

# TNFU NEWS LETTER

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## FROM THE DESK OF VICE – CHANCELLOR.....



TNFU inaugurated the first Fisheries Engineering College buildings at the Nagapatinam Campus. It was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries and Hon'ble Minister for Handlooms and Textiles.

Attended VC's Conference at Kolkatta and the deliberations were more useful to overcome challenges. The Tamil Science Congress which I attended at TNAU campus along with the VCs of TNAU and TANUVAS was a memorable event!

It has been decided to recognize the good works of University Officers and in this regard Dr. J. Stephen Sampathkumar was chosen as the 'Best Performer of the Quarter'! I congratulate him for the effective manner in which he has delivered his responsibilities. Looking forward to other UOs to perform to their capabilities.

Another big task in front of myself when I took charge was to bring out the ASRR of TNFU! Within 100 days of my joining the 'Acts, Status, Regulations and Rules' (ASSR) Book of TNFU was published with the help of a dedicated team of Uos. The long awaited test for the university employees will be held on 7th of October.

Counseling for B.F.Sc., and B.E. (Fisheries Engineering) were completed and students were fully admitted in TNFU.

**It's a great news that TNFU ranked FIRST among the Fisheries Universities of the country, as per the ICAR Ranking released recently. I know we need to proceed further positively to retain the position.**

I wish to thank all my University Officers, Professors, Non-teaching staff, students and scholars for helping to achieve this milestone.

We are striving hard to go still up in the ranking as we are horizontally also growing at a rapid pace. TNFU has now Five Colleges and 25 Centres under its umbrella to nurture. We need to grow well and grow faster too to keep pace with the current developments.

**Prof. S. Felix**  
Vice - Chancellor

## EVENTS/MEETINGS

3<sup>rd</sup> CONVOCAATION OF TNFU

The Third Convocation of Tamil Nadu Fisheries University was held on 01.07.2017 at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan in the gracious presence of Hon'ble Governor of



Tamil Nadu and the Chancellor of the University, Thiru Ch. Vidyasagar Rao. Prof. S. Felix, Vice-Chancellor welcomed the gathering and presented the report on the mission and activities of the University. Mr. Gagandeep Singh Bedi, Principal Secretary to Government, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries declared 12 numbers of new endowment awards for academic excellence.

Dr.B.Meenakumari, Chairperson, National Biodiversity Authority, Chennai was the Chief Guest for the convocation. The Chief Guest delivered the convocation address and in her address she highlighted the ongoing paradigm changes in the sector and dealt on the approaches needed to cope up with the emerging changes. The Chief Guest also appreciated the contributions of the TNFU for the development of fisheries and aquaculture sector in Tamil Nadu state. In this convocation, a total of 38 graduates were conferred the degrees 'In-Person' (four Ph.D, 12 M.F.Sc. and 22 B.F.Sc.) and a total of 21 graduates received their degrees 'In-Absentia'.

Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Registrar i/c declared the medal winners for academic excellence. A total of 10 medals were awarded for academic excellence and performance. Dr. N. Jayakumar received the Gold medal for the best academic performance in Ph.D. degree programme and J. Amala Shajeeva received four medals, S. Karthick, V. Vidhya, Parvatham Halekhyia Sri Himaja and Siyari Santhi Sumanjali received one medal each for M.F.Sc. degree programme and R. Hamsavalli received one medal for best academic performance in the B.F.Sc. degree programme. Dr.S.A.Shanmugam, Chairman, Convocation Committee and Controller of Examinations co-ordinated the arrangements for convocation.

## TNFU-UG Admission 2017-18

UG admission counseling of Tamil Nadu Fisheries University for the academic year 2017-18 was held for the

B.F.Sc. course at FCRI, Ponneri on 29th July 2017. In this counseling, 350 students participated and a total of 112 seats were filled up. The counseling for B.E (Fisheries Engineering) was held on 30th July 2017 in which all the 20 seats were filled up. Under NRI category, eight



students were admitted to B.F.Sc. and four students to B.E. (Fish.Engg.). The Pro-chancellor of the university and the Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries, Finance, Personnel and Administrative Reforms, Thiru. D. Jayakumar handed over the admission letters to the selected candidates in the presence of Dr. S. Felix, Vice-Chancellor and Deans of respective colleges. Dr. S.A. Shanmugam, Chairman, UG Admission Committee & Controller of Examinations co-ordinated the event.

## ICAR Monitoring and Review Team's Visit

The Monitoring and Review Team of the ICAR visited the FCRI, Thoothukudi on 13.07.2017 to physically verify and assess the impact of activities and infrastructure established under the ICAR development grant during



XII plan the period from 2012 to 2017 in the TNFU. Dr.S.Felix, Vice-Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Fisheries University welcomed the Team and made a vivid presentation on the ongoing activities of the TNFU with reference to education, research and extension and also the future plan of activities of the university. Dr.K.Pradhan, Chairman of the Monitoring and Review Team offered the opening remarks of the meeting. Dr.M.B.Chetti, Assistant Director General (HRD), ICAR

