



RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF KNOWLEDGE TECHNOLOGIES

(Established through Act No.18 of 2008) ANDHRA PRADESH, INDIA

(Catering to the Educational Needs of Gifted Rural Youth of Andhra Pradesh)



ANNUAL REPORT

Presented by Vice-Chancellor



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH CONVOCATION OF RGUKT

Respected Chancellor Prof. K.C. Reddy, Chief Guest Shri N.R. Narayana Murthy, Chairman Emeritus, Infosys, Founder Chancellor Dr. Raj Reddy, Hon'ble Minister for Education, Dr. Audimulapu Suresh, Distinguished guests, members of the Governing Council and Academic Council, Faculty, Staff, recipients of the degrees, eminent alumni, ladies and gentlemen present here at the 5th convocation. Greetings of the Day! It is my privilege to extend a cordial welcome to all of you on behalf of the Rajiv Gandhi University of Knowledge Technology.

At the outset, I offer my heartiest congratulations to each one of the graduands who is present here and those who could not attend but will be getting degrees in absentia for their hard work; parents and guardians for the sacrifices made and the faculty members for spending their time in mentoring them to complete their studies successfully and timely. Special congratulations to all the Medal winners and their parents for their achievements. I also express my sincere appreciation to the staff of RGUKT for their assistance and to make the University a place of

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excellence and fine achievements. Today 5298graduands will be awarded degrees in various programmes.

1. Origins

The establishment of Rajiv Gandhi University of Knowledge Technologies is the vision of late Dr.Y.S.Rajasekhara Reddy Garu and got translated into a reality by the founding of the University on 28.04.2008 through the Act No.18 of 2008 of the Andhra Pradesh State Legislature with its three constituent and independent institutes in the three regions of erstwhile Andhra Pradesh, each located at Basar (Adilabad District in Telangana Region), Nuzvid (Krishna District in Andhra Region) and Rajiv Knowledge Valley (Kadapa District in Rayalaseema Region). After bifurcation of the State, RGUKT also got bifurcated and the institutes at Nuzvid and Idupulapaya came under RGUKT-Andhra Pradesh. During the Academic Year 2016-17,two more campuses at Srikakulam and Ongole are added to RGUKT-AP.

2. Enshrining the Vision and Mission

RGUKT from the beginning has been preserving the vision of the legendary founder Late Dr. Y. S. Rajasekhar Reddy Garu, the then Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, who

always gave 'a preferential option for the poor, meritorious, rural youth', for whom the University was founded. We champion the main objective of the University by providing quality technical education with the goal of inclusiveness in terms of access to the meritorious rural youth, who are perennially deprived of the opportunities; through an innovative blend of modern computer assisted, learner-centric instructional methodology along with rigorous traditional teaching in a world class ambience. With steadfastness and allegiance we pledge our commitment of:

- · Imparting each student broad skills such as Learning to Learn, Learning to think and Learning to Live.
- Reinforcing core values of integrity, respect for all, and care for environment.
- Reinforcing dissemination of advanced knowledge in the emerging fields such as Information Technology, etc.
- Making special provisions for integrated courses including humanities, social sciences and other interdisciplinary areas to impart broad-based education including soft skills.
- Functioning as a resource centre for knowledge management and entrepreneurship development in

- the emerging technologies.
- Establishing close linkage with industry to make teaching and research at the institute relevant to the needs of the economy, at regional and national levels.

3. Admissions

Keeping in view the basic philosophy and objective with which RGUKT was started as a unique model to empower meritorious rural youth through quality professional education, University desires to restore the original model of Mandal best based admissions, though we have been admitting students by adding appropriate deprivation score to the students who studied in Government schools. For the past two years,the University conducted common entrance test, as 10th class Board Examinations could not be held due to COVID. Presently, around 25000 students are pursuing their six year integrated educational programmes in engineering with an annual intake of 4400 students at the four campuses.

