

Jain University in association with Sahitya Akademi brings K.S. Narasimhaswamy's poetry to limelight.

Jain University in association with Sahitya Akademi honoured well-known yester year poet Dr. K S Narasimhaswamy in a Birth Centenary Celebration. Dr. K S Narasimhaswamy had written poems that popularized Kannada culture and heritage, with emphasis on romantic and domestic themes.

In this event, the various facets of Dr. K S Narasimhaswamy's persona and works were analysed by eminent academicians, authors, and poets. They also shared their views on the works of the poet, who had contributed greatly to Kannada literature.

Dr. Chandrasekhara Kambara, eminent author and playwright who inaugurated the event shared his thoughts on the renowned poet. "He wove lyrical poetry that captured the essence of our lives, and chose themes that deeply resonated from scholar to farmer alike. He had mastery over language, and created poetry that subtly brought out the myriad experiences in our lives. There has been no other poet, who has managed to create melodies that resounded with all Kannadigas. The relevance of his poetry will never fade, and I am sure his works will continue to stand the test of time."

Dr. Kamala Hampana, famed writer, scholar and translator, who was a part of the event said, "K S Narasimhaswamy's poetry has depth and is very much rooted in our Indian sensibilities. His poetry tackles universal subjects, and can be enjoyed by anyone. He was a simple man who led a life that embodied his personal values of humility, generosity and simplicity."

The event also had celebrities like T S Nagabharana, famed Kannada film director was also part of the event. **Sumatheendra R Nadig**, eminent poet presided over the session dealing with the **numerous translations of Dr. K S Narasimhaswamy's poems in various languages like English, Hindi, Konkani, Tulu, and Urdu**. The translations recreated the magic of K S Narasimhaswamy's poems in different languages, while managing to maintain its intrinsic quality.

K Sreenivasarao, Secretary, Sahitya Akademi, and Narahalli Balasubramanya, Convener, Kannada Advisory Board, Sahitya Akademi also presided over the event.

Poetry aficionados and scholars gave many dimensions to Dr. Narasimhaswamy's poetry, and brought out its significance in present times.