## **Profile of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor**

Col (Prof) Y.S.Siddegowda, is an academician with an in-depth knowledge and profound skills set in teaching pedagogy, research, education and administration. His distinguished career experience spans around 39 years. His career as a Professor at the University of Mysore, Mysore, reveals his clear commitment to education, encompassing extensive Academic, Research, Administrative and Extension activities. As the Chairman of the Department, School of Social Work, he launched new and transformative initiatives, and enhanced a shared mission of excellence and learner-centred orientation and promoted initiatives in education and research in critical fields. He has been a pioneer in teaching and research with focus on Human rights, Juvenile Delinquency, Industrial Disputes, Health Care and Women Violence to name a few. He has a profound interest in research and as a productive professor, has guided 26 scholars and published more than 147 research articles in peer reviewed journals of national and international repute. He is a versatile author and is the editor of 6 Books, apart from being a national and international member of Editorial Boards of different journals worldwide. He had opportunities to be a team member of authors for research carried out in articles of referred journals worldwide. He was an active member of many professional bodies and was instrumental in using his vast experience and exposures through his international academic affiliates to bring about viable solutions to varied issues. He received research grants and successfully completed 17 major research projects to the tune of Rs. 6 crores. As a Faculty Advisor, he provided mentorship and provided academic program knowledge, which is commendable and as a Coordinator of UGC-UPE, he has strived relentlessly for Fellowships to enable interdisciplinary areas of research activities for project fellowships. He was nominated as member of Board of Studies and developed the curriculum in its quality and standards and resulted in implementation of industry relevant curriculum with OBE attributes.

He worked as Director Academy of Samskrit Research, during this term, he trained the faculty to embrace Outcome Based Education practices, and pursued initiatives to enhance and deepen graduate and research in critical field. An able administrator, with the singular distinction, of being the Registrar of three Universities, in his capacity, has delivered justice and equity, fostered an environ of conducive work spaces and upgraded the skills and techniques of

work ethos. He demonstrated excellent professionalism and character while performing duties as the Registrar of music and performing Arts University and Karnataka Sanskrit University. He has the distinction of restoration of indigenous music and performing arts, promoted research in music and performing arts. He guided the university's efforts in education and research initiatives and strategic planning while playing an integral role in reviewing and transparent recruitment system, and has the distinct contribution of establishing an e-library in Sanskrit. His contribution in all the institutions is unparalleled and most noteworthy.

Prof.siddegowda, was appointed as the Vice Chancellor of Tumkur University, owing to his set skills in education and administration. He has demonstrated excellent professionalism and character while performing his duties and as a visionary, pursued initiatives to ensure that the university values strong discipline and fosters equality, diversity and inclusion. He strongly advocated the democratic authencity of the University. He has endeavoured to promote an overall effort to achieve greater coordination among the university system and set in motion an intensive process of university-wide academic planning intended to identify some of Tumkur University's main intellectual and pragmatic priorities. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor contributed towards adoption of best practices of education and was instrumental in the elevation of the institutions status. In the on-going Pandemic, he was committed to in taking meaningful steps by involving students from across the eco spectrum to the task of adapting the university to an era of rapid info growth and blended learning. He has used his vast experiences and exposures through his international academic affiliates to project the university image to the global academic stakeholders and research enthusiasts, resulting in a MoU with Salford University, UK. He is involved in promoting critical interdisciplinary research working across various disciplines, engaging in empirical research. He can be referred to as an architect who has undertaken the herculean task of constructing and creating a class campus, investing in our future. He is committed to modelling the new campus to create a welcoming student-centred and in accordance to the New National Education Policy. The Hon'ble vice Chancellor contributed towards adoption of best practices of education and was instrumental in the elevation of the institutions status. It was a moment of pride when the Higher Education Ministry, Govt. of Karnataka, appointed the vice chancellor to head the committee for Social sciences for the implementation of National Education Policy

- He has won several accolades and it comprises the conferment of the Rank of 'Honorary Colonel' and the Rank of 'Colonel Commandant of National Cadet Corps', NCC, Government of India
- Awarded Golden AIM Award as "The Most Dedicated Vice Chancellor" 2020"
- On the occasion of The World Teachers' Day, Awarded, "Outstanding Academic Leadership Award" Conferred by The International Chamber for Service Industry.
- Conferred "Vishwa Jyothi", Title by Sri.Vanakallu Malleswara Maha Samsthana Suhektra Matta.
- Conferred the prestigious Award for Extraordinary Contribution to education-lifetime Achievement award by International Chamber for Service Industry.

A Seasoned Academician and Ardent Researcher combined with his Gifted Administrative Skills, earns him an illustrious position on the pedestal of Academic Excellence.