

## **14<sup>th</sup> Graduation Day at RRMCH – A momentous occasion.**

The 14th Annual Graduation Day of RajaRajeswari Medical College and Hospital (RRMCH) was a grand and memorable occasion, celebrating the academic achievements of 405 medical graduates. Held at the ACS Convention Hall within the RRMCH campus, the event marked a significant milestone for the Class of 2024, who have completed years of rigorous training, academic excellence, and clinical expertise.

The ceremony was presided over by **Dr. A.C. Shanmugam**, Founder Chancellor of RRMCH, and was attended by other distinguished dignitaries, including **Dr. S. Vijayanand**, Executive Director; **Dr.Sathyamurthy B**, Dean; **Dr. Naveen S**, Principal; **Dr. Basavraj Bhandare**, Vice Principal; **Mr. C.N. Seetharam**, IAS (Retd.), CEO; and **Dr. Praveen Kumar**, Medical Superintendent of RRMCH.

The program began with a warm welcome address by **Dr. Sathyamurthy B**, Dean of RRMCH, who expressed gratitude to all attendees and introduced the Honourable Chief Guest, **Sri. H.D. Kumaraswamy**, Minister of Heavy Industries and Steel, Government of India.

The Chief Guest was felicitated by the Chairman and other dignitaries in recognition of his significant contributions to the country. In addition, the students felicitated **Dr. A.C. Shanmugam**, the Chairman, for his unwavering support and guidance throughout their academic journey.

The Chairman then took to the stage to congratulate the graduates, acknowledging the dedication and hard work of the students, faculty, and parents over the past four and a half years. He spoke highly about the Chief Guest Sri. H.D. Kumaraswamy, as a visionary and beloved leader, highlighting his impactful initiatives such as 'KrishiBhagya' and 'Arogya Karnataka'. He concluded his speech by wishing all graduates a bright and successful future.

**Sri. H.D. Kumaraswamy**, in his address, congratulated the graduates on this momentous day, which marks the commencement of their journey as doctors and healthcare providers. He acknowledged the rigorous academic journey the students

had undertaken, leading to them to this significant milestone. “A healthy population is the backbone of any nation’s progress,” he stated. He emphasized the importance of government healthcare initiatives such as **Ayushman Bharat**, **PradhanMantri Jan ArogyaYojana**, and **Digital Health Machines**, urging the graduates to actively promote these initiatives, especially in economically disadvantaged communities. Minister Kumaraswamy also commended Founder Chancellor A C Shanmugam for his selfless charitable work through the **Chanmudeshwari Medical College Hospital and Research Institute** and **RRMCH**, which provide affordable healthcare to rural populations.

The highlight of the ceremony was the conferring of degrees to the 2024 batch of medical graduates, marking the culmination of their academic journey at RRMCH. The graduates, alongside their families, celebrated the occasion with immense joy and pride, reflecting on the challenges and triumphs that brought them to this day.

The event served as a grand celebration of academic excellence, perseverance, and the promising future that lies ahead for the graduates.