

Learning Events Open to the General Public: 2024–25

Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) regularly organizes educational, health, wellness, and knowledge-sharing events that are open to the general public. These initiatives provide opportunities for community engagement, public awareness, and lifelong learning. During the reporting period, the University hosted several such events, including the Golden Book of World Records Marathon Yoga Teaching and ICON YOUTH 2025 International Conference, which provided platforms for public participation, learning, and knowledge exchange.

1. Golden Book of World Records Marathon Yoga Teaching

As part of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of Yenepoya Medical College, a constituent unit of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) organized the Golden Book of World Records Marathon Yoga Teaching on 22–23 July 2024 at the Yendurance Zone, Deralakatte, Mangaluru.

The programme provided 25 hours of continuous yoga instruction led by Yoga Guru N. Kushalappa Gowda. More than 3,600 participants took part across 17 batches, including 2,693 healthcare professionals in a single session. The programme received two recognitions in the Golden Book of World Records.

The event was open to the public and promoted health, wellness, and community participation. Participants received yoga training, refreshments, educational materials, wellness kits, and certificates. 100% of the registration proceeds were donated to the Mugeradka Government School Charitable Trust, Mogru, Belthangady, to support infrastructure development for rural education.

Supporting documents:

Annexure 1: Event Brochure, Newspaper/Media Coverage of the event and World Record Certificates

2. ICON YOUTH 2025 International Conference

Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) hosted an international conference themed *“Envisioning India’s Future: Youth as Change Makers.”* The conference was held at the Yendurance Zone, Yenepoya University, Mangaluru, and was open to the general public through online registration. The conference was organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.

The conference attracted 650+ external participants from 20 Indian states and 5 countries. The programme featured 18 expert speakers and 4 moderators, with sessions addressing key themes including Youth Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Women at the Heart of Development, Space Research and Youth Involvement, Empowering Youth for a Sustainable Future, Youth Power for a Developed India, Youth in the Digital Era, and Youth as Catalysts for Community Transformation.

An Ideathon Poster featuring 145 innovations related to public health, wellness, and technology was also organized. Registration was free of charge, supporting wider public access to the educational programme.

Supporting Evidence:

- **Annexure 2:** Event Report and Newspaper/Media Coverage of ICON YOUTH 2025

Annexure 1



YENEPOYA
MEDICAL COLLEGE



SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION
Golden Book of World Record Attempt
INAUGURATION OF
MARATHON YOGA TEACHING

**One
Teacher**

**25
hours**

17 Batches
1½ Hr. Yoga Training

**4000+
Participants**



**Yendurance Zone,
Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Deralakatte.**



July 22nd (Mon) 2024 | 8.30am to 9.00am

Flag off by

Dr. K.S. Gangadhara Somayaji

Registrar

Yenepoya (Deemed to be University)

Chief Guest

Prof (Dr) U T Ifthikar Ali

Syndicate member of RGUHS Sciences, Karnataka

Guest of Honour

Dr. K. Krishna Sharma

Professor

Dept. of Human Consciousness and Yogic Science
Mangalore University

Best wishes

Dr. Prakash Saldanha
Vice Principal
Yenepoya Medical College

Dr. Abhay Nirgude
Dean, Faculty of Medicine
Yenepoya Medical College

Dr. M S Moosabba
Principal
Yenepoya Medical College

The Hindu 07-09-2024

World record for the longest yoga session

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU

The Golden Book of World Records adjudged the recent 25-hour-long yoga session by yoga teacher Kushalappa Gowda as the world record for the longest yoga lesson. It has also adjudged this session as the world record for participation of a maximum number of healthcare professionals in yoga session.

Mr. Gowda conducted the marathon yoga session on the campus of Yene-

poya (Deemed to be University) to mark the silver jubilee celebration of Yenepoya Medical College. The marathon started at 9 a.m. on July 22 and ended at 10 a.m. on July 23. As many as 2693 healthcare professionals participated in the yoga session held for 17 batches. The certificate for the longest yoga session was awarded to Mr. Gowda, while the certificate for maximum participation of healthcare professionals was given to Yenepoya Medical College.

GOLDEN BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS



Certificate of Excellence

MOST HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS ATTENDING YOGA SESSION

The World Record "most health care professionals attending yoga session" has been achieved by **Yenepoya Medical College** from Mangalore, Karnataka, India.

