



UPCOMING EVENTS

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SMVDU Organizes a Yoga Sessions under "Yoga Mahotsav"



Following the directives of the Ministry of Ayush and Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, the National Service Scheme at SMVD University organized one-month yoga sessions under "Yoga Mahotsav" to commemorate the upcoming 8th International Day of Yoga (IDY) on 21st June 2022, showing its commitment to inspiring a "Mass Movement for Health and Wellbeing" through Yoga. The NSS volunteers actively participated in these Yoga Sessions under the guidance of Yoga instructor, Mr. Gurmel. The final-day yoga session was organized on the theme "Yoga with Nature" near Jhajjar-Kotli river to connect participants to nature through Yoga. The NSS volunteer, Shubham coordinated this session under the guidance of Mr. Gurmel. Dr. Rajiv Kumar, the NSS Programme Coordinator, congratulated the NSS volunteers for the successful organization of these sessions. The Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, Prof. Ravinder Kumar Sinha, appreciated the efforts of the team NSS in promoting Yoga.

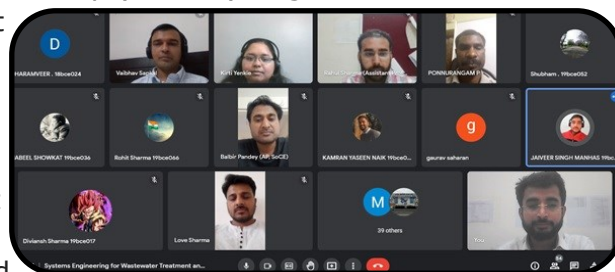
Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness Organized at SMVDU



With an aim to develop awareness about the Intellectual Property Right (IPR) among the students and faculty members, a one-day program on "Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness", was organized under Azadi Ka Amrut Mahaotsav at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University by the Research & Development Section SMVDU and Intellectual Property Management Standing Committee in collaboration with AICTE-MIC, Government of India and under the aegis of Kalam Program for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness Campaign (KAPILA), Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademarks and Institution Innovation Cell, SMVDU. SMVDU was selected among the 75 such centres in the country where the awareness campaign was carried out. Dr. D. Usha Rao, Assistant Controller of Patents and Design, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, delivered an expert lecture, giving practical insights about the issue pertaining to patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret. Dr. Rao explained the need for protecting the intellectual property drawing on the examples like yoga, Basmati Rice, Haldi, etc. for which patents had been sought by the western world. She provided details on the process of filing for patents and the various stages of the patenting process. Prof. Ravindra K. Sinha, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU shared his experiences about the importance of intellectual property and its protection and the efforts made at the university to promote innovation and intellectual property. He shared that more than 18 patents have already been filed by the students and faculty members of the university and a very supportive ecosystem has been created at SMVDU to promote innovation and ease the process for filing for patents. More than 250 participants, including faculty, research scholars and post graduate students from the various schools of SMVDU, participated in the event and took a small quiz by Dr. Rao. Dr. Suparn Kumar Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Management, SMVDU and IIC coordinator for IPR activities delivered the welcome address and Dr. Vineet Veer Tyagi, Associate Dean (R&D) presented the vote of thanks. Dr. Sumeet Gupta, Dean (R&D) and Dr. Yatheshth Anand, Nodal Officer, IPMSEC organized the event.

SMVDU, Orgnaizes Webinar on Systems Engineering for Wastewater Treatment

The School of Civil Engineering, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), organized an international webinar on Systems Engineering for Wastewater Treatment and Asset Management on campus. Dr. Kirti M. Yenkie, Assistant Professor, Rowan University, USA, delivered an expert lecture. Dr. Yenkie described the advanced methodologies to design the wastewater treatment systems used in the USA. The speaker also described the methods that could be adopted according to Indian conditions. The webinar motivated the students to think beyond the books and understand the new developments in Environmental Engineering. The organizing team, including Dr. Vaibhav Sapkal, Coordinator and Dr. Rahul Sharma, Co-coordinator, and the Head, SoCE, thanked the expert for guiding and motivating students. Mr. Gautam Narula, Organizing Secretary of the webinar, delivered the vote of thanks.



