

Report on Rajyastareeya Spardha at Karnataka Samskrit University

Inaugural Ceremony and Karnataka State-Level Śāstric Competitions

Organized by:

Karnataka Samskrit University, Bengaluru

Venue:

Karnataka Samskrit University Campus, Chamrajpete, Bengaluru – 560018

Date:

22 January 2026 (Wednesday) and 23rd January 2026



Time:

From 8:00 AM onwards

Karnataka Samskrit University, Bengaluru, successfully organized the **Inaugural Ceremony and Karnataka State-Level Śāstric Competitions**, aimed at promoting classical Sanskrit learning, traditional śāstric knowledge systems, and scholarly excellence among students across the state. The event served as a vibrant academic platform for students to demonstrate their proficiency in various disciplines of Sanskrit studies.



Inaugural Session

The programme commenced with the **Inaugural Ceremony**, which was graciously presided over by **Dr. S. Ahalya**, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Karnataka Samskrit University. The inaugural lamp-lighting ceremony marked the formal commencement of the event.

Presidential Address:

Dr. S. Ahalya highlighted the importance of preserving and promoting India's rich śāstric traditions and appreciated the enthusiastic participation of students and teachers from various institutions.

Distinguished Guests

- **Chief Guest:**

Vidushi Jayalakshmi Sampatkumar, Editor, *Sudharmā* Daily, Mysuru, who inspired students with her address emphasizing the relevance of Sanskrit in contemporary society.

- **Guest of Honour:**

Vidvan Ganapayya Holla, Principal, Srimad Ananda Tirtha Vedavijnana Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya, Gokarna, who spoke on the depth and continuity of traditional śāstric learning.

- **Special Invitees:**

- Prof. V. Girish Chandra, Registrar, Karnataka Samskrit University
- Smt. Shruti A (K.S.A.S.), Finance Officer, Karnataka Samskrit University

Their presence added great academic value and dignity to the programme.



Śāstric Competitions

The Karnataka State-Level Śāstric Competitions witnessed **active participation of over 400+ students** from various Sanskrit colleges and institutions across Karnataka. The competitions covered a wide range of traditional and contemporary Sanskrit disciplines, including:

- Saṅgīta, Jain and Bauddha Studies
- Vyākaraṇa (Grammar)
- Sāhitya (Literature)
- Nyāya–Vaiśeṣika
- Mīmāṃsā
- Vedānta
- Dharmaśāstra
- Jyotiṣa
- Bhāgavata, Rāmāyaṇa, and Purāṇa Studies
- Darśana, Āyurveda, Arthaśāstra, and Bhāratīya Vijñāna

Students displayed remarkable scholarly competence, confidence, and dedication, reflecting the strength of Sanskrit education in the state.



Conclusion

The event concluded on a successful note with words of appreciation for the participants, judges, organizers, and coordinators. The programme not only fostered academic excellence but also strengthened inter-institutional collaboration and encouraged students to pursue higher studies and research in Sanskrit.

Karnataka Samskrit University expresses its gratitude to all dignitaries, faculty members, volunteers, and participating institutions for making the event a grand success.