It was a day to remember for the students of Sri Vidyanikethan Educational Institutions as they were fortunate enough to listen to the words of ‘Bharat Ratna’ Prof. C.N.R. Rao, on the occasion of ‘Celebration of Science’ at Sree Vidyanikethan Engineering College on 20th March, 2014.

Prof. C.N.R. Rao, Head of Scientific Advisory Council to Prime Minister and the Honorary President of Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (Bangalore), addressed the gathering on the significance of science in the development of the nation. To drive the point home, Prof. C.N.R. Rao quoted the example of renowned English scientist Michael Faraday, who with very little formal education reached the pinnacle of success, contributing immensely to the fields of electrochemistry and electromagnetism. “Faraday’s education spanned for only three years and he used to work at a printing press before joining the laboratory of Sir Humphry Davy as bottle washer. His rise as one of the most influential scientists highlights his hard work and value for time,” Prof. Rao maintained.

Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust Chairman, Dr. M. Mohan Babu and CEO, Sri. Vishnu Manchu honored the scientific luminary, while Film Directors Darsakaratna Dr. Dasari Narayana Rao and Darsakendra Sri. K. Raghavendra Rao, SRM University Director (Research) Dr. D. Narayana Rao; Shantha Biotechnics Managing Director Dr. K.I. Varaprasad Reddy, Padmabhushan Awardee; Hon’ble Vice-Chancellors: Prof. K. Lal Kishore, JNTUA; Dr. B. Vengamma, SVIMS; the Principals, Directors, Deans, Faculty and Students of Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Institutions participated.
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Dr. M. Mohan Babu, Chairman, SVET addressing the gathering
Citation to Prof. C.N.R Rao by Sri. Vishnu Manchu, CEO, SVET

Presidential address by Dr. Dasari Narayana Rao
A group photo with Bharat Ratna Prof. C.N.R. Rao

Students listening to lecture of Prof. C.N.R. Rao with rapt attention