4. Recognition of the University under UGC 12(B)

It is gratifying to note that the University Grants Commission has accorded recognition under 12(B) of UGC Act (vide UGC letter, dated 12.06.2020) making the university eligible for receiving central financial assistance, a feather in the cap, after a decade of its establishment.

5. Curricular Intercessions:

A. Courses Offered:

The Undergraduate Programme: The University predominantly offers 6-Year integrated programme comprising of 2-years Pre-University programme and 4-years B.Tech programme. The 6-years integrated B.Tech programme is offered in the following Seven Engineering majors:

S.No.	Branch
1	Chemical Engineering
2	Civil Engineering
3	Computer Science Engineering
4	Electrical and Electronics Engineering
5	Electronics and Communication Engineering
6	Materials and Metallurgical Engineering
7	Mechanical Engineering

Apart from Majors in engineering disciplines, there is scope for doing a Minor in other branches of engineering or Science or Management or Humanities and Social Sciences including classical performing arts streams. Flexibility built in the curriculum is along the lines of best of the world universities and is mainly to provide wider choices to students in studies, paving way for their varied career paths.

$Introduction\, of\, minors\, and\, open\, Electives:$

In consonance with New Education Policy, 2020,RGUKT has introduced multidisciplinary courses in all the engineering programs from the academic year 2021-22. Open Electives are being offered from the academic year 2021-22 to make all the programmes truly multidisciplinary. A few of the courses offered as open electives are:

1	Robotics and artificial intelligence	6	Bioinformatics	
2	Internet of Things (IoT)	7	Bioengineering	
3	Micro Electronics Devices - Fabrication Techniques	8	Entrepreneurship	
4	Nanotechnology	9	Financial Management	
5	Data Sciences	10	Indian Economic Policy and Development	

The syllabus for these courses was designed by separate Boards of Studies and approval of the Academic Council/ Standing Committee is awaited. In the next level, the University proposes to start a minor diploma, comprising a few of these minors which could be grouped together. At the third level, the University proposes to start a minor diploma comprising a few of these minors which could be grouped for a relevant programme.

Re-introduction of M.Tech programmes:

With the approval of the Academic Council and Governing Council of the University, M.Tech programmes are reintroduced in the following areas w.e.f the academic year 2021-22.

S.No	Department	Discipline	Campus
1	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering Analysis and Design	RGUKT-NUZVID
2	Civil Engineering	Transportation Engineering	RGUKT-NUZVID
3	Computer Science and Engineering	Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning	RGUKT-RK Valley
4	MME	Advanced Material Technology	RGUKT-RK Valley

B. Implementation of Integrated Pedagogical Paradigm:

The teaching-learning process in the University is a hybrid mode involving learning-by-doing and conventional teaching. Video lectures from the best of faculty of the country are arranged in class rooms complimented with the interactions and live lecturing done by the competent faculty of RGUKT, who were recruited mainly from the premier institutions of the country. The education system at RGUKT is ICT based and perhaps it is the first University in the country to adopt ICT for educating rural students and to pass several batches of students successfully in the system. It is the first University to adopt the much praised and prestigious NPTEL content apart from using video courses produced by RGUKT on its own.

Reckoning with the main motto of imparting Quality Education, RGUKT has adopted the following innovative approaches to benefit students:

· Comprehensive curriculum to meet the industry needs is designed and developed, which is on par with the IITs. Every student irrespective of his/her branch

- of engineering has to complete four courses in Computer Science and thus gets an extra edge in IT.
- Supplementing the robust curriculum, excellent laboratories are in place to provide strong laboratory practices and hands on experience for students, thus committing for the innovative approach of 'learning by doing'.
- Effective engagement of students and faculty is ensured by adopting good academic regulations and with appropriate assessment criteria and methods, similar to those of IITs.
- Faculty are continuously oriented to mentor the students towards a targeted academic culture.
- Long term Internship up to two years at the end of prefinal year to expose the students to cultivate Engineering and Professional skills.

