to achieve. My heartiest congratulations on this occasion, and I extend a warm and cordial welcome to you.

MAHE stands in its glory here today, because of the visionary Dr TMA Pai, who was the founder of the Manipal group of institutions. Dr Ramdas M Pai, our beloved Chancellor, followed in his father's footsteps and converted a local university into a global educational town of great repute.

It is my honor to welcome Lt Gen (Dr) Narendra Kotwal, Director and Commandant, Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC), Pune, Recipient of the Vishisht Seva Medal and Sena Medal from the



President of India. He is a senior endocrinologist in the Armed Forces and an avid researcher who has published more than 92 papers. We are fortunate to have you as the Chief Guest of our Convocation. Sir, I extend a respectful welcome to you. I request Dr Ranjan R Pai to officially welcome our chief guest to the convocation with a bouquet as a token of respect and honor.

We are delighted to have Mrs Vasanthi R Pai-Trustee MAHE Trust, and the first lady of MAHE. She has been a pillar of support and strength for all our endeavors. A very gracious welcome to you, Madam.

We have amidst us Dr Ranjan R Pai, President, MAHE Trust. Dr Ranjan Pai is known for his innovative ideas for transforming our university to meet global standards and introducing best practices that are internationally acknowledged. It is our honor and privilege to have you here. I extend a most courteous welcome to you, Sir.

We are happy to have with us today, Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor of our university, and the guiding force behind the growth of this university. To you Sir, I extend a delightful welcome. A gracious welcome to Mrs Indira Ballal.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our honorable Vice Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, who is actively enabling this University's further development with his vast and rich experience. I extend a pleasant welcome to you, Sir. A cordial welcome to Mrs Kusum Venkatesh.

A special welcome to Sri L K Dash IPoS Postmaster General of the South Karnataka Region, Sri T S Ashwathnarayana, Director, Postal Services, South Karnataka Region and all dignitaries from the Postal Department. I request Dr Raviraja N S to welcome them with a bouquet.

An honorable welcome to our former Vice Chancellor Dr Ramnarayan and former Pro Vice Chancellor Dr PLNG Rao.

I am delighted to welcome my colleague Pro Vice Chancellors-Dr Narayan Sabhahit, Dr Dilip Nayak,

and Dr N N Sharma, and Registrar Dr Giridhar Kini and Dr Vinod Thomas Registrar Evaluation.

I welcome the members of the Board of Management, Academic Council and Finance Committee, who monitor and ensure constant and consistent progress in the activities of MAHE.

The well-knit Manipal team, consisting of Heads of constituent institutions, faculty members, MAHE officers and supporting staff, has played a dynamic role in carrying forward the vision of MAHE. A hearty welcome to all.

The press and media members have been projecting our message to the public, highlighting MAHE's transparency, integrity, and progress. A hearty welcome to everyone who have responded to our invitation.

It is a great day for the parents of graduates and postgraduates to receive their degrees today. I extend a warm welcome to all of you.

Last but not least, the most important people in this convocation are the graduates, postgraduates, and postdoctoral fellows who are eager to receive their degrees today.

As young graduates, it will be your challenge to imbibe the latest developments in the fields of technology, health science, and the humanities and combine your knowledge with empathy and sympathy towards the less privileged in our society. Life may throw challenges at you, but remember that every challenge comes with rainbows and lights to conquer it.

Once again, my heartiest congratulations on your success and best wishes to all of you.

Ladies and gentlemen, once again, I extend a gracious welcome to all of you and those who have joined us online for this occasion.

Thank you. Jai Hind.

## OVERVIEW OF THE MAHE



### **Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, MAHE presented an overview of the University**

Chief Guest of the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education Lt Gen (Dr) Narendra Kotwal, Director and Commandant, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune. Dr Ranjan R Pai, President of MAHE Trust and Chairman of Manipal Education and Medical Group, Madam Vasanthi R Pai, First lady of MAHE and Trustee, MAHE Trust, Pro-Chancellor Dr H S Ballal, dignitaries on the dais, Pro Vice Chancellors,



University Officials, Heads of Constituent Units of MAHE, faculty, Members of MAHE Trust, Board of Management, Academic Council, Planning and Monitoring Board, Finance Committee, administrators, staff, honored invitees, parents, and, most importantly, my dear graduating students, I am honoured and privileged to stand before you to take you all through a brief overview of MAHE and brief annual report.



**Founder and Builder of Manipal**

Architect of modern Manipal was a pioneer in starting Public Private Partnerships in 1953.

Established some of the first professional education institutions in the non-government, non-missionary, self-financing sector.

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Padma Shri Awardee  
**Dr. Tonse Madhav Ananth Pai**

The visionary behind the inception of Manipal, the esteemed late Dr Tonse Madhava Anant Pai, pioneered the concept of public-private partnerships way back in 1953. Driven by his conviction in education as a catalyst for transformation, he envisaged a world where education would be within reach for everyone. Dr Pai established some of the earliest professional educational institutions in the non-governmental, non-missionary, and self-financing sector, leaving

an indelible mark on the landscape of education. 2023 is a land mark year when we are celebrating the 125 Birth Anniversary of our beloved founder.

Dr Ramdas M Pai, the distinguished son of Dr TMA Pai and the Chancellor of MAHE, has steered MAHE's evolution into an International University Town. He took Manipal across many campuses in India and abroad. His outstanding contributions have been recognised with very prestigious awards such as the Padma Bhushan from the Government of India and the Datuk Award from the Government of Malaysia.

**MAHE Chancellor - The Rise and Recognitions**



Datuk Award,  
Government of Melaka, Malaysia  
December 2011



Mrs. Vasanthi R Pai &  
Dr. Ramdas M Pai,  
Chancellor, MAHE



Padma Bhushan,  
Government of India  
April 2011

**MAHE Campuses**







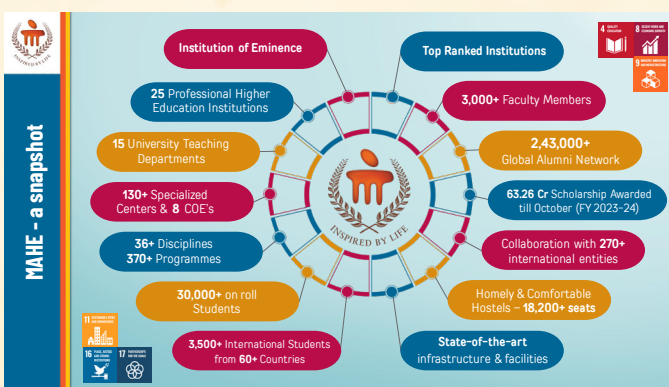
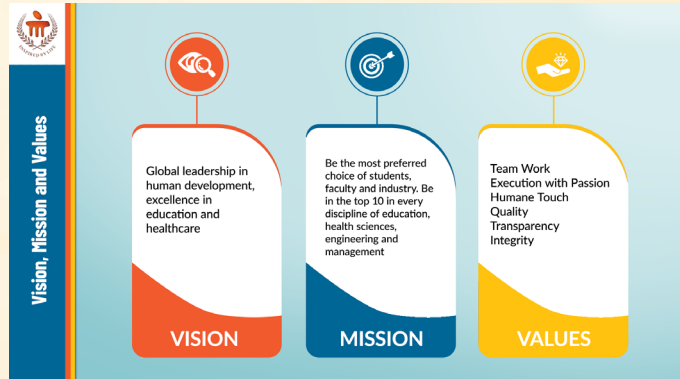

MAHE features multiple campuses, providing quality education both in India and abroad in its world class campuses. Its main campus is situated in Manipal. It is complemented by Off-Campus Centers in Mangaluru, Bengaluru, and Jamshedpur, and Off-Shore Campuses in Dubai and (Melaka) Malaysia. The Jamshedpur Campus housing a top-tier Medical college is an outcome of a pioneering private-private collaboration between MAHE and Tata Steel.

The Bangalore Campus is on the rise as a world-class, multi-disciplinary centre of higher education.



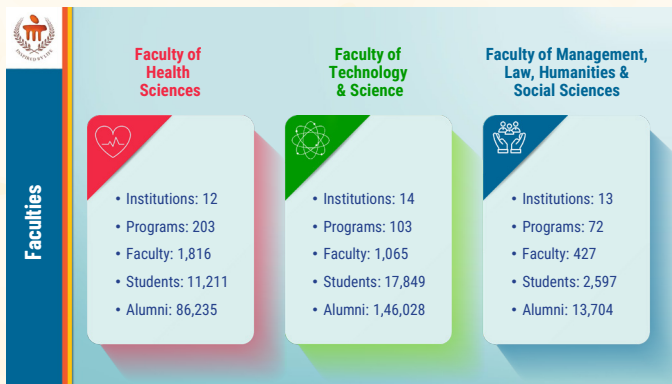
The transformative journey of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), established in 1953 on the principles and vision of Dr TMA Pai, spans seven decades and serves as a source of inspiration. What began with a medical college has metamorphosed into the largest private comprehensive, multidisciplinary university in India. Over the years, numerous academic units have been added across various disciplines. In 1993, MAHE earned the status of Deemed University by UGC. In 2020, MAHE was honoured with the prestigious designation of Institution of Eminence by the Government of India in recognition of its significant contributions to higher education.

Our vision is to achieve “Global leadership in human development, excellence in education and healthcare”. We aspire to figure among the top institutions worldwide in the domains of education, health sciences, engineering, Humanities and management. We are certain that our core values of Team Work, Execution with Passion, Humane Touch, Quality, Transparency and Integrity will guide us in this direction.



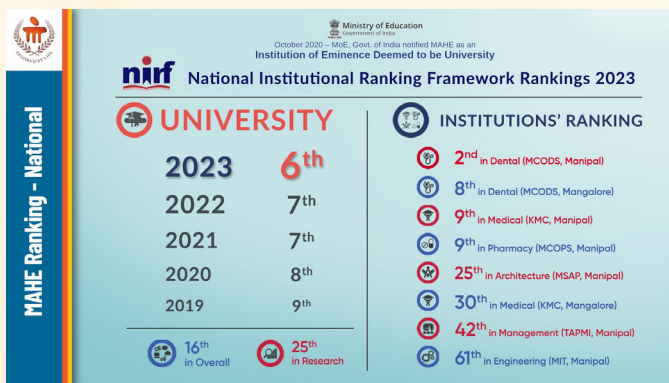
MAHE has progressed exponentially over the seven decades to be one of the largest multi-disciplinary Universities of India. MAHE provides a great variety of graduate and postgraduate courses covering several key disciplines like Medicine, Engineering, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Nursing, Hotel Administration, Allied Health, Management, Communication, etc. MAHE functions under three major faculties, with 25 professional higher education institutions, 15 university teaching departments and over 130 specialized centres. More than 370 diversified programs are being offered across 36+ disciplines. We have over 30000+ students who are on the rolls along with 3000+ highly qualified faculty members. We are proud to host around 3500 international students from 60+ countries and have established collaboration with over 270+ international entities. Our alumni base of around 2,43,000 and top-quality infrastructure adds to the wider dimension of our quality education.





MAHE has restructured the organizations into three faculties. The “Faculty of Health Sciences”, “Faculty of Technology and Science” and “Faculty of Management, Law, Humanities, and Social Sciences” to deliver about 370+ multi-disciplinary programs.

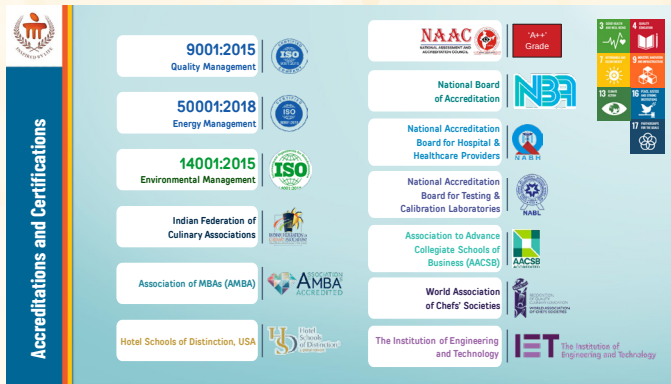
It is an honour that MAHE is one of the Institutions of Eminence as recognized by Ministry of Higher Education, Government of India. MAHE has consistently maintained its position in NIRF and in 2023 it is ranked as India’s top 6th University and 4 of our constituent colleges are ranked under top 10 colleges of India in their respective disciplines.



MAHE tops the list of Private Universities in India, leading in surveys by various agencies. It is named the top Deemed University in *The Week* 2023 and recognized as the top Deemed Multidisciplinary University by *Outlook*. Careers 360 ranks MAHE as India’s No. 1 Best Private University for 2023, and *The Education World* places it as the second-best Private Multidisciplinary University in the country.

The steady rise in international rankings has made MAHE a name to reckon with in the field of higher education. QS has ranked MAHE in the band of 951-1000 in World University Rankings and 210 in Asian University Rankings. Times Higher Education has ranked MAHE in the band of 601-800 in World University Rankings 2024 and in the band of 251-300 in Asian University Rankings in 2023. MAHE also figured in the top global rankings in THE Impact Ranking 2023 having been ranked 4th for Gender Equality and 25th for Quality of Education globally.



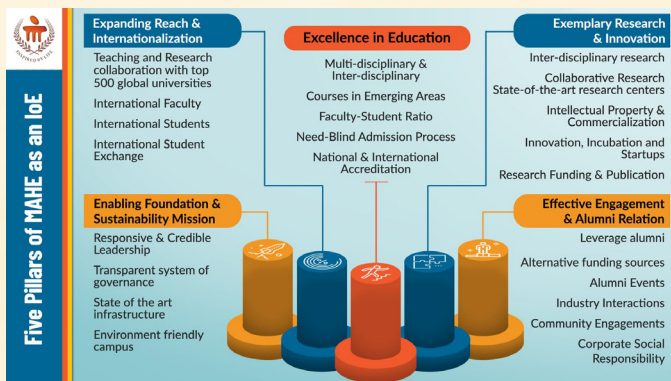


MAHE places utmost importance on quality assurance and is committed to continuous quality enhancement. It is reflected in the various accreditations obtained from renowned accrediting bodies. MAHE has reaccredited by NAAC with the highest grade of A++ and CGPA score of 3.65 out of 4 for the five years till May 30, 2027. Other accrediting bodies such as ISO, National Board of Accreditation (NBA), and Association for the Accreditation of

Human Research Protection Programs, Association of MBAs, Indian Federation of Culinary Associations, and others have also recognized our commitments to quality education. The latest addition to the list of accreditation is from the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET).

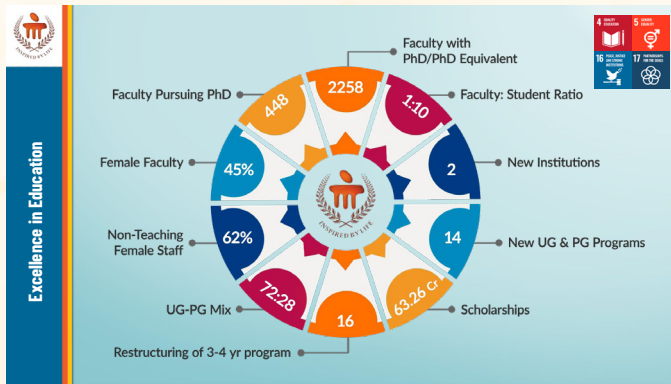
24 distinguished scientists from MAHE have made us proud by featuring in the list of the world's top two percentile Scientists this year. Amongst these 24 researchers, five researchers are consistently figured from last three years.

