



**Dr. U. Krishnakumar** currently serves as **Dean** (Faculty of Arts, Media and Commerce), Amrita Viswavidya Peetham & **Director**, Amrita School of Arts and Sciences, Kochi. He received his Phd from IIT-Mumbai and ME in computer science from IISc Bangalore. Before joining Amrita, he had worked as Asst. Professor in N.S.S. College of Engineering for 14 years. He has 39 years of academic experience and 21 years research experience in India and abroad. His areas of research include Distributed computing, Medical informatics, Management, Mentoring, Culture and Media studies. He has authored numerous papers in National and International Journals and Conferences.

He is Principal Investigator for a recent three year DST project on Development of computational algorithms for Gene Mapping for Autism Spectrum disorder under Cognitive Science Research Initiative of DST. He is a life member and patron of computer society of India and Indian Society for Technical Education. His social activities include Yoga, Organic Farming, Social Awareness Campaign and talks on topics on Personal and Career Development.



**8<sup>th</sup>** **Dr D BALAKRISHNAN**

## **COMMEMORATIVE LECTURE 2018**



**16 August 2018**

**College Auditorium**



**Vidya Academy of Science and Technology**

(Thalakkottukara, Thrissur-680501)

A unit of Vidya international Charitable Trust



Dear Sir/Madam,

We cordially invite you to the Eighth commemorative lecture in honour of **Dr. D. Balakrishnan**, Founder Academic director and former Honourable advisor of Vidya Academy of Science & Technology (VAST), Thrissur to be held at 10.15 am on Thursday, 16 August 2018, in the college auditorium.

Dr. D. Balakrishnan was a great visionary and great leader who worked with imagination, insight and boldness. He was a farsighted educationist and a social innovator who was successful in manifesting his vision of making VAST an epitome of technical education with a strong and clear sense of direction. His ability to think big & strategically has helped VAST to achieve its goal of being one of the best engineering colleges in Kerala.

The demise of Dr. D. Balakrishnan is an irreparable loss to Vidya Academy and the whole engineering community. His contributions will always be remembered with gratitude to perpetuate his legacy and rededicate ourselves to the cause of the advancement of his vision, we observe **16 August** every year as "**Dr D Balakrishnan Day**".

On this auspicious occasion, this year we are fortunate to have an eminent personality **Dr. U. Krishnakumar**, Dean (Faculty of Arts, Media and Commerce), Amrita Vishwavidya Peetham & Director, Amrita School of Arts and Sciences, Kochi as our chief guest.

On the behalf all the members of Vidya family, Vidya Academy of Science and Technology and Vidya International Charitable Trust, we cordially invite you to the 8<sup>th</sup> Dr D Balakrishnan Commemorative lecture being organized in the college auditorium at 10.15 am on 16 August 2018.

We solicit your esteemed presence on this solemn occasion.

With warm regards

**Sri. Sudhakaran Polassery**  
Chairman, VICT

**Er. G. Mohanachandran**  
Executive Director, VICT

**Dr. Saji C. B**  
Principal, VAST

## PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Venue: College Auditorium

Time: 10.15 am

### Session I ( Commemoration Ceremony)

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| Invocation                                | : |   |
| Welcome address                           | : | <b>Dr. V.N. Krishnachandran</b><br>Vice Principal, VAST                         |
| Presidential address                      | : | <b>Dr. Saji C. B</b><br>Principal, VAST   |
| Lighting the lamp & Inauguration          | : | <b>Dr. U Krishnakumar</b><br>Director, Amrita School of Arts and Science, Kochi |
| Floral tributes to<br>Dr. D. Balakrishnan | : |   |
| Commemorative talk                        | : | <b>Er . P. K. Asokan</b><br>Chief Patron, VICT                                  |
| Introducing the Chief Guest               | : | <b>Dr. A.P. Sobha</b><br>Associate Professor, AS Dept                           |
| Felicitations                             | : | <b>Dr.K.B.M.Nampoothiripad</b><br>Visiting professor, VAST                      |
|   | : | <b>Dr.C.E.Krishnan</b><br>Director, SNGC  |
| Vote of thanks                            | : | <b>Mrs. Nirmala Krishnan</b><br>Assistant Professor, CE Dept.                   |

### Session II (Talk by distinguished guest)

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| Commemorate lecture | : | <b>Dr. U. Krishnakumar</b><br>Director, Amrita School of Arts and Sciences, Kochi<br>Lecture on: <b>Emotional Intelligence in Professional Practice</b> |
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