C. Creation of advanced laboratory infrastructure:

RGUKT has provided modern laboratory facilities in each of the campuses, in all disciplines, with latest and advanced equipment to train the students with the best of practical knowledge in their respective disciplines and enhance their ability to perform creative engineering tasks. Following are some recently acquired advanced

equipment in the campuses:

- · Servo Hydraulic 200KN machine
- · Rohde and Schwarz Spectrum and Network analyzer
- · Spectral Analyzer, HF-60100 V4 (10 GHZ)
- Field emission scanning electron microscope (FESEM)
- · X-Ray Diffractometer
- · Cree Testing Machine
- · Spark emission Spectrometer
- · High Temperature Ceramic Sintering furnace.

6. Emphasis on Research:

Patents:

- Prof.S.S.S.V.Gopala Raju, Professor in Civil Engineering Department, Nuzvid campus granteda patent entitled "Geopolymer Concrete Composition using quarry dust and contrived aggregates" in August, 2020.
- Dr.ShaikDilkush, Assistant Professor in the Department of MME, Nuzvid campus secured a patent entitled "Development of Mega watt wind turbine for optimal management of smart agricultural farms" in May, 2021.
- · Prof.P.Jagadeeswara Rao, Director RGUKT

- Srikakulam campus and Dr. Rajesh Duvvuru, Asst. Professor in CSE were jointly granted a patent for A Smart and Cost-Effective Flood Pole in 2021.
- Prof.P.JagadeeswaraRao, Director, RGUKT, Srikakulam campus and Dr. G. Narasimha Rao were jointly granted a patent for Identification of Forest Fire Susceptibility Using GIS and Neural Network Approaches in 2021.
- Dr.T.Suvarna, Mentor in Biology, RGUKT RK Valley campus granted a patent for Design of Women Health Monitoring during pregnancy period and location tracking system during emergency situation using NFC TAG Synced in 2021.
- The following faculty have filed applications for the grant of patents in various fields.

S.No	Name of the Faculty	Department	Title	
1.	Prof.S.S.S.V.Gopala	Civil	Smart Charger for Electric	
	Raju	Engineering	Vehicles Using Artificial	
			Intelligence	
2.	Prof.S.S.S.V.Gopala	Civil	A contrived Aggregate	
	Raju	Engineering	Composition for Concrete and	
			Equipment for its preparation	
			Thereof	

3.	Dr.G.Ramesh	MME	Assessment of wetting and
			heat transfer characteristics of
			edible and non edible
			vegetable oils for heat
			treatment
4.	Dr.P.Tirupathi	Physics	Exploring magnetic structure
			& spin dynamics in doped
			Bismuth Titanate Bi4Ti3O12
			multiferroics: From nano to
			bulk crystallites
5.	Dr.B.Konda Reddy	Mechanical	design and development of
		Engineering	biomass stoves for rural
			applications
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6.	Mr. B. Prasad, Mr.Y.	EEE, Mech,	Polymer based piezoresistive
	Naidu babu, Dr. I.	Chemistry,	micro rectangular beam sensor
	Ramakanth, Mr. K.	Physics	with enhanced deflection
	Raghavendra		sensitivity
7.	Mr.N.Ramesh Babu	ECE	IoT System for Remote Pond
			Monitoring
8.	Mr.P.Prashant Kumar	ECE	Efficient IoT based weather
			monitoring System
9.	Dr.Bogala Konda	Physics,	Adaptable biomass cooking
	Reddy, Dr.Alluru	Mechanical	stove with movable
	Gopala Krishna,	Engineering	combustion chambers
	Nalband Noor		
	Mahammad, Korla		
	Mohanakrishna		
	Chowdary		
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Research Projects:

- Dr.I.RamaKanth, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry has done collaborative research work with the following foreign universities:
- i. University of Calgary, Canada (2015)
- ii. Technical University of Ostrava, Czech Republic, Europe (2014-16)
- iii. Pusan National University, South Korea (2019)
- iv. University of Pretoria, South Africa (2016-2018) and
- v. An ongoing collaborative research with Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Slovakia, Europe (2016-Present)
- Mr.B.Prasad, Assistant Professor in Electrical and Electronics Engineering is leading a collaborative research project on "Design of Microsensors for Agricultural and Bio-Applications" with a sanction of Rs.1.12 crores by MHRD, Govt. of India.