MAHE Scientists Ranked in Top 2 Percentile	World's top 2% scientists featuring 24 distinguished scientists from MAHE	
MIT, Manipal	KMC, M'lore	MCCDS, Manipal
Raja Selvaraj	Nithin Kumar	Shashidhar Acharya
Raghavendra U.	Uinnikrishnan B.	MSLS, Manipal
Shiva Kumar	Nitin Joseph	Normal Kasumdar
Nithesh Naik	Prasanna Mishra	MCCDS, Manipal
Tanweer Ali	Ramesh Holla	Srinivas Mutalik
Prasanna Shetty	Jagadish Rao Podubidri	Usha Y. Nayak
KMC, Manipal	Prateek Bhatnagar	Reema Narayan
Chyitra B. Rao	DEIMS, MAHE	Lalit Kumar
Vinod C. Nayak	Sathesha B Nayak	MIT, B'lore
Benjamin Joseph		Gerard Deepak



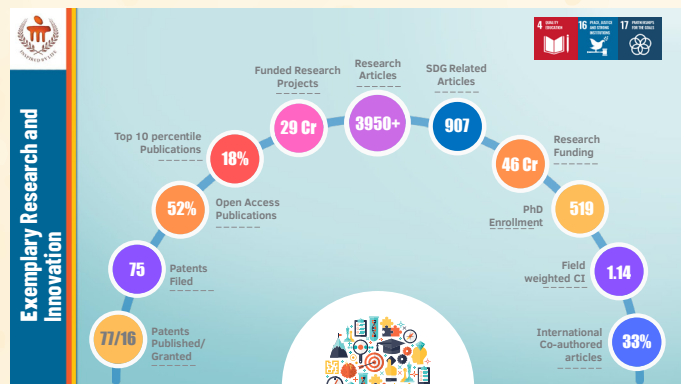
MAHE has envisaged its progress roadmap as an Institution of Eminence on Five Pillars: Excellence in Education, Exemplary Research and Innovation, Expanding Reach and Internationalization, Effective Engagement and Alumni Relations, and Enabling foundation and Sustainability Mission. We have committed to GoI certain deliverable over five years and I am happy to inform that we have been able to achieve most of the objective matrices ahead of time.





MAHE consistently strives to improve the quality of education. Our faculty-student ratio is 1:10, with over 2200+ faculty members holding a PhD /Terminal Degrees. As a pioneering University with regard to Gender Equity and women empowerment 45 per cent of our faculty members and 62 per cent of our non-teaching staff are women. This year, we established two new institutions, and introduced 14 new programs. We also disbursed approximately 64 crore rupees in scholarships to deserving students.

In terms of research, Scholarly output of MAHE has increased multifold. Researchers of MAHE have published 3950+ articles in high quality journals, out of which close to 1000 articles have been linked to Sustainable Development Goals, around 18 per cent of the articles are published in Top 10 percentile journals and 52 per cent of articles are published in open access journals. Field Weighted Citation impact of MAHE is 1.14, 33 per cent of the articles published have international coauthors, which indicates that more than a third of the published articles are an outcome of international collaborative projects. MAHE received 29 Cr INR as extramural funding and has provided 46 Cr as internal allocation for research. A total number of 75 patents were filed in the year 2023 and 519 students have enrolled for PhD programs.



As a research intensive University, MAHE spent more than 12 per cent of Opex on research expenditure. MAHE has created more than 45000 sft of World class Research facilities in the last year at a cost of more than 52 Crs INR.



MAHE supported its progressive research journey by establishing more than six *Center of Excellence* in multiple disciplines in the year 2023. These centres of excellence have been certified and recognized by Industry, accrediting bodies and agencies from within and outside of India.

MAHE has declared the year 2023 as the year of Internationalization. Expanding Reach and Internationalization continues to be one of thrust areas of MAHE. The University has 271 active collaborations with international Universities that facilitate semester exchange and internships to promote mobility of students. Partnership agreements with 82 Top-500 ranked universities have been signed to promote internationalization at MAHE. It is heartening to observe that MAHE welcomed almost 3,500 students from diverse nationalities and hosted numerous delegations from global universities on its campus.



MAHE takes immense pride in the achievements of our alumni. The Alumni Relations team at Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) is earnestly working to establish enduring connections with our alumni base of more than 2,45,000. This year, we organized 12 alumni reunion events, hosted over 166 alumni guest lectures, facilitated 34+ Academy-Industry Partnership events, and conducted more than 35+ sessions for the Alumni Student Connect

Series. Achievements of alumni continue to make us proud as they hold very important and prestigious positions across the globe.

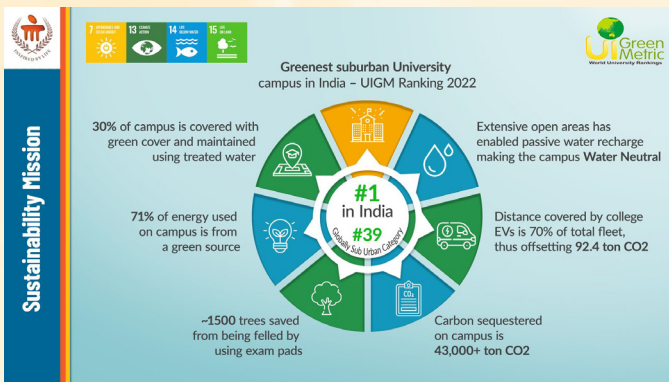




We are committed to provide world class academic infrastructure to our students. We are delighted to inform you all that in this year we have added and commissioned many new projects that are of global standards and sustainable. New buildings for School of Architecture, New building for Welcome Group School of Hotel Administration, Academic Block for MTMC, Jsr, Academic block, food court and convention centre at Blr campus are some of the

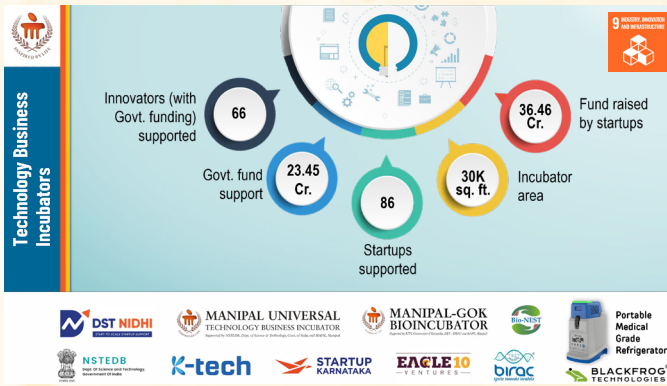
new facilities that are operational and open to students now.

MAHE has already planned multiple infrastructure development projects for the year 2024, and the "MHRC-Hospice & Respite" is one of the key initiatives. Our new campus at Blr being built a cost of over 1500 cr is emerging as an iconic world class land mark at Blr. Our New Health Sciences Campus at Jsr being built at a cost of 500 Cr is emerging as one of the finest health sciences education facility in eastern part of India.



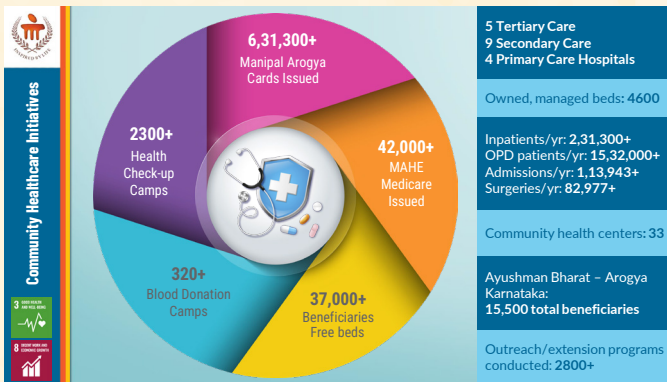
MAHE has been awarded with the title of Greenest Suburban University Campus in India by UIGM ranking, 2022. It affirms our commitment to environmental concerns. MAHE has taken effective steps in environmental preservation and sustainability. Resources are managed in a holistic way by implementing the best available technology on campus. 71 per cent of the energy used in campus is from a green source. 30 per cent of the campus is covered with green cover

and maintained using treated water. Use of EVs as the major mode of transport helped to reduce carbon emissions up to 92.4 metric tons. We are rapidly progressing towards carbon neutral campus and committed being Net Zero by 2040.



MAHE has active Technology Business Incubators including MUTBI and Bioincubator supported by Govt. of India and Govt. of Karnataka. Our incubators house startups initiated by students, faculty, alumni, and others. In the 30,000 sq. ft. incubator facility, we currently accommodate 86 startups, with 66 of them receiving government funding. The total government support amounts to 23.45 cr INR, while the collective revenue generated by the startups is about 36.46 cr INR.

During India's G20 Presidency, MAHE proactively organized a series of events to support the G20 initiatives. This included hosting the W20 Women Vice Chancellors and Leaders Conclave, organizing the Y20 Youth National Conference, T20 Public Health Event and hosting multiple G20 University Connect Events and contributed to the success of G20 presidency of our country.



MAHE is one of the leading health care service providers through its teaching hospitals. The Hospitals provide services using various Health schemes, both Private & Government. Its Manipal Arogya Suraksha insurance scheme covered more than 6,31,300 beneficiaries with an annual coverage of Rs 50,000. The Kasturba Hospital treated 15,500+ patients under Ayushman Bharath Scheme. In addition to these schemes, Hospitals helped 37,000+ poor patients through its free bed scheme. More than 320 blood donation drives were held in the region. The 2300+ Health checkup camps have greatly benefited

thousands of patients from rural areas.

We are committed to holistic and all round development of our students. MAHE is a vibrant campus hosting multiple sports and cultural events for the staff and students towards enriching campus life and building character towards making our students global citizens.

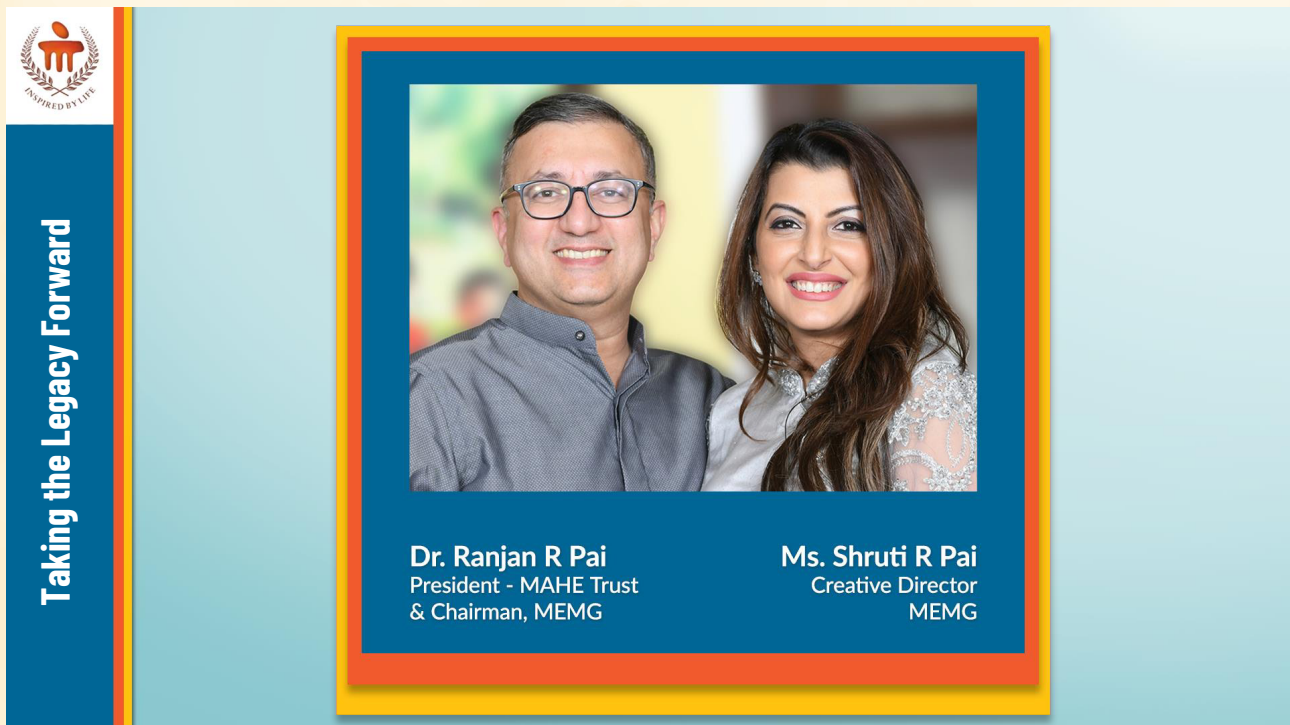






MAHE has been committed to serving the interest of the communities around the University. Volunteer Services Organization (VSO) was created at MAHE in 2007 to channelize this idea in a more organized fashion. It operates as a wholly student-led social unit within MAHE. Operating under the VSO banner, students, faculty, staff, and their spouses enthusiastically embrace volunteerism to contribute to society. Today VSO has emerged as India's largest student led voluntary organisation. MAHE also

has National Service Scheme (NSS) units across its campuses, organizing blood donation camps, as well as engaging in the preservation and planting of trees and contributing to a better and greener environment.



**Dr. Ranjan R Pai**  
President - MAHE Trust  
& Chairman, MEMG

**Ms. Shruti R Pai**  
Creative Director  
MEMG

Dr Ranjan Pai, President MAHE Trust and the Chairman of Manipal Education and Medical Group (MEMG), is at the forefront of Manipal Group's initiatives in the field of education, healthcare and research. Building upon the group's seven decades of legacy, he has led its continuous expansion in higher education and healthcare, both nationally and internationally. Mrs Shruti R Pai, Creative Director of MEMG has been playing a significant role in shaping in the developmental vision and initiatives of MAHE. We continue to seek their support in our journey towards excellence.

In conclusion, I once again congratulate all the graduating students on their achievement and thank the parents for the trust reposed in MAHE.

RELEASE OF SPECIAL COVER TO COMMEMORATE THE 125TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF DR TMA PAI, FOUNDER AND ARCHITECT OF MANIPAL





## INTRODUCTION OF CHIEF GUEST



### Dr Padmaraj Hegde, Dean, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal

Lieutenant General Narendra Kotwal, SM, VSM, is an alumnus of Government Medical College, Jammu from where he completed his MBBS in 1985. He did his MD in Medicine from Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC). He is a Diplomate of National Board in Medicine and a Member of the National Academy of Medical Sciences (MNAMS). Continuing his academic journey further, he acquired Doctorate of Medicine (DM) in Endocrinology. The General Officer is also an alumnus of the National Defence College, New Delhi where he was awarded an MPhil in Defence and Strategic Studies.

In an exemplary career spanning over 36 years, the General Officer has held prestigious academic, clinical, and administrative appointments, including Senior Advisor (Medicine) and Endocrinologist

at the Army Hospital Research and Referral, New Delhi, and at Command Hospital (Southern Command), Pune; Commandant, Armed Forces Clinic, New Delhi, and Assistant Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (Medical) [ACIDS (Med)].

The General Officer has the distinction of providing medical care to four honorable Presidents of India. He has also held the coveted appointments of Member of Specialist Committee under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana; Advisor, UPSC for empanelment of advisors; and Member, Standard Treatment Workflows (STWs) by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR). He has also served as the Vice President of the Endocrinology Society of India and as Secretary of the Indian Thyroid Society.



He has been an academic guide to numerous postgraduate and super specialty students. He has numerous scientific publications in acclaimed international and national indexed academic journals and is also a reviewer for numerous international and national academic journals.

An avid blogger, the General Officer takes time out of his busy schedule for his literary pursuits, whereby he regularly contributes articles to the media. A sports enthusiast and cyclist, he promotes a healthy lifestyle by leading by his personal example.

In recognition of his dedication to patient care and service, he has been conferred with the 'Vishisht Seva Medal' in 2016 and the 'Sena Medal' in 2019.

He has also been conferred with the Chief of Army Staff Commendation in 2007, 2012, and 2014; Vice Chief of Army Staff Commendation in 2008; Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC) Commendation in 2013 and General Officer Commanding-in-Chief (Western Command) Commendation in 2006.

Prior to the present appointment, he was tenating the coveted appointment of Major General Medical at Head Quarters, Madhya Bharat Area, Jabalpur.

His spouse, Dr Sumedha Kotwal is an acclaimed Oncopathologist. A keen painter and environmentalist, she contributes immensely to conserving and nurturing wildlife.







**Lt Gen Narendra Kotwal, SM, VSM, Director & Commandant  
Armed Forces Medical College, Pune**

Most importantly, brilliant and resilient graduates of this esteemed institute. I bring you greetings from the Armed Forces Medical College, Pune.

It is my honor and privilege to be here on this momentous occasion of the convocation ceremony at the Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE). Today marks a significant milestone in your lives as you transit from being graduates to professionals who will shape the future of healthcare.

First and foremost, let me extend my heartfelt congratulations to each one of you for your remarkable achievement. Your hard work, dedication, and unwavering commitment have brought you to this defining moment. I am sanguine about the fact that you have endured endless hours of studying, sleepless nights, and vigorous training. Today, all your efforts and

sacrifices are being celebrated and all of you should be proud of yourselves.

