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Report of 2nd Annual Essay Competition Prize Distribution Ceremony
and Panel Discussion on “Karnataka’s Approach to Sustainable Development:
Policies and Challenges”

On the occasion of **Constitution Day**, November 26, 2024, Centre for Research in Social Sciences and Education, **JAIN (Deemed-to-be) University**, in collaboration with **Karnataka Regional Branch of the Indian Institute of Public Administration**, hosted a significant event marking the **2nd Annual Essay Competition Prize Distribution ceremony**, alongside a thought-provoking **Panel Discussion on Karnataka’s Approach to Sustainable Development: Policies and Challenges**. The event was graced by **Shri. S. Ramanathan**, IAS (Retd.), Chairman Emeritus of IIPA-KRB, **Shri. T.M Vijay Bhaskar**, IAS (Retd.), Chairperson, IIPA-KRB, and **Prof. (Dr.) Raj Singh**, Vice-Chancellor JAIN (Deemed-to-be University). **Dr. D. Jeevan Kumar**, Secretary, **Prof. Madhwaraj**, Treasurer and **Dr. Thayyil Sethumadhavan**, EC member of IIPA-KRB, were among those present on the occasion.

The **Panel Discussion** emerged as the most engaging and thought-provoking segment of the day, bringing together distinguished experts to share their insights on Karnataka's unique approach to Sustainable Development. The Panelists - **Shri T. M. Vijay Bhaskar**, IAS (Retd.), Chairperson, IIPA-KRB, **Dr. Uma Mahadevan**, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka (online), **Dr. Vishal R.**, IAS, Secretary to Government of Karnataka, Fiscal Reforms (online) and **Dr. Mukund Raj**, Advisor, NABARD Consultancy Services - addressed a range of interconnected issues the State faces in achieving a balance between development and sustainability.

The Prize Winners of the **2nd Annual Essay Competition** on the theme, **Karnataka’s Approach to Sustainable Development: Policies and Challenges** are as follows:

1. **First Prize (English): Mr. Sosthene Dushimimana**
B.Tech., Aerospace Engineering
JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru
2. **First Prize (Kannada): Ms. Thejaswini**
B.A., Maharani College of Arts for Women
University of Mysore, Mysore
3. **Second Prize (English): Ms. Arshiya Malviya**
B.A. Communication, Media and Psychology
Christ (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru
4. **Second Prize (English): Ms. Divya Lakshmi A R**
B.B.A., Centre for Management Studies,
JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru
5. **Third Prize (English): Ms. Shreeya U**
BA.LLB (Law), Soundarya College of Law, Bengaluru.

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The **First Prize Winner in English Mr. Sosthene Dushmimana** (*L*) and the **First Prize winner in Kannada, Ms. Thejaswini** (*R*) are seen receiving their awards.