Research Publications:

 Faculty have distinguished themselves by publishing in the internationally acclaimed journals such as IEEE, Elsevier, Springer, Routledge, Blackwell and Taylor and Francis. One of the major agenda for the coming years is to build up a robust research culture in the University. The research activity which is sporadic on the campuses of RGUKT has to be coordinated and nurtured as a cohesive program involving the faculty across all the departments in the University. It is proposed to establish a Research and Development Cell –

- · To nurture active research culture in the University.
- To strengthen inter-disciplinary research by coordinating activities of different departments.
- · To foster research capacity for future.
- To thrive for external research funding for research infrastructure.
- · To encourage socially relevant research problems.
- To encourage young student entrepreneurs through incubation of start-ups.

Nevertheless, to augment their research capabilities 48 faculty in Nuzvid, 45 in RK Valley, 49 in Ongole and 28 in Srikakulam campus are pursuing their doctoral degrees. With these 170 active researchers, the quality of research publications will definitely be improved. With the increase in faculty with doctoral degrees, it is planned to introduce Doctoral degree programmes in the University. A doctoral

program in the University would also enhance the research aspirations of individual departments.

Seed Grant for Research:

In order to boost up research in the University and to motivate the faculty to initiate research work, the University has decided to provide seed grant to faculty, after evaluating their research proposals. This grant could cover the basic requirements of the research project envisaged and should pave way for a major grant from a funding agency. The faculty is expected to submit a proposal and make a presentation to a specially set up committee for approval. Efforts are also being made to generate research funding from the Alumni of the University, Philanthropists and Industry. It is proposed to earmark a sensible amount in the budget for the university for the year 2022-23.

7. Industrial Consultancy:

RGUKT is making its strides in providing consultancy services. The RGUKT RK Valley is in the forefront. Till now more than Rs 30 Lakh worth of consultancy projects are completed by the Department of Civil Engineering. Currently, Rs 16 Lakh worth consultancy projects are ongoing.

S.No	Name of the Department involved	Details of the Consultant	Amount (Rs)
1	Civil Engineering	R&B Pulivendula	3,00,000
2	Civil Engineering	BVSR Construction Pvt Ltd	4,00,000
3	Civil Engineering	HBS Infra Engineering Pvt Ltd	2,50,000
4	Civil Engineering	Panchayath Raj Department, Pulivendula	2,50,000
5	Civil Engineering	Indian Railways- Guntakal and Kadapa Division	4,00,000

The sophisticated equipment available in many laboratories need to be fully utilized to undertake consultancy work for the industries. Any intellectual property developed through consultancy could be jointly shared by the industry and the University mutually. The revenues earned by each of the consultancy works are shared by the concerned faculty and the University, with the former getting a major share. Proper guidelines are being framed for the consultancy services by the faculty.

8. Faculty Resourcefulness:

- Faculty represented the University at International Conferences conducted at China, Japan and South Korea.
- · Faculty have delivered a good number of invited talks/lecturers at various reputed institutions.