During Jul 22-23, 2024; Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Three (2693) healthcare professionals attended the yoga session conducted by Mr. Kushalappa Gowda at Yenepoya deemed to be university campus.

The program has been organized during Silver Jubilee celebration of YMC.



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Certificate of Excellence

LONGEST YOGA LESSON

The World Record "longest yoga lesson" has been achieved by **Kushalappa Gowda** from Mangalore, Karnataka, India.

During Jul 22-23, 2024; Mr. Gowda conducted the yoga lesson for Twenty Five hours Four minutes Thirty Eight seconds (25H:04M:38S).

The program has been organized during Silver Jubilee celebration of Yenepoya Medical College.



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Annexure 2



**ICON YOUTH 2025
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ENVISIONING INDIA'S FUTURE: YOUTH AS CHANGEMAKERS**

May 15th and May 16th, 2025
Yendurance Zone
Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Deralakatte
Mangalore, Karnataka

ORGANISED BY
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
IN COLLABORATION WITH
YENEPOYA (DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)

Participation: The ICON YOUTH 2025 event was held at Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) from 15th to 16th May 2025. It was attended by foreign participants and speakers from countries. The countries included: Lebera, Nepal, Russia, Srilanka, Benin, Cameroun, Thailand, Chadian, Sudan, UAE, Ivory coast, Nigeria, Tibetan, South Sudan.

It was attended by approximate 20 states participants and speakers. Pre-Event Activities: 500 participation in run-up events including students and faculty members from approximately 70 colleges and schools participated in pre-event ice breaking session poster competitions. These discussions generated a great deal of interest and were widely covered in the local media.

Day One(13thMay):

A press brief was held at Pathrika Bhavan at Ladyhill Mangalore. Dr. Ashwini S Shetty organizing secretary ICON YOUTH 20205 and Dr. Mohammed Guthigar Convenor of Press and Media committee Dr. Nagaraj Mangalore city attended the press meet.



Figure1:(L-R)Dr Guthigar Convenor Press and media Icon youth 2025 Dr Nagaraj Shet Assistant Medical Superintendent, Dr Ashwini Shetty Director ,Directorate of extension and outreach Yenepoya University

ICON YOUTH 2025 International Conference started with an Ice-Breaker Session at Yendurance Zone, Yenepoya University Campus by Dr Ashwini S Shetty Director Extension and Outreach and organizing secretary ICON YOUTH2025

DAY 1 Preconference (14TH May): The Inaugural sessions on event day 1 at Yendurance Zone Yenepoya (Deemed to be University).

Address by the Minister for Youth affairs and Sports Govt of India:



Figure 2:

Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India emphasized the importance of harnessing youth energy for national development, conservation of natural resources, and the realization of sustainable development goals. He highlighted the pivotal role of science and technology in creating lasting solutions to challenges faced by the youth, contributing significantly to the vision of a Viksit Bharat (Developed India).



Figure 3:

Shri Nitesh Kumar Mishra, (ICAS 1995) Joint Secretary (Youth Affairs) & Chief Vigilance Officer, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education(LNIPE) passionately emphasized the pivotal role of youth as the torchbearers of tomorrow, highlighting their immense potential to shape the future of society. He advocated for the creation of meaningful platforms and opportunities that would foster their intellectual growth, broaden their exposure to diverse global perspectives, and provide hands-on experiences that cultivate leadership, innovation, and social responsibility. According to him, empowering young people through education, mentorship, and active participation in nation-building activities is essential for driving sustainable societal transformation and ensuring a more equitable and progressive world."



Figure 4:

Smt. Sarah Jayal Sawkmie, Director (Administration, IC,e-Gov, General, CR,) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, in her address, lauded Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) for hosting this significant conference. She emphasized the conferences role in exploring youth perspectives to achieve inclusive and sustainable development, providing a platform for cultural exchange and skill development.



Figure 5:

"Dr. M. Vijaya Kumar, Vice Chancellor of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), delivered the keynote address, setting the tone for the conference with his insightful remarks. He emphasized the importance of youth engagement and collaborative dialogue in addressing contemporary challenges. Dr. Vijayakumar urged all participants to actively contribute to the discussions, share innovative ideas, and make the most of this platform to foster meaningful change and interdisciplinary learning. His inspiring words laid a strong foundation for the sessions that followed, highlighting the role of academic institutions in nurturing leadership and social responsibility."



