

## Kannada Sangha CHRIST (DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)

### Kavidina Report 2020

On the occasion of poet Da.Ra. Bendre's 124<sup>th</sup> birthday in the name of **KAVIDINA**, on 31 January 2020 at 802, Syndicate Room, Central Campus, Christ University, Bangalore; Christ University Kannada Sangha published and released three books namely *Vachana- Nirvachana*, a collection of select critical articles on Akkamahadevi written by Dr. Kavitha Rai, *Nadige Toreda Baduku*, a collection of select poems and *A.Na.Kru. Katha sparde -11*, a collection of selected short stories- both the books written by college students across the Nation. Eminent poet Prof. S G Siddaramaiah was the Chief Guest for the function and writer Shri Manjunath reviewed the book *Vachana- Nirvachana*.

Writer Dr. Manjunath appreciated the book *Vachana –Nirvachana* and told that it is a rare and unique book for the Kannada literary world. This book is not only a critical book, but it also has a quality of research writing. When you read this book you will come to know how to read this book with distinguished differences, interpretation and impact of the same. He quoted from Dr, Basavaraj Kalgudi that '**criticism is the step stone for the research**'. The reader could find the different interpretation made by men and women writers as well as old and new writers (1943- 2011). He mentioned Keerthinatha Kurtukoti, Giraddi Govindaraj, Padma Shekar, Veena Bannanje and many more writers' articles from this book. He suggested the audience to read the same. He mentioned Kannada Sangha has contributed many Poets, Writers and Journalists to the Kannada world.

The Editor of *Vachana- Nirvachana*, Dr. Kavitha Rai spoke about Vachanakarti Akkamahadevi is the first poetess of Kannada and she protested the imperialism and male domination. She quoted many vachanas of her connected to the same.

The Chief Guest for the day Prof. S G Siddaramaiah remembered and appreciated society oriented perception of Kannada Sangha. Through this literary competitions many poets and short story writers have got recognition and contributing both Kannada literature and society as well. D.R.Bendre as a poet, dramatist and critic, has contributed a lot to the Kannada literature. Bendre considered poetry as a contemplation. He introduced many variety of Kannada in his poetry and only he can use the variety of Kannada language. After *Navodaya* A.N Krishna Rao and Triveni had brought the changes in Kannada literature reading style and increased the reading habits of Kannada people. Akkamahadevi was an astonished poetess. If you want to know the philosophy of the Vachanakaraas, Vachanas are the basic and important source than other sources of the Kannada literature.

The Registrar of Christ University, Dr. Anil Joseph Pinto presided over the, function. He suggested Kannada Sangha to bring the books from other disciplines like architecture and linguistics. He requested to the audience to think in which direction Kannada Sangha has to take for the 50th year celebration. Kannada Sangha must not only publish books but also should bring innovation through many new programmes and evolve to build the new Ideology, which will help to build the new society.

So far Kannada Sangha has published 253 Books.

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