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Report on KAS Taluk Nodal Officers 2nd Training Program

The **Karnataka Regional Branch** of the IIPA, in collaboration with the **Dharwad Local Branch**, organized a day-long **Training Program** for **Taluk Nodal Officers** of the **Karnataka Administrative Service** on the theme, “*Resolving Public Grievances and Increasing District Gross Domestic Product*” at the Zilla Panchayat Hall, **Dharwad** on Thursday, 15th May 2025.

The programme was inaugurated online by the **Chief Secretary of Karnataka, Dr. Shalini Rajneesh, IAS** who made an online presentation on Karnataka’s roadmap to achieve a \$1 trillion dollar academy and listed the focus areas for administrators. She urged the Taluk Nodal Officers to ensure that Public Grievances are effectively resolved in a timely manner and work towards a tangible increase in the District GDP. Five Resource Persons delivered lectures on the topics indicated:

1. ***Resolving Public Grievances, Janaspandana and Integrated Public Grievance Redressal System (IPGRS): Smt. Rashmi, KAS, Project Director, IPGRS, Govt. of Karnataka;***
2. ***E-Procurement: Smt. Suma, Project Director, E-Procurement, GoK;***
3. ***Role of Administrators in Promotion of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises at Taluk Level: Shri Nitesh Patil, IAS, Director, MSME, Dept. of Commerce and Industry, GoK;***
4. ***Role of Administrators in Promoting Skill Development and Increasing Gross Enrolment Ratio in Secondary Education: Prof. Dr. Pushkarni Panchamukhi, Assoc. Dean, School of Economics and Public Policy, RV University, Bengaluru;***
5. ***Role of Administrators in Increasing Women’s Participation in the Labour Force at the Taluk Level: Dr. Surekha Sankangoudar, Unit Coordinator and Head AICRP -Women in Agriculture, UAS, Dharwad.***

Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, IAS (Retd.), former Chief Secretary of Karnataka and Chairperson of the Karnataka Regional Branch of IIPA welcomed the participants and made introductory remarks. **Smt. Thulasi Maddineni, IAS**, Secretary, DPAR (AR), Govt. of Karnataka concluded the Training Programme with her remarks, delivered online. **Dr. D. Jeevan Kumar**, Secretary of the Branch proposed a Vote of Thanks.

Photo below (at Right) shows Dr. Shalini Rajneesh, IAS, Chief Secretary of Karnataka delivering the Inaugural Address. Photo (at Left) shows Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, Chairperson of the Branch welcoming the participants.

