



Dr. D. Balakrishnan Commemorative Lecture

Vidya Academy of Science and Technology paid rich tributes to Dr. D. Balakrishnan (Founder Academic Director) on his 3rd death anniversary. Dr. D Balakrishnan Commemorative Lecture was held on 16 Aug 2013, in the College Auditorium. The programme was graced by the esteemed presence of Padmavibhushan Dr. G. Madhavan Nair (Former Chairman, ISRO), who was the chief guest on the occasion. Dr. Sudha Balagopalan (Principal) welcomed all the dignitaries and attendees to the function. Er. P. K. Ashokan (Chairman VICT) delivered the inaugural speech and Sri Babu M Palissery (MLA, Kunnamkulam) delivered the presidential address. Sri Pratapachandran Nair (Professor Emeritus) introduced the chief guest Mr. G. Madhavan Nair to the audience.

It was followed by a speech by the chief guest in which he shared his ideas about science, technology, research, and the role of engineering institutions in promoting scientific research. The e-Journal of Vidya Academy "TechS Vidya e-

Journal of Research" was launched during the occasion. The website of the Journal was unveiled by the chief guest and the Journal was formally released by Sri Babu M Palissery, MLA.

Sri. K.K. Sugathan (formerly Overseas Chief Coordinator, Science India Movement and Trustee VICT), Dr. T.N. Jayachandran (Advisor-VICT) Smt. Geetha Balakrishnan (President, Velur Panchayat), Smt. Girija Suresh (Member, Chowannur Block Panchayat), Smt. Swapna Rasheed (Member, Velur Panchayat) and Smt. Sufia Ibrahim (President, Choondal Panchayat) , Prof. V.A Sudhakaran (Chairman, Institution of Engineers, Trichur chapter) gave felicitation speeches. Dr. M.N. Agnisharman Namboodiri (Dean for PG studies) proposed the vote of thanks. The chief guest Mr. G. Madhavan Nair interacted with the students of Vidya Academy, Durgavilasam School, Peramangalam and MIC Al- Ameen, Kechery in the afternoon session.

With much gratitude, the Principal and staff appreciate the efforts put in by Sri. K.K. Sugathan in bringing the guest of honour, being with us in all related functions and motivating us.