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Mangalore University campus at Mangalagangothri, located about 20 km to the south-east of the historic coastal town of Mangalore, sets the tone for the educational endeavors of the three districts under the jurisdiction of the University. It is a picturesque campus that sprawls over 333 acres, overlooking the confluence of the river Nethravathi with the Arabian Sea on the one side, and the cloud-capped Western Ghats on the other. It grew out of a modest post-graduate centre of the University of Mysore to become the focal point of an independent University in 1980. The campus, which once housed a mere three postgraduate departments, now has twenty-five postgraduate departments, supported by modern infrastructure and experienced faculty. The University campus is a self-contained facility that provides all the essential facilities and infrastructure for the pursuit of excellence in higher education. Among the several central facilities at Mangalagangothri, mention may be made of the spacious and modern library, the University Science Instrumentation Centre, the Microtron Centre, the Humanities Block, the new MBA Block and the cyber café. There is an impressive administrative building, two guest houses for visiting dignitaries and faculty, a well-equipped health centre, a useful shopping complex, two nationalized banks, and an ATM centre. There is a post office and a telephone exchange on the campus. The University has provided residential quarters for its employees on the campus itself. On the University campus, there are two hostels for men and women, and a hostel for working women. Solar water heaters have been installed in all hostels. There are playgrounds and courts, a modern gymnasium, and indoor sports facilities. The employees of the University, forming themselves into the Vishwamangala Education Society, have been successfully running a primary school, high school and a Pre-University College on the campus. They also manage an employees cooperative society catering to the needs of employees and students.

Mangalore University has grown impressively since its inception with 190 affiliated colleges including two constituent colleges, one at Mangalore and another at Madikeri, taken over by the University from Government of Karnataka in 1992. The University has established the PG Centre, Cauvery campus at Madikeri, which offers Postgraduate courses in Microbiology and Biochemistry.

The University has taken steps to establish contacts through exchange of scholars and students with universities in USA, UK, Finland, Japan, Norway, Germany, Spain and other countries. A number of our faculty have been able to get fellowships and visit various universities to carry out their postdoctoral work. They have been on research assignments with assistance from Commonwealth, Humboldt, Rotary, Agatha Harrison Memorial, Rockefeller and Macarthur fellowships. The University has thus taken steps to benefit from the current trend of globalization.