9. Students Achievements:

- Special performance by students in Yoga before President and Vice-President of India on 6th April, 2019.
- · Secured medals at national and international competitions in various games and sports.
- Secured Best Innovation Award for designing and construction of a Ralley car that can travel in difficult terrain in the national competition held at Thar Desert, Rajasthan during October, 2019.
- Secured significant number of GATE scholarships for pursuing M.Tech programme.
- Achieved Civil Services Ranks and two students got inducted into All India Services.
 - I. Mr.Goppila Vidyadhari, in the Department of ECE, RK Valley campus secured 211 in 2021 UPSC ranks.
 - ii. Mr.Cheemala Shiva Gopal Reddy in the Department of Chemical Engineering, RK Valley campus secured 263 in 2020 UPSC ranks
- Many students have become successful in promoting their own Start-ups.
- Got inducted into top administrative positions in the corporate sector.
- · A team of four students from RGUKT Nuzvid campus

stood 4th place with start-up package of 10-25 lakhs in "Swadeshi Microprocessor Challenge" a National Competition conducted by Ministry of Electronics & IT, Govt. of India.

10. Innovation and Incubation:

To enhance "entrepreneurship and start-up culture" in the University, it is proposed to establish Innovation and Incubation Center in all the campuses. The Centre shall incubate the start-up ideas initiated by the faculty and students. The University will provide space and permission to utilize the facilities of the campus for this purpose.

11. Faculty Development Programmes

RGUKT is committed for training the faculty to keep them abreast of latest and emerging fields. A few of such faculty development programmes on the anvil are -

- ◆ Common to All Branches
 - · Artificial Intelligence
 - · Python Programming for Engineers (NumPy,

- Pandas, Plotting, Mathematical Equations)
- Innovative methods of Teaching and Learning -Video Recording & Editing Tools, Animation Software's, Autograding etc.
- · Machine Learning

♦ Civil Engineering

- · Advanced Remote Sensing and GIS
- · Waste Water Treatment Recycle and Reuse
- · Advanced surveying methods by using DGPS
- Training on Vissum traffic simulation software, MX Roads, Transportation software
- Numerical Methods in CFD using MATLAB and Programming languages.
- · Sustainable construction practices, Lean Construction Principles, Six Sigma in Construction
- **♦** Computer Science and Engineering
 - · Cyber Security
 - · Big Data using Hadoop
 - · Block Chain Technology
 - · Data Visualization

♦ Chemical Engineering

- · Role of Chemical Engineering in food technology
- · Carbon capture and recent advancements
- · Recent advancements in hybrid technology
- Advanced analysis characterization techniques of materials

◆ Electronics and Communication Engineering

- VLSI design: front end (Verilog, System verilog, Software's- xilinx, Rivera pro, tanner, cadence virtuoso, questa-sim, Mixed signal processingsoftware: cadence)
- Embedded systems: (ARM cortex m4 micro controller and programming in c, Software: keil)
- · Digital System Design
- System Verilog

◆ Electrical Engineering

- · Electric vehicles
- ♦ Mechanical Engineering
 - · Recent trends in Robotics
 - · 3D printing ideas to real products
 - · Solar thermal engineering for a sustainable future

- · Nano Technology
- · Non-conventional sources of energy
- · Software trainings like Pro-E, CATIA, ANSYS, Fluent.
- · Training on simulation and Design software.

◆ Metallurgical and Materials Engineering

- · Energy storage materials
- · Mechanical Characterization of Materials
- · Mechanical Properties of Polymers
- Reuse of Industrial Waste for Metallurgical Applications
- Material characterization (SEM- EBSD and EDS;
 TEM; XRD; SADP) of metallic materials.

12. Collaborations with Industry/ Government departments/Research Centers:

The University has inked MoUs with IIT Tirupati, IIT Hyderabad, IIIT Hyderabad, NIT Warangal, AIZU Japan, Korean Cultural and Technological Centre for promoting research and teaching in the University. RGUKT has collaborations with top level industries such as Effectronics, Kusalava Industries, etc for student training and placements.