MAHE has truly created for itself a legacy of excellence. From its humble beginnings as the Academy of General Education in 1942, founded by the great visionary late Dr TMA Pai, who rightly identified illiteracy, ill health, and poverty as three major ills plaguing Indian society, MAHE today epitomizes quality and holistic education in every sense of the word. The outstanding infrastructure, training facilities, and dedicated faculty have placed the university amongst the finest in the country today, as evidenced by its ratings by various national and global ranking agencies like the NAAC, IET, and QS World. It is therefore not surprising that MAHE was accorded the status of an Institution of Eminence by the Government of India in October 2020, a status very few higher education institutions in the country can boast of.

My reiteration of these facts, which you are all aware of, is to remind all of you who are graduating this morning how fortunate and privileged you are to have studied and trained at this great institution. It is a moment for you to celebrate your achievement and success and I congratulate you for the same. I also wish to remind you that as graduates of MAHE, you now bear the onerous responsibility of living up to the expectations that your loved ones, teachers, and society have of you as you embark upon your chosen professional careers.

Medicine is not just a career, it is a noble calling. You have chosen a path that requires empathy, compassion, and a deep desire to alleviate the suffering of others. Each patient you encounter will place their trust and lives in your capable hands. Remember, the impact you have on their lives will be enormous.

As you are aware, we are witnessing a period of great transformation, both within our country and across the globe. India's current position and image in the global order today reflect a nation proud of its heritage, confident of its capabilities, and certain of its aspirations and goals. For our nation to achieve its aspirations and goals, it is incumbent upon each one of us to commit to the philosophy of 'Nation First'. Sometimes we tend to feel that we are too small and insignificant to have any impact on the progress of our nation. This is not true. As the educated elite of the country, it is we who are the primary drivers of growth, change, and transformation. Each one of us, through small actions in our daily lives, has the power to make a very significant difference to society. What is important is to make the right decisions, even though they may not be convenient or easy options to choose. Many of us, despite being aware of the negative impact of some of our actions on the environment, for example, continue to do so since changing our habits and practices is inconvenient and requires effort. Likewise, technology today has become an indispensable part of our lives. However, while technology has great potential for bringing about positive changes in society, its misuse can be equally catastrophic. As responsible professionals, you must

not only make the right choices but also propagate the same in your areas of influence.

Your professional journey, which begins from this point onward will throw multiple challenges at you. You can choose to look at these as obstacles and impediments and get frustrated, or look upon them as opportunities to learn. Remember, "sometimes we are tested not to show our weakness but to discover our strengths". I am confident that your training at MAHE would have provided you with the right mix of knowledge, skills, and attitude to help you navigate such tight corners whenever you encounter them.

As future professionals in this country, I urge you to focus on certain key values, which I honestly believe are the need of the hour. One of the most essential values is 'trust'. Trust is the one basic tenant that forms the bedrock of all human interactions, whether between individuals, within organizations, or within society at large. Without trust, there can be no progress or growth, either personal, professional or in society. Ask yourself this question, 'Do people trust me?' or 'Can I be trusted?' Be honest with yourself about the answer. So why do we trust people or who are the people we trust? The answer is simple. Trust comes from 'character' and 'competence'. If you have the core values of integrity, honesty, humility, and good intent, your actions will speak for themselves. Once these values become an integral part of you and your character, and you display them consistently, you will gain credibility. Credibility, coupled with technical competence, will invariably translate to great outcomes and results. Your credentials will speak for themselves and this is when people will begin to trust you. When there is trust between individuals and within organizations great things can be achieved and when there is trust within societies, cynicism, and suspicion die down and growth and prosperity follow.

Another mantra that I wish to share with you is to be passionate about whatever you do. Remember, 'successful and unsuccessful people often do not vary greatly in their abilities. They vary in their desire and



passion to achieve their true potential.' Successful people find ways to do things, unsuccessful people find excuses! Never stop believing in your dreams. If you believe it will work out, you will see opportunities. If you believe it will not, you will see obstacles!

Please become life-long learners. It is never too late to start something new. Each day is a great opportunity to learn something new. Develop a hobby. It is a great stress buster.

Do not shy away from hard work. You do not always get what you wish for. But you always get what you work for! Believe in yourselves and do not take life too seriously. Love yourselves for who you are and do not get into comparisons with others. Look into the mirror, that's your competition! Invest in friends and human relationships. It pays the best dividends in the long run.

Beyond your clinical expertise, remember to always treat your patients with kindness, dignity, and respect. They will come to you not only seeking cure for their ailments but also solace in their darkest moments. Offer them a listening ear, a compassionate touch, and a warm smile. Sometimes the greatest impact you can have is in the simple act of being present and showing empathy.

As we celebrate the success of the graduating students today, their parents and loved ones deserve equal

credit. Proud parents, today is a day when we not only congratulate you for the outstanding achievements of your children, but we also salute your efforts, your sacrifices, your love, support, encouragement, and values that you have inculcated in your dear ones that have made them stand tall and confident, raring to embark on a challenging career path. I am confident that you will witness them blossom into outstanding professionals and exceptional human beings in the days and years to come.

To the faculty of MAHE, I would say that you define this university, its ethos, its values, its achievements, and its excellence. It is your dedication, zeal, and professionalism that serves as the catalyst in the transformation of young minds into smart, competent professionals who will form the backbone of our society in the times to come. Today is a day when you need to feel proud of yourselves and celebrate the success of your efforts that are so plainly evident for all to see.

With these words, I congratulate the graduating students once more, and may your journeys be filled with endless learning, extraordinary experiences, and a deep sense of fulfillment.

Jai Hind.





# PRESENTATION OF MEMENTOS





## FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT GRADUATES

University facts and figures presented by Dr Vinod V Thomas,  
Registrar Evaluation, MAHE, Manipal

Convocation -November 2023-MAHE- Manipal			
Particulars	Convocation	Speed Post/Absentia	Total
Undergraduates	3,158	1,407	4,565
Postgraduates	2,056	506	2,562
PhD	134	80	214
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,348</b>	<b>1,993</b>	<b>7,341</b>
<b>Grand Total-Convocation-NOV 2023</b>			
Total Graduates on 18 Nov 23	1,440	5,348	
Total Graduates on 19 Nov 23	1,311		
Total Graduates on 25 Nov 23	1,389		
Total Graduates on 26 Nov 23	1,208		



## CONFERRING THE DEGREES



I, Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor,  
by virtue of the powers vested in me by  
the Board of Trustees of  
Manipal Academy of Higher Education,  
admit these candidates to the rank,  
privileges and responsibilities of the  
degrees severally set out and confer the  
said degrees on them.



## ADMINISTRATION OF OATH

**Dr Vinod V Thomas, Registrar Evaluation, MAHE, Manipal administered an oath to the students**



### **Common Oath by Graduates**

“As a graduating student at MAHE,  
I Shall follow the code of Scientific  
professional ethics,  
Maintain integrity in research  
Uphold the course of science  
Respect the dignity of the human  
being  
Endeavour to be objective in my  
judgement and  
Strive for the enrichment of human  
values and thoughts”.





## DR TMA PAI GOLD MEDAL



SI No	Name	NAME OF THE INSTITUTE
1	Simran Gupta	MCODS, Mangalore
2	Pallavi Taneja	MCODS, Mangalore
3	Maitrayee Sen	MCON, Manipal
4	Narra Aneri	MSLS, Manipal
5	Nibhasri	MSIS, Manipal
6	Chirag V Kirpalani	WGSMA, Manipal



## PHD AWARDS

SL	Name	Institution
1	Prashant P Nair	Kasturba Medical College
2	Aneesha Acharya K	Manipal Institute of Technology
3	Patil Suhas Vijay	Manipal Institute of Technology
4	Sapna	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
5	Thorat Ketan Vilas	Institute for Stem Cell Science and Regenerative Medicine (inStem)
6	Barnali Deb	Institute of Bioinformatics
7	Ramya Ravi	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
8	Akshatha Ganesh Nayak	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
9	Aishwarya S	Department of Sciences
10	Suresh Akhil	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
11	Muralishwara K	Manipal Institute of Technology
12	Ritesh Bhat	Manipal Institute of Technology
13	Girisha S	Manipal Institute of Technology
14	Sucharita Babu Shetty	Manipal Centre for Information Sciences
15	Sahana Nagappa Moger	Department of Sciences
16	Sonti Roy	National Institute of Animal Biotechnology
17	Archana P T	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
18	Nazia Afroze	Manipal University Dubai Campus
19	Meghana Manjunath	Institute of Bioinformatics AND Applied Biotechnology
20	Padya Bharath Singh	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
21	Archana Kini	Manipal Institute of Management
22	Srijan Deshpande	Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities
23	Clifton Arokiyaraj Stephen	Manipal University Dubai Campus
24	Aman Aggarwal	National Centre for Biological Sciences
25	Nishanth B Bhat	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
26	Meenal Aurelia Francis	Manipal Institute of Regenerative Medicine (MIRM)
27	Yangchenla Bhutia	Ashoka Trust For Research In Ecology And The Environment (ATREE)
28	Anuraag Muralidharan	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
29	Varsha A Prabhu	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
30	Vinay Madhusudanan	Manipal Institute of Technology
31	Sruthi Balakrishnan	Manipal Institute of Technology
32	Vaibhav Dnyaneshwar Deokar	Lupin Research Park
33	A Venkatesh	Manipal Institute of Technology
34	Nisha B K	Manipal Institute of Technology

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35	Sowmya R	Manipal Institute of Technology
36	Shreevatsa Bhat M	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
37	Devasrita Dash	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
38	Surya Harikrishnan	Department of Atomic and Molecular Physics (DAMP)
39	Ramiseti Rajeev	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics
40	Sayantan Goswami	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics
41	Nagarkar Rahul Anand	Tata Chemicals Ltd
42	Rajdeep Ray	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
43	K S Navya Sree	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
44	Amar Murthy Ambarkar	Manipal Institute of Technology
45	Gopal C M	Manipal Institute of Technology
46	Pooja Prabhu	Manipal Institute of Technology
47	Arockiaraj S	Manipal Centre for Information Sciences
48	Smitha B Rao	MIRM
49	Saurabh Mandal	MIRM
50	Nagabhushan J Choudhari	Department of Sciences
51	Devika Rani K	Manipal Centre for European Studies
52	Pranjali Kirloskar	Manipal Centre for European Studies
53	Sanna Gulati	Manipal Centre for Natural Sciences (MCNS)
54	Deepika Chaudhary	Translational Health Science and Technology Institute
55	Sharath Kumar L M	Himalaya Drug Company
56	Sushma Vishwakarma	L V Prasad Eye Institute
57	Prajakta Sahebrao Tathe	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics
58	Chinchole Akash Nitin	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics
59	Niti Singh	Translational Health Science and Technology Institute
60	Annesha Chowdhury	ATREE
61	Sony R K	ATREE
62	Ranjeet Kumar Sahani	ATREE
63	Maninder Singh	T A Pai Management Institute (TAPMI)
64	Shrilakshmi S	Poornaprajna Institute of Scientific Research (PPISR)
65	Daphne Norma Crasta	Kasturba Medical College
66	Priyesh C	Kasturba Medical College
67	Sujith Pavan	Kasturba Medical College
68	Divya Rao	Kasturba Medical College
69	Khyati Bhardwaj	Kasturba Medical College
70	Tenzin Phagdol	Manipal College of Nursing
71	Viji P C	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
72	Bolli Keerthi Priya	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences



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73	Sadhana Mutalik	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
74	Ekta	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
75	Shwetha Rai	Manipal Institute of Technology
76	V Sravani	Manipal Institute of Technology
77	Prakash Kalingrao Aithal	Manipal Institute of Technology
78	Jagadeesh Chandra R B	Manipal Institute of Technology
79	Arunkumar H S	Manipal Institute of Technology
80	Yogeesha Pai	Manipal Institute of Technology
81	Fiona Concy Rodrigues	Manipal Institute of Technology
82	Prakash K G	Manipal Institute of Technology
83	Jyothi	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
84	Anju M	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
85	Sachin Shetty	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
86	Anushree U	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
87	Raviprasad K V	Manipal Life Sciences Center
88	Divya	Manipal Life Sciences Center
89	Sivapriya S	MIRM
90	Upendra Nayek	DAMP
91	Antony Dasint Lopus	DAMP
92	Parashurama Salunkhe	Department of Sciences
93	Vineeth V	inStem
94	Atimukta Jha	Institute of Life Sciences
95	Saiyed Atiyabanu Nasiruddin	Iladevi Cataract and Intraocular Lens Research Centre
96	Vinitha A	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
97	Shankar V Kundapura	PPISR
98	Ranjith Kumar R	PPISR
99	Niyati Jigyasu	Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology
100	Bharatkumar Ravji Paghadar	SABIC Research and Technology Pvt. Ltd
101	Sudha S Tantry	SABIC Research and Technology Pvt. Ltd
102	Aritra Kshetry	Centre for Wildlife Studies
103	Dr Nandini Prashanth Bhat	Kasturba Medical College
104	Aswathi C	Kasturba Medical College
105	Tarun Gangil .	Kasturba Medical College
106	Pooja Suresh Poojary	Kasturba Medical College
107	Prince Jacob	Kasturba Medical College
108	Huidrom Yaiphaba Meitei	Kasturba Medical College

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109	Rahul K	Kasturba Medical College
110	Aradhana Marathe	Kasturba Medical College
111	Savitha Prabhu	Manipal College of Nursing
112	Shalini Ganesh Nayak	Manipal College of Nursing
113	Anupama D S	Manipal College of Nursing
114	Naik Santoshi	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
115	Prashansa Mullick	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
116	Puspita Sahu	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
117	Shanthi Lysetty	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
118	Prashant Chandra	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
119	Ganesh A	Manipal Institute of Technology
120	Harishkumar Kamat	Manipal Institute of Technology
121	Shashikumar G S	Manipal Institute of Technology
122	Jashma Suresh P P	Manipal Institute of Technology
123	Sumana J R	Manipal Institute of Technology
124	Sofia D Souza	Manipal Institute of Technology
125	Wasim Ahmed	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
126	Priyanka	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
127	Gopinath M	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
128	Sardesai Sanjukta Shirish	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
129	Harini V	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
130	Jackson Rodrigues	Manipal Life Sciences Center
131	Navya Prabhu B	Manipal Life Sciences Center
132	Shivaprasad S P	Department of Commerce MU
133	Anupama V	Department of Geopolitics
134	Alina Peethan	DAMP
135	Keerthi K	DAMP
136	Suresh K	DAMP
137	Nidheesh V R	DAMP
138	Pawan Kumar	Department of Sciences
139	Ashwini U	Department of Sciences
140	Akshitha	Department of Sciences
141	Amrutha K	Manipal Institute of Technology
142	Suraj Mangavati	Department of Sciences
143	Nehanjali Premkant Dwivedi	Mazumdar Shaw Medical Foundation
144	Govindkumar C Balagannavar	Institute of Bioinformatics AND Applied Biotechnology
145	Aswathy Mary Paul	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology



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146	Bijesh George	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
147	Kanika Chandra	Dr Reddys Institute of Life Sciences
148	Rahul Sharma	Dr Reddys Institute of Life Sciences
149	Ankita Kapoor	inStem
150	Dr. Sumsum P Sunny	Mazumdar Shaw Medical Foundation
151	Sagar Sanjiv Desai	Institute of Bioinformatics AND Applied Biotechnology
152	Dr. Suhasini Padugupati	Aptus Biosciences
153	Jaishree Gandhi .	L V Prasad Eye Institute
154	Koduri Madhuri Amulya	L V Prasad Eye Institute
155	Sunita Sinha	Institute of Life Sciences
156	Rinan Shah	ATREE
157	Y R Kartik	PPISR
158	S Vignesh	National Institute of Advanced Studies
159	Chethana A	PPISR
160	Vinod N	PPISR
161	Ramya Prabhu B	Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences (CeNS)
162	Vaishnavi B J	PPISR
163	Praveen Kumar	Kasturba Medical College
164	PANDE SHRUTI ANANT	Kasturba Medical College
165	Suman Manandhar	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
166	Gautam Kumar	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
167	Farmiza Begum .	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
168	Prasada Chowdari Gurram	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
169	Pinalkumari Chaudhari	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
170	Rao Rajat Radhakrishna Kasturi	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
171	Sattiraju Vijay Kumar	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
172	Matcha Saikumar	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
173	Tenzin Tender	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
174	Anand Pai	Manipal Institute of Technology
175	Laxmikant Keni	Manipal Institute of Technology
176	Roshan R Naik	Manipal Institute of Technology
177	D Cenitta	Manipal Institute of Technology
178	Bhagya R S	Manipal Institute of Technology
179	Lino Y	Manipal Institute of Technology
180	Preeti Maurya	Manipal Institute of Technology
181	Jayashree T R	Manipal Institute of Technology
182	Dheeraj	Department of Sciences

