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Under the auspices of Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, a One-Day Orientation Programme for Vivekananda Cadet Corps Co-ordinators of Affiliated Colleges and University Departments was organized today (27.11.2018). While welcoming the participants, Dr. K.R. Murugan, Professor and Head, Department of Social Work and the Co-ordinator of Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education, Alagappa University, said that the objectives of the programme are to train the co-ordinators 1.to conduct seminars and exhibitions 2. to organize oratorical, essay, and poetry-writing competitions for school and college students 3. to encourage students to take up research work comparing Vivekananda’s thoughts and ideas with that of other philosophers and writers 4. to initiate student-volunteers to take up social work in rural places along with N.S.S volunteers 5. to conduct certificate courses on thoughts, ideals and philosophy propagated by Vivekananda 6. to help in designing the curriculum with a focus on the significance of patriotism, secularism, honesty and integrity and 7. to inculcate among the youth Vivekananda’s ideas on personality development in collaboration with experts from Ramakrishna Mutt or Mission.



Presiding over the function Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor, Alagappa University, highlighted Swami Vivekananda's thoughts and ideas for enriching the nation's progress and development. He related the circumstances leading to the establishment of Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, in which Jamsetji Tata had played a crucial role at the outset on the concrete suggestions offered to him by Swami Vivekananda. He added that Swami Vivekananda's perception of the importance of imparting modern science education in India was noteworthy. The Vice-Chancellor stated that there is ample scope for expanding Swami Vivekananda Centre for Higher Research and Education to a Resource Centre with the help of RUSA (Scheme-II) Fund. As part of this Centre a digital library containing valuable works on and by Swami Vivekananda for the benefit of students and researchers. He exhorted the co-ordinators to be very earnest in conducting programmes and review meetings so as to get proper feedback for further strengthening of the Centre.

Mr. S. Senthil Kumar, Director, Centre for Cultural Education, Training and Research, Unit of Vivekananda Cultural Academy, Tamil Nadu, in his special address traced the founding of Vivekananda Centres in nine universities in Tamil Nadu during the 150th birth anniversary of Swamiji under the guidance of the Government of Tamil Nadu. He had a word of praise for the active functioning of Vivekananda Centre at Alagappa University. He stated imparting character-building education to the youth of the nation is the most essential one to be concentrated in the present context. Secularism and patriotism should be inculcated among the youth for their progress and also nation's development.

60 Co-ordinators from the University Departments and Affiliated Colleges attended the orientation programme. Dr. M. Vasimalairaja, Deputy Co-ordinator, SVCHRE, Alagappa University, proposed a vote of thanks.

Prof.H.Gurumallesh Prabu

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