13. Placements:

Placement Training has been given utmost prominence to ensure good placements for the students. CONDUIRA Education and Training Services PVT. LTD has provided a training platform portal for the registered R15 students of RK Valley campus. As a part of pre-placement training and skill enhancement programme is initiated in collaboration with APSSDC and Nandhi Foundation. Workshop are organized in two areas, one for technical training, and the other is on Employability skills training which included soft skills, communication skills, life skills and interview preparation. Microsoft in collaboration with TCS has started a Global skills initiative by providing free access to learn paths and comprehensive resources to help beneficiaries to develop skills needed for their placement.

Around 170+ companies Pan India are participate in in the recruitment drives. RGUKT has witnessed pay package of Rs.20 Lakhs per annum offered by Analog Devices, Bangalore:

Internship programme:- Jignasa:

- This internship programme of the University helped the students in sharpening, improving and strengthening their communication skills.
- Students were mentored by USA students which helped them in improving the public speaking skills, team spirit, getting exposed to USA culture through daily exchange of idea, updates and meetings.
- Students have prepared the Wikipedia profiles, biographies and Youtube videos of the selected engineers.
- CDPC at RK Valley has MOUs with the following list of companies for internships, placements, and training activities.
- 1. Great Lakes E-Learning Services Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon
- 2. Edunet Foundation, Gurgaon
- 3. Hamari Mitti Society, Hyderabad
- 4. Focus Academy for Career Enhancement, Hyderabad
- 5. Saksham Strategy Group, Hyderabad
- 6. CONDUIRA Education and Training Services Pvt. Ltd.,

Visakhapatnam

- 7. Coign Consultants Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad
- 8. Placement Season, Coimbatore
- 9. Pyramid Education & Training Solutions, Hyderabad
- 10. Andhra Pradesh Training & Placement Officers [APTPO] Consortium
- 11. Globarena, Hyderabad
- 12. Life Of Girl [LOG], Hyderabad

14. PromotingIn-House Talent:

University wishes to identify and encourage In-House talent in different fields of knowledge. As part of this initiative, faculty and students are advised to submit proposals on:

- $1. \ Web \ designing \ to \ RGUKT \ and \ its \ constituent \ units.$
- 2. Attendance management system for both faculty and students.
- 3. MIS for all maintenance cells of each of the RGUKT campuses.

In response, 7 proposals are received from faculty and students and are under evaluation for their endorsement.

15. Engagement with the Neighborhood:

The University and the neighbourhood are entwined with each other. One of the main fabrics is the National Service Scheme. The NSS Units on the campuses are very active and their dedication and efforts are visible in various activities conducted during the COVID pandemic times. Students created awareness of COVID appropriate behaviour through Poster Presentations, producing awareness Videos, Drawings, Paintings etc. Some of the awareness videos made by students of RGUKT have been uploaded on the web portal of NSS, Regional Directorate, Hyderabad.

During the lockdown, while at homes many of the students and NSS volunteers are active in their own neighbourhoods by way of donating groceries, and vegetables to the needy and also in distributing food for the Police personnel.

16. Important days (International/National) observed on the campuses:

To promote the spirit of nationalism and make the students aware of significant events, all important days are celebrated in all the four campuses of the university. The following are a few such days and events observed included -

- · International Mother Language Day
- · International Women's Day
- · World Forestry Day
- · World Poetry Day
- · World Water Day
- · Awareness Program On "Disha" Act

17. Institution of Gold Medals:

For the first time in the annals of the University, three gold medals are instituted to be awarded in this convocation.

- i. One gold medal for the topper of the batch of the University in memory of Late. Dr. Y.S. Rajasekhar Reddy, Former Chief Minster, Andhra Pradesh who was instrumental in the establishment of the University.
- ii. Dr. Raj Reddy gold medal for the topper in Computer Sciences in the name of Dr. Raj Reddy, Founder Chancellor of the University.
- iii.Smt. Kalluri Venkata Subbamma gold medal for the topper among women graduates in memory of the mother of the donor.