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183	Sandeep Nambiar S	Manipal Institute of Technology
184	Shraddha Pai	Manipal Institute of Technology
185	Veena Mathew	Manipal Institute of Technology
186	Reepa Avichal Ughreja	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
187	Radhika Aditya Jadhav	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
188	K M Garima Gupta	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
189	Qsee H S	Manipal College of Allied Health Sciences
190	Modem Roopa	Manipal Institute of Management
191	Pugazhandhi B	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
192	Shiny Jasphin S R	Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus)
193	Rajeev Matha	Dept. of Commerce MU
194	K Jeganath	Department of Sciences
195	Nimitha S Prabhu	Department of Sciences
196	Monisha M	Department of Sciences
197	Prashant Bhat	Department of Sciences
198	Sheeba Pakkan	Department of Library and Information Science
199	Gayathri K G	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
200	Pallavi Chinnu Varghese	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
201	Ishita Baral	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
202	Jiffy John	Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology
203	Rajalaxmi Sahoo	CeNS
204	Amit Bhardwaj	CeNS
205	Gurudutt Nayak	TAPMI
206	Pinchu Xavier	CeNS
207	Athira M	CeNS
208	Trupthi Devaiah C	CeNS
209	Kenneth Lobo	CeNS
210	Amita Kini Singh	Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology
211	Soumya Sasidharan	Manipal University Dubai Campus
212	Divya Dhatri Kara	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
213	Praveen Kumar	Manipal Institute of Technology
214	Abhishek Sadananda Madival	Manipal Institute of Technology
215	Sudip Kumar Kundu	Department of Public Policy



## PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Statistics of Successful Under Graduates Students from  
November 2022 to October 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	DOC	BBA (Marketing)	1	-	1	1	-	1
2	DOC	BBA Programs	240	120	360	194	90	284
3	DOC	BCom (Professional)	97	54	151	91	50	141
4	DOC	BCom (Business Process Services)	10	5	15	10	3	13
5	DOC	BBA (Honours)	1	3	4	1	3	4
6	DOC	BCom (Honours)	4	3	7	4	3	7
7	ICHS	BSc Health Sciences	13	12	25	5	7	12
8	KMC	FINAL MBBS	250	253	503	220	239	459
9	MCH	BA Humanities	2	26	28	2	25	27
10	MCBP	BA Foundations in Management	3	5	8	3	5	8
11	MCHP	Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT)	2	3	5	2	3	5
12	MCHP	BSc Exercise and Sports Sciences	1	-	1	1	-	1
13	MCHP	Bachelor of Optometry (19 Batch)	1	19	20	1	19	20
14	MCHP	Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT)	11	46	57	11	44	55
15	MCHP	Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT)	5	34	39	4	31	35
16	MCHP	BSc Anaesthesia and Operation Theatre Technology (BAOTT)	2	12	14	2	12	14
17	MCHP	BSc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics (BCND)	2	17	19	2	15	17

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
18	MCHP	BSc Exercise and Sports Science (BESS)	14	6	20	12	5	17
19	MCHP	BSc Emergency Medical Technology (BEMT)	3	9	12	1	8	9
20	MCHP	BSc Medical Laboratory Technology (BMLT)	3	27	30	2	24	26
21	MCHP	BSc Perfusion Technology (BPFT)	7	4	11	6	4	10
22	MCHP	BSc Psychology	5	20	25	5	20	25
23	MCHP	BSc Health Information Management (BHIM) (19)	5	17	22	5	17	22
24	MCHP	BSc Renal Replacement Therapy and Dialysis Technology (BRRTDT)	5	10	15	3	7	10
25	MCHP	BSc Respiratory Therapy (BSc RT) (19 Batch)	9	24	33	9	24	33
26	MCHP	BSc Respiratory Therapy (BSc RT) (20 Batch)	12	21	33	9	17	26
27	KMC, MNG	Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT)	11	24	35	10	24	34
28	KMC, MNG	BSc Renal Replacement Therapy and Dialysis Technology (BRRTDT)	1	-	1	0	-	0
29	KMC, MNG	BSc Respiratory Therapy (BSc RT) (19 Batch)	2	3	5	2	3	5
30	KMC, MNG	BSc Respiratory Therapy (BSc RT) (20 Batch)	4	4	8	2	4	6
31	MCODS	Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)	99	295	394	89	289	378
32	MCON	BSc Nursing	15	82	97	14	82	96
33	MCON	Post Basic BSc in Nursing	4	13	17	4	13	17
34	MCOPS	Bachelor of Pharmacy	64	67	131	50	54	104
35	MIC	BA (Media and Communication)	48	78	126	45	76	121
36	MIC	BSc Animation	18	13	31	16	10	26



Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
37	MIT	BTech - Print and Media Technology	1	-	1	1	-	1
38	MIT	BTech - Electronics and Communication Engineering	205	51	256	205	51	256
39	MIT	BTech - Information Technology	105	33	138	105	33	138
40	MIT	BTech - Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering	64	10	74	64	10	74
41	MIT	BTech - Industrial and Production Engineering	42	6	48	42	6	48
42	MIT	BTech - Print and Media Technology	3	0	3	3	0	3
43	MIT	BTech - Biotechnology	10	14	24	10	14	24
44	MIT	BTech - Chemical Engineering	58	38	96	58	38	96
45	MIT	BTech - Computer and Communication Engineering	112	35	147	112	35	147
46	MIT	BTech - Computer Science and Engineering	193	63	256	193	63	256
47	MIT	BTech - Electrical and Electronics Engineering	136	29	165	136	29	165
48	MIT	BTech - Mechanical Engineering	211	18	229	211	18	229
49	MIT	BTech - Mechatronics	104	16	120	104	16	120
50	MIT	BTech - Media Technology	24	6	30	24	6	30
51	MIT	BTech - Bio-Medical Engineering	20	16	36	20	16	36
52	MIT	BTech - Biotechnology	14	11	25	14	11	25
53	MIT	BTech - Civil Engineering	108	18	126	108	18	126
54	MIT	BTech - Aeronautical Engineering	55	24	79	55	24	79

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
55	MIT	BTech - Automobile Engineering	63	6	69	63	6	69
56	MIT	BTech - Instrumentation and Control Engineering	1	0	1	1	0	1
57	MSAP	BA (Interior Design)	3	4	7	2	3	5
58	MSAP	Bachelor of Architecture	54	104	158	53	104	157
59	MSAP	Bachelor of Design (Fashion Design)	-	22	22	-	18	18
60	MSAP	Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)	10	24	34	8	22	30
61	MSLS	BSc Biotechnology	18	40	58	12	36	48
62	MSLS	BSc (Honours) in Biotechnology	-	8	8	-	8	8
63	WGSHA	BSc (Hospitality and Catering Studies)	2	0	2	2	0	2
64	WGSHA	BA (Culinary Arts)	96	87	183	92	83	175
65	WGSHA	Bachelor of Hotel Management (BHM)	125	37	162	117	37	154





Statistics of Successful Postgraduates Students from November 2022 to October 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	CIMR	MSc (Yoga Therapy)	-	5	5	-	5	5
2	DLIS	Master of Library and Information Sciences	2	3	5	2	3	5
3	COE	Online Master of Business Administration	135	95	230	107	76	183
4	DGIR	MA Geopolitics and International Relations	28	46	74	24	44	68
5	DOC	MCom (Banking Technology)	5	11	16	5	11	16
6	DOC	MCom (Logistics and Supply Chain)	19	17	36	19	17	36
7	DOC	MCom (Professional)	13	32	45	13	32	45
8	DOC	MSc (Health Economics)	1	13	14	1	13	14
9	DOC	MSc (Financial Economics)	6	10	16	6	10	16
10	DOC	MSc (Business Analytics)	8	9	17	8	9	17
11	DOC	MA in Digital and Creative Marketing	9	11	20	8	10	18
12	DOS	MSc Chemistry	7	23	30	7	23	30
13	DOS	MSc Applied Mathematics and Computing	5	10	15	4	10	14
14	DOS	MSc Physics	11	15	26	11	15	26
15	DOS	MSc Geology	13	7	20	11	7	18
16	GCPAS	Master of Arts - MA (Ecosophical Aesthetics)	-	2	2	-	2	2
17	GCPAS	Master of Arts - MA (Art and Peace Studies)	2	1	3	2	1	3
18	KMC	MSc Clinical Embryology	-	11	11	-	11	11
19	KMC	MSc Forensic Science	-	9	9	-	9	9
20	KMC	MSc Genetics Counselling	1	5	6	1	5	6

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
21	KMC	MSc Medical (Anatomy)	-	3	3	-	2	2
22	KMC	MSc Medical (Biochemistry)	1	2	3	1	2	3
23	KMC	MSc Medical (Microbiology)	-	5	5	-	5	5
24	KMC	MSc Medical (Pharmacology)	-	5	5	-	4	4
25	KMC	MSc Medical (Physiology)	1	2	3	1	2	3
26	KMC	MSc Reproductive and Developmental Biology	-	2	2	-	2	2
27	KMC	MD (Anaesthesiology)	6	12	18	6	11	17
28	KMC	MD (Biochemistry)	1	-	1	0	-	0
29	KMC	MD (Community Medicine)	1	5	6	1	5	6
30	KMC	MD (Dermatology, Venereology, and Leprosy)	-	4	4	-	4	4
31	KMC	MD (Emergency Medicine)	2	1	3	2	1	3
32	KMC	MD (Forensic Medicine)	1	2	3	1	2	3
33	KMC	MD (General Medicine)	16	8	24	15	8	23
34	KMC	MD (Hospital Administration)	-	2	2	-	2	2
35	KMC	MD (Immunohematology and Blood Transfusion)	-	1	1	-	0	0
36	KMC	MD (Microbiology)	-	2	2	-	1	1
37	KMC	MD (Paediatrics)	6	12	18	6	12	18
38	KMC	MD (Pathology)	2	12	14	1	9	10
39	KMC	MD (Pharmacology)	1	-	1	1	-	1
40	KMC	MD (Psychiatry)	4	4	8	4	4	8
41	KMC	MD (Radio Diagnosis)	5	3	8	5	3	8
42	KMC	MD (Radiotherapy)	-	2	2	-	2	2



Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
43	KMC	MD (Respiratory Medicine)	3	1	4	3	1	4
44	KMC	MS (General Surgery)	15	5	20	14	5	19
45	KMC	MS (Obstetrics and Gynaecology)	-	21	21	-	21	21
46	KMC	MS (Ophthalmology)	2	3	5	2	3	5
47	KMC	MS (Orthopaedics)	16	-	16	13	-	13
48	KMC	MS (Oto-Rhino-laryngology)	1	3	4	1	3	4
49	KMC, MNG	MSc Medical (Anatomy)	-	3	3	-	3	3
50	KMC, MNG	MSc Medical (Biochemistry)	2	3	5	1	3	4
51	KMC, MNG	MSc Medical (Microbiology)	1	4	5	1	4	5
52	KMC, MNG	MSc Medical (Pharmacology)	-	4	4	-	4	4
53	KMC, MNG	MPT (Cardiopulmonary Science)	-	5	5	-	5	5
54	KMC, MNG	MPT (Neurosciences)	1	4	5	1	4	5
55	KMC, MNG	MPT (Musculoskeletal Sciences)	1	5	6	0	5	5
56	KMC, MNG	MPT (Paediatrics)	-	3	3	-	3	3
57	KMC, MNG	MPT (OBG)	-	1	1	-	1	1
58	KMC, MNG	MPT (Geriatrics)	-	1	1	-	1	1
59	KMC, MNG	MSc in Audiology	3	10	13	3	10	13
60	KMC, MNG	MSc in Speech Language Pathology	-	12	12	-	12	12
61	KMC, MNG	MSc (Clinical Psychology)	1	22	23	1	22	23
62	KMC, MNG	MD (Anaesthesiology)	8	8	16	8	8	16
63	KMC, MNG	MD (Community Medicine)	1	2	3	1	2	3
64	KMC, MNG	MD (General Medicine)	16	7	23	13	7	20

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
65	KMC, MNG	MD (Paediatrics)	4	6	10	4	6	10
66	KMC, MNG	MD (Pathology)	3	11	14	1	11	12
67	KMC, MNG	MD (Pharmacology)	-	1	1	-	1	1
68	KMC, MNG	MD (Radio Diagnosis)	3	6	9	3	6	9
69	KMC, MNG	MD (Radiotherapy)	2	-	2	2	-	2
70	KMC, MNG	MS (General Surgery)	7	1	8	6	1	7
71	KMC, MNG	MS (Obstetrics and Gynaecology)	1	8	9	1	8	9
72	KMC, MNG	MS (Ophthalmology)	2	2	4	2	2	4
73	KMC, MNG	MS (Orthopaedics)	6	-	6	4	-	4
74	KMC, MNG	MS (Oto-Rhino-Laryngology)	1	4	5	1	4	5
75	MCES	MA European Studies	2	2	4	2	2	4
76	MCH	MA English	1	10	11	1	10	11
77	MCH	MA Sociology	2	3	5	2	3	5
78	MCH	MA History	1	3	4	1	3	4
79	MCHP	MSc (Nuclear Medicine Technology)	1	2	3	1	2	3
80	MCHP	MSc MLT (Haematology and Immunohaematology)	2	3	5	2	3	5
81	MCHP	MSc MLT (Microbiology and Immunology)	3	1	4	3	1	4
82	MCHP	MSc MLT (Clinical Biochemistry)	1	3	4	1	3	4
83	MCHP	MOT (Hand and Musculoskeletal Conditions)	1	4	5	1	4	5
84	MCHP	MOT (Neuro Rehabilitation)	-	5	5	-	5	5
85	MCHP	MOT (Developmental Disabilities)	-	6	6	-	6	6



Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
86	MCHP	MOT (Mental Health and Psychosocial Rehabilitation)	1	3	4	1	3	4
87	MCHP	MPT (Cardiopulmonary Science)	-	5	5	-	5	5
88	MCHP	MPT (Neurosciences)	2	4	6	2	4	6
89	MCHP	MPT (Musculoskeletal Sciences)	2	5	7	2	5	7
90	MCHP	MPT (Community Physiotherapy)	-	1	1	-	1	1
91	MCHP	MPT (Paediatrics)	-	4	4	-	3	3
92	MCHP	MPT (OBG)	-	4	4	-	4	4
93	MCHP	MPT (Geriatrics)	1	1	2	1	1	2
94	MCHP	MSc in Audiology	4	9	13	4	9	13
95	MCHP	MSc in Speech Language Pathology	1	12	13	1	12	13
96	MCHP	MSc in Echocardiography	-	8	8	-	8	8
97	MCHP	MSc (Cardiac Cath and Intervention Technology)	3	1	4	2	1	3
98	MCHP	MSc (Clinical Psychology)	-	26	26	-	26	26
99	MCHP	MSc (Exercise and Sports Sciences)	5	4	9	4	4	8
100	MCHP	MSc Health Informatics (Healthcare IT Management)	2	2	4	2	2	4
101	MCHP	MSc (Health Information Management)	1	4	5	1	4	5
102	MCHP	Master of Optometry (MOptom)	3	13	16	3	13	16
103	MCHP	MSc (Perfusion Technology)	1	1	2	1	1	2
104	MCHP	MSc (Renal Replacement Therapy and Dialysis Technology)	1	3	4	1	3	4
105	MCHP	MSc (RT) Adult Respiratory Care	3	2	5	3	2	5

