

Achieve excellence through collaboration, institutes told

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Former Executive Vice-Chair of the National Innovation Foundation and founder of Honey Bee Network Anil Kumar Gupta on Saturday urged the National Institute of Technology - Karnataka (NIT-K), Surathkal, to mentor other institutions in addressing societal needs.

Speaking at a workshop titled 'Unleashing innovations - for and from the grassroots' organised by the Institution Innovation Council (IIC) of the NIT-K, he stressed on achieving excellence through collaboration instead of competition. There should be open sharing of knowledge and innovations, he said.

Director of NIT-K B. Ravi asked the institutes to form a coalition to identify and solve local problems especially relating to health, agriculture and



Former Executive Vice-Chair of the National Innovation Foundation and founder of Honey Bee Network Anil Kumar Gupta with participants at a workshop at NIT-K, Surathkal, on Sunday.
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environment.

Anamika Dey, Director of GIAN (Grassroots Innovation Augmentation Network), was the theme speaker. She spoke on co-incubation of start-ups at GIAN.

The workshop was meant to share the best practices to achieve collaborative excellence through inter-institutional innovations and co-creation with communities to sense their unmet needs as well as

search, spread, and celebrate inclusive innovations, a release from NIT-K said.

The workshop was attended by more than 400 delegates from over 60 engineering institutions across Karnataka. It included office-bearers of innovation councils of various institutions.

Many start-ups, entrepreneurs, and industry professionals also participated in the event.