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Convocation Address of
Sri Biswa Bhusan Harichandan
Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh &
Chancellor of the University Dr. Abdul Haq Urdu University
I, II and III Convocation
On Friday, 19th March, 2021 at 11:00 A.M.

Sri Audimulapu Suresh, Minister for Education, today's Chief Guest, Dr. Mohammed Aslam Parvaiz, Former Vice-Chancellor, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Prof. Muzaffer Ali, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Abdul Haq Urdu University, Prof. Srinivasulu, Registrar, All the Faculty members, Graduates who are receiving their degrees today, parents and other dignitaries. A very Good Morning to you all.

It indeed gives me immense joy and pleasure to be amidst you all celebrating this important occasion.

I have been closely following the developments of all the new Universities in the State. I am happy to know that these newly established Universities are progressing in the right direction.

The Urdu University is one such University that has slowly learnt to thrive in spite of many shortcomings. I congratulate the University administration for its forbearance. The Urdu University made its beginning in the State just five years ago. It is admirable how the implementation of both Urdu and English into the curriculum has brought in such commendable development. Regions like Rayalaseema have greatly suffered in the past with many delimiting factors. With effective Government schemes and emerging higher education institutions like these, the Rayalaseema region is witnessing considerable advancement in education sector.

The foundation of Urdu University was laid with the hope to care and preserve the culture of Urdu language. I understand that the only way to do that is to carry out extensive research and also inculcate an interest in the history of its origins and structure of the language.

I have been informed that the Urdu University has had a humble beginning with a strength of 76 and has now reached a strength of close to 400. In my opinion, it is a considerable achievement in the given circumstances.

There is a need to expand our knowledge in other languages to build on the global perspective. Mastery over any chosen subject with proficiency in different languages will help the student in developing his knowledge and improve his cognitive abilities.

I hope the students would be benefited with the bi-lingual method, which is being used to teach in the Urdu University.

I am aware of the need and importance of institutions that are established with the aim to preserve languages and their culture. The Urdu University as its emblem symbolizes should lay more emphasis on preserving the culture of Andhra Pradesh, promote the importance of science, learning and research. Similarly, students passing out of the University should always remember the motto of the University – that is love for your country, your parents, your field, your subject, peace and brotherhood, the struggle you will have to endure to reach your goals and making your dreams come true and once you have achieved your goals, give back to the society in the form of service.

With 8 departments and 13 courses, the University is making good strides and I congratulate Prof. Muzaffer Ali, Vice Chancellor for the progress made so far and wish the University will continue to grow in the same manner and reach greater heights.

I congratulate Graduates who have received their degrees today on this auspicious day. I am happy to note that and it is a matter of immense satisfaction to learn that 70% of Graduates who received their degrees today are girls. Much responsibility lies on your shoulders to carry forward the legacy of our country's great culture and tradition. I hope you will choose to follow in the footsteps of those who became pioneers in their chosen field. Whatever field you choose to follow, do it with honesty and dedication and with an intention to serve and give back to the society.

I wish to draw your attention to what Mahatma Gandhi said about education:

"Literacy in itself is no education. Literacy is not the end of education or even the beginning. By education I mean an all-round drawing out of the best in the child and man - body, mind and spirit."

I wish you all Good Luck. Thank you

Jai Hind.