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Report On One Day Seminar on Science & Technology: Rural Development

A one day seminar on Science & Technology: Rural Development was organised by Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA), Hyderabad Chapter in association with Matrusri Institute of Post Graduate Studies (MIPGS), at Matrusri Institute of PG Studies, Saidabad, Hyderabad.

The inaugural session started at 10:30 AM with the welcome speech by Dr. Syed Tabassum Sultana, Principal, MIPGS and introduced the theme to the audience. Dr. K Seertharam Babu Member, Matrusri Education Society & EC Indian Science Congress Association, Hyderabad Chapter spoke about the colleges sponsored by Matrusri Education Society – MVSR Engineering college, Matrusri Institute of Post Graduate Studies and Matrusri Engineering College. The Chief Guest Prof. B Satyanarayana, Chairman, ISCA, Hyderabad Chapter addressed the students by introducing the genesis of ISCA and other activities of ISCA. He persuaded the students to start their own company and provide employment to others instead of searching for jobs and seeking jobs in companies.

The inaugural session concluded with the felicitation of chief guest

After the tea-break session, the Expert Lecture was delivered by Dr. K. Prathap Reddy. IIM- A (Fellow), Former Director, and Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA) addressed the gathering on the above mentioned topic. He exhaustively covered various topics on Information and knowledge connectivity, Community Media (radio and television) and School Education in Rural areas contributing to rural development. Government programme such Sarva Sikhsa Abhiyan is one of steps initiated by govt. to foster free and compulsory education to children of 6 to 14 years. He also spoke about the importance of other important R&D programme such as Pradhanmantri Gram Sadak yojana also helps to transform rural India. He stressed the importance of self-help groups which are federated at the higher levels to enhance employment in rural areas. Prof. K. Pratap Reddy also emphasized on women empowerment in rural development through Self –Help Groups movements and empowerment of People with Disabilities. Regarding community involvement, he explained the need for Gram Panchayat Development Plan. He emphasized about role of Sports and Culture which also plays a vital role in the well being of the individuals in rural development.

Dr. P. Shilpa Roy, Assistant Professor, has proposed vote of thanks and seminar was concluded successfully.

