



BNV COLLEGE OF TEACHER EDUCATION



The Education Conference on the theme “*Addressing Social Challenges through Education*” was organized by Isa Viswa Prajnana Trust at Mascot Hotel on 31st October 2025 at 1:30 PM. The programme brought together educators, researchers, teacher trainees, and academicians to discuss the role of education in shaping a socially responsible and creative learning environment. Students from BNV College of Teacher Education actively participated in the conference and workshop sessions.

The conference was inaugurated by Dr. C. V. Ananda Bose, who served as the chief guest of the programme. In his keynote address, he highlighted the importance of innovative educational practices in solving social challenges and empowering future generations. He emphasized that education should not be limited to textbooks and examinations, but must

encourage creativity, critical thinking, leadership, and social awareness among students. His inspiring words motivated the participants to think about education as a tool for social transformation. The programme included presentations and discussions by several distinguished academicians and education experts. Among them were Dr. Rajeswari K., Dr. R. L. Bindu, Dr. Divya C. Sena, and Prof. Lalitha Santhakumar. Their presentations focused on the importance of learner-centered education, innovative teaching methods, and the role of teachers in developing socially responsible citizens.

A special highlight of the conference was the presentation by Jagadguru Swami Isa, who introduced and explained Swami ISA'S "I-Theory" of education. The session focused on the idea that education should inspire learners to explore concepts independently and develop inner awareness, imagination, innovation, and inquiry and explained that the "I-Theory" encourages students to explore concepts independently, think deeply about ideas, and participate actively in the learning process instead of depending entirely on direct instruction from teachers. The theory focuses on inquiry, imagination, interaction, innovation, and intellectual growth in teaching and learning.

The students of BNV College of Teacher Education participated enthusiastically in the workshop activities connected with the Swami ISA'S "I-Theory". The session was designed as a practical learning experience where participants were divided into different groups. Each group was guided by mentors and resource persons to prepare a teaching script based on the principles of the theory. The activity aimed to help future teachers understand how to create engaging classroom experiences that encourage exploration and participation among learners. Participants discussed how students can be motivated to think critically, analyze ideas, and discover answers through observation and discussion. The activity helped the teacher trainees realize that teaching is not merely delivering content but guiding students toward independent learning.

The group discussions were highly interactive and collaborative. Students exchanged ideas, shared experiences, and explored different methods of presenting lessons effectively. Many participants suggested using role play, storytelling, visual presentations, group tasks, and real-life situations in classrooms to make learning more meaningful. The workshop also emphasized the importance of communication skills, teamwork, creativity, and confidence in teaching.

The round table discussion on educational philosophy further enriched the programme. Participants discussed how education can address social issues such as inequality, lack of awareness, and absence of critical thinking among students. The speakers emphasized that teachers have a major responsibility in shaping the attitudes and values of young learners. Education should help students become responsible citizens who can contribute positively to society.

The students of BNV College of Teacher Education found the programme highly informative and inspiring. The workshop activities improved their understanding of innovative teaching methods and provided practical experience in lesson planning and script preparation. The opportunity to work in groups also helped them develop cooperation, leadership, and problem-

The programme successfully achieved its objective of promoting meaningful discussions on education and social challenges while introducing innovative approaches like Swami ISA'S "I-Theory" to future educators.

The Education Conference was a valuable learning experience for the students of BNV College of Teacher Education. The conference provided a blend of theoretical knowledge and practical activities that enhanced the participants' understanding of modern educational practices. The sessions inspired future teachers to adopt learner-centered teaching methods and motivated them to create classrooms where students actively explore concepts, think independently, and engage meaningfully in the learning process.

