

# NITK Surathkal celebrates 66<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day

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**Mangaluru:** National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal, celebrated its 66<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day on Wednesday. On the occasion, officials, students, and others paid homage to its founding father, Ullal Srinivasa Mallya.

The institution director, Prof B Ravi, hoisted the institute flag and garlanded the founder's statue at the entrance gate of the campus. The gathering reminisced about the institute's glorious history and celebrated its achievements over the past six decades.

NITK staff children who achieved academic excel-



**REMINISCENT:** Prof B Ravi, director of NITK, Surathkal, garlands the statue of founder of NITK, Ullal Srinivasa Mallya on Wednesday

lence in grade 10 and grade 12 were awarded prizes during the event. Two merit scholarships instituted by

the 1981 batch alumni were also conferred. Two staff members who completed 25 years of service to NITK were felicitated.

Air Marshal BU Chengappa, a distinguished alumnus of NITK (1969 batch), was the chief guest.

He inaugurated the showcase of an advanced turboshaft engine provided by the Indian Air Force. This is a part of the NITK Academy for Defence Adventure and Leadership (NADAL), aimed at fostering future thought leaders.

Chengappa, along with director Ravi, also unveiled an RFID-based smart library system for book lending and return.