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			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
106	MCHP	MSc (RT) Neonatal and Paediatric Respiratory Care	-	2	2	-	2	2
107	MCHP	MSc (Medical Imaging Technology)	4	11	15	4	10	14
108	MCHP	MSc (Medical Radiation Physics)	3	7	10	3	7	10
109	MCHP	MSc (Nuclear Medicine Technology)	5	4	9	4	4	8
110	MCNS	Integrated MSc - PhD Programme in Physics	-	1	1	-	1	1
111	MCODS	MDS - Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics	4	8	12	4	8	12
112	MCODS	MDS - Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	3	6	8	3	6	8
113	MCODS	MDS - Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics	3	5	8	3	5	8
114	MCODS	MDS - Paediatrics and Preventive Dentistry	1	6	7	1	6	7
115	MCODS	MDS - Periodontology	3	5	8	3	5	8
116	MCODS	MDS - Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge	3	6	9	3	6	9
117	MCODS	MDS - Public Health Dentistry	1	3	4	1	3	4
118	MCODS	MDS - Oral Medicine and Radiology	-	6	6	-	6	6
119	MCODS	MDS - Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Microbiology	-	1	1	-	1	1
120	MCON	MSc Nursing (Medical Surgical Nursing)	-	3	3	-	3	3
121	MCON	MSc Nursing (Psychiatric (Mental Health) Nursing)	-	2	2	-	2	2
122	MCON	MSc Nursing (Obstetric and Gynaecological Nursing)	-	3	3	-	3	3
123	MCON	MSc Nursing (Child Health (Paediatric) Nursing)	-	1	1	-	1	1
124	MCON	MSc Nursing (Community Health Nursing)	-	1	1	-	1	1



Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
125	MCON	MSc Nursing (Nurse Practitioner in Critical Care)	1	2	3	0	2	2
126	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmacognosy	2	1	3	2	1	3
127	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutics	7	8	15	7	8	15
128	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Industrial Pharmacy	3	10	13	3	10	13
129	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Chemistry	9	5	13	9	5	13
130	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Analysis	8	3	11	8	3	11
131	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance	4	11	15	4	11	15
132	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Regulatory Affairs	8	6	14	8	6	14
133	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	5	3	8	5	3	8
134	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmacy Practice	2	6	8	2	6	8
135	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmacology	9	5	14	9	5	14
136	MCOPS	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Administration	10	4	14	10	4	14
137	MCOPS	Doctor of Pharmacy	10	19	29	10	19	29
138	MCOPS	PharmD - Post Baccalaureate	5	0	5	5	0	5
139	MH, BNG	MSc MLT (Haematology and Immunohaematology)	3	-	3	3	-	3
140	MH, BNG	MPT (Cardiopulmonary Science)	-	4	4	-	4	4
141	MH, BNG	MPT (Neurosciences)	-	3	3	-	3	3
142	MH, BNG	MPT (Musculoskeletal Sciences)	1	5	6	1	5	6
143	MH, BNG	MPT (Paediatrics)	-	3	3	-	3	3

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
144	MH, BNG	MSc (Clinical Psychology)	-	2	2	-	2	2
145	MIC	MA (Media and Communication)	11	36	47	11	36	47
146	MIM	MBA (All Specialization)	68	51	119	52	38	90
147	MIRM	MSc Stem Cell Technology and Regenerative Biology	2	16	18	2	16	18
148	MIT	MTech - Aerospace Engineering	9	1	10	9	1	10
149	MIT	MTech - Avionics	4	1	5	4	1	5
150	MIT	MTech - Automobile Engineering	13	0	13	13	0	13
151	MIT	MTech - Control Systems	1	4	5	1	4	5
152	MIT	MTech - Chemical Engineering	3	3	6	3	3	6
153	MIT	MTech - Computer Aided Analysis and Design	19	0	19	19	0	19
154	MIT	MTech - Computer Science and Engineering	13	10	23	13	10	23
155	MIT	MTech - Computer Science and Information Security	10	11	21	10	11	21
156	MIT	MTech - Construction Engineering and Management	35	21	56	35	21	56
157	MIT	MTech - Computer Networking and Engineering	6	5	11	6	5	11
158	MIT	MTech - Defence Technology	6	1	7	6	1	7
159	MIT	MTech - Digital Electronics and Communication Engineering	9	8	17	9	8	17
160	MIT	MTech - Environmental Engineering	3	5	8	3	5	8
161	MIT	MTech - Engineering Management	10	1	11	10	1	11
162	MIT	MTech - Industrial Bio-Technology	4	15	19	4	15	19



Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
163	MIT	MTech - Software Engineering	4	4	8	4	4	8
164	MIT	MTech - Thermal Sciences and Energy Systems	4	1	5	4	1	5
165	MIT	MTech - Energy Systems and Management	1	-	1	1	-	1
166	MIT	MTech - Bio-Medical Engineering	6	5	11	6	5	11
167	MIT	MTech - Manufacturing Engineering	14	0	14	14	0	14
168	MIT	MTech - Power Electronics and Drives	4	7	11	4	7	11
169	MIT	MTech - Industrial Automation and Robotics	23	2	25	23	2	25
170	MIT	MTech - Microelectronics	21	9	30	21	9	30
171	MIT	MTech - Structural Engineering	32	8	40	32	8	40
172	MIT	Master of Computer Applications	70	49	119	70	49	119
173	MIV	MSc Clinical Virology	5	9	14	5	9	14
174	MSAP	Master of Arts (Fashion Management)	-	3	3	-	3	3
175	MSAP	MArch (Urban Design and Development)	3	11	14	3	11	14
176	MSAP	MDes (Interior Design)	4	6	10	4	6	10
177	MSAP	MDes (Sustainable Design)	1	6	7	1	5	6
178	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Medical Software)	0	1	1	0	1	1
179	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Automotive Embedded Systems)	3	1	4	3	1	4
180	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Embedded Systems)	21	9	30	21	9	30
181	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)	7	5	12	7	5	12
182	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Cloud Computing)	17	7	24	17	7	24
183	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Big Data Analytics)	16	14	30	16	14	30
184	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)	8	3	11	8	3	11

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
185	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Automotive Embedded Systems)	2	1	3	2	1	3
186	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Internet of Things)	1	0	1	1	0	1
187	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (VLSI Design)	22	15	37	22	15	37
188	MSIS	Master of Engineering - ME (Machine Learning)	4	0	4	4	0	4
189	MSIS	MSc Information Science	1	1	2	1	1	2
190	MSLS	MSc Bioinformatics	9	9	18	9	9	18
191	MSLS	MSc Molecular Biology and Human Genetics	3	18	21	3	18	21
192	MSLS	MSc Medical Biotechnology	3	19	22	3	18	21
193	MSLS	MSc by Research in Life Sciences	1	3	4	1	3	4
194	MSLS	MSc Systems Biology	2	3	5	2	3	5
195	MSLS	MSc Genome Engineering	3	7	10	3	7	10
196	MSLS	MSc Tissue Engineering	3	3	6	3	3	6
197	PSPH	Master of Public Health (MPH)	11	43	54	11	43	54
198	PSPH	Master of Hospital Administration (MHA)	15	47	62	14	44	58
199	PSPH	MSc Biostatistics	2	17	19	2	17	19
200	PSPH	MSc Data Science	1	11	12	-	11	11
201	PSPH	Master of Social Work (MSW)	12	11	23	12	10	22
202	WGSHA	MSc (Dietetics and Applied Nutrition)	64	1	65	64	1	65
203	WGSHA	Master of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (MHMCT)	13	5	18	13	5	18
204	WGSHA	Master of Arts - MA (Indian Cuisine and Food Culture)	13	6	19	13	6	19
205	DOE	MBA (online)	281	100	381	138	57	195



### Successful Diploma Students for the year 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	DOC	PG Diploma (Logistics and Supply Chain)	10	4	14	10	4	14
2	MCOPS	Diploma in Pharmacy	15	15	30	15	15	30
3	MIC	PG Diploma in Sports Communication	3	-	3	3	-	3
4	MIRM	Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Stem Cell Technology and Regenerative Biology	-	1	1	-	1	1

### Successful M. Phil. Students for the year 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	MCHP	MPhil Clinical Psychology	-	25	25	-	24	24
2	MCON	MPhil Nursing	1	2	3	1	2	3

### Successful Certificate Course Students for the year 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	CIMR	Postgraduate Certificate course in Panchakarma	4	7	11	4	7	11

## Successful Fellowship Students for the year 2023

Sl. No.	Institute	Course name	APPEARED			PASSED		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	KMC	Fellowship in Oncopathology	-	1	1	-	1	1
2	KMC	Fellowship in Urogynecology, Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery	1	1	2	1	1	2
3	KMC	Fellowship in Pediatric Hematology and Oncology	-	1	1	-	1	1
4	KMC	Fellowship in Onco-Surgery	2	-	2	2	-	2
5	KMC	Fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology	-	1	1	-	1	1
6	KMC	Fellowship in Advanced Obstetric Ultrasound	1	-	1	1	-	1





## VOTE OF THANKS



### **Dr Giridhar Kini P, Registrar, MAHE, Manipal delivered a Vote of Thanks**

Thank you, Dr Nanditha.

Honorable Chief Guest of the day, Lt Gen Dr Narendra Kotwal, Director and Commandant, Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC) Pune, distinguished dignitaries on and off the dais, ladies and gentlemen.

It is my honor and privilege to propose a vote of thanks on this momentous occasion of the 31st Convocation of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

To our Chief Guest, Lt Gen Dr Narendra Kotwal Sir, your scholarly address added immense value to the 31st Convocation of MAHE. We all are inspired by your great words. Thank you Sir, for your presence and for awarding the Dr TMA Pai Gold Medal for the best outgoing student.

Our Chancellor and our inspiration, Dr Ramdas M Pai, Sir, thank you for your guidance in all university activities.

Our pillar of strength, Mrs Vasanti R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust, thank you, madam, for your unstinted support in all university activities and for awarding the Dr TMA Pai Gold Medal for the best outgoing student.

Our guiding light, Dr Ranjan R Pai, President MAHE Trust and Chairman, MEMG Bengaluru; thank you Sir for your support in organizing this event, for honoring our chief guest of the day, and for awarding our PhD awardees.

Our Pro Chancellor, Dr H S Ballal; thank you Sir for your untiring efforts in the growth of this university and for awarding the PhD awardees.

We also thank Mrs Indira Ballal for her gracious presence.

We thank Sri L K Dash, Post Master General, Sri T S Ashwathnarayana, Director Postal Services, South Karnataka region, and their team from Udupi, Manipal, and Kundapura for their support and help in arranging the release of postal cover.

Dear Graduates, it is your day and I am sure you will have a feeling of fulfillment as you celebrate this significant milestone in your life with your friends and family. We congratulate all the graduates who have been conferred their degrees today and our best wishes are with each one of you. We are grateful to your parents, family members, friends, and faculty, who have supported you during your course of study at Manipal and have realized this day for you. Thank you very much for your presence in large numbers.

Our leader, Vice Chancellor, Lt Gen Dr M D Venkatesh; Sir, you have always stood by us and inspired us to do our best. Thank you for your leadership and also for presenting the progress of MAHE to this august audience.

We also thank Mrs Kusuma Venkatesh for her gracious presence

We thank our Pro Vice Chancellors

- Dr Sharath Rao, Health Sciences for the welcome address
- Dr Narayana Sabhahit, Technology and Science
- Dr Madhu Veeraraghavan, Management, Law, Humanities, and Social Sciences
- Dr N N Sharma, Strategy and Planning
- Dr Dilip Nayak, Mangaluru Campus for their support and guidance

Special thanks to

- Dr Vinod Thomas, Registrar Evaluation for today's Facts and Figures about Convocation 2023
- Dr Geeta Maiya, Director, Student Affairs for presenting the Gold Medal awardees
- Dr Vasudha Devi, Deputy Director, Centre for Doctoral Studies, for presenting the PhD Scholars
- Dr Padmaraj Hegde, Dean, KMC Manipal, for introducing the Chief Guest

We express our gratitude to members of the Trust, Board of Management, Academic Council, Board of Studies, Board of Examiners, and officials from all Manipal Group of Institutions, associated hospitals, and organizations both from India and abroad, for their support in the university activities and for their presence today.

We wish to place on record our sincere thanks to all our Heads of Institutions, Teaching Departments, University Functional Heads and Officials, Faculty, Non-teaching and Supporting staff, for their support and for adding immense value to this event.

All the members of the Press and Electronic Media richly deserve our sincere gratitude for their presence and continued support.

Special thanks to our Master of Ceremony, Dr Nanditha Shenoy, Associate Professor, MCOBS Mangalore, for the smooth conduct of the event.

We appreciate all who have joined us online. Thank you for giving us your time.

Our heartfelt gratitude to Team Manipal, who have worked hard to ensure that this occasion becomes a resounding success and a memorable one for the graduates and their families.

GOD bless all of you. Have a memorable evening.



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## WELCOME ADDRESS



**Dr Dilip G Naik, Pro Vice Chancellor, MAHE Mangalore Campus delivered the welcome address**

The chief guests of this evening were Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, Drug Controller General of India; Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust; Dr Ranjan R Pai, President, MAHE Trust, and Chairman MEMG; Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor; Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor; Pro Vice Chancellors: Dr Narayana Sabhahit, Dr Sharath Rao, Dr Madhu Veeraraghavan, Dr N N Sharma, and Registrar, Dr Giridhar Kini, Registrar Evaluation Dr Vinod Thomas, Heads of Constituent Institutions of MAHE, Administrators, faculty members, members of the press and electronic media, distinguished invitees, parents of degree awardees, graduates and postgraduates, ladies and gentlemen.

A very good afternoon to you all.

I have great pleasure in extending a hearty welcome to all of you and my gratitude for honoring our invitation to commemorate the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

MAHE stands in its glory here today because of the visionary Dr T M A Pai, who was the founder of the Manipal group of institutions. Dr Ramdas M. Pai, our beloved Chancellor, followed in his father's footsteps and converted a local university into a global educational town of great repute. This year is special as we are celebrating the 125th birth anniversary of our founder, Late Dr T M A Pai.

My dear students, the convocation ceremony is a momentous occasion for the university and all of you. It is a moment to savor, a moment that is the culmination of all that you worked very hard to achieve, reinforcing the time-tested belief that hard work, perseverance, and dedication are indeed the true mantras for success in life. My heartfelt congratulations on this occasion and I extend a warm and cordial welcome to you.



It is with great honor and privilege that we welcome our esteemed Chief Guest, Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi. He is a distinguished alumnus of IIT-BHU and the National Institute of Immunology and has made significant contributions to the pharmaceutical industry. His work spans academia, pharmaceutical innovation, and government service. He has developed over 200 products that are currently sold globally, and he holds 14 US patents. After impactful tenures at Ranbaxy and Dr Reddy's Laboratories, he joined the Indian government, significantly impacting medicine quality standards as the Secretary-cum-Scientific Director of the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission. He now serves as the Drugs Controller General of India, aiming to transform pharmaceutical regulation in the country. We welcome you, Sir.

We are delighted to have Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust, and the first lady of MAHE. She has been a pillar of support and strength for all our endeavors. A very gracious welcome to you, Madam.

We have amidst us Dr Ranjan R Pai, President, MAHE Trust and Chairman MEMG. Dr Ranjan Pai is known for his innovative ideas for transforming our university to global standards and introducing internationally acknowledged best practices. It is our honor and privilege to have you here. I extend a most courteous welcome to you, Sir.

We are happy to have among us today Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor of our University, and the guiding force behind the growth of this university. To you Sir, I extend a delightful welcome. A gracious welcome to Mrs Indira Ballal.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our Vice Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, who is actively enabling this university's further development with his vast and rich experience. I extend a pleasant welcome to you, Sir. A cordial welcome to Mrs Kusum Venkatesh.

I am delighted to welcome the Pro Vice chancellors- Dr Narayana Sabhahit, Dr Sharath Rao, Dr Madhu Veeraraghavan, Dr N N Sharma, Registrar Dr Giridhar Kini, Registrar Evaluation, Dr Vinod Thomas.

I welcome the members of the Board of Management, Academic Council, and Finance Committee, who monitor and ensure constant and consistent progress in the activities of MAHE.

The well-knit Manipal team, consisting of heads of constituent institutions, faculty members, officers of MAHE, and the supporting staff, has played a dynamic role in carrying forward the vision of MAHE. A hearty welcome to all.

It is a great day for the parents of graduates and postgraduates to receive their degrees today. I extend a warm welcome to all of you.

