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Campus Jottings

International Conference on the Fourth World

Jenab Naeem Akhtar, Hon'ble Minister for Education, Govt. of J&K inaugurated the International Conference on "Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World" at Matrika Auditorium of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University on 17th Dec. 2015. In his inaugural address, Jenab Akhtar appreciated the efforts of the University in holding a conference on Inclusiveness of the Fourth World particularly at the time when inclusiveness is mandatory in every institution and what is needed is to secure spaces for inclusiveness. Dwelling upon the theme in multidisciplinary directions, Jenab Akhtar emphasized on breaking the walls of discrimination not only at societal level but at individual level too. He exhorted the University to take lead in conducting research and study in this area under the supervision of Vice Chancellor and the able guidance of Hon'ble Chancellor.

Sh. Rajiv Chawla, President, Faridabad Small Industries Association was the Guest of Honor. Speaking on the occasion, Sh. Chawla un-

derlined the innovative aspirations of the world with regard to education, technology and entrepreneurship. Prof. Sudhir K. Jain, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU in his address highlighted how prevalence of Entrepreneurial Intent in an economy is affected by a diverse blend of socio-economic and behavioural characteristics.





More than 80 delegates from all over the world participated in the sessions held at four different locations. Prof. Bhim Singh Dahiya, former Vice Chancellor, Kurukshetra University delivered the key note address. In the address, Prof. Dhaiya deliberated on the phenomenon of the Fourth State as an expression which is very critical spirit which looks for micro-level divisions of literary creations into socially-inspired categories.

Speaking about the conference, Dr. Vandhana Sharma, Dean, FoH&SS & Conference Chair said that the conference aims at scrupulous exploration of the Fourth World which has emerged as an alternative literary, social and cultural discourse subverting the First, Second and Third world's pedagogical aspects of knowledge and culture. Dr. Sharma said that any discourse or study becomes meaningless if it does not brings within its ambit the local. Hence the conference schedule has a panel discussion on Dalit/ Tribal Consciousness in Dogri Literature where eminent Dogri writers and scholars are the participating.



Among the prominent representative resource persons who participated in the parallel sessions were Prof. Jay Hansford C. Vest from University of North Carolna at Pembroke, USA, Prof. Radha Nambiar from University Kebangsaan Malaysia, Prof. Chandra Mohan from University of Delhi, Prof. Nandini Bhattacharya, Prof. Ratan Bhattacharya from West Benagal, Prof. Indira from Andra Pradesh and others. Noted Sahitya Akademy Dogri writers who deliberated over the Tribal/ Dalit consciousness in Dogri Literature were Dr. Deshbandu Dogra and Dr. Chanchal Bhasin. Dr. Anurag Kumar, Assistant Professor, SoLL, delivered the vote of thanks and Ms. Simranpreet Kaur, Research Scholar, SOLL conducted the proceedings.

A scintillating cultural show of Music and Dance of Dogra Heritage and Tradition was presented by Academy of Art, Culture and Languages in the auditorium in the evening. In addition, a session on Shakespeare in Urdu was conducted by Prof. K.K. Rishi from University of Kurukshertra.

Prof. R.D. Sharma, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu was the Chief Guest in the Valedictory Session and Prof. Sudhir K. Jain presided over the function. Prof. Chandra Mohan from University of Delhi delivered the valedictory address on "Essentialising The History of the Fourth World (Aboriginal) in the Mainstream of a Nation: Challenges in Inclusiveness". Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Prof. R.D. Sharma congratulated the organizers and highlighted how Fourth World as a universal entity holds a problematic area and needed to be debated and deliberated. Dr. Anurag Kumar delivered the vote of thanks and Ms. Isha Malhotra gave a report of the proceedings.

Executive Training Program

A three day Executive training program "Computer Skills for Effective Performance" for SMVDSB Employees was organised from $22^{nd} - 24^{th}$ Dec. 2015. The program was organised jointly by School of Business and School of Electronics and Communication

Engineering. The program was designed and

delivered to enable the employees to compete successfully in today's scenario as the organization has the need to manage effectively and efficiently the activities of day to day functioning. The method of executing a task matters as it effects the output and resource consumption. The right methodology of work execution is very important. This program focused upon the overall development of outlook of administrative and secretarial staff for organizational effectiveness. With its modules the program focused upon development of human- Machine understanding in initial phase with and initial exposure to various word processing systems. Some of the modules were In and Out of Comput-

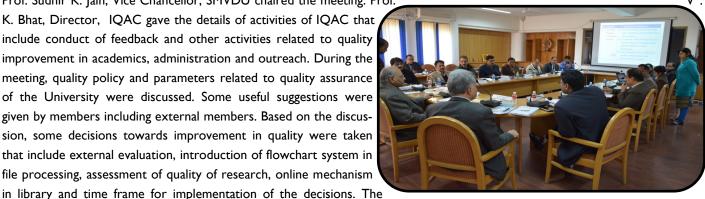


er (Hard & Software)/Mobiles Process Official; Official Communications with the help of MS Word; Working with MS Excel; MS Access; Power Point Presentation; Knowing and information search at world wide web; Digital Hygiene; Cyber Security and Safety of Information along with practice sessions on each topic. The training was a unique blend of management and computer efficiency. The program was coordinated by Dr. Amitkant Pandit and Dr. Saurabh.