FIGURE 6:

"Dr. Yenepoya Abdulla Kunhi, Chancellor of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), in his presidential address, inspired the youth participants to make the most of this platform as a transformative learning experience. He emphasized the value of such gatherings in fostering critical thinking, ethical leadership, and a sense of social responsibility. Dr. Kunhi encouraged the delegates to actively engage in the sessions, broaden their perspectives, and use the insights gained to shape themselves into empowered individuals capable of driving positive change in society. His remarks resonated deeply, reinforcing the significance of education not just for personal advancement, but for the greater good of the nation."



Figure 7: Inauguration of the ICON YOUTH 2025

Dr. Gangadhara Somayaji, Registrar of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), welcomed the gathering and introduced the guests. Dr. Ashwini D. Shetty, Organizing Secretary, proposed a vote of thanks. The program was compered by Ms. Shifali and Ms. Priya Menezes.

The conference witnessed the participation of 650 youth delegates, resource persons, and panelists from 20 Indian states and five countries, including Nigeria, Nepal, and Tibet. Eighteen speakers and four moderators from countries such as Sri Lanka, Russia, Nigeria and Thailand are contributing to the event. Key themes include youth entrepreneurship, innovation, gender development, space research, sustainability, and digital engagement.

ICON YOUTH 2025 aspires to serve as a transformative platform, connecting young minds with entrepreneurs, achievers, and policymakers, thereby empowering them to be catalysts for change in building a developed India.

Event Day 1- 15.05.2025

Session 1- Youth Entrepreneurship: Opportunities for Indian Startups"

Speaker: Gurdit Singh Vohra



Figure 8: Youth Entrepreneurship: Opportunities for Indian Startups"
Speaker: GURDIT SINGH VOHRA

The session titled *"Youth Entrepreneurship: Opportunities for Indian Startups,"* Mr. Gurdit Singh Vohra emphasized the critical role of young innovators in shaping India's startup ecosystem. He highlighted the supportive policy landscape through initiatives like *Startup India* and stressed the need to bridge academia, government, and industry to foster entrepreneurial growth. He underscored the importance of integrating entrepreneurship into education, improving access to funding and mentorship, and promoting tech-driven,

socially conscious ventures. Encouraging youth to act as changemakers, he advocated for leveraging digital technologies to address local and global challenges, positioning young entrepreneurs as key drivers of India's innovation-led future.

Session 2- “Empowering Youth for a Sustainable Future” Speaker: EKATERINA ZHUKOVSKAIA

The session titled “*Empowering Youth for a Sustainable Future*,” Ekaterina Zhukovskaia highlighted the vital role of young people in advancing global sustainability goals. Drawing from her experience with Rosatom and international collaborations, she emphasized the importance of equipping youth with knowledge, cross-border opportunities, and leadership roles in the green energy transition. She stressed that sustainability is not only an environmental concern but also a social and economic responsibility, urging young leaders to actively participate in policy, innovation, and community-based solutions.

Her talk called for global partnerships and youth-driven action to build a more resilient and sustainable future.



Figure 9: Ekaterina Zhukovskaia, Head of International affairs, ANO “Energy for development” of the State Corporation Rosatom, Russia

Panel Discussion 1

A diverse panel of experts to explore the multifaceted role of youth in social innovation, leadership and sustainable development. Moderated by Nabarun Barooah, Divya Lakshmi S, Thanmaya Prakash, and Mayank Seshadri Chari, the session featured insights from Pasindu Guneratne on youth engagement in governance and policymaking in Sri Lanka; Sergey Tushev emphasized environmental entrepreneurship through grassroots eco-initiatives in Russia; Dhishan Rajshekhar discussed the intersection of policy, consulting, and youth mentorship; Sharan Setty highlighted the power of storytelling and media in youth advocacy; and Dr. George Tersenov shed light on youth involvement in global health and bioethics. The session underscored the need for cross-sector collaboration and empowered youth participation in addressing contemporary global challenges.