The press and media members have been projecting our message to the public, showcasing the transparency, integrity, and progress of MAHE. A hearty welcome to all of them who have responded to our invitation.

My dear students, as young graduates, it will be your challenge to imbibe the latest developments in the field of healthcare and technology and combine your knowledge with empathy and sympathy towards the less privileged in our society. Life may throw challenges at you, but remember that every challenge comes with rainbows and lights to conquer it.

Once again, my heartiest congratulations on your success, and the very best wishes to all of you.

Ladies and gentlemen, once again, I extend a gracious welcome to all of you on this occasion.

Thank you. Jai Hind.

## OVERVIEW

**Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, MAHE presented an overview of the University.**

## INTRODUCTION OF THE CHIEF GUEST



### **Introduction of Chief Guest by Dr Mallikarjuna Rao, Principal Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal**

Dear Dignitaries, on the dais, off the dais, distinguished guests, esteemed colleagues, ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, a very good evening to all of you. It is with great honor and pleasure that I introduce our Chief Guest for today's Convocation, Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, the Drugs Controller General of India.

Dr Raghuvanshi is a distinguished alumnus of the prestigious IIT-BHU, Varanasi, where he completed both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Pharmacy. Subsequently, he broadened his academic journey by obtaining a PhD from another famous Institute of India, the National Institute of Immunology, New

Delhi, specializing in the Extended Release Formulation of Vaccines. His groundbreaking work aimed to reduce the number of injections required for complete immunization, reflecting his commitment to advancing healthcare solutions.

Following seven years of dedicated service at the National Institute of Immunology in Delhi, Dr Raghuvanshi transitioned to the corporate sector, making significant contributions to the multinational pharmaceutical industries. His impressive career includes pivotal roles at Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd., for 12 years and Dr Reddy's Laboratories Ltd., for 11 years, where he



played a vital role in the development, registration, and launch of various pharmaceutical products, including the Novel Drug Delivery Dosage Systems (NDDS), the Generics and the branded Generics for global markets. To achieve this task, he traveled extensively throughout the world and worked with team members and partners in countries such as the US, Canada, UK, Russia, Romania, Sweden, France, China, Japan, South Africa, and Australia.

Dr Raghuvanshi's expertise spreads across the design and development of various dosage forms, with a focus on pharmaceutical innovations. His contributions have led to the successful approval of numerous products, by regulatory authorities such as the USFDA. These dosage forms and products range from oral solids and liquids, topicals, nasal sprays, injectables, auto-injections, sublingual and mouth-dissolve forms, and extended and delayed-release dosage forms. In this context, it is very interesting to note that more than 200 products developed by him and his team members are currently being sold in India. Dr Raghuvanshi has to his credit more than 14 US patents granted and 250 Indian patents published.

A seasoned professional, Dr Raghuvanshi, has been recognized for his outstanding contributions and awarded the "Dr Reddy's Excellence Award" twice. His passion for leadership development is evident from the fact that many of his team members, whom he has mentored, are now holding key leadership positions both in Indian and global pharmaceutical companies.

In a remarkable shift toward societal impact, Dr Raghuvanshi chose to contribute to the public sector by joining the Government of India's Ministry of Health and Family Welfare as the Secretary-cum-Scientific Director of the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission in February 2021. In just two years, he transformed the commission, bringing about significant changes in quality standards for medicines in India.

Continuing his commitment to public service, Dr Raghuvanshi has recently taken on the role of Drugs Controller General of India, starting on 23 February 2023. In this new capacity, he is working tirelessly to reshape the landscape of pharmaceutical regulation in India and beyond.

The achievements, accomplishments, and sound credentials of Dr Raghuvanshi, serve as testaments, affirming that Dr Raghuvanshi is a scientist personified and a leader exemplified.

Ladies and Gentlemen, we are honored to have Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi as our Chief Guest today, and we look forward to gaining insights from his remarkable journey and experiences in the realms of academia, industry, and public service.

Members of the audience, please join me in extending a warm and winsome welcome to Dr Raghuvanshi.

Thank you very much.





## CONVOCATION ADDRESS BY THE CHIEF GUEST



### **Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) Government of India**

Today, all of you are graduating from a knowledge creation and dissemination center. You will begin a life of applying the knowledge you have gained here. Please take this as a message from me that you should never stop learning. Life is a journey, and you will have the opportunity to learn something new at every turn. At the end of the day, it is “knowledge” that gives you confidence, respect, and success in whatever way you define success. Knowledge is never wasted. It benefits you in some way, either short or long term. It makes you more acceptable and approachable.

You all will go out with a strong knowledge base. Some of you would join the service, while others would decide to pursue business ventures or entrepreneurship. In olden times, we used to look for stable jobs to find security. In the new VUCA world, entrepreneurship is more stable than jobs. Restructuring in companies has become so common that positions become redundant in no time. It is better to be prepared than to be surprised one day. Therefore, you all must cultivate the mindset of taking risks. If there is any possibility, do not shy

away from becoming an entrepreneur. Do not shy away from taking risks. If you are successful, you will become a leader and if you are not successful, you will become a guide.

Whatever you do, be grounded in science. It is fascinating. New discoveries in the past 20 years are mind-boggling. The COVID times were difficult for the whole world. We as a country, could do better than most of the world in managing it because of our strong base in science and our faith in science. The way vaccines, diagnostic kits, PPE kits, and devices were developed and scaled up in a short time is an example of learning and increasing our belief in science. This has all happened because of a strong knowledge base grounded in science. Centers like the Manipal Academy of Higher Education have contributed a lot to this buildup. It is your responsibility to carry on the legacy and help build on the strong foundation. COVID’s biggest contribution to us is a “can-do” mindset. It also showed how weak and vulnerable we are. Whatever we could do was because of the sense of helping others. No one person could have fought it

alone. With many things, COVID also taught us the importance of teamwork and networking. It taught us to come together to solve a problem.

The importance of networking can be understood by two real-life examples. A few years ago, I was vacationing on the east coast of the state of Orissa. I saw huge plantations of pine shrubs on the seaside. I inquired about it with a local person there. I was informed that it serves a purpose. The needle-shaped leaves fall and build an interwoven carpet-like structure on the ground. This carpet stops sand from flying from the seashore to the mainland and prevents the expansion of desert-like conditions. Someone would have thought of this beautiful solution— an innovative mind.

The second example is again from nature. Redwood tree jungles are common on the western coast of the US. These trees are massive and also they can be as old as 1000 years. They also survived multiple storms. Surprisingly, their root is only a few meters deep. How does the gigantic tree survive through a heavy storm? It has been found that the roots of all the trees are networked and interwoven among them. These networked roots help the trees survive adverse conditions.

Taking lessons from these examples, develop a strong network of reliable people. Your network

will be the fallback option in difficult times. Have mentors, have the company of good people. They will help you through thick and thin. When you have the opportunity to build teams, have people who know more than you. Invariably, out of insecurity, we bring people who are less competent than us. This stops or slows down our growth and the growth of the organization.

There is a concept of “learning from the future”. Learning from the past is a very common phrase, but if you think about the way the world is moving and technological developments happening, you can build a narrative about the world 25 years from now. The way it is moving, technology is taking over most of the work we used to do ourselves. Life may be becoming simpler to live. But we are becoming individualistic. The world is getting confined to the internet and social media. This is dangerous. Relationships could become transactional. The most sought-after thing could be “emotion” or “dependable relationship”. What do we learn from this? We have seen and experienced the need for relationships, friends, and family during the recent pandemic. Maintain it.

Learn to say “NO”. Accept defeat. Learn to say “don’t know”.

Be decisive.

## PRESENTATION OF MEMENTOS





## FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT GRADUATES AND ADMINISTERING OATH

Dr Madhukar Mallya, Deputy Registrar, Evaluation, MAHE presented Facts and Figures about Graduates and administered an oath to the students.





## CONFERRING THE DEGREES

### DR TMA PAI GOLD MEDAL



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1	Samhitha D	KMC, Mangalore
2	Aditi Mazumdar	MCHP, Manipal



## VOTE OF THANKS



### **Dr Ashita Uppoor, Dean, MCOADS Mangalore, MAHE delivered a Vote of Thanks**

Distinguished dignitaries on and off the dais, esteemed guests, faculty members, proud parents, my dear graduates, ladies, and gentlemen.

It gives me immense pleasure to render the vote of thanks on this momentous occasion, the second day of the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

At the outset, I express my sincere gratitude to our esteemed Chief Guest, Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, Drugs Controller of India, Government of India, for accepting our invitation and inspiring our graduates with his pearls of wisdom. Thank you very much, Sir.

My words may fall short of communicating our deep sense of gratitude to our beloved Chancellor, Dr Ramdas M Pai for his dynamic leadership, which led to MAHE being the preferred choice for students to pursue their higher education.

We are grateful to our First Lady, Mrs Vasanti R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust, for her constant support and guidance in all our endeavors.

We keep on record our indebtedness to Dr Ranjan R Pai, President, MAHE Trust and Chairman of the Manipal Education and Medical Group. His work across education and healthcare has broken new ground and redefined these sectors. We thank him for presenting a memento to our chief guest.

Our heartfelt appreciation to Pro Chancellor, Dr H S Ballal a pillar of strength who has guided us with his wisdom and grace. Thank you Sir for conferring the degree. I also thank Mrs Indira Ballal for her gracious presence.

We offer our sincere thanks to our Vice Chancellor Lt-Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh for his exemplary leadership at our university and for presenting a brief overview of the university. We also thank Mrs Kusum Venkatesh for gracing the occasion.

A sincere thanks to Pro Vice Chancellor Mangaluru Campus, Dr Dilip G Naik, for delivering the welcome address.

We also thank Pro Vice Chancellors Dr Sharat Rao Health Sciences, Dr Narayan Sabahit Technology and Science, Dr N N Sharma Strategy and Planning, and Dr Madhu Veeraghavan Management Law and Humanities for their unflinching support and guidance.

A word of appreciation to Registrar Dr Giridhar Kini and Registrar Evaluation Dr Vinod Thomas for their invaluable input.

It is also my pleasant duty to thank former Vice Chancellors Dr Raj Warriar and Dr RamNarayan and former Pro Vice Chancellor Dr PLNG Rao for their gracious presence.

A sincere thanks to Dr Mallikarjuna Rao, Principal, MCOPS, for introducing our today's chief guest.

I thank Dr Madhukar Mallya, Deputy Registrar, Evaluation, for presenting the facts and figures of the university and also for administering the oath to the graduates. A heartfelt thanks to Dr Geetha Maiya, Director, Student Affairs, for presenting the Gold Medal Awardees and Dr Vasudha Devi, Deputy Director, Centre for Doctoral Studies, for presenting the PhD Awardees.

I wish to place on record our sincere thanks to all the heads of the institutions, university officials, and faculty members for their support.

We recognize the presence of donors and well-wishers of MAHE and thank them for their unconditional support towards the growth of the university.

We are happy to express our gratitude to members of the Board of Management, the Academic Senate, officials from the Manipal Group of Institutions, and associated hospitals for their support in university activities and for their presence today.

The media personnel, both print and digital, richly deserve our special thanks for their presence and coverage of this event.

Special thanks to our Master of Ceremony, Dr Sambit Dash, Assistant Professor, Division of Biochemistry, Department of Basic Sciences for taking us through this ceremony.

We have been fortunate to have a motivated and dedicated team comprising both faculty and support staff who were responsible for the logistic support in conducting this grandiose event. Thank you for your diligent effort.

Finally, to all the graduates and their parents present here today, your presence has added immeasurable value to this convocation. Dear graduates your hard work, perseverance, and commitment have brought you to this pivotal moment in your life. As you step out into the world, may your journey be filled with success, fulfillment, and endless opportunities. We wish you the very best in all your future endeavors!

Thank you one and all.



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## WELCOME ADDRESS



### **Dr Narayana Sabhahit, Pro Vice Chancellor -Technology & Science Manipal delivered the welcome address**

The chief guests of the day were Dr T G Sitaram, Chairman, AICTE, Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust; Pro Chancellor, Dr H S Ballal; Vice Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, other dignitaries on the dais, heads of constituent institutions of MAHE, faculty members, members of the press and electronic media, distinguished invitees, parents of degree awardees, graduates and postgraduates, ladies and gentlemen.

A very good afternoon to you all.

I have great pleasure in extending a hearty welcome to all of you and my gratitude for honoring our invitation to commemorate the third day of the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

My dear graduates, this convocation is an occasion to celebrate your achievement of a major milestone in your lives. Your degree opens up new doors for you. It is also an occasion for you to make new

resolutions to build a sound career and to fulfill the expectations of your family, society, and the nation. My heartiest congratulations on this occasion and I extend a warm and cordial welcome to you.

Manipal Academy of Higher Education, an institution of eminence deemed

to be a university, stands in its glory here today, because of the visionary

Late Dr TMA Pai, Padma Shri awardee, who founded the Manipal group of institutions. Dr Ramdas M Pai, our beloved Chancellor, followed in his father's footsteps and transformed Manipal into a global educational town of great repute. Dr Ranjan R Pai, President of MAHE Trust, is providing the necessary impetus to take MAHE to further heights of glory.

The core values of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education, such as excellence, leadership,



professionalism, ethics, and respect for diversity have ensured that Manipal remains one of the most favored destinations for students.

On this momentous occasion, I am deeply honored to welcome Dr T G Sitaram, Chairman AICTE, New Delhi. Widely known as TGS in the community of geotechnical professionals in India and abroad as well. Being an academician at heart and an able administrator, he was chiefly responsible for the exponential growth of IIT Guwahati during his tenure as Director. We are fortunate to have you as the Chief Guest of our Convocation. Sir, I extend a respectful welcome to you. May I request Pro Chancellor Dr H S Ballal to offer a bouquet of flowers to the chief guest, Dr T G Sitaram.

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It is a great day for the parents of graduates, postgraduates, and others who are receiving their degrees today. I extend a warm welcome to all of you on this joyous occasion.

Dear Graduates, while the successful completion of your course is a matter of pride and joy, it is just a stepping stone to the challenges that lie ahead of you in the future. The change being driven by path-breaking research is both exhilarating and mesmerizing. However, compassion towards the predicament of the disadvantaged in our society should be your prime focus. Life may throw challenges at you but remember that every challenge comes with rainbows and lights to conquer it.

Ladies and gentlemen, once again, I congratulate all those receiving the degrees today and extend a gracious welcome to one and all on this occasion.

Thank you. Jai Hind.

## OVERVIEW

**Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice-Chancellor, MAHE  
presented an overview of the University**

## INTRODUCTION OF THE CHIEF GUEST



### **Introduction of Chief Guest by Dr Anil Rana, Director, MIT, MAHE, Manipal**

“A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.” - John C Maxwell

Our Chief Guest for today is an outstanding academic leader who has reached the pinnacle of the academic world through his sheer grit, hard work, and dedication.

Good afternoon, distinguished delegates, graduating students, and proud parents. It is my proud privilege to introduce the Chief Guest of today's convocation function, Professor T G Sitharam, Chairman of the All India Council of Technical Education, Government of India.

Professor (Dr) T G Sitharam assumed the position of Chairman of AICTE on 21 December 2022. Prior to this role, he served as the Director of the Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, Assam, for a tenure spanning 3.5 years from July 2019 to December 2022, during which, apart from establishing numerous schools and multidisciplinary centres, he took IIT Guwahati to be ranked second in India in citations per faculty and rank 37 globally.

His academic journey includes a BE in Civil Engineering from the University of Mysore, a Master's from the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in 1986, and a PhD from the University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada in 1991.



During his illustrious career, Dr Sitharam has held many significant positions, including a lecturing role at the University of Waterloo and a research scientist position at the University of Texas at Austin from 1992 to 1994. Additionally, he took on the responsibility of Director (additional charge) at the Central Institute of Technology Kokrajhar, Assam, for 1.5 years. He was the Chairman of the Board of Governors at CIT, Kokrajhar and also held the position of Chairman of the Board of Management at the North East Regional Institute of Science and Technology NERIST, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh.

He also worked as a Senior Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, and served IISc for a total of 30 years. He has served as a visiting or honorary professor at many reputed universities in countries such as Japan, Canada, USA, Hong Kong, Australia, and Republic of China. Presently, he serves as a board member of the Indian Institute of Science Council.

