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#### World Bioethics Day 2021

**Theme: Informed Consent** 

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The Karpaga Vinayaga Unit of the International Chair in Bioethics, Karpaga Vinayaga Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre celebrated 'World Bioethics Day 2021' on the 19th of October 2021 by conducting various events for the students of Karpaga Vinayaga Educational Group - Karpaga Vinayaga Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre (KIMS&RC), Karpaga Vinayaga Institute of Dental Sciences (KIDS) and Karpaga Vinayaga College of Nursing (KVCN).

The theme for this year was Informed Consent and all programmes were conducted to highlight the theme among the faculty and students. Undergraduate Medical, Dental, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences students and Postgraduate students participated in this interdisciplinary event. A total of 752 students participated in this grand event. This interdisciplinary event to celebrate World Bioethics Day 2021 was conducted on a grand scale in the Saroja Regupathy Auditorium, . On the day, competitions started from 8:30 am and various competitions such as Speak Bioethics, Short Film, Meme creation, Role Play, Poetry, Essay, E-poster, Drawing, Rangoli were conducted. Following that, the main programmes started in the Auditorium at 11:30 am.

The Inaugural Programme was graced by Dr. Sufala Vishwasrao, Head of Bioethics Unit, Principal, KIMS&RC; Dr. M. Kannaki, Medical Superintendent, KIMS&RC; Dr. S. Satyanarayanan, Medical Director, KIMS&RC; Dr. Saravanan, Vice-Principal, KIDS; Dr. Komalavalli, Principal, KVCN and Dr. Navin Rajaratnam, Secretary, Bioethics Unit, Professor of Physiology, KIMS&RC.

The programme began with Tamil Thaai Vaazhthu followed by an Inaugural Dance. The dignitaries lit the Lamp, and the events of the day were all set to begin. Next, the principal Dr. Sufala Vishwasrao welcomed all the faculty members and students to





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the programme. She gave an outline of the World Bioethics Day and also spoke about the importance of Informed Consent. The dignitaries present on the stage spoke on the importance of Informed Consent. The members of the Students' Wing of the Bioethics committee took a pledge on informed consent. This was followed by informative lectures by other speakers of the day. Dr. Navin Rajaratnam, Secretary, Bioethics Unit, Professor of Physiology, KIMS&RC, delivered the vote of thanks

This was next followed by scientific talks by Dr. Tejas, Associate Professor, Forensic Medicine, KIMS&RC, Dr. M. Geetha, Professor, Community Medicine, KIMS&RC, and Dr Kiran Iyer, KIDS spoke on Informed Consent Clinical Practice and Research.

The afternoon session had cultural dances by the students and prizes and certificates were distributed by Dr. Sufala Vishwasrao, Head of Bioethics Unit, Principal, KIMS&RC; Dr. Navin Rajaratnam, Secretary, Bioethics Unit, Professor of Physiology, KIMS&RC, and Dr. Sunil Vishwasrao, IQAC Coordinator, KIMS&RC.









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