Figure10:(L-R)

Moderators: NABAARUN BAROOAH, Author, DIVYA LAKSHMI S Public policy analyst, THANMAYA PRAKASH, Founder at Kannada Guru, Communication Specialist, MAYANK SESHADRI CHARI Tech & Public Policy Analyst, **Panelist:** PASINDU GUNERATNE Former Chairman/ Director General of National Youth Services Council of Sri Lanka Director General of Youth Services of Government of Sri Lanka, SERGEY TUSHEV Co-founder, and Director of Development of the eco-center "Sborka" Social entrepreneur, Russia, DHISHAN RAJSHEKHAR Perplexity Business Fellow | Mentor - Ministry of Youth Affairs, GoI | Adjunct Professor @ MCC | Management Grad @ Imperial | Policy, Consulting & Geopolitics SHARAN SETTY Journalist, Author and Documentary Film maker Bangalore, Karnataka, Dr. GEORGE TERSENOV M.D. (abdominal surgeon), Assistant professor of the Department of Medical Deontology with UNESCO Bioethics Network Section (Tyumen State Medical University), G20 Youth Summit delegate on 'Health, Wellbeing and Sports' track

Panel Discussion 2

It was moderated by Nabarun Barooah and Divya Lakshmi S, focused on the evolving landscape of youth engagement in policy, innovation, and international development. CA Anwesh Shetty highlighted the importance of financial literacy and regulatory awareness among young entrepreneurs. Ekaterina Zhukovskaia discussed the role of youth in global energy cooperation and sustainability initiatives. Antariksh Parichha inspired with his entrepreneurial journey in space technology, encouraging youth to explore frontier innovations. Dr. Bashir Sa'ad Ibrahim emphasized the significance of youth-driven governance and political inclusion in Africa. Jarinya Krittikan shared impactful models of youth volunteerism and civic engagement from Thailand. The session emphasized the value of interdisciplinary leadership and cross-cultural collaboration in empowering youth as global change agents.



Figure11:(L-R)

Nabaarun barooah, Author **Divya lakshmi s** Public policy analyst
Panelist: C A Anwesh Shetty TAX, Financial Accounting and Financial Analyses, Mangalore, **Gurdit Singh Vohra** Building GMoney | ViceChair—Partnerships & Resources at CYC
Ekaterina Zhukovskaia Head of International affairs, ANO “Energy for development” of the State Corporation Rosatom, Russia **Sharan Setty** Journalist, Author and Documentary Film maker

Event Day 2- 16.05.2025

Session 1- "Opportunities for Youth in Space Research and Innovation"

Speaker: ANTARIKSH PARICHHA

In the session titled *"Opportunities for Youth in Space Research and Innovation,"* Antariksh Parichha, Co-founder and CEO of Serendipity Space, highlighted the vast potential for young minds in India's growing space sector. He discussed the democratization of space technology, emphasizing how startups and academic institutions can now actively contribute to satellite development, data analytics, and space exploration. He encouraged youth to pursue interdisciplinary learning, combining engineering, science, and entrepreneurship, and stressed the importance of fostering innovation through incubation hubs and government-backed space initiatives. His talk served as an inspiring call for youth to engage in space research as both scientists and innovators shaping the future of aerospace in India.



Figure 12:

"Opportunities for Youth in Space Research and Innovation" Speaker: Antariksh Parichha, Co-founder & CEO of Serendipity Space

Session 2- “Empowering Youth for Viksit Bharat: Innovation, Leadership, and Nation-Building” Speaker: PASINDU GUNERATNE

In the session “*Empowering Youth for Viksit Bharat: Innovation, Leadership, and Nation-Building*,” Pasindu Guneratne emphasized the transformative role of youth in shaping a progressive and self-reliant India. Drawing from his leadership experience in Sri Lanka’s youth services, he highlighted the importance of fostering innovation, civic responsibility, and inclusive leadership among young citizens. He advocated for cross-border knowledge exchange, skill development, and policy support to empower youth as architects of national growth. He addressed that with the right opportunities and mindset, the youth can drive sustainable development and be pivotal in realizing the vision of a developed, future-ready Bharat.



