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Strengthen Scientific Research And Innovation In HEI: ANRF Vision, Support And Priorities

Date- 31 July 2026

Mode - Online

Resource Person - Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman, CEO, Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF)

Number of Participants - 42 Students and 5 Faculty

Introduction

To promote a strong research culture and create awareness about national research initiatives, an online session titled "Strengthening Scientific Research and Innovation in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs): ANRF Vision, Support and Priorities" was organized on 31 July 2026. The webinar was delivered by Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman, CEO of ANRF, who shared valuable insights into the vision, objectives, and strategic priorities of the Anusandhan National Research Foundation. The session highlighted the importance of fostering innovation, interdisciplinary research, and collaboration in higher education institutions.

Objectives

- To understand the vision and mission of ANRF.
- To familiarize students with ANRF's research support and funding opportunities.
- To encourage scientific research and innovation in Higher Education Institutions.
- To promote interdisciplinary and industry-oriented research.
- To inspire students to pursue research as a career and contribute to national development.

About the Activity

The online webinar focused on strengthening India's research and innovation ecosystem through the initiatives of ANRF. Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman explained the Foundation's role in

supporting high-quality research across disciplines, encouraging collaborations among academia, industry, and government, and promoting research excellence in HEIs.

The speaker discussed ANRF's funding mechanisms, priority research areas, innovation-driven programs, capacity-building initiatives, and opportunities available for students and researchers. The session also emphasized the importance of translating research into societal and industrial impact. Participants actively attended the session and gained practical knowledge about India's evolving research ecosystem.

Video Reference: <https://youtube.com/live/jY7NzlxDM3A?feature=share>

Resource Person

Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman, CEO of the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), is a distinguished researcher and technology leader. During the session, he shared his expertise on research policy, innovation, funding opportunities, and the strategic roadmap for strengthening scientific research in Indian Higher Education Institutions.

Participants

A total of 42 Students and 5 Faculty members participated in the online session from their mobile devices. The participants attended the session enthusiastically and interacted with the speaker by gaining knowledge about ANRF initiatives, research funding opportunities, innovation strategies, and future research prospects.

Outcomes

The session successfully enhanced participants' understanding of ANRF's vision and research priorities. Students became aware of various research funding opportunities, the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration, and the need for innovation-driven research. The session motivated participants to actively engage in scientific research, develop research proposals, and contribute to solving real-world challenges through quality research and innovation. Overall, the webinar strengthened awareness of India's national research ecosystem and encouraged a research-oriented mindset among students.

Conclusion

The online session proved to be highly informative and inspiring. It provided valuable insights into ANRF's vision, support mechanisms, and priorities for strengthening scientific research and innovation in Higher Education Institutions. The knowledge shared by Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman motivated participants to pursue research excellence and actively contribute to India's scientific and technological advancement.

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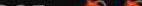
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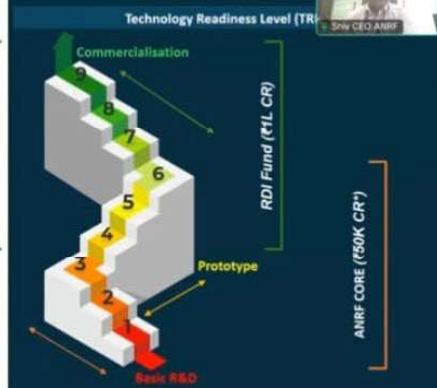
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Translational & Scale up with Private Sector
(Patient Capital, Debt/Equity: **NOT Grants**)

ANRF Core
Foundational Transformation +
Mission-Mode Research +
Private Partnerships (**Grant-in-aid** focus)



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