Over his extensive 35-year career, Dr Sitharam has contributed significantly to geotechnical and infrastructure engineering, seismic microzonation, soil dynamics, and geotechnical earthquake engineering. His academic and research achievements include the publication of more than 500 technical papers, over 20 books with around 10,000 citations, more than 40 PhD students, many Master students, and more

than 25 postdoctoral students at IISc, Bangalore, and several thousand industry professionals and teachers through continuing education workshops. (He was part of the expert panel who supervised Ram temple foundation-laying work for Sri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra at Ayodhya.) He has five patents, more than 120 completed consulting projects and two start-up companies under his belt.

Internationally recognized, he has been named by Stanford University as one of the world's top 2% scientists for four consecutive years, from 2020 to 2023.

Professor Sitharam holds prestigious fellowships from various institutions, including the Indian National Academy of Engineering (INAE), the American Society of Civil Engineering (ASCE), and the Institution of Civil Engineering (United Kingdom). His dedication and contributions have been acknowledged through awards such as the Sir C V Raman State Award and also the Sir M Visvesvaraya Senior Scientist State Award, which he won in 2023 for his lifetime contributions to engineering science. Currently, he is an active member of various boards, committees, and scientific societies both in India and abroad, showcasing his commitment to advancing education and research.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please put your hands together to welcome Professor (Dr) T G Sitharam. I now request Professor Sitharam to kindly deliver his address.



## CONVOCATION ADDRESS BY THE CHIEF GUEST



### Prof (Dr) T G Sitharam, Chairman of AICTE

Namaskara. Good morning everyone. Dr Ramdas Madhav Pai, Chancellor of Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Dr Ranjan Pai, President, MAHE, Dr Hebri Subhaskrishna Ballal, Pro Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellors, Dr P Giridhar Kini, Registrar, Members of the Board of Management, faculty, officers and administrators of the university, and the graduating students and their parents, invited dignitaries, guests, media persons, ladies and gentlemen, it is my great pleasure to be here as the chief guest on the 31st convocation of MAHE (Deemed to be University u/s 3 of UGC Act 1956).

Before I begin my convocation speech, let me offer my humble tributes to the late Dr TMA Pai, who had the vision of making our society rid of illiteracy, ill-health, and poverty. He was a well-known physician, educationist, banker, and philanthropist. He was well-known for building the university town of Manipal and creating India's first non-missionary self-financing private medical college in 1953.

The Manipal Group is truly a pioneer in higher education services with more than six decades of experience in excellence. It also owns and operates campuses in Sikkim, Jaipur, Jamshedpur, Bengaluru in India, Melaka in Malaysia, and Antigua in the Caribbean. I am happy to know that MAHE has introduced innovative pedagogy and has created an eco-system of teaching and research excellence by providing a culture of research and innovation, hands-on learning experiences, exposure to diverse disciplines and cultures, and Nurture entrepreneurs and ideas along with skill development to enhance employability.

As we all know, we are living in exciting times in this Digital Era. The world is changing fast, with disruptive innovations impacting every sphere of our lives. The education sector is no exception either. Implementation of National Education Policy 2020 has given impetus to the education sector and will boost activities in the higher education sector. Research and innovation are two closely



related concepts that play a critical role in driving progress and advancement in various fields. A multidisciplinary approach, as emphasized in NEP 2020 is very much needed. NEP 2020 is an agenda for “amrit kaal” which also describes the hope for a better future, where India would be self-reliant and fulfill all of its humanitarian obligations. The Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry (AAPAR) and NCrF introduced as part of the NEP 2020 implementation will have a new QR code for learners.

Today, with disruptive innovations in the area of ICT and mobile technologies, generative AI tools such as ChatGPT can replace human beings in many jobs. Many jobs will vanish and new job profiles will be created. Students must constantly update themselves by learning new skills and developing critical thinking. Education must not only provide students with the skills they need to succeed in life but also inspire them to strive for the future and make a positive difference in the world.

India is set to embark on an ambitious journey to become a global leader. India’s push for self-reliance (Atmanirbharata) lies in a vision to reduce dependence on imports and establish domestic manufacturing capabilities. Our honorable Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has emphasized the importance of India’s future and aims to establish the country as a key partner in the global economy. India aspires to become a USD 5 trillion economy (the third largest economy in the world in the next five years) in the near future. To reach this mark, it needs to evolve systems and mechanisms to convert the present demographic dividend into high-quality technical human resources capable of doing cutting-edge research and innovation, and deep-tech entrepreneurship.

Promoting innovation through Research and Development (R&D) will help to develop new products and services that drive growth, create

jobs, and improve national welfare. R&D is the backbone of a globally competitive, knowledge-driven economy. Investing in R&D ensures a high level of market participation. This vision is propelled by several advantages that India possesses, making it a promising destination for innovation and production. In the coming decade, innovation will rule the future of work in all sectors.

Moreover, skill-based learning has become a necessity today as we live in an era of unprecedented transformation. The advent of new technology has led us into a growth-driven era full of opportunities, but are we ready to capitalize on this?

Our universities must foster both knowledge creation and the development of high-level future skills. Of late, there have been attempts to transform the traditional higher education system into a skill-based one. The NEP 2020 emphasizes practical, hands-on skilling rather than classroom-based learning. A decade ago, India was grappling with challenges like unemployment and graduates who were unemployable and lacked soft skills. Today, skilling is done in colleges through internships and NEAT programs to help students acquire the required skill sets. What we need is to understand the difference between skill-based and knowledge-based education. The latter involves understanding concepts, whereas the former aims to channel education into a practical form in order to find solutions. They are looking for talented people who can innovate, who are open to learning and re-learning, can apply their knowledge practically, and are willing to upskill themselves. While our higher education system is currently undergoing several changes, the growing need for seamless coordination of a classroom-based curriculum and practical skills-based learning demands that our institutions and academicians begin designing a different kind of curriculum that focuses on research, development, and innovation.

As the chairman of AICTE, I would like to highlight that AICTE has implemented several initiatives in the last three years to bring about changes in the Approval Process by introducing greater transparency and accountability through e-governance. AICTE has changed to be a true facilitator and enabler in addition to fulfilling the regulatory provisions. AICTE has more than 3,600 engineering colleges, with one million engineers passing out, compared to 15,700 graduates from all 23 IITs. Research and innovation work has taken root in our colleges. The launch of Chandrayan 3 has clearly shown that our students can be trained and placed to do top jobs and innovate. Our vision, at AICTE is to provide transformative education to Indian students in order to create leaders and innovators and generate new knowledge for a sustainable society. AICTE has a tremendous role to play as a partner in a new knowledge economy to inspire, create, and move our society forward.

More than one million engineers graduate from AICTE institutions each year, and they are the ones who are changing the scenario in India. AICTE must play a bigger role in building the capacities of the technical and management institutions through Accreditations and ranking; making students industry-ready through increasing placements, and internships. AICTE has developed a plan to incorporate new areas like semiconductors, advanced telecommunications such as 5G and beyond; PM GATI SHAKTI—logistics in academic programs; ATAL—teachers training, AICTE idea labs; AICTE digital skilling programs.

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) recently launched a digital skilling initiative to upskill one crore students and faculty. The initiative aims to equip students and faculty with the necessary digital skills to adapt to the rapidly changing demands of the 21st-century economy. The initiative encompasses a range of online courses in programming, data analytics, artificial

intelligence, and machine learning. These courses are meticulously designed to provide students with industry-relevant skills, thereby improving their employability and competitiveness in the job market. The Anuvadini Artificial Intelligence text, video, and voice translation tool is an innovative technology that has the potential to revolutionize the way technical education is delivered. This state-of-the-art tool employs advanced machine learning algorithms to provide real-time translation of text, video, and voice content. The AICTE has established an international cell. AICTE has also created its own space in the area of Indian Knowledge Systems and brought universal human value courses to engineering and diploma students as part of the curriculum. The Ministry's Innovation Council at AICTE has nurtured innovation and startups at institutions.

Swami Vivekananda, in his famous speech at the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago in 1893, said, "Education is the manifestation of the perfection already in man." He believed that every individual has the potential to achieve greatness and become a better version of themselves through education and skill development. Vivekananda also emphasized the importance of vocational education and training, stating that it is necessary for individuals to develop practical skills in order to lead a successful and fulfilling life. He believed that everyone should have the opportunity to learn a trade or skill that they can use to earn a living and contribute to society. He encouraged individuals to take advantage of opportunities to learn and develop their skills so that they can make a positive impact in their communities and around the world.

We have gathered here at MAHE to celebrate the culmination of years of hard work and dedication by the graduates. As you look back on your time at MAHE, I hope you have fond memories of the friends you made, the knowledge you gained, and the experiences that have shaped you into the



person you are today. As you leave this institution and embark on the next phase of your journey, I encourage you to take with you the lessons and skills you have learned here. The education you have received here will be invaluable as you pursue your dreams and aspirations. Remember that the skills and knowledge you acquired at MAHE are only the foundation for your future. Keep learning and growing, both professionally and personally. The world is constantly changing and evolving, and it is up to you to stay ahead of the curve. In addition to your education, I also hope that your time at the institutions has instilled in you a sense of social responsibility and a desire to give back to your community. As graduates of this esteemed institution, it is your responsibility to use your skills and knowledge to make a positive impact in the world.

Life is much more than just material wealth and possessions. It is about creating meaningful relationships, pursuing your passions and interests, making a positive impact in the world, and finding happiness and fulfillment in life's journey. Regardless of one's financial situation, the most valuable things in life are the memories, experiences, and relationships we build along the way.

Finally, I would like to express my heartfelt congratulations to the graduating students. May the skills and knowledge you have acquired here serve you well as you embark on your next adventure. I wish you all the best as you continue to learn, grow, and make your mark on the world.

Thank you. Jai Bharat. Jai Hind.

## PRESENTATION OF MEMENTOS





## FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT GRADUATES AND ADMINISTERING OATH

Dr Sreejith G, Deputy Registrar, Evaluation, MAHE presented Facts and Figures about Graduates and administered an oath to the students.





## CONFERRING THE DEGREES

### DR TMA PAI GOLD MEDAL



SL.NO	NAME OF THE STUDENT	NAME OF THE INSTITUTE
1	Madhavi Pai	KMC, Manipal
2	Bhavna Choudhury	MSAP, Manipal

## VOTE OF THANKS



### **Dr Chef K Thirugnanasambantham, Principal WGSMA delivered a Vote of Thanks**

Ladies and gentlemen, Good evening,

On behalf of Manipal Academy of Higher Education, I stand before you with a heart full of gratitude and a sense of accomplishment as we have gathered here on this momentous occasion-our 31st Convocation Day-3. Today is a day of celebration, reflection, and most importantly, gratitude.

First and foremost, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed Chancellor Dr Ramdas M Pai and First Lady, Madam Vasanti R Pai, Trustee MAHE, for their vision, guidance, and support which have been instrumental in shaping our institution's success. Thank you Madam, for your gracious presence with us this evening.

On behalf of the entire MAHE, I express our deepest gratitude to Dr Ranjan R Pai, Chairman, Manipal Education and Medical Group and President,

MAHE, for his outstanding leadership, vision, and commitment to the ideals of higher education. Sir, may your legacy continue to inspire and guide us as we navigate the path ahead. Thank you Sir, for sparing your valuable time with us.

I would also like to express our sincere thanks to our distinguished Chief Guest, Professor (Dr) T G Sitaram, Chairman, All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE). Your inspiring words and invaluable insights have added immense value to this special day. Your presence has elevated the significance of this occasion, and we are truly honored to have you with us. Thank you Sir, for being with us this evening.

I would like to thank our Pro Chancellor Dr H S Ballal, for his kind presence with us and for conferring the degrees. Sir, your vision for our university has been a guiding light, inspiring both faculty and students to strive for greatness. Your dedication to creating



an environment that fosters intellectual curiosity and personal growth has left an indelible mark on each of us.

It is our duty to thank our Vice Chancellor, Lt (Gen) Dr M D Venkatesh, VSM, for his tireless efforts to enhance the academic and research landscape of our university, which have enabled us to achieve several milestones. The initiatives you have championed have not only elevated the standard of education but have also empowered students to think critically, engage meaningfully, and contribute positively to society. Thank you Sir.

We owe a debt of gratitude to our Pro Vice Chancellors, Dr Narayana Sabhahit, Dr Sharath K Rao, Dr Dilip G Naik, Dr N N Sharma, and Dr Madhu Veera Raghavan for their presence with us and unstinted support in all our activities.

We would like to thank our Registrar Dr Girdhar P Kini for his constant support in all our endeavors. Thank you Sir.

Our sincere thanks to Dr Vinod V Thomas, Registrar Evaluation and his team, who took on the herculean task of printing 7,000 plus degree certificates. Moreover, this task is not just about printing paper; it is about encapsulating the dreams, aspirations, and accomplishments of our graduates in a document that will be cherished for a lifetime. Thank you Sir.

Special thanks to Mr C G Muthanna Chief Operating Officer (Operations), MAHE for his coordination and support.

I must also acknowledge the tireless efforts of the organizing committee, staff, and volunteers who have worked behind the scenes to ensure the smooth execution of this event.

I would like to thank the following administrative and academic staff

- Col Prakash Chandra, Advisor, General Services
- Dr Prabhu Mane, Advisor, Campus Safety

- Mr Jerry Joseph, Director HR, and his team
- Col Vinod Reddy, Chief Security Officer, and his team
- Mr Shridhar Rao, Director, General Services
- Mr Balakrishna Prabhu, Estate Officer
- Mr Sandeep Bansal, Director IT and Digital Technology
- Mr Suresh, Assistant Director, Public Relations, media and social media
- Ms Hilda Cornelio - Assistant Manager
- Director Student Affairs, Dr Geetha Maiya and her team
- Dr Raghavendra U, Deputy Registrar
- VSO team headed by Dr Anup Naha

Your attention to detail and commitment to excellence are remarkable. Thank you for your coordination.

I would like to thank Comd Dr Anil Rana, for introducing our honorable chief guest.

Thanks to our Master of Ceremony – Dr Everil Jackline Fernandes, your eloquent articulation has given weight to the achievements we celebrate today.

Special thanks to Ms Anusha Pai and our Diya girls who are representing WGSMA. Your role as the Diya girls has been more than just ceremonial; you have been the bearers of light, guiding our graduates through this significant milestone with grace and elegance.

We would like to thank the print and electronic media, the audio-visual team of MAHE, the transport team of MAHE, our well-wishers, friends, and supporters for being a part of this joyous occasion. Your presence here today reflects a shared commitment to the pursuit of knowledge and the celebration of achievement.

Thank you to our dedicated faculty members for your tireless efforts, mentorship, and commitment to nurturing the minds of our graduating students. Your passion for education has immensely inspired the lives of those who are walking out of these doors

today, armed with knowledge and ready to face the world.

Dear Parents your sacrifices, both seen and unseen, have paved the way for the accomplishments we are celebrating today. From early morning school runs to late-night discussions about aspirations and dreams, you have been the steadfast champions behind our graduates' pursuit of knowledge. Thank you for being the wind beneath their wings, for believing in the power of education, and for being the bedrock upon which our graduates have built their academic accomplishments. Today, we celebrate not only the graduates but also the incredible families that have made this journey possible.

Finally, congratulations to our exceptional students, the stars of the day, on reaching this significant milestone. Your hard work, dedication, and resilience have brought you

to this moment of triumph. As you step into the next chapter of your lives, may you carry the lessons learned here with you and continue to strive for excellence.

May the bonds formed within these walls endure, and may the knowledge gained here be a beacon guiding our graduates toward a future filled with success and fulfillment.

Dear students, we request you to stand and express your gratitude with a round of applause for the incredible parents, teachers, staff, friends, and well-wishers who supported you every step of the way.

Once again, thank you all for being a part of this memorable day.

Jai Hind.





