

Regional science will evolve as a strong discipline: Governor

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Governor Dr Mridula Sinha has expressed confidence that regional science will evolve as a strong discipline and added that it will help train young minds in accepting developmental challenges.

Dr Sinha was recently speaking at the 12th World Congress of the Regional Science Association International (RSAI) and 49th Annual Conference of Regional Science Association, India celebrating 50 years of Regional Science in India organised by Regional Science Association International (RSAI) and Town and Country Planning Department of India in association with Town and Country Planning Department, government of Goa and BITS-PILANI Goa at BITS KK BIRLA Goa campus.



Governor Dr Mridula Sinha addressing the Inaugural ceremony of the 12th World Congress of Regional Science and 49th Annual Conference of Regional Science Association, India at BITS KK Birla Goa campus, Zuarinagar recently

has proposed to establish 18 new schools of planning and agriculture in the country, hoping that there will be one in Goa too.

Dr Sinha said that regional science emerged as a discipline in the 1950's when some economist collectively were dissatisfied with the low level analysis of regional economics and felt necessary to elevate its standards.

ogy is increasing in modern world. Satellite images bring daily weather reports and provide farmers with information for precision agriculture. The capability of remote sensing data has already been demonstrated to delineate the features like land use, soil, geology, etc, on regular basis," said Dr Sinha.

Dr Budy Resosudarmo, president of RSAI, ANU,

Australia; Dr G Raghurama, director, BITS, Goa; Dr Chitta Ranjan Pathak, secretary, RSA India; Dr Lakshmi Sivaramakrishnan, convener, RSA India; Dr Debasis Patnaik, convener, BITS Goa; Dr Bibek Debroy, chairman of Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India were among those prominent persons present on the occasion.

Dr Sinha released the NATMO Atlas, Map of Goa and Town Map of Panaji presented by Dr Tapati Benerjee, director, NATMO.

Dr S T Puttaraju, Chief Town Planner, government of Goa welcomed the gathering while Dr Sumana Bandyopadhyay, president of RSA India and chairperson,

Local organising committee, 12th WCRSAI proposed the vote of thanks.

The function was compered by Alan Pinto.