18. Dr. YSR Lecture Series:

It is indeed a privilege bestowed upon the Rajiv Gandhi University of Knowledge Technologies to introduce the Dr. Y S R Lecture Series, commemorating the 20th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Dr. Y.S. Rajasekhar Reddy, the 14th Chief Minister of undivided state of Andhra Pradesh, who laid a solid foundation to the upliftment of the down trodden as was evident by establishment of this University for the talented rural youth.

The founding Chancellor of RGUKT, Padma Bhushan Prof. Raj Reddy, Professor of repute in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning delivered the first of the Dr. YSR Lecture Series on "Emerging Technologies and Implications for the Future of Education". The benefactor for the Lecture Seires is Sri. Ayodhya Rami Reddy.

19. COVID Measures and protocols:

It is an extremely challenging task for any University to conduct the academic activities by ensuring safe stay of more than 25000 students during the pandemic conditions. With the support of all the stakeholders, the University was able to conduct academic activities like

conduct of terminal examinations to PUC-2 students and face-to-face academic classes. Ever since thepandemic broke out in March 2020, COVID-19 preventive measures, such as frequent sanitization, daily monitoring/recording of oxygen & temperature levels of all the students are practiced. COVID appropriate behaviour, including maintaining the physical distancing at working areas, and isolating COVID-19 suspect cases, was ensured in all campuses. The University also provided vaccination facility for staff and students staying on the campus. COVID CARE CENTERS functioned on all the four campuses not only for faculty but for local people.

20. With Gratitude:

The University heartfully expresses its deep sense of gratitude to the Government of Andhra Pradesh, especially Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri. Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy, for the augmentation of infrastructure in all the campuses. Notably for the-

- Class Room Complex, Boys and Girls Hostel blocks at RGUKT Srikakulam, Etcherla campus, Srikakulam, inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of AP.
- Statue of Dr.Y.S.R at RGUKT RK Valley campus who had

- allotted kind heartedly 500 Acres land for the establishment of RGUKT Idupulapaya campus.
- 7 Departmental buildings at RGUKT RK Valley campus, inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of AP.
- · Installation of 3 MW solar power units.
- Sanctioning of Dr.Y.S.R Multipurpose auditorium with a 2000 seating capacity at RGUKT RK Valley campus for which the foundation stone was laid by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of AP.
- Sanctioning of Centralized Computer Center at RGUKT RK Valley campus.
- Sanctioning of Centralized Computer Center at RGUKT Nuzvid campus.
- Construction of additional floors on the Class Room complex, Boys and Girls Hostel to accommodate more students at RGUKT Srikakulam campus, Etcherla.

21. Looking into the future:

The University is poised to make a mark in imparting quality technical education offered at diverse campuses and wishes to take appropriate steps to keep these institutions on the academic map of the country by resorting to the following:

- · NIRF ranking.
- · NBA and NAAC accreditation.
- Setting up of incubation centers in the emerging areas of technology
- Establishment of Entrepreneur Development Cell and creation of startup eco system
- · Introduction of Ph.D. programmes
- Creating a central training and placement unit to coordinate with the campus placement cells.
- Strengthening collaboration with AP State Skill Development Corporation and other agencies involved in training and placement.
- University to become a multi disciplinary institution of excellence and to start MS Programs in Humanities and Social Sciences such as Public Policy.
- Fill up all vacant teaching and non-teaching positions following the due procedure.

In Conclusion......

This University and its entire activities could not have been achieved without the full participation and support of all stakeholders – the Central and State Governments, our faculty, students and staff; agencies and industries; professionals from other organizations and our alumni. The University is ever grateful to the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh for its continued and sustained encouragement and support. Before I conclude, I once again congratulate all the graduands, awardees and medal winners and wish

all happiness, professional and successes towards

achieving leadership in their chosen areas and fulfilment

saṃgacchadhwaṃsaṃvadadhwaṃ saṃvomanāṃsijānatām – Rig Veda

"Let us Walk Together Let us Talk Together Let us Think Together"

in their lives.

I REMAIN THANK YOU ALL!