

# Dr. Lavu Rathaiah Garu

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How can I shape my students to excel in all the fields they come across?

These are some of the thoughts simmering always in the mind of THE PERSON whom this page is going to portray. It is indeed portrayal of a Saga in the field of education and the person is none other than Dr.Lavu Rathaiah, the person who explores pleasure and satisfaction only through work. Yes, his work has set pioneering standards in the filed of educationin general and residential education in particular.

### **Background:**

Born in a middle class agricultural family, Dr.Rathaiah had observed during his education, How most of his friends had become dropouts in school and= colleges due to lack of guidance and direction. This pain has sowed a seed in his mind and it has become a visionary obsession for him that he should be instrumental in educating another ten people. After his Post graduation, he has rightly chosen his doctoral thesis on Child Psychology, Teaching Methods, Thought Provoking Process in children, and Channeling of creative resources. His childhood- goal of educating ten people around him has made lakhs of students getting quality education in his institutions.

### Beginning:

With this goal in his mind, He has started Vignan Tutorials in 1982 and with the establishment of Vignan High school in 1983, a new era in the filed of education in Andhra Pradesh began. From then onwards, with the setting up of Junior colleges, Degree colleges, PG college, Engineering college and to day Vignan has become become the hub of educational activity in AP and has set Benchmarking standards which other institutions can think of only in their dreams.

#### **Quality Consciousness:**

Dr.Rathaiah never compromises in providing the best facilities for his students and believes slightest negligence in providing student amenities will create false notions in the young minds about the Institution and its faculty and carelessness, lack of interest will creep in to their minds and even the best teaching methods under these circumstances won't help them. He has always held strong conviction that an Institution should faculty and carelessness, lack of interest will creep in to their minds and even the best teaching methods under these

circumstances won't help them. He has always held strong conviction that an Institution should make every student perform well in his studies and live up to the expectation the parents reposed on the group. Such an institution should provide a conducive atmosphere where there is no pollution in any form for the students to study better and better. Accordingly all the Vignan institutions have been set up far from the madding crowds in a serene and calm environs.

#### Concern:

His belief that a strong body makes strong mind made all the institutions provide very good canteen and play ground facilities. One can ask parents to really elicit feedback about the quality of the food that is being served across all the institutions. His contribution to education did not stop at setting up of world class institutions, but this monumental pioneering effort has been extended to Vignan Publications where Books are written by experts in their respective fields and these books are helping not only Vignan students, but students outside too.

## Mastery:

For a person who hails from a small village, climbing all the peaks in his chosen path has brought many laurels, yet the MASTER as fondly called by his students is humble enough to admit that he has to reach many more peaks in his relentless crusade.