

Report on National Science Day – 2026

The Department of Basic Science successfully organized National Science Day – 2026 on 3rd March 2026 at 2:30 PM in Sri Rama Sabhabhavana. The programme was conducted in alignment with the national theme, “*Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat.*”

The Chief Guest, Dr. Lakshmi Muralikrishna from the Department of Agricultural Development & Farmers' Welfare, Kasaragod, delivered the inaugural address. In her insightful speech, she emphasized that the progress of the nation and the advancement of science depend on the equal development of both men and women. She highlighted the urgent need to eliminate societal stereotypes and address gender-based pay disparities. Her address also acknowledged the remarkable contributions of women across various fields in India and underscored their pivotal role in nation-building.

During the technical session, Dr. Lakshmi Muralikrishna elaborated on the true meaning of education as a means of dispelling ignorance and empowering individuals. She stressed the importance of digital literacy, equal opportunities in agriculture, and inclusive societal development. Encouraging students to channel their energy towards constructive societal transformation, she advocated strongly for gender equality in science and innovation.

Presiding over the function, Sri Sathyanarayana B., Director of the VCET Governing Council, remarked that science has deep roots in Indian civilization. He noted that India's rich scientific heritage is evident in the contributions of our ancestors and is reflected even in ancient epics such as the Ramayana and the Mahabharata, which illustrate the depth of traditional knowledge and scientific thought.

The programme was organized under the guidance of the Convenor, Dr. Shwetambika. The event was gracefully compered by Angel Ford (1st CD) and Prapthi (1st ME) as the Masters of Ceremony. The welcome address was delivered by Supritha (1st CS). Niharika (1st CD) outlined the objectives of celebrating National Science Day and emphasized the importance of fostering scientific awareness in society. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ashwitha (1st EC).

The programme concluded with the National Anthem, marking the successful completion of the celebration.



Address by Chief guest Dr. Lakshmi Muralikrishna Presidential address by Sri Sathyanarayana B.