SMVDU Organizes a Gender Sensitization Session at Govt. High School Kakryal

The NSS Unit of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University organized a gender sensitization session at Govt. High School in the village Kakryal. The awareness session was conducted with 8th-10th class girls students of the school. It was an interactive session to make girls aware of good touch and bad touch. Students were also given the assignment to discuss this. The NSS volunteers Vaidyanti, Harshita and Leeza discussed different situations with the girls and how to behave in those situations. The School Principal, Mrs Rachna, appreciated the efforts of the girls' volunteers of the NSS team and also suggested conducting a session on personal hygiene for students in future. Dr. Rajiv Kumar, NSS Programme Coordinator, was also present during the event. The Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, Prof. R.K. Sinha, appreciated the efforts of team NSS and suggested covering all nearby schools.



Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University Signs MoU with AWS Academy

The School of Computer Science & Engineering, SMVDU, has started training on cloud technologies for the B Tech/M Tech students in association with Amazon Web Services (AWS) Academy. The SMVD University students will benefit from the cloud, machine learning, and analytics education through the AWS Academy program which will also help the university to build a sustainable pool of talent equipped with IT skills critical to its development, particularly with the knowledge of designing, building, and maintaining the cloud, said Dr. Naveen Kumar Gondhi, Coordinator, AWS Academy@SMVDU. He also gave an introduction to the students and motivated them to pursue AWS International Certification after training at SMVDU. The AWS Academy will enhance the B Tech/M Tech Course in Engineering by providing, a ready-to-teach cloud computing curriculum that prepares students to pursue the most important certifications related to the industry, and employment in in-demand and coveted positions. Prof. R.K Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, Dr. Ajay Kaul, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, and Dr. Baijnath Kaushik, Head, SoCSE, appreciated the initiative, which will bridge the gap between industry and the academia.



Celebrations and Day Observed

400th Prakash Purab of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji Celebrated at SMVDU and Narayana Hospital

The Sikh Sangat of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) and Narayana Hospital (NH) organized the 400th Prakash Purab of Shri Guru Teg Bahadur Ji at Narayana Hospital. The students of SMVDU and Nursing College, faculty, staff members of SMVDU and Doctors and Medical staff of NH paid their obeisance to Guru Granth Sahib Ji. The Shabadkirtan was performed by Raagi Jatha and Pradhan Sardar Satinder Singh from District Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee, Udharpur on the occasion. Further, ShabadKirtan and poems were recited by students Ms. Navleen Kaur, Ms. Hargun Kaur, Ms. Harleen Kaur and Master Harmilan Singh. Katha-Vachak, Sardar Harmeet Singh from Jammu highlighted the life history of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji. Guru Ji was born to the sixth Guru, Shri Guru Hargobind Rai ji and Mata Nanaki at Amritsar in

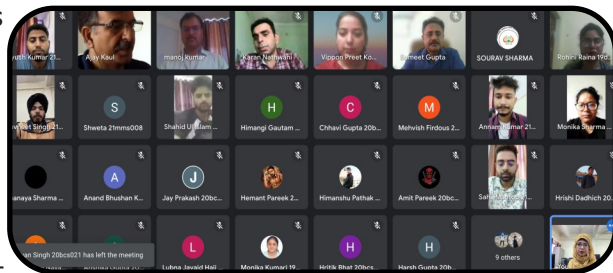


1621, initially named Tyag Mal. After seeing his valour and Tegh (large sword) skill at age of 14 on the battlefield, his father renamed Guru ji Tegh Bahadur, enthroned him as the 9th Guru of Sikh Panth in 1664. Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji is also called Hind Ki Chadar who had sacrificed his life for humanity at Chandni Chowk, New Delhi (now Gurudwara, Sis Gang) on November 11, 1675, to save guard the Sanatan Dharm from cruelty and forceful conversion to Islam under the reign of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb. Various dignitaries, including Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, Sh. Nagendra Singh Jamwal, JKAS, Registrar, SMVDU, Sh. Neeraj Gupta, JKAS, Finance Officer of SMVDU, Sh. Gopal

Sharma, CAO, NH and Senior Doctor JP Singh, Clinic Director, NH reached, out to pay homage to Guru Ji and also enlightened the Sangat about the teachings of Guru Ji and his supreme sacrifice to protect religion and culture. Organizing team including students, Dr. Balbir Singh, Associate Professor, Sardar Opinder Singh Sidhu from SMVDU and Doctor Rajpal Singh, Radiation Oncology, Doctor Maninder Singh, Mr. Jaswinder Singh and Mr. Babandeep Singh from NH administration welcomed all devotees and honoured dignitaries with Siropa as per Sikh tradition. The organizing team conveyed gratitude to the District Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee, Udhampur for all support and the Ek-bani Channel team for the live telecast of the entire Guru Purab celebration to viewers of Jammu.

