

VC KU Prof Talat Ahmad inaugurates two- day National Urdu Congress

Srinagar, Oct 24: A two- day National Urdu Congress under the theme “Language, Literature & Society” organised by Department of Urdu University of Kashmir and sponsored by Jammu & Kashmir Bank was inaugurated at University of Kashmir here on Wednesday.

While inaugurating the conference, Vice Chancellor KU Prof. Talat Ahmad who was chief guest on the occasion said “Literature has the capacity to incorporate within itself the entire universe of discourses, expressing human thoughts and language is the individual and social passion of human beings, which keeps on changing with the development of human race.”

Prof Talat added “Urdu is a language of glamour and grandeur; it holds literature so stately that the charm of expressing thoughts in Urdu is not matched in any other language. The purpose of the two day National Urdu Congress on Language, Literature and Society is truly served by bringing the stakeholders of Urdu Language together for dialogue and criticism involving participants from the interdisciplinary studies further leading to research and development in the field of literature.”

According to the organisers, the purpose of the Urdu Congress is to bring the stakeholders of Urdu Language together on a common platform for dialogue, general discussion, literary criticism and exchange of new information among the participants and open a pathway towards further research and development.

The event which marks as the first Urdu Congress in Jammu & Kashmir witnessed the presence of some of the most prominent personalities in Urdu Language including Prof. Mohammad Zamaan Azurda, Prof. Qazi Jamaal, Prof. Irteza Karim, Prof. Quddus Javaid, Prof. Nazir Ahmad Malik, Mr. Farooq Ahmad Nazki and faculty members from Delhi University, Aligarh Muslim University, Vikram University (MP), Indore University (MP), Jammu University, Punjab University, Jamia Millia Islamia, Mumbai University, Central University of Kashmir, Cluster University, Srinagar who expressed their views on the occasion .

On this occasion, Prof. (Dr.) Arifa Bushra, Head of the Department, Urdu said in her welcome address “the relationship between Urdu language and society is deeply rooted and interdependent in a way that language incorporates social values and literature, which is regarded as Mirror of the Society unveils the details of human experiences thematically, constructing the societies itself. Language which is the primary tool for communication, lays foundation for peace and order in society, society however, controls the language and evidently societal changes have produced a transformation in Urdu language itself.”

The inaugural function was followed by several technical sessions held simultaneously at EMMRC Auditorium and Seminar Hall, Department of Urdu.