Second Meeting of Internal Quality Assurance Cell

The second meeting of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), SMVDU was held on 16th Dec. 2015 at SMVD University.

Prof. Sudhir K. Jain, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU chaired the meeting. Prof. K. Bhat, Director, IQAC gave the details of activities of IQAC that include conduct of feedback and other activities related to quality improvement in academics, administration and outreach. During the meeting, quality policy and parameters related to quality assurance of the University were discussed. Some useful suggestions were given by members including external members. Based on the discussion, some decisions towards improvement in quality were taken that include external evaluation, introduction of flowchart system in file processing, assessment of quality of research, online mechanism



meeting was attended by Sh. Ajeet Kumar Sahu, CEO, SMVDSB, Sh. Rajiv Chawla, Chairman, IAMSME Faridabad, Sh. Rohit Gupta, MD, Sarveshwar Overseas, Sh. Ajay Khajuria, Registrar, SMVDU, Sh. S. L. Pandita, FO, SMVDU, Dr. Jyoti Sharma, Member Secretary, IQAC, coordinators of various activities Dr. Amit Kant Pandit, Sh. Subrata Deb, Er. Ashish Suri, etc.

Two Week AICTE Sponsored National Level Faculty Development Programme

Two-Week Faculty Development programme was inaugurated on 21st Dec, 2015 by Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sudhir K.Jain. The

programme was organized by School of Business, Faculty of Management with the financial support from All India Council of Technical Education from 21st Dec. 2015 to 3rd Jan. 2016. During the presidential address, Prof. Jain emphasized the strategic role of human resources to enhance the performance of the organizations. Earlier, during the function, Guest of Honour, Major General Dhir, while addressing the participants narrated himself as lamwan who will facilitate them in realizing their potentials. Prof. V.K.Bhat, Dean, FoM, extended warm welcome to the participants, While introducing the aim of the FDP, Programme Coordinator underlined that this capsule programme aims to enrich the knowledge and experience of



participants with various multivariate approaches, procedures and techniques of HRM with an Indian perspective for nurturing and enhancing research, teaching and analytical skills of the participants. The programme enabled the participants to enrich their skill-sets with the help of instructional methods including lectures, laboratory work, research assignments, discussions, field visits, case studies, and other audio-visuals aids.

Extension Lectures

Lecture on "Academic Literacy and Socialization: Issues and Trends"

Prof. Radha M.K Nambiar, Professor of Literacy, School of Language Studies and Linguistics, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia delivered an Extension Lecture on "Academic Literacy and Socialization: Issues and Trends"on 18th December, 2015 in the School of Languages & Literature.

Lecture on "Issues of Indigenous Peoples in a Global Context"

Prof. Jay Hansford vest, Professor, Department of American Indian Studies, University of North Carolina at Pembroke delivered an Extension Lecture on "Issues of Indigenous Peoples in a Global Context" on 18th December, 2015 in the School of Languages & Literature.

Faculty Update

Vandhana Sharma, Associate Professor, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Autobiographies as Socio-biographies: A Critical Study of Dalit Women's Autobiographies " in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015.

Vandhana Sharma, Associate Professor, School of Languages & Literature was a resource person in National Level Faculty Development Programme & conducted a session on "Communication & Interpersonal Skills at Work Place" on 29th Dec.2015.

Dr Sharada M. Potukuchi, Associate Prof., School of Biotechnology and Ms. Anuja Ko her Research Scholar, were invited to attend the "Biosafety Risk Management Trainers Training- Curriculum Development Track" from 14th -18th Dec, 2015, organized for US Development of Energy by Sandia National Laboraties, Albuquerque, USA in collaboration with Punjab University, Chandigarh and supported by Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India. The aim of the program was to develop a Global Biorisk Management Curriculum for Higher Education aiming at developing strategies for Effective and Sustainable Training in Universities/Institutions in India and abroad.

Dr. Swarkar Sharma, Assistant Professor, SBT, contributed as one of the leading authors in an international research work that has been published this month in the premier research journal of Human Genetics: "The American Journal of Human Genetics". The other members of the research team are scientists from USA, Canada and New Zealand. The study is considered very important as the team implicated role of a gene for the first time in causation of the disease that was not even thought to be genetic disorder earlier. Osteofibrous Dysplasia is a disorder marked by lesions, usually in the bones of the lower leg. The condition adversely affects the growth and strength of long bones in children. The team discovered a mutation in the MET gene, which might have a role in controlling the growth and development of long bones. This discovery is expected to bring fundamental new insight into understanding of how certain bones grow and develop in children. It is further expected to provide new avenues for targeted therapies to improve bone growth or repair.