SMVDU Celebrates National Technology Day 2022

The School of Computer Science and Engineering, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) organized a webinar on "Ubiquitous Machine Learning and Applications", to commemorate the National Technological Day which is celebrated to highlight the achievements of engineers and scientists in the field of technology and science. The date coincided with the day on which India successfully conducted a series of nuclear tests at Pokhran in May 1998, which is an indicator of the country's self-reliance in the field of science & technology. The theme for this year's National Technology Day 2022 was "Integrated Approach in science and technology for a sustainable future" and was organized under the aegis of the Ministry of Education's IIC (MIC) and Institutional Innovation Council SMVDU. The convener of the webinar Dr. Ajay Kaul, Dean Faculty of Engineering, SMVDU, greeted the audience, and highlighted the relevance of the Webinar theme and its relevance in today's era. The keynote speaker, Dr. Karan Nathwani, Faculty, IIT Jammu, emphasized the "Importance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in modern world" and delivered a lecture covering all aspects of machine learning and artificial Intelligence. The students of various programs, and primarily Ph.D. students along with faculty members participated in the event. Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU, congratulated the Dean of Faculty of Engineering on commemorating the important day with a webinar on the apt topic. Mr. Manoj Kumar Verma, Assistant Professor, School of Computer Science & Engineering, and co-convener of the webinar delivered the vote of thanks.



External Experts

Interaction Session with MBA Alumnus Conducted at SMVDU

Ms Maria Shah, an alumnus of the School of Business, interacted with MBA and BBA students virtually. She is an MBA 2006-08 batch pass out, a certified NLP coach and presently has her own Learning & Development venture. She has coached more than 30,000 professionals and conducted various group and one to one training sessions. While interacting virtually with students, Ms Shah narrated to the budding managers, the role and future of Human Resource Management in the corporate world. With her experience of more than 10 years as a trainer/coach, she highlighted the various career options available in the HR field. The session was informative, explaining various career opportunities available after completing management degree program, particularly in HR. She educated the students regarding starting their own venture and the challenges they may face in that process. She also enthused the students to keep expanding their portfolio of skills in order to have a competitive advantage in the corporate world. The students attended and participated in the session offline and although some of the interested students also joined online mode.



SMVDU Organizes Expert Lecture on "Yoga and Mental Health"



The NSS unit of SMVDU organized an expert lecture by Dr. Ravi Kant Gupta on "Yoga and Mental Health". The lecture was the part of various activities under "Yoga Mahotsav" to educate students about Yoga and its link to mental health. Dr. Ravi Kant Gupta is a Jammu based Yoga consultant certified by Govt. of India with 32 years of experience. He is also a member of International Yog Fellowship Movement and an alumnus of 'Bihar School of Yoga', Munger. Dr. Gupta discussed basics of yoga and meditation and do's & don'ts while practicing these two. He showcased some very simple techniques to relieve stress and feel energetic. He also motivated students for yoga and discussed the science behind yoga. The session was quite interactive and around 100 students were benefitted from the session. The NSS volunteers Pranav, Mahnoor and Bhuvnesh coordinated this event. Dr. Anil Tewari, Dr. Rajiv Kumar (NSS, Programme Officer) and Mr. Gurmel, Yoga, instructor of University, were also present during the event. Vice Chancellor, Prof. R.K. Sinha congratulated team NSS for organising the event successfully.

Faculty/Staff Updates

SMVDU Faculty tops with Gold Medal+Elite certification in NPTEL Course

Ar. Satyanshu Kumar, Assistant Professor of School of Architecture and Landscape Design (SoALD), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, scored as one of the toppers with Gold medal+ Elite certificate of NPTEL course on "Environmental Impact Assessment" conducted by IIT Roorkee. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a tool to assess the environmental, economic and social implications of an infrastructure project. Such continuous learning is highly significant for the professionals like Architects, Planners, and Engineers etc. to upgrade their skills towards the emerging interconnected technological fields. Prof. Ravindra K. Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVD University, Ar. Aditya Kumar Singh, Head, SoALD, and all faculty members of SOALD congratulated Ar. Satyanshu Kumar for the achievement.