Figure13: “Empowering Youth for Viksit Bharat: Innovation, Leadership, and Nation-Building” Speaker: PASINDU GUNERATNE

Session 3- "Youth in the Digital Age: Driving Innovation, Leadership, and Transformation" Speaker: Dr. BASHIR SA'AD IBRAHIM

In the session *"Youth in the Digital Age: Driving Innovation, Leadership, and Transformation,"* Dr. Bashir Sa'ad Ibrahim highlighted how digital technology has become a powerful catalyst for youth empowerment and societal change. He emphasized that the digital era offers unprecedented opportunities for innovation, global connectivity, and leadership development among young people. He stressed the need for digital literacy, ethical use of technology, and inclusive access to digital tools to ensure no youth is left behind. He encouraged youth to harness digital platforms for social impact, entrepreneurship, and governance, positioning them as key drivers of transformation in an increasingly interconnected world.



Figure 14: "Youth in the Digital Age: Driving Innovation, Leadership, and Transformation" Speaker: Dr. BASHIR SA'AD IBRAHIM

Session 4- "Youth as Catalysts: Driving Community Development Forward" Speaker: PASCAL SASIL FERNANDO R

In the session *"Youth as Catalysts: Driving Community Development Forward,"* Pascal Sasil Fernando R emphasized the pivotal role of young people in spearheading grassroots change and community empowerment. Drawing from his experience as a political and public policy consultant, he highlighted how youth activism, civic engagement, and social entrepreneurship can address local challenges and foster inclusive development. He underscored the importance of building leadership skills, nurturing collaboration, and creating platforms that amplify youth voices to drive sustainable community transformation and strengthen democratic participation at all levels.



Figure 15: "Youth as Catalysts: Driving Community Development Forward" Speaker: PASCAL SASIL FERNANDO R

Panel discussion 3-

In the panel discussion, moderated by Thanmaya Prakash and Mayank Seshadri Chari, the conversation focused on the intersection of technology, mindfulness, and youth-led social innovation. Gurdit Singh Vohra shared insights on building partnerships to support youth entrepreneurship, while Sourabh Sindhe highlighted the role of meditation and mental wellness in empowering young leaders. Vijay Raghav Varada discussed leveraging advanced technologies like 3D printing to solve complex problems, inspiring innovation among youth. Pascal Sasil Fernando emphasized youth activism and public policy engagement as crucial tools for driving social change. Together, the panelists underscored the diverse pathways through which young people can contribute to a more mindful, innovative, and socially responsible future.



Panel Discussion 2

Thanmaya Prakash, Founder At Kannada Guru, Communication Specialist, Mayank Seshadri Chari Tech & Public Policy Analyst, Sourabh Sindhe, Founder OMG | Heartfulness Meditation Trainer Antariksh Parichha, Co-founder & CEO of Serendipity Space Dr. Bashir Sa'ad Ibrahim, MCIARN, MCICN, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Federal University Dutse, Nigeria Pascal R Advocate | Social Activist

Valedictory Programme-ICON YOUTH 2025



VALEDICTORY FUNCTION ICON YOUTH 2025

International Conference on "Envisioning India's Future: Youth as Changemakers" Organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India in Collaboration with Yenepoya (Deemed to be University)
Date: 16th May 2025 | Time: 5:00 PM Venue: Yendurance Zone, Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangalore, Karnataka.

The Valedictory Function **of** ICON YOUTH 2025, a two-day international conference titled "*Envisioning India's Future: Youth as Changemakers*", was held on 16th May 2025 at 5:00 PM **at** Yendurance Zone, Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangalore. The event was jointly organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India **and** Yenepoya (Deemed to be University).

The ceremony commenced with the escorting of dignitaries to the dais, followed by a soulful **invocation**, creating a reflective and respectful ambiance. The **welcome address** was delivered by the organizing committee, **followed by a concise** presentation of the conference report, summarizing the key sessions, youth engagements, and outcomes of the two-day event.

The Chief Guest, Shri Randeep D, IAS, Secretary, Youth Empowerment and Sports, Government of Karnataka, in his address, lauded the vision and execution of ICON YOUTH 2025 and emphasized the importance of fostering leadership qualities, innovation, and civic engagement among youth for India's development.

Guest of Honour Addresses

The audience was enriched by insightful messages from the distinguished Guests of Honour:

Shri Chetan R, IPS, Commissioner of Youth Empowerment and Sports, who highlighted the role of youth in inclusive governance and the need for sustained mentorship.

Dr. Prathap Lingaiah, State NSS Officer, Karnataka, who shared his vision for expanding youth volunteerism through NSS platforms.

