

# U S Mallya remembered at NITK

**MANGALURU, DHNS:** The National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal (NITK), commemorated the 121st birth anniversary of its founder, late U Srinivas Mallya, known as the 'Father of Modern Dakshina Kannada district.'

Mallya served an 18-year tenure as the member of Parliament, from 1946-1965. His vision led to the construction of the New Mangalore Port, Bajpe Airport, National Highway 66, and most importantly, the Karnataka Regional Engineering College (now NITK).

Director in-charge and Dean, Research and Consultancy, Prof S M Kulkarni, Registrar, Dean Faculty Welfare,

Dean Student Welfare, Dean Academic, Dean Planning and Development, NITK Alumni, staff and students garlanded the statue of Mallya.

NITK Director Prof B Ravi, in his message, said, "Mallya's contributions to the region and the nation have left an indelible mark, and his legacy continues to inspire future generations. He was a philanthropist, who donated generously for various causes, like education, health, social welfare, and religious activities. He also supported the promotion of Gandhiji's programmes like Khadi and Village Industries, entry of Dalits to temples, eradication of untouchability, etc."