Talk Delivered

SMVDU Faculty Delivers an Expert Talk at National Webinar

Dr. Bharat Bhushan Jindal, Faculty, School of Civil Engineering, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, delivered an expert lecture on "Industrial Waste and Recycled Materials Utilization in Green Concrete" Field Applications" at a national webinar on 10th May 2022. The webinar was organized by the Ultra Tech Cement Limited & Indian Concrete Institute Chandigarh Centre. Dr. Jindal discussed the growing demand for infrastructure with the population growth across the globe. The concern about the fastest growing demand for cement and the release of greenhouse gases that threaten the environment was shared. The possibilities of the use of Geopolymer Concrete (Cementless Concrete) were discussed. The lecture was attended by 150 faculty and technocrats across India. Research scholars and budding civil engineers were made aware of the significance and scope of research in geopolymer concrete. Dr. Jindal thanked the Ultra Tech Cement Limited and ICI-Chandigarh for inviting him to share his knowledge.



SMVDU Faculty Delivers a Talk on "Digital Transformation"

Dr. Manoj Kumar Gupta, Faculty, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, delivered an invited talk, titled "Digital Transformation with healthy aging and Application of AI" on the occasion of Telecommunication Day celebrated, jointly organized by the Department of Computer Science, Department of Electronics and IETE Society, University of Jammu, Jammu. The talk primarily emphasized the unfolded opportunities that arise due to the increase in the size of older people as this is happening for the first time in the history of human evolution that the number of people aged over 60 years has outnumbered the people aged below five years old. The digital transformation and assistance will largely be levied for healthy aging. Dr. Gupta has covered the role of Artificial Intelligence in developing Apps to secure a healthy lifestyle while aging by monitoring body vitals and availing timely advice of medical practitioners.



Student Updates Publications

M.Sc. Economics Student of SMVDU Publishes Research Paper in SSCI Journal

Ms. Shaymli Pawar (Batch 2016-2021), an MSc student, School of Economics, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) has published a paper, titled "Examining asymmetric impact of climatic factors on crop yields in India" in the Social Science Citation Index (SSCI) and also a Scopus journal, titled "Applied Economics Letters" published by Routledge, UK. The research paper is part of her masters' thesis jointly supervised by Dr. Gopinathan, R & Dr. D. P. Joshi, Faculty Members, School of Economics, SMVDU. Ms. Pawar aspires to crack the civil services exam.



SMVDU, M.Tech. Student Publishes Research in SCI & SCOPUS Journals

Mr. Aniket Sharma, M. Tech. Student, School of Mechanical Engineering, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, published two publications from his M. Tech. research work with Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of Mechanical Engineering, SMVDU, Katra. One of his research papers publication entitled "The effect of V-shape protruded and dimple textured on the load-carrying capacity and coefficient of friction of hydrodynamic journal bearing- A comparative Numerical Study" is published in Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (London), Part J: Journal of Engineering Tribology (SCI-E indexed journal), and another research paper entitled "Dynamic Performance Improvement of Journal Bearing by Using Dimple and Protruded Textured Surfaces" is published in International Journal of Surface Engineering and Interdisciplinary Materials Science (SCOPUS indexed journal). The research publications discuss in detail the static-dynamic and stability performance enhancement of hydrodynamic journal bearing by using surface texturing inside the bearing surface and the whole work should be beneficial for designers for designing a bearing having a better and smooth operation.



SMVDU organized a cleanliness drive and Yoga session at water bowl



The NSS unit of SMVDU organized a cleanliness drive and Yoga session at water bowli near Shool village. The activity was conducted under "Yoga Mahotsav" in which yoga sessions were organized on campus and in nearby villages for the last one and half month. The NSS volunteers firstly cleaned the nearby area of the water bowli. After the cleanliness drive, a yoga session was conducted by yoga instructor Shri Gurmel. The session started with "OM uccharan" and "Gayatri mantra". It was a mesmerizing experience to relax body and mind by the sounds of birds and running water in bowli. Programme Officer, NSS, Dr. Rajiv Kumar was also present during the session along with 30 volunteers.

SMVDU Conducts an Education Tour to Space Centre, ISRO

An industrial visit was conducted by the School of Electronics and Communication (ECE), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) at Semiconductor Laboratory, Space Centre, ISRO, Mohali, in which students learned about the field of semiconductor devices -their importance in the modern-day scenario, their fabrication, packaging, and their role in space explorations, etc. The session was followed by a brisk question-answer round. After this mind-boggling session, everyone was taken for a visit to the laboratories, under the guidance of Mr. Kul Bhushan. "It was an intensely informative and enriching educational visit to the Semi-conductor Laboratory", said Head, ECE, Dr. Manish Sabraj. Dr. Ashish Suri, Coordinator of the event, states that at SCL, everyone was guided to a seminar hall wherein an enthralling interactive session through the presentation was conducted. "The session turned out to be absolutely fun as well as a journey through", said Dr. Gaurav Kumar & Ms. Pooja Sharma, Faculty Members, ECE.



