

FUTURE PLANS

It is the earnest hope of the Forum that the Government will find ways and means to utilize its services to usher in the planned development of Higher Education in the State to Global Standards. FVCK has plans to organize series of seminars, workshops, training programs and outreach activities for the benefit of educational institutions particularly students, teachers and researchers. Besides, FVCK is willing to assist institutions to enable them to become centers of excellence and guide them in the process of evaluation, assessment and accreditation. Public and private institutions can avail the services of FVCK in capacity building and improving the quality of education.



LOCATION AND CONTACT

The office of the FVCK is located in the Central College campus in a building provided by the Bangalore University. The contact details of FVCK are as under:

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**FORUM OF FORMER
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KARNATAKA STATE UNIVERSITIES**

Inspired by a motivation to “give back to society” FVCK seeks to address societal concerns and works towards improving the access and quality of higher education.



GENESIS

The Forum of Former Vice Chancellors of Karnataka State Universities, popularly known as FVCK, is established on 18th July 2008, as a registered society. FVCK, founded by a group of visionary former Vice Chancellors, is the first entity of its kind in the country

OBJECTIVES

The main objective of FVCK is to serve the cause of better education in Karnataka state, particularly to improve access for the aspiring youth to pursue higher education, ensure equity and relevance and suggest ways and means to improve the quality of education and service of the educational institutions to achieve higher performance in teaching, research, extension and outreach programs, on par with global standards, by functioning as a **THINK TANK**. The forum works towards

sensitizing people with regard to the importance of education in the all-round development of the Nation. FVCK aims at human resource development - empowering the youth with the right knowledge and skills, to transform them as responsible citizens. The forum emphasizes nurturing the youth as self-motivated professionals contributing to the growth of economy, inculcation of social values and culture, as also maintaining inclusiveness and equity.

MEMBERS

The membership of FVCK is open to all the former Vice Chancellors of Karnataka State Universities. The members, apparently, have long and distinguished career behind them and have served as leaders in their respective academic fields. The members bring in core competencies in diverse fields of education and research, including agriculture, biological sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, veterinary sciences, humanities, law, engineering and technology, medical sciences and distance-education. Their knowledge, experience and concern for the society constitute the essential resources of the forum.

ACTIVITIES

FVCK has been addressing the contemporary issues associated with higher education by conducting seminars, conferences, workshops and initiating dialogue with the active involvement of stakeholders of education since its inception. For instance, seminars on the functioning of autonomous colleges, private Universities, importance of genetically modified crops/foods and value chains have been well received. The Forum has also initiated research projects, one related to the growth of Higher Education in Karnataka State, funded by Mysore University, is under progress. The Government of Karnataka has provided seed money to undertake various activities.

The cherished goal of FVCK is to “give back to the society” by strengthening the hands of the State Governments and institutions imparting higher education in their efforts to improve the quality, access, equity and relevance of education, be it in public or private sector.

