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**REPORT ON FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION  
on “Decentralization –Ease of Governance”  
at JNTUK Kakinada on 12.05.2022**

Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada under the support of **Board for Community Development through Education (BCDE)**, Government of Andhra Pradesh organized a focus Group Discussion on the topic of “**Decentralization – Ease of Governance**” at JNTUK Alumni Auditorium on 12.05.2022, Thursday. Shri.

**Nedurumalli Ram Kumar, Chairman, (BCDE) acted as Chief Guest** and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof.G.V.R Prasada Raju, Rector Prof.K.V. Ramana, Registrar Prof.L.Sumalatha, Prof.M.L.S.Deva Kumar, Secretary & CEO, BCDE acted as Guests of Honor on the dias. **Dr.K.Venkata Reddy, Nodal Officer, Community Development Board, JNTUK** will preside over the program.



During his inaugural address Shri. N.Ramkumar expressed the need of student community to deliberate on involving themselves in the development of the society though creating awareness among the people to achieve a standard change. As a Chairman of newly formed board by **Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri. Y.S.Jagan Mohan Reddy** garu with an aim of making educated youth as yolk bearers in the development of the state of Andhra Pradesh, he presented the action plan of BCDE.

**"Creating awareness among the public through student community on various issues of the community is the main agenda of BCDE".**



He said that reorganizing the districts was being undertaken as part of decentralization to steer the state on the path of development. All students give your suggestions about decentralization and secretariat system which is newly formed by the government. He said to all

students to be involved in the Board for Community Development through Education (BCDE). I would bring your suggestions to notice to the minister. if it is necessary we follow your advices.

**JNTUK Vice Chancellor Prof.G.V.R. Prasada Raju** addressed the gathering and narrated the need of decentralization in the present situation, where reaching benefits of the welfare activities to the gross root level in the society. He appreciated the efforts of Government of Andhra Pradesh in taking enough steps in that direction, which demonstrated with recent **reorganization of districts** in the state of AP. In the coming days, JNTUK University in collaboration with the BCDE Board will formulate community development programs and take appropriate steps to give credit points to students. We have already appointed 100 nodal officers for the Community



Development Board in more than 100 affiliated colleges and are identifying more than 7000 volunteers and carrying out programs.



During the discussions, As a keynote speaker **Trust Hospitals M.D Dr. S. Rama Krishna** curtain raised the topic and explained the benefits of decentralization. *"the state has expanded the services introduced by volunteers to provide good Governance"*. You all are technical students you

should think for a change that is superior to what you have. And he also explained about transparent governance.

On this occasion, Board for Community Development through Education (BCDE) **Secretary & CEO Prof. M.L.S. Deva Kumar** said that BCDE will keep track of the students' suggestions and their reviews on various Development Oriented Issues and convey to higher officials. And he also informed the student gathering, what are various ways and means of *"increased employability as a result of decentralization"*. He requested students to utilize present employment drives being organized at various levels.

Speaking on this occasion, **Red Cross Chairmain Y.D. Rama Rao** explained that we give anything to future generations. it is only possible with better education. He said that Chief Minister Sri. Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy garu established this Community Development Board with the intension of identifying shortcomings in public administration and the living



conditions of the people through students and reviewing them **to provide better governance**.

On this occasion, **Shri. N. T. P. Prasad Verma** of Umar Alisha Rural Development Trust, Pithapuram expressed his view Through the Board students get chance to go and work with people. Together Board and varsity, Community Development Programs will be established in the future. And also we are thinking about giving credit points to students. He explained that "**the system was brought to provide good governance to the people and guide them on development in all districts**". He said distribution of districts was being undertaken as part of decentralization to steer the state on the path of development.

Directors, Special Officers, UCEK Principal, Vice Principal, Shri.Y.D.Rama Rao, Chairman, Indian Red Cross Society, East Godavari, Dr.S.Ch.S.Rama Krishna , Trust Hospitals, Kakinada, Shri.N.T.P.Prasad Verma, Umar Alisha Rural Development Trust, Pithapuram, Community Development board Nodal Officers, Volunteers & Students from JNTUK & Affiliated Colleges were present in this program.