SMVDU Students Bags Position in State Grand Findo Championship

Mr. Aakershit Pathak, a student of MBA Semester IV at SMVD University bagged the first position in the State Grand Findo Championship, held at J&K. The event was a 100 km cycling event with an elevation level of 300 meters from Jammu to Surnisar and back to Jammu. Mr Aakershit is a promising cyclist and has been a bright student at SMVDU. The Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, conveyed his best wishes to the student and said that SMVDU provides an environment for the overall development of the students. Mr Nagendra Singh Jamwal, Registrar, SMVDU congratulated the student, and said that the serene environment of SMVDU is motivating for the students. The students must focus on bringing out their positive and competitive spirit. Mr Aakershit Pathak is a student of MBA semester IV and has already been placed in Accenture. His faculty mentor Dr Saurabh, praised the efforts of the student, and said that Mr Aakershit Pathak has been balancing his studies and extracurricular activities.



Vikalp Celebrates Karwaan 2022

Vikalp at SMVDU, which is a students' initiative, has always tried to balance teaching activities with extracurricular engagements. Keeping that in mind, Vikalp celebrated its first cultural fest, Karwaan, from 26-29 May 2022. The events accommodated over 200 children from nearby villages, all of whom were encouraged to participate in various events, thus allowing them to showcase their talent. Karwaan commenced with the literary events on 26 May, in which children took part in poetry competitions, spelling bee, and debate competitions, which were judged by Dr. Anil Bhardwaj, Dr. Anil Kumar Tiwari and Dr. Madhu Mangal Chaturvedi. The strong views and confidence of the students impressed audience and judges. On the next day, fine arts events took place; with the rangoli floor decors made by the children, mehndi on their hands, and crafts in all the classrooms, the Vikalp rooms looked more colourful than ever. Dr. Rajiv Kumar and Mrs. Nidhi Vashishth were the judges for the events. On the next day, a quiz competition was organized to test the children's general knowledge. A singing competition followed the quiz. The judge for the event, Dr. Rajiv Kumar, was impressed by the children's melodious performances. On the final day of Karwaan, the children prepared a play to make us aware of the importance of taking care of our planet. Along with that, a group dance competition was held, which included folk dance forms from the various parts of the country. Following that, the event's judges, Dr Mir Irfan, a prominent contributor for Vikalp, Mr. Kaushal Kumar, a notable alumnus of Vikalp from batch 2015 and faculty coordinator, Mr. Sumanta Sarathi Sharma, awarded the winners of all the competitions with medals and trophies which brought Karwaan 2022 to an end. Vikalp is grateful for the support from the Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU Prof. (Dr.) Ravindra Kumar Sinha, and also thanked the Registrar, SMVDU Shri Nagendra Singh Jamwal for the administrative support.



MBA Students of SMVDU Bag Best Paper Awards

Amol Dhar and Ruchika Koul, MBA Students, SMVD University, bagged the best paper awards in National Conference on 'Resilience, Reinvention & Rebuilding towards the New Normal' (R3TN2-2022) organized by GNIOT Institute of Management Studies, Greater Noida. Amol presented the paper titled 'A Serendipitous Throuple'. This study was conducted to understand the three-way relationship from the user's perception of the archetypes and explored how the congruity of personalities works among a brand, its user and other fellow brand user. Ruchika presented the paper titled 'Influencer Marketing-The Item Girl of Social Media'. Her study discussed the concept of influencer marketing, and explored how influencer marketing impacts people's buying decision and brand perception. More than 100 papers were presented in the conference in 7 different tracks. Both students worked with Dr. Rashmi Taggar of School of Business. The students were grateful to the Head, SoB, Dr. HG Mishra and Dean, FoM, Dr. Supran K. Sharma for providing an excellent academic and research environment and encouragement to undergo their surveys for the study.



Google Developer Group Hosts "Back 2 Basic Event" at SMVD University

The Google Developer Group, Jammu, concluded its "Back 2 Basic" event, based on the Google Cloud Platform at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University. The Group provided the Qwiklabs credits & GCP subscriptions to students, and also organized invited talks by experts: Abhishek Sharma, Prerit Munjal, and Abhinav Sharma. The speakers motivated students to upskill in cloud computing, and how it is shaping the modern architecture of technology. The event also conducted sessions on Code Lab with Hands-on labs, followed by an online competition to win Google



Cloud themed, Swags. The Google Developer Group thanked the SMVDU administration for the arrangements and hospitality. The event was conducted under the guidance and