

**University College, Mangalore**  
**Report of One week Faculty development programme**  
**21.4.25 to 26. 4.25**

**Research forum** of University College, Mangalore in association with IQAC, had organized a Faculty Development program on Research Methodology for the research scholars, PG and all teaching staff of the college from **21<sup>st</sup> April to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. It was an opportunity to interact with all the guides and research scholars in the same platform. This was the first of its kind program organized with the support of Principal, Prof Ganapathi Gowda, research forum members and all the staff of our college.

**Dr Bharathi Prakash coordinator of the Research Forum** of the college organized this program in association with IQAC coordinator **Dr Siddaraju**. A Special session on **soft skills** was also conducted for all the nonteaching staff of the college.

The FDP was presided by Principal **Prof Ganapathi Gowda**, and was inaugurated by a **Prof Parinitha Shetty, Dean of arts, Dept of English**, Mangalore University, Mangalore. Madam narrated the importance of English in academic writing and the uses of publication for research career. She kick started the FDP and prepared the ground for all the participants to attend all the sessions sincerely.

**1<sup>ST</sup> Day session on ‘Academic writing’ by Prof Yathish Kumar, Department of Commerce.**

This was a most important session to begin research to be a good writer. For good writing, reading is must. A session gave a good clarity on importance of English in academic writing. **Prof. Jayavant Nayak** of Economics Dept. chaired the session.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session- ‘How to write research paper’ by Prof. Subhashini Srivatsa. Department of Commerce.** All the minor details of write a good manuscript was informed. She enlightened on what are the difficulties that we face while writing and how to overcome them and publish the research. **Prof. Shobha of Botany** Dept. chaired the session.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Session was on ‘Soft skills’ by Prof Siddique. Department of Commerce.**

He informed the importance of soft skills for research and also how good soft skills can be saviors in life. Good soft skills and right attitude are life skills. Everyone should have good hard skills and soft skill to for quality life. **Prof Ramkrishna** of Economics Dept. chaired the session.

**4<sup>th</sup> Session was on ‘How to write proposals for Funded projects” by Dr Bharathi Prakash. Department of Microbiology.**

Actual research career starts after PhD, the hence once a researcher always a researcher. She informed about various funding agencies in all the streams. All the important details of preparing project proposals, outcomes of project with reference proposal were informed. She

has inspired the participants to write the project proposal. **Prof. Suma R** of Hindi Dept. chaired the session.

**5th Session was on ‘Research and Artificial intelligence’ by Dr Bharathi Pilar, Department of Computer Science**, who gave basics of computer applications for research and how role of computer has influenced the research was well explained. She briefed on the various softwares of artificial intelligence for research. **Dr. Veerbhadrappa** of Computer Science Dept. chaired the session.

**6<sup>th</sup> Session is on ‘Research Ethics’ by Dr Siddaraju**. He informed about, how to prevent plagiarism and give justice to ones research. He highlighted on the importance of ethics for quality thesis writing and for every academic writing in research. **Prof. Nagratana Rao** of Hindi Dept. chaired the session.

One week’s Faculty Development Programme was concluded by valedictory programme. **Dr. Siddaraju** welcomed the gathering. **Prof. Monika Sadananda**, chairperson of Department of Biotechnology was the chief guest for this session. Prof Monika herself is accomplished researcher, a teacher par excellence, dynamic leader and disciplined academician. She has brought laurels to the University. Prof Monika informed that a researcher with good quality publications is always an asset for the institute as they are always engaged in research, get grants and make a good ranking for the Institute. Such researchers need to be recognized and encouraged for the research. Prof Monika appreciated the self-sustainable effort in conducting the FDP. She suggested to extend the FDP in future for large number of participants so that many gets benefitted.

**Dr. Madhav** from Kannada department narrated the FDP report. Participants shared their feedback appreciating the resourceful sessions across departments. All the sessions helped the participants to refine their research skills, develop scholarly writing abilities, explore plethora of funding opportunities and embrace new technologies like Artificial Intelligence, various software of AI useful for researchers, importance of ethics to give justice to genuine research. The certificates were provided to all the participants after the test. Principal, Prof. Ganapathi Gowda appreciated the efforts of Research Forum coordinator, Bharathi Prakash for conducting the program successfully. He also appreciated Dr. Siddaraju, IQAC Coordinator for the joint technical support for this program and concluded that this FDP witnessed a cheerful response, positive feedback and served the purpose.

**Dr. Bharathi Prakash, convener** of the FDP, thanked Principal, guests, resource persons, chairpersons, role takers, sponsors, all the participants and staff who made the program successful.