Dr. D. Carthiguene, Regional Director, NSS, Bangalore, who appreciated the contribution of NSS and youth organizations in aligning with national priorities. Mr. Madhish Parikh, Founding Director, BRICS Youth Alliance, delivered a motivational talk focusing on global youth collaboration, SDG-driven innovation, and India's leadership role in international youth forums.

The winners of the Poster Presentation Competition **were felicitated with** certificates and prizes, encouraging academic excellence and creative expression among youth participants.

All dignitaries and key contributors were honoured with **mementoes** as a token of gratitude and recognition for their valuable participation and support.

Presidential Address

Dr. M. Vijaya Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) and Organising Chairman - ICON YOUTH 2025, delivered the **presidential address**, highlighting the collaborative spirit of the conference and its impact in inspiring the next generation of changemakers.

The **Vote of Thanks** was proposed by **Dr. Ashwini S. Shetty, Director, Directorate of Extension and Outreach Activities, and Organising Secretary - ICON YOUTH 2025**, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Ministry of Youth Affairs, university authorities, all dignitaries, organizing teams, participants, and volunteers.

Conclusion

The program concluded with the rendition of the **National Anthem**, marking the end of a highly successful and transformative conference that brought together youth leaders, academicians, policy-makers, and changemakers from across the nation and beyond.



POSTER PRESENTATION

Student Interaction with the Panelists and Resource Persons



Cultural Gala followed by the dinner

The final evening was a celebration of youth solidarity, with performances representing Karnataka's folk traditions, African tribal beats, Russian folk dance, and South Indian classical forms. Delegates departed with a renewed commitment to collaborative change-making.



ICON YOUTH 2025- COVERAGES

ONLINE COVERAGES

Publication Name	Headline
Times of India	Icon youth conference to unite young leaders from India and abroad
	Science and Technology Empowering Youth for National Development
V4 News	Yenepoya (Deemed to be University)ICON YOUTH 2025 International Youth Conference Closing Ceremony
	Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) ICON YOUTH 2025 International Youth Conference
	Press meet
Abhimatha	ಅಂತರರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನದ ಲಾಭ ಯುವಜನರಿಗೆ ಸಿಗಲಿ - ರಂದೀಪ್, ಐಎಎಸ್
Abakka	Yenepoya(Deemed To Be University)-International Conference ICON YOUTH 2025
Mangalorean	Yenepoya University Announces ICON YOUTH 2025, a Landmark International Youth Conference
	International Conference 'ICON YOUTH 2025' Inaugurated at Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangaluru
	'ICON Youth 2025' Concludes with Focus on Global Youth Empowerment
Daiji world	Mangaluru: Yenepoya University to host 'Icon Youth 2025' on May 15, 16
	Valedictory ceremony of international conference 'Icon Youth 2025' held at Yenepoya
News Karnataka	Icon Youth 2025 to Unite Global Youth for Innovation, Leadership, and a Viksit Bharat
Vartha bharathi	ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಮೇ 15, 16ರಂದು ಯೆನೆಪೋಯದಿಂದ 'ಐಕಾನ್ ಯೂತ್- 2025' ಯುವ ಸಮಾವೇಶ : ದೇಶ- ವಿದೇಶಗಳ ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಗಳು ಭಾಗಿ

NEWSPAPER COVERAGE

Youth energy needs to be harnessed for national development: Mandaviya

2-day international conference Icon Youth 2025 at Yenepoya

MANGALURU, DHNS

A total of 650 youth delegates, resource persons, panelists from 20 Indian states and five countries, including Nigeria, Nepal and Tibet, are taking part in the two-day international conference, Icon Youth 2025, organised at Yendurance Zone in Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) campus on Thursday.

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports Dr Mansukh Mandaviya virtually inaugurated the conference on the theme, 'Envisioning India's Future: Youth as Change Makers'. He emphasised the importance of harnessing youth energy for national development, conservation of natural resources and the realisation of sustainable development goals.

He highlighted the pivotal role of science and technology in creating lasting solutions to challenges faced by the youth, contributing significantly to the vision of a 'Viksit Bharat' (Developed India).

Youth Affairs and Chief Vigilance Officer, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Joint Secretary Nitesh Kumar Mishra underscored the crucial role of youth as future leaders, advocating for opportunities that enhance their knowledge, exposure, and experience to drive societal change.

International Cooperation, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Director Sara Jyl Salmi emphasised the conference's role in exploring youth perspectives to achieve inclusive and sustainable development, providing a platform for cul-



Chancellor of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Dr Yenepoya Abdulla Kunhi addresses the gathering during the two-day international conference, Icon Youth 2025, inaugurated at Yendurance Zone in Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) campus on Thursday.

tural exchange and skill development.

Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Vice-Chancellor Dr M Vijaya Kumar, in his keynote address, encouraged active participation in the conference deliberations.

Chancellor of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Dr Yenepoya Abdulla Kunhi

presiding over the programme urged youth participants to seize this opportunity for knowledge acquisition and personal development to emerge as future societal leaders.

Founding Director, BRICKS Youth Alliance Karthikeyan Madheesh Parikh and State NSS Officer Dr Prathap Lin-

gaiah, among others, will be present.

Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Registrar Dr Gangadhar Somayaji welcomed the gathering. Key themes of the conference include youth entrepreneurship, innovation, gender development, space research, sustainability and digital engagement.

ವಾರ್ತಾ ಭಾರತಿ

ಯೆನೆಪೋಯ ವಿವಿ ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂ.ರಾ. ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನ 'ಐಕಾನ್ ಯೂತ್ 2025' ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆ

ಕೊಚಿ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು: ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ, ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗಾಗಿ ಯುಎಸ್ಎಐ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯು ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅತಿಥಿಯಾಗಿ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿರುವ 'ಐಕಾನ್ ಯೂತ್ 2025' ಅಂತರರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಯೌವನ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನವು ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಯೆನೆಪೋಯ ವಿವಿ ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆಗೊಂಡಿದೆ. ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಯುಎಸ್ಎಐ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯು ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅತಿಥಿಯಾಗಿ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿರುವ 'ಐಕಾನ್ ಯೂತ್ 2025' ಅಂತರರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಯೌವನ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನವು ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಯೆನೆಪೋಯ ವಿವಿ ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆಗೊಂಡಿದೆ.

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2.	https://daijiworld.com/news/newsDisplay?newsID=1280635	 International conference 'Icon Youth 2025' inaugurated at Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Media Release Mangaluru, May 15: The two-day international conference, daijiworld.com

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Icon youth conference to unite young leaders from India and abroad

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Mangaluru: A total 650 youth delegates from across 20 Indian states and a few foreign countries will be part of Icon Youth 2025-International Youth Conference. The two-day event, scheduled on Thursday and Friday, is jointly hosted by the ministry of youth affairs and sports, govt of India, and Yenepoya (Deemed to be University).

Addressing the reporters on Wednesday, Dr Ashwini Shetty, organising secretary of the event, Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), said that the core vision of the event is to provide a transformative platform for youth from India and abroad to interact with entrepreneurs, youth achievers, policymakers, and

leaders from the public and private sectors.

The 20 Indian states include Assam, Rajasthan, Punjab, Kerala, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, and West Bengal, as well as international participants from Nigeria, Nepal, and Tibet. Eminent international speakers are expected from Sri Lanka, Russia, Nigeria, and Thailand.

The key objectives of the event are to facilitate cross-cultural exchange of experiences among youth from diverse backgrounds and to promote skill development in leadership, entrepreneurship, policy-making, and social

commitment. It aims to foster understanding of global goals in the context of sustainable development and digital innovation and to actively involve youth in building a 'Viksit Bharat' (developed India).

The event includes a poster exhibition, a platform for innovation. Under the theme 'Toward Inventive Frontiers-Ideathon for Transformative Startups', 145 students will present their innovative ideas through a poster exhibition. This competition aims to showcase special lectures and panel discussions.

The conference will feature 18 speakers and four moderators from India and abroad, engaging in thought-provoking sessions on nurturing the next generation of leaders. Key themes include Youth Entrepreneurship and Innovation; Women at the Heart of Development; Space Research and Youth Involvement; Empowering Youth for a Sustainable Future; Youth Power for a Developed India; Youth in the Digital Era; and Youth as Catalysts for Community Transformation.

Dr Sara Jyl Salmi, director of international cooperation, ministry of youth affairs and sports, govt of India, will inaugurate the event.