

Concluding Day of Research Conclave

The third day of the Research Conclave saw two interesting panel discussions and a special Interactive Session with Dr. Kasturirangan.

The first Panel discussion was on the theme Sustaining and Strengthening a Vibrant Research Culture. The first panelist, Dr. Krishnadas Nair, the Chancellor of Jain University, underscored the importance of a research culture that had humanism, ethics and excellence at its core values. Mr. Vora, a Director of Tata Engineering Services and Member, Academic Council of Jain University drew attention to the emerging scenario in the Manufacturing Sector and the preparedness of the Indian research establishment in this regard. Dr. Indira Jaiprakash a Professor of Psychology, emphasized the importance of the research atmosphere in a University defining its true character. She stressed on the need for institutionalizing research excellence. Dr. Eresi, the former Dean of Commerce of Bangalore University spoke of the emerging paradigm shift in research and its wider implications for sustaining a vibrant research culture. The last panelist, Dr. GSD Babu, Director of M P Birla Research Centre and Member of the Planning and Monitoring Board of Jain University, spoke of the need to strive towards excellence and innovation. The participants in the conclave asked a range of questions to the panelists.

The second panel discussion focussed on strategies to ensuring greater collaboration among the different research centres of Jain University. Moderated by Dr. Sandeep Shastri, Pro VC of the University, the other panelists included Dr. Sudha Deshmukh (CPGS), Prof. Parameshwaran (IIAEM), Dr. Geetha Balakrishna (CNMS), Dr. Bhaskar Dixit (CDM) and Dr. Gopalakrishna (CET).

The concluding session of the Conclave was a special interactive session with Dr. Kasturirangan, Chairman, Karnataka Knowledge Commission and former Member of Parliament and Planning Commission. Dr Kasturirangan, shared the highlights of his research journey with the audience and underscored the importance of the researcher having an eye for detail. He commended the efforts at Jain University in building a strong research profile.