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KARAIKUDI

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The Industry and Consultancy Cell and Department of Physics, Alagappa University, Karaikudi is organizing a “National Theme Meet on University- Industry Interface 2017” (NTM U2I - 2017) on 20, 21 September 2017.



Presiding over the meet Prof. S. Subbiah, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, referred to the appreciation of former Vice Chancellor of Madras University, Prof. S.P. Thiyagarajan regarding the institutional infrastructure and hi-tech laboratory instrument facilities of Alagappa University for doing higher research in science projects, while inaugurating the University Common Science Instrumentation Centre recently. He stated the research in Universities should not simply be publication- oriented but should be focussed towards industry development. He also detailed the existing scholarships for doing higher research to the deserving students. He said that Indian students doing post-doctoral research in Israel Universities received encomiums from Israel Professors for their tireless work beyond the working hours. He also asked the teachers to identify and bring to the fore their

students hidden talents by utilizing the opportunities. The Vice-Chancellor said that during his visit to Sunakyunkwan University in Seoul, South Korea last year he could see several industrial units inside the University campus which paved the way for university - industry interface by providing employment opportunities to their students. He also focused that Alagappa University is ready to provide space and infrastructure for starting small scale industries inside the campus and asked the Industry and Consultancy Cell of this University to take further steps in this regard, so that Alagappa University could transform itself as a model university for serving the students to get employment.

Dr. N. Rajalakshmi, Senior Scientist, CFCT, ARCI, Chennai, in her inaugural address, motivated the students to bridge the gap between University research and industries. She made an appeal to researchers for doing utility oriented research that could help society at large.

Dr. N. Manickam, Project Director (Retd.), DRDO, Hyderabad, offered felicitation. He asked the audience to establish a company or industry to produce a useful component to the society. He also highlighted the support and assistance offered by DRDO in this regard.

Prof. J. Jeyakanthan, Member Syndicate and Head, Department of Bioinformatics, also offered felicitation. He said that as academics we should not only strive to update scientific and technological research but also we have to interact with industry and promote product - oriented research.

While welcoming the participants Prof. G. Ravi, Dean, Industry and Consultancy Cell, briefed the theme of the meet.

Finally, Dr. M. Sivakumar, Coordinator of this event proposed a vote of thanks.

Prof. V. Balachandran
Registrar i/c.