## PROGRAM DAY 4

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## WELCOME ADDRESS



### **Dr N N Sharma, Pro Vice-Chancellor - Strategy & Planning, MAHE, Manipal delivered the welcome address**

Welcome address - Dr Niti Nipun Sharma

31st Convocation of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education (26 Nov 2023)

Chief guest of this evening Honourable Vinod Easwaran, Managing Director and CEO for Jio Payments Bank, Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee MAHE Trust; Dr Ranjan R Pai, President MAHE Trust and Chairman, MEMG; Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellors- Dr Dilip Naik, Dr Sharath Rao, Dr Narayan Sabhahit, Dr Madhu Veeraraghavan, COO Mr GC Muthana, Registrar, Dr Giridhar Kini, Registrar Evaluation Dr Vinod Thomas, Director Student Affairs, Dr Geetha Maiya, Deputy Director, Centre for Doctoral Studies, Dr Vasudha Devi, Heads of Constituent institutions of MAHE, administrators, faculty members, members of the press and electronic media, distinguished invitees, parents, graduating students, ladies and gentlemen!

A very good evening to you all.

I have great pleasure in extending a hearty welcome to all of you and gratitude for honoring our invitation to commemorate the 31st Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

My dear students, as you are all aware, the convocation ceremony is an important occasion for the university and all of you. It is a moment to savor, a moment that is the culmination of all that you have worked very hard to achieve. My heartiest congratulations on this occasion and I extend a warm and cordial welcome to you on behalf of all at Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE).

MAHE stands in its glory here today because of the visionary Dr TMA Pai, who was the founder of the Manipal group of institutions. Dr Ramdas M Pai, our beloved Chancellor, followed in his father's footsteps and converted a local university into a global educational town of great repute.



It is my honor to welcome Mr Vinod Easwaran, the Managing Director and CEO of Jio Payments Bank. He has over 30 years of diverse experience, primarily in the Banking and Financial Services industry. He has been with the RIL group since 2019. In his prior role as Venture Head and Chief Operating Officer at Seynse Technologies, at Beiqi Foton, a Fortune 500 company, and with ICICI Bank, he exemplified himself as a true leader. As an Executive Board Member, he was instrumental in building one of India's largest unsecured lending books and setting up and growing a full-service subsidiary for the Bank in Russia.

We are proud today that this achiever holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Management from the T A Pai Management Institute, Manipal and has a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Electronics and Communications from Manipal Institute of Technology. He went on to complete a Global Program in Management Development from the University of Michigan. We are fortunate to have you as the Chief Guest of our Convocation. Sir, a respectful welcome to you.

I would like to request Pro Chancellor Dr H S Balla to offer a bouquet of flowers to the chief guest.

We are delighted to have Mrs Vasanthi R Pai, Trustee, MAHE Trust, and the first lady of MAHE. She has been a pillar of support and strength for all our endeavors. A very gracious welcome to you, Madam.

We have amidst us Dr Ranjan R Pai, President, MAHE Trust and Chairman MEMG. Dr Ranjan Pai is known for his innovative ideas for transforming our university to one of global standards and introducing best practices that are internationally acknowledged. As a towering personality in growing and sustaining quality higher education across almost all disciplines, in India and abroad and still remaining very grounded, it is our honor and privilege to have you here sir. I extend a most courteous welcome to you.

We are happy to have amidst us today, Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor of our University, and the guiding force behind the growth of this university. To you Sir, I extend a delightful welcome. A gracious welcome to Mrs Indira Ballal too.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our Vice Chancellor Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, who is actively enabling this university's further development and taking it to the next level with his vast and rich experience. Sir, please accept my warmest greeting. A cordial welcome to Mrs Kusum Venkatesh.

I am delighted to welcome the Pro Vice Chancellors- Dr Dilip G Nayak, Dr Sharath Rao, Dr Narayan Sabhahit, Dr Madhu Veeraraghavan, COO Mr CG Muthana, Registrar, Dr Giridhar Kini and Registrar Evaluation Dr Vinoth Thomas.

I also welcome former Vice Chancellor Dr K Ramnarayan and former Pro Vice Chancellor Dr PLNG Rao.

I welcome the members of the Board of Management, Academic Council and Finance Committee, who monitor and ensure constant and consistent progress in the activities of MAHE.

The well-knit Manipal team, consisting of heads of constituent institutions, faculty members, officers of MAHE, and supporting staff, has played a dynamic role in carrying forward the vision of MAHE. A hearty welcome to all.

The press and media members have been projecting our message to the public, showcasing the transparency, integrity, and progress of MAHE. A hearty welcome to all of them who have responded to our invitation.

Dear students - As you are eager to receive your degrees today, the day that you have always dreamt of - of wearing the convocation sash and donning the title of graduation, on this momentous occasion you can both revisit the past within the

portals of the university and imagine the future in the big wide world.

But today is not just your day. It is also a day of accomplishment for your parents, family members, friends, and teachers who have mentored you. Convocation is a day when the institution recognizes the immense yet silent contribution of the parents. We, at MAHE, extend our heartfelt gratitude to you, dear parents, for entrusting us with the responsibility

of educating your children. It has been our privilege to teach them, to get to know them and to learn from them. Today, you are about to witness your daughters/sons graduating from one of the best universities in the country – Many congratulations.

Once again, my heartiest congratulations on your success, and my very best wishes to all of you.

Thank you. Jai Hind.





## OVERVIEW

**Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice-Chancellor, MAHE  
presented an overview of the University**

## INTRODUCTION OF THE CHIEF GUEST



### **Introduction of Chief Guest by Dr Somashekara Bhat, Joint Director, MIT, MAHE, Manipal**

In 1986, a boy born to N Easwaran and Jaya Easwaran in Hyderabad, after his schooling, landed in Manipal for his professional education. It is his father who decided the boy should study Mechanical Engineering at Manipal. However, after coming to Manipal, he decided to pursue Electronics and Communication since it was an emerging field with enormous potential. Today, when every student looks at a modern AC hostel, his hostels were Block 3, 4, and Kennedy Block, which are similar to existing D blocks. The boy was always eager for an overall self-development which included being the best in his studies as well.

On the 22 of this month, his batchmate Mr Ashok Bhat was visiting us. Apart from regular hangouts with friends,

the boy had a very keen interest in English Rock Music and would spend time with bandmates listening to music, jamming, and getting ready for performances. With this, the boy always enjoyed participating in REVELS and other intercollegiate festivals at KREC, KMC, and IIT Madras. When I asked him who he always remembers from Manipal, it was none other than Professor K Kamalaksha for his Maths teaching and more importantly for taking care of them and cultivating discipline in them as a hostel warden.

During the third year's semester break, this boy had the opportunity to intern at SKF–Germany. After graduation, the same company offered him the job and it was his first job. A year after graduation, he returned to

Manipal to pursue a PG Diploma in Management from TAPMI. Subsequently, he completed a global program in Management Development from the University of Michigan. This was how his academic journey shaped up.

Whereas in his professional journey, as a Venture Head and Chief Operating Officer at Seynse Technologies - a Fintech venture into digital lending, he led the building of a proprietary algorithm for credit underwriting using Machine Learning and offering lending solutions to the under-served.

He led the market entry strategy for India at Beiqi Foton, a Fortune 500 company.

During his 12 years at ICICI Bank, he was instrumental in building the retail business in various leadership roles, which included building one of India's largest unsecured lending books, as well as in setting up and growing a

full-service subsidiary for the Bank at Russia as an Executive Board Member.

He has been with the Reliance group since 2019, and he is currently the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer for Jio Payments Bank. With over 30 years of diverse experience, in the banking and financial services industry, he is building various businesses in the retail banking spectrum leveraging technology and data to create business propositions both in the digital as well as the physical world.

On this day if you are nostalgic, the boy I am talking about is as nostalgic as you are. With this, and with pride, I introduce to you Mr Vinod Easwaran, an avid marathon runner, a proud alumnus of my department, MIT, TAPMI, and Manipal, to this august gathering. Vinod, it is your time to inspire and guide our graduating students of MAHE. Over to you...





## CONVOCATION ADDRESS BY THE CHIEF GUEST



### Mr Vinod Easwaran, MD & CEO of Jio Payments Bank Mumbai

What a surreal feeling to be here, especially on this side of the dias! The last time I stood on this very ground was for a musical evening where my bandmates and I were belting out some English Rock.

Good afternoon

Respected Mrs Vasanti R Pai, Trustee-MAHE Trust  
Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor, MAHE Lt Gen  
(Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, MAHE

Honored dignitaries and guests, esteemed faculty, parents, students, and most importantly, the graduating class of 2023.

It is an immense honor to stand before you today as a proud alum of this esteemed institution. Nostalgia takes me back to the four wonderful years I spent at MIT, and since I hadn't had enough of Manipal, I came back for two more years to complete my PGDM from TAPMI. As I reflect on my own journey and the transformative experiences I have had here, I am reminded of the profound impact these

institutions have on shaping individuals, fostering growth, and nurturing dreams. This is evidenced in the numerous batchmates, seniors, and juniors of mine who are now change-makers in their respective spheres of influence, whether in industry, entrepreneurship, or even politics. An ode to my alma mater.

As you stand at the threshold of a new chapter in your life, you will have numerous opportunities that will knock on your door and help you fulfill your dreams. Grab those that come your way, even if you think you are not ready for it. I recall being a young marketing executive at BPL telecom, an early player in the deregulated telecom industry, and being offered the opportunity to join ICICI Bank, a leading financial institution that was primarily into project and industry finance at the time, to help them build their retail banking division. Having no prior experience in building a retail lending business, coupled with my dread of finance as a subject during my PGDM days, were reasons enough for me to

reconsider. The Indian economy has primarily been consumption-driven and the source of individual consumption in that era was essentially savings-driven. In my father's generation, especially among the employed segment, indulging in purchasing high-ticket items such as a car or a house or taking a holiday was based on whether adequate savings had been built to honor the purchase. While in developed economies, taking a loan for such purchases and more has been a way of life, in our context, taking a loan was an indulgence looked at with raised eyebrows besides the fear of honoring future repayments. Thus, retail banking seemed like an idea whose time had come for India and with ICICI's leadership's view on their aggressive ambition to be a market leader, I grabbed this opportunity and dived headlong. The 12 years that followed thereafter in various capacities have helped bolster my further progression in the world of Banking and Financial Services to today leading a bank.

That journey was not without its own set of challenges. I encourage you to embrace the challenges that lie ahead with courage and resilience. In my experience, how you overcome those challenges will define and shape your evolution in this journey of life.

I am often reminded of a wonderful quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson - "Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail."

There was a brief period when I was unexpectedly unemployed and having spent the last 10-15 years defining success through my career advancements, I was confused. With school bills, those loan repayments, and the looming shadow of career stagnation, came the tendency for the mind to spiral. But from this time came this insatiable hunger to find value in the days I spent beyond corporate life. It was at this time that I trained for and ran my first marathon, thanks to my wife who motivated and

registered me for one alongside herself. Waking up at 05:00 am every day, even earlier on Sundays, was never something I considered necessary for a feeling of satisfaction. The physical act of putting one foot in front of another and pushing myself to do better with each run seemed to pave the way for my mind to come back from the confusion and concern that this time period had made it accustomed to. In fact, I felt lighter and energized to tackle any challenge life threw at me. Moreover, I realized that career success alone would not satisfy my desire to find value in my days, but a multi-faceted definition, one that included both my personal and professional pursuits would.

All of this is to say, pursue your personal goals and desires with a hunger that creates its own discipline, leaving you with a sense of satisfaction of having seized each day.

\*Chuckles\* There are still lessons to be learned throughout life. But what I realize is that this college, its alma matter and its fantastic educational team will enable you to learn throughout your life. You will never be outrun or overcome by a challenge or trial. You will be the captains and champions of your lives. That is what this college prepares you for.

As the famous Bluesman B B King said "The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you."

I challenge you to be ambassadors of positive change, to lead with integrity, and to approach challenges with the same tenacity that brought you to this moment. Congratulations, graduates. The world awaits the mark you will make, and I have full confidence that each of you will contribute to a brighter, more compassionate future.

Thank you, and may your journey be as remarkable as the memories we share as members of this remarkable university community.



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## FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT GRADUATES AND ADMINISTERING OATH

**Dr Vinod V Thomas, Deputy Registrar, Evaluation, MAHE presented Facts and Figures about Graduates and administered an oath to the students.**



## CONFERRING THE DEGREES

### DR TMA PAI GOLD MEDAL



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1	Shonika Sohael Amin	MIM, Manipal
2	Poorvika Agarwal	MCOPS, Manipal
3	Vibha Ramachandran	MIC, Manipal
4	Aparajita Karmakar	PSPH, Manipal
5	Aaryan Agarwal	MIT, Manipal



## VOTE OF THANKS



### **Dr Padma Rani, Director, MIC delivered a Vote of Thanks**

Honorable Chief Guest of the day, Mr Vinod Easwaran, MD and CEO of Jio Payments Bank, Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor of MAHE, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh Vice Chancellor of MAHE other distinguished dignitaries, ladies and gentlemen.

It is my honor and privilege to propose a vote of thanks on this momentous occasion of the 31st Convocation of the Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to our chief guest of the day, Mr Vinod Easwaran.

Sir, your gracious presence and scholarly convocation address added luster to this important academic function of our university. We are all inspired by your great words. Thank you very much indeed.

Let me express my sincere thanks to our respected Chancellor, Dr Ramdas M Pai, for his leadership

support and encouragement in all the activities of our university. We also thank Mrs Vasanti R Pai, Trustee MAHE Trust, for her unstinted support in various activities of the university.

I express my sincere thanks to Dr Ranjan R Pai, President of MAHE Trust and Chairman, MEMG, Bengaluru for his support in organizing this event. Thank you, Sir.

Permit me to mention our appreciation to Pro Chancellor, Dr H S Ballal for his great efforts towards the growth of this university and conferring the degree to the graduates. I acknowledge the presence of Mrs Indira Ballal.

Dear graduates, it is your day and I am sure you have a sense of fulfillment. Your achievements have been recognized, and you celebrate this significant milestone in your lives. I congratulate all the graduates

who have been conferred their degrees today and our best wishes to each one of you. Thank you very much for your presence in large numbers. And thanks especially to the proud parents and family members of our graduates who have supported them during their course of study at Manipal.

A special mention to our Vice Chancellor, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh. Being the catalyst that inspired us to do our best and stand as a pillar of power. With a deep sense of appreciation, we thank our beloved Vice Chancellor for his untiring efforts to take this university to the next level and for presenting the overview of the university. Thank you, Sir.

I also acknowledge the presence of Ms Kusma Venkatesh.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Dr N N Sharma, Pro Vice Chancellor, Strategy and Planning, MAHE, for delivering the welcome address.

Special thanks to Dr Somasekhar Bhat, Joint Director, MIT Manipal, for introducing our chief guest to this function.

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to Dr Vinod Thomas, Registrar-Evaluation for presenting the facts and figures and administering the oath to the graduates.

Dr Geetha Maiyya, Director-Student Affairs for presenting the gold medal awardees.

Dr Vasudha Devi, Deputy Director, Centre for Doctoral Studies for presenting the PhD awardees.

We are happy to express our gratitude to members of the Trust, Board of Management, Academic Council, Board of Studies, Board of Examiners, and officials from Manipal Group of Institutions, associated hospitals, and organizations both from India and abroad for their support in the university activities and their presence today.

I also wish to place on record our thanks to all the Heads of Institutions, Deputies, Heads of the Departments, university officials, faculty, and supporting staff, for their support and presence.

All the members of the press and electronic media richly deserve our special thanks for their presence in this ceremony. I thank them for their continued support.

Special thanks to our Master of Ceremony, Ms Shruthi Shetty, Assistant Professor, MIC Manipal.

An event like this cannot happen overnight. The wheels started rolling months ago. It requires planning and a bird's eye for details. We have been fortunate enough to be backed by dedicated colleagues of Team Manipal, who have worked hard to ensure that this occasion becomes a resounding success. I sincerely thank each and every one for your efforts.

Finally, I leave you this inspiring quote by Martin Luther King, "An individual has not started living until he rises above the confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity".

Once again, I thank you all for your attention.

Jai Hind.

Dr H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor, MAHE declared the convocation closed.



## MASTERS OF CEREMONY

Convocation Day 1



Dr Nandita Shenoy, Associate Professor  
MCOADS Mangalore

Convocation Day 2



Dr Sambit Dash  
Assistant Professor (Selection grade)  
DBMS and Secretary  
CCC, MAHE

Convocation Day 3



Dr Everil Jackline Fernandes  
Assistant Professor  
DOC

Convocation Day 4



Dr Shruthi V Shetty  
Assistant Professor, MIC

“Educated and enlightened children  
are an asset not only to the family but  
to the whole nation”

Dr TMA Pai



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