Mr. Varun Dutta, Assistant Professor, School of Mechanical Engg. participated in Thar Cycling expedition organized by Youth Hostels of India at Jaisalmer from 23rd - 28th Dec. 2015. It was a cycling expedition which included 23 cyclists from different parts of country. In these six days, cyclist visited Sam Sand Dunes, Heritage Khabha Village, Fort Nabh Dungar, Sudasari Sand Dunes, Jaseri lake, Heritage empty Kuldhara Village, Manapiya Camp, Amarsagar Jain Temple and Cenotaphs of royal family Badabag, & travelled around 180 km on cycles. Earlier also Mr. Varun Dutta have attended many adventure camps like Trekking, Paragliding, etc.

Mr. Balbir Singh, Assistant Professor, SME have attended Two days workshop on "Product Design and Innovation" at IIT Mandi, HP from 18th - 19th Dec, 2015.

Dr. Ram Prakash, Assistant Professor, SOP attended and presented a research paper in 60th DAE Solid State Physics Symposium (DAE SSPS-2015) held at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh from 21st - 25th Dec, 2015.

Mr. Sachin Kumar Gupta, Assistant Professor, SME attended and presented a research paper titled "Effect of ART, DPC and ANs on the Performance of AODV Routing" in IEEE 10th International Conference on Industrial and Information Systems held at University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka from 17th - 20th Dec, 2015

Dr .Ashok Kumar Tarai, Assistant Professor, SoPC recently published a paper titled "Debating General Will" in Ravenshaw Journal of Philosophy, ISSN No. 2395-3209, Vol.1, 2015, pp.72-90

Dr. Vivek Kr. Singh, Assistant Professor, School of Physics has attended Two-Week Faculty Development Programme on "Carving Human Recourses: Approaches & Procedures" Sponsored by the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE), Government of India Organized by School of Business, Faculty of Management, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Kakryal, Katra, Jammu & Kashmir during 21st December, 2015 to 3rd January, 2016.

Dr. Narendra K Bairwa, Assistant Professor, School of Biotechnology, attended the Faculty Development Programme (FDP) held at School of Business, SMVDU from 21st December, 2015 to 3rd January 2016

Dr. Narendra K Bairwa, Assistant Professor, School of Biotechnology, presented research work in the 5th Ramalinagaswami fellows' conclave held NCR Biotech Science Cluster, Faridabad from 18th - 20th December 2015.

Students Update

Mr. Brij Bir Singh Jaswal pursuing Ph.D. in Physics under the supervision of Dr. Vivek Kr. Singh (Assistant Prof., SOP) has presented his research paper entitled "Trace Element Detection of Kidney Stone Using WD-XRF" in an International Conference On "light Quanta: Modern Perspectives & Applications" Organized by Department of Physics (Centre of Advanced Studies) University of Allahabad, Allahabad, from 14th - 16th Dec, 2015.

Neharika, Vinay Kumar, Jitendra Sharma, Vivek K. Singh, O.M. Ntwaeaborwa, H.C. Swart, "Surface and spectral studies of green emitting Sr₃B₂O₆:Tb³⁺ phosphor," Journal of Electron Spectroscopy and Related Phenomena 206:52-57, 2016, *Publisher: Elsevier, Impact Factor: 1.436.*

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Research Scholar, School of Physics, working under the supervision of Dr. Ram Prakash (AP, SOP) was awarded with the Best poster (Ist) award for his poster entitled: "Pulsed Laser Growth and Properties of Fe Doped Europium Oxide Thin Films"; which was presented at the "National Conference on Advanced Functional Materials & Their Applications" held at Govt. Women Engineering College, Ajmer from IIth -I2th December 2015. The work was done under the Research Project, PR-82 (collaborative research scheme of UGC-DAE CSR, Indore Centre.

Ms. Meenu Sharma, Research scholar in the School of Biotechnology presented the poster on her research work in the 9th International Conference on Yeast biology held at Jadavpur University, Kolkata from 9th to 12th December, 2015

Simranpreet Kaur, Research Scholar, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Resistance and Resistivity: Biopic Maanjhi as the Uncompromising Rebellious Subaltern " in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Quleen Kaur Bijral, Research Scholar, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Orality of the Fourth World of India" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Kamaldeep Kaur, Research Scholar, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Dalit Woman in North Indian Narratives: An Exploration of Caste and Gender Hierarchy" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Tanima Anand, Research Scholar, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Critiquing 'Sabitha: a woman and a day': Documenting Reality" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Sushain Raina, Research Scholar, School of Philosophy & Culture presented a paper entitled, "Sartre's Notion of Oppression: A Social Challenge in the Inclusiveness of Fourth World" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Ruby Bharti, Research Scholar, School of Philosophy & Culture presented a paper entitled, "Reconsidering Ambedkarian Philosophy: In and For the Marginalized" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015

Subah Gautam, Research Scholar, School of Languages & Literature presented a paper entitled, "Re-illustrating the Marginalized Characters in the Retellings of the *Mahabharata*" in International conference on *Challenges in Inclusiveness of the Fourth World* organized by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR from 17th – 18th December, 2015