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The 10th Annual Convocation of the Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) was held on Wednesday, the **28th of October, 2020 at 2.00 p.m. in the virtual mode.**

Prof. Dr. Arnie Purushotham, Director of the Kings Health Partners Integrated Cancer Centre was the Chief Guest. In his Convocation address he highlighted the importance of making the life safer and secure for the population . In view of the vast sufferings of the people due to covid pandemic empathetic approach is the need of the hour opined.. He urged for collective efforts to protect our planet from further degradation. He urged that It is the responsibility of everyone to make the earth a better place to live, In today's era, knowledge is considered as power and whatever be the development outputs of research should be focussed to ameliorate the sufferings of the less privileged in the society .

Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Chairperson and Managing Director of Biocon Limited, Bangalore was the guest of honour . In her speech she briefly narrated the situation prevailing as an outcome of Covid pandemic. She emphasised the need for investing more recourses in medical and clinical research which would develop solutions to mitigate the impact from the onslaught of pandemic and other infections diseases . she acknowledged the contribution of Nobel laureates in the filed of science, medicine and technology which are still relevant. During the last nine months of covid area many clinical trials , publications and research have been taken place . She gave a call for creation of scientific temperament in the society and for which dialogue with then society is the need of the hour. She urged for promotion of

affordable research and innovations in India. Inclusive and equitable science and research for the interest of the humanity is the need for the hour she concluded.

750 Ph.D., M.Ch/DM, Post Graduate Degree, Post Graduate Diploma and Undergraduates in the Faculty of Dentistry, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Nursing, Faculty of Allied Healthcare & Professions, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Commerce and Management graduates were conferred with the Degree and Diploma certificates. Eight Gold medals were awarded to the toppers.

Mr. Yenepoya Abdulla Kunhi, Chancellor of Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) presided over the function . Dr. VijayaKumar, Vice Chancellor Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) welcomed and presented the annual progress report of the university. Dr. Gangadhara Somayajii. K.S., Registrar Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) proposed a vote of thanks. Dr. B.T. Nandish , controller of Examinations Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) administered the oath for the graduates.

Dr. Mallika Shety and Dr. Roshel Tellis compeered the programme.