

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor's Profile

Dr. BALAKRISHNA P SHETTY,
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**Vice Chancellor,
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(Deemed to be University)
Tumkur, Karnataka, India**

- ❖ Dr Balakrishna Shetty, known as one of the youngest Vice-Chancellors, born on 1st Oct 1962, at Kundapur. Father Thyampanna Shetty, mother Kamala Shetty. He did his education in St Aloysius College Mangalore. He is recipient of National Merit Scholarship and DGHS Scholarship for Higher studies.
- ❖ Completed his Medical Education (MBBS) (1986) Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore with Distinction in many subjects. Later he did his Masters degree (MD) in Radio diagnosis (1989) from the prestigious Kasturba Medical College Manipal with highest marks for the University. He was awarded the Diplomat of National Board in Radiology (DNB) in 1990.
- ❖ After this Dr Shetty, went to USA for further studies in Radio Diagnosis. University of Texas awarded him the prestigious Pediatric Radiology Fellowship in 1994. He is one of the very few Foreign Medical Graduates to get the Fellowship in Body Imaging from Baylor College of Medicine in 1995.

- ❖ In 1995 Dr Shetty was appointed as faculty Pediatric Radiology, at Children Hospital, Montréal, Canada. However he came back to India joined as Chief of Radiology at Medinova Bangalore.
- ❖ In July 1995 Dr. Shetty joined as Asst. Professor of Radiology in Sri Siddhartha Medical College, Tumkur to become Professor of Radiology and Director of PG Studies in 1999. He continued to head the department till he became Vice-Chancellor of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education in January 2012. His term was extended to another five year from January 2017.
- ❖ He is known in the International arena for developing the MR PET technology for early detection and staging of Cancer without Radiation.
- ❖ As an eminent Radiologist, Dr Shetty has worked in many International hospitals and Universities like Yale University Connecticut USA, Texas Children Hospital, MD Anderson Cancer Hospital, St Lukes Episcopal Hospital Houston, Hamad International Hospital, Doha, and Cleveland Clinic, USA.
- ❖ Dr Shetty is involved in various Research Activities in the field of Whole Body Cancer Imaging by MR PET, Breast cancer, Lung cancer, Ovarian Cancer, Pancreatic cancer, Renal Cancers, Uterine Fibroids, and Stem Cell Imaging and rare Muscular Dystrophy.
- ❖ He has many Scientific Publications for his credit. He is very well known for his guest lectures not only in India but also in USA, Malaysia and Middle East.

Accomplishments in various sectors:

As Vice Chancellor:

1. **NAAC A grade:** The University position improved from C category to NAAC "A" grade University and 32nd Rank on comprehensive National Evaluation by the WEEK magazine. The Dental and Engineering Colleges became one of the best Schools.
2. **NKN:** Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education is approved by MHRD as the National Knowledge Network hub.
3. **Higher Education Leadership Award:** World Education Summit Delhi 2016.

Education:

1. **PLEASE project:** Participative Leadership in Education and Student Empowerment: A project for rural education by higher education students.
2. **T.E.A.C.H project,** Rotary Director.
3. **Guest lectures** in Higher Education meetings.

Teaching and Learning:

1. **Answer First and Discuss Next:** An interactive teaching methodology instead of monotonous one way lectures in class rooms.
2. **Integrated Teaching: for Basic Sciences:** Anatomy and Physiology Integration.

Research:

1. **Student Research:** Students log on directly to Vice Chancellor vcdrshetty@gmail.com, for their Research Funds.
2. **Community Research:** Researcher will visit the community for collecting data, instead of collecting from the hospital OPDs.
3. **International Grants** (up to 10 Crores) for research.

Innovative Social Projects:

1. **Green Graduation:** to enhance the intellectual energy of students through Social Activities.
2. **University District Adoption:** for Educational reforms in Tumakuru District.
3. **Doctor at School: for School Health Projects.**

Radiology:

1. **MR PET:** Magnetic Resonance Proton Enhancement Tomography, to detect Primary and Metastatic Cancer without Radiation.
2. **Guest Speaker:** International, National and State conferences and workshops.
3. **Tele Radiology** projects between rural areas and Bengaluru city.
4. **GRASP:** Guidance in Radiology for Aspiring Senior Post Graduates.

Nominated by:

1. Society for Development of Science in Africa (SASA) as Vice President to implement Tele Radiology and Higher Education projects in Africa.
2. Member Malaysian Scientific Assembly.
3. State Government (Karnataka State, India):
Member Karnataka Knowledge Commission.
Member Karnataka Higher education Council.
Co-Chair, Technology in Education, Karnataka Knowledge Commission.
4. Member: Planning and Monitoring, Christ University, Bangalore.
5. Rotary International: Member, T E A C H program.
6. Christ University, Member Planning and Monitoring.

Invited to attend International Global Health Care meetings:

1. Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH), Boston, March 2015.
2. MH4Health Accountability Meet Washington DC, 9-11, Jun2015, sponsored by WHO, World Bank Group, USAID.

Public Health Care Programs:

1. **TV and Doordarshan Lectures:** Delivered lectures on Health maintenance.
2. **Cost effective Health Care by Natural Living** in TV and various University functions and Convocations.
3. **Regular Health Check Program:** through Rotary, Bunt Sangha and ISHA Diagnostics.
4. **H1N1** and other Vaccination Programs.

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