



Sri Devaraj Urs Academy of Higher Education and Research

Comprising Sri Devaraj Urs Medical College

(A Deemed to be University)

Jalappa Foundation for Innovation and Incubation

INAUGURATION CEREMONY – MINUTES

- Date & Time:**
 - Friday, 1 August 2025
 - 10:30 AM to 11:55 AM
- Venue:**

JFII, Behind University, Building
- Chief Guest:**
 - **Sri Rajesh N Jagadale**, Trustee, Sri Devaraj Urs Educational Trust, presided as Chief Guest and formally inaugurated the Foundation.
- Dignitaries Present**
 - Sri G. H. Nagaraja, President & Chancellor, SDUAHER
 - Sri J. Rajendra, Vice President, SDUET
 - Sri K. G. Hanumantha Raju, Secretary, SDUET
 - Dr Vengamma B, Vice-Chancellor, SDUAHER
 - Dr D. V. L. N. Prasad, CAO, SDUAHER
 - Dr Muninarayana C, Registrar, SDUAHER
 - Dr Prabhakar K, Dean & Principal, SDUMC
 - Dr Arvind Natarajan, Dean, Basic & Health Sciences, SDUAHER
 - Dr Sathyamoorthy, JFII, SDUAHER
 - Mr. Biligiri, Consultant, JFII, SDUAHER
 - Dr Krishnappa J, Medical Superintendent, RLJH&RC
 - Mr V. Raja Raman, CFO, SDUAHER
 - Dr Manjunatha G. V., CPO, SDUAHER
 - Mr Yateesh A, GM IPM & AS, SDUET



Opening Ceremony Photo



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Directors of JFII Present

- Dr Kalyani R, Director, R&D Cell ,SDUAHER
- Dr Ashwini N S, IIC, Chief Coordinating Officer, SDUAHER

5. Agenda Items & Proceedings:

Time	Item
11:00 AM	Welcome Address by Dr Kalyani R, Head of R&D Cell, acknowledging the contributions of the leadership, faculty, and external committee members.
11:10 AM	Guests of Honour Deliver Addresses including: Sri G. H. Nagaraja, Sri J. Rajendra, Dr Vengamma B, Dr D. V. L. N. Prasad, Dr Muninarayana C, Dr Prabhakar K
11:35 AM	Address by Chief Guest Sri Rajesh N Jagadale , emphasising the foundation's alignment with Late Sri R. L. Jalappas vision, institutional legacy, and societal impact.
11:40 AM	Commemorative group photograph.
11:50 AM	Vote of Thanks by Dr Ashwini N S, IIC, Chief Coordinating Officer,SDUAHER highlighting the journey of JFII and thanking the dignitaries
11:55 AM	Brief Tour of JFII Incubation Space , showcasing workstations, lab prototypes, benches, and donation board (as per consultants' layout suggestions) and meeting with the management and meeting

6. Key Highlights, Suggestions & Commitments:

- Focus on converting **societal needs** (e.g. nutraceuticals, med-devices, biotech, healthcare technologies) into viable startups, as emphasised by Sri Jagadale.
- Call for **academic flexibility** in policy—including tenure completion timelines (12–24 months), equity or subsidized rent models, and project completion clauses.
- Announcement that the **5-year budget (₹10 Cr total, ₹2 Cr equipment cap)** and host policy to be finalized by **15 Aug 2025**—following inputs from the Academic Council with split up year wise
- Commitment to organise **≥2 events per week**—skill workshops, hackathons, mentorship clinics, and funding awareness sessions.
- Pledge to engage with reputed incubation hubs (SriHER SRIIC, IIIT-B Electronic City, Bioinnovation Centre, C-camp) for benchmarking visits.
- Notification that **job postings for CEO/Operations Manager and Faculty Leads** (minimum 5 years experience, MBA/MTech/PhD compulsory) will be advertised on JFII website and local media, with official email and contact numbers prominently displayed.
- Stress on **training calendar** incorporating startup funding (NIDHI-PRAYAS, Atal, BIRAC), marketing seminars, and technical modules (cell culture, qPCR, zebrafish assays).
- Agreement to document all events and facility handovers via **geo-tagged photos**, usage logs, and department equipment transfers in line with grant compliance.



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- Decision to seek **initial NIDHI incubator grants** (~₹10 L per innovator) and apply for **Atal/BIRAC support** for infrastructure renewal and seed funding.

7. Closing Remarks:

- Sri Rajesh N Jagadale reaffirmed his support and emphasized the importance of translating research into societal benefit. All dignitaries expressed appreciation and pledged active participation in execution.

8. Next Steps:

- Policy finalisation** and **budget submission** to Academic Council by 15 Aug 2025.
- Recruitment drive** for JFII leadership and start-up posting announcements within one week.
- Site visits** scheduled for August/September; **call for Cohort 1 proposals** to be launched by mid-September.



Group Photo

Dr. Ashwini NS
Chief Co- Ordinating Officer
JFII, SDUAHER

Dr. Kalyani R
Director
R&D Cell, SDUAHER