

## Message from the Chief Mentor

A warm welcome to all the newly admitted students of Dr. HN National College of Engineering (Dr.HNNCE) and it is my delight to write this message to them. I know that the students hail from local, regional, national and even international, both near and far-off places. A very hearty, cordial and a warm welcome to the auspicious portals of Dr. HNNCE where they would stay, study and succeed both in life and careers.

Established as an affiliate of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) - Belagavi, Dr. HNNCE offers BE in Computer Science & Engineering, BE in Information Science & Engineering, BE in Artificial Intelligence & Data Science, BE in Electronics & Communication Engineering, Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Master of Computer Applications (MCA). Dr. HNNCE is aware that most of the students had to move away from their families, native places and stay here at Bengaluru with the sole pursuit of seeking education and knowledge. The institute will ensure the newly joined students to feel that they have just joined an extended family with teachers, seniors and peers as the other members of that extended family providing necessary guidance, support and help to make them as the worthy professionals in their chosen programmes of study. Dr. HNNCE intends to fructify the dreams of the parents as well as aspirations of these students in life and career.

The new entrants need to know that Dr. HNNCE is a part of National Education Society of Karnataka (NES) which has:

- a) a legacy of 107 years in education sector;
- b) an excellent transport connectivity being located in Jayanagar;
- c) world class infrastructure facilities that facilitates studies with comfort;
- d) experienced and well-qualified faculty graduated from premier institutes / universities who would teach, mentor, guide and impart knowledge;
- e) a history of accomplished Alumni who support and share their experiences;
- f) received requisite approvals / recognitions from regulatory authorities such as All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) New Delhi, Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) Belagavi and Government of Karnataka (GOK); and
- g) locational advantage of Bengaluru (being the Education, Aerospace and startup hub of India), the Silicon Valley of India with a modern outlook and adequate Infrastructure, offering an ecosystem promoting Creativity, Excellence, and Innovation across streams.

The freshers are also requested to note that Dr. HNNCE, always, believes in adopting reforms with dynamism and resilience to meet the global standards of education. The institute is very happy to inform that it ensures that the certified graduates possess higher order cognitive skills to profess communication, collaboration, critical thinking, creativity and problem-solving abilities. Dr.HNNCE encourages an active interaction between faculty and students on the campus by fostering a good learning environment through several activities such as conferences, competitions, workshops, expert lectures, and seminars at the campus. Faculty, along with their students, have been able to publish high quality research papers in conferences

and journals of repute. Organizing extra-curricular activities like several sports and cultural activities in the campus paves a strong path for enhancement of holistic development of students in terms of physical, mental and intellectual growth.

Again, extending a warm welcome to all the new students that Dr. HNNCE will help students to pursue their objectives of life under the varied social, cultural and economic environment so that everyone concerned will feel proud of the accomplishments / attainments of students.

Wish you all the very best to the new entrants in their educational journey at Dr. HNNCE.

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## **Formerly**

Chairman, Board for IT Education Standards (BITES) - GOK;

Member, Karnataka State Higher Education Council (KSHEC);

Faculty of Electrical & Electronics Engineering, MCE, Hassan;

Founder Principal/Director of East West Institute of Technology;

Principal/Director of PES Institute of Technology;

Vice-Chancellor, PES University, Bengaluru;

Vice-Chancellor, Dayananda Sagar University, Bengaluru

Prof K.N. Balasubramanya Murthy (commonly referred to as KNB) is currently the Chief Advisor to Cambridge Institute of Technology, Bengaluru (since March 2024) and Chief Mentor to Dr. HN National College of Engineering (Since June 2024). He holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Power Engineering from Malnad College of Engineering then affiliated with the University of Mysore (1980), a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering from Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (1986) and a Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology - Madras, Chennai (1996). He worked as a research specialist in Parallel Computing at New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, USA between August 1998 and January 1999 on sabbatical from MCE-Hassan.

Formerly, KNB was the Vice-Chancellor of Dayananda Sagar University (DSU), Bengaluru as well as Vice-Chancellor of PES University and Director / Principal of PES Institute of Technology (PESIT), Bengaluru. He worked at East West Institute of Technology, Bengaluru as its Founder Director / Principal and a faculty at Malnad College of Engineering. For short periods, he worked as a faculty at SIT-Tumkur as well as JMIT-Chitradurga, as Member Technical - Grade I at Analytix Systems Private Limited and as a Software Architect at Lisle Technology Partners (India) Private Limited.

He authored more than 100 research papers in reputed journals as well as conferences and a book published by John Wiley. He has supervised 6 research scholars towards their PhD and secured funded research projects apart from filing a few patents.

He was a former member of Karnataka State Higher Education Council (KSHEC), the former Chairman of the Board for IT Education Standards (BITES) - Government of Karnataka (As the Chairman of BITES during June 2017 to June 2022, organized 367 activities in 260

weeks during June 2017 to June 2022 i.e., 5 year term to reach out to about 29204 participants, in the form of students and faculty as well as industry professionals, at an average participation of about 79.57), the former Chairman of Ranganathan Centre for Information Studies (RCIS), Former Academic Senate Member of IIIT-Dharwad, Former Ombudsman at IIIT-Bengaluru, Former Academic Advisory Board (or Governing Council) member of East West Institute of Technology, KS Group of Institutions, Don Bosco Group of Institutions and Cambridge Group of Institutions. He has also served as a member of several academic committees of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) - Belgaum, Academic Council member of VelTech University-Chennai, and BOG member of Sandeep University-Nashik. He has been a recognized NAAC assessor and headed several Peer Team Visits (PTVs). He has an overall experience of more than 40 years across teaching, training, research, administration and industry.

## He is a recipient of

- "Mathematical Sciences: Who's Who" as a mathematical Scientist published by Academic Forum of Taru Publications and edited by Prof. B.K.Dass, Department of Mathematics, University of Delhi in 2004 (page # 9);
- "CM Nagaraj Memorial Award 2018" for immense contributions to the higher education sector instituted by East West Group of Institutions;
- "Special Mention of the Jury" Award for supervising a PhD thesis in Computer Science and Engineering of his student **Dr. Shreekanth Prabhu** selected for the award in the year 2019 by the Board for IT Education Standards (BITES) presented on February 22, 2021;
- "Citation of Honor" for outstanding contributions to education and research by ISTE RVCE chapter presented on March 04, 2021;
- "Sadana Shrestaru" by Malnad Alumni Association, Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan on November 05, 2022; and
- "Fellowship of Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA)" for the year 2022.