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Dr. B. K. Ravi, Vice Chancellor of Koppal University, State Public University, Government of Karnataka, India and Senior Professor & Former Chairman of the Department of Communication at Bangalore University, Jnanabharathi Campus, has thirty-five years of teaching and research experience. Dr. B. K. Ravi served as the Registrar of Bangalore University from 2017 to 2020. He was also the Member of the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes for two terms. He served as the Special Officer at Karnataka Fine Arts University, Government of Karnataka, for two years.

Professor B. K. Ravi has made significant contributions to the field of communication research. He is an editor, editorial board member, and advisory board member for more than fifteen (15) renowned international and national research journals. He is also the Editor-in-Chief of *Constructive Communication*, a peer-reviewed academic journal.

He has been invited as a resource person by the University Grants Commission (UGC) for more than twelve (12) orientation courses and sixteen (16) refresher courses. Professor Ravi was the Deputy Coordinator of a Special Assistance Programme (SAP) sponsored by the UGC and has published more than one hundred (100) research articles in National and International Journals, Conference Proceedings, and In-house Publications.

Professor Ravi has guided ten (12) doctoral students, and eight (08) students are currently pursuing their research under his supervision. He has also adjudicated numerous theses from national and international universities. Additionally, he has chaired nearly sixteen (16) scientific sessions at various International Conferences held in different countries.

Dr. B. K. Ravi was a member of the Scientific Committee of the First International Forum on Media & Information Literacy (MIL), jointly constituted by UNESCO and the University of Fez, Morocco, Africa. He also presented a paper titled “*Information Literacy and the Theory of Out-of-Reach.*”

During his academic tenure, he has presented research papers in India and abroad, including in the USA, Poland, Japan, Morocco, New Zealand, Kenya, Malaysia, Qatar, Thailand, Singapore, Kuwait, Canada, and China.

Professor Ravi was invited to a prestigious international workshop on broadband policy held in 2012 in Washington, D.C., organized jointly by The Ford Foundation and Penn State University, USA.

Dr. Ravi is the Vice President of the All India Communication and Media Association (ACMA), New Delhi; an Honorary Member of Media Action Nepal, Kathmandu, an organization promoting freedom of expression and media development; and a member of the Advisory Board of the International Journalists Coalition (IJC), USA, a global organization for the welfare of journalists. He has published six (07) books and has produced more than twenty-five (25) television programs, including several documentaries. He has also produced nearly twenty (20) radio programs and delivered seventy-eight (78) talks on All India Radio. His television documentary PILIKULA received the prestigious Documentary Award in 2015, conferred during the Global Communication Conclave in New Delhi in April 2015.

He is a member of the National Executive Council and former Chairman of the Public Relations Council of India, Karnataka Chapter. He also serves as the President of the Karnataka Journalism and Communication Teachers Association (KSJCTA). He received the National Chanakya Award in 2012 for Academic Communication and the Press Club of Bangalore Annual Award in 2019. He is the Secretary-General of the National Council-India of the Asia Communication Media Congress (ACMC), Philippines, and an Advisory Board Member of the Global Communication Association (GCA), Greensboro, North Carolina, USA.

Professor Ravi is also the **Executive Chairman of the Indian Communication Congress (ICC)** and the **President of the Karnataka State Journalism and Communication Teachers Association (KSJCTA)**.

Recently, the second edition of his book on Political Communication, Modern Media, Elections, and Democracy, was published by SAGE Publications and released by Sri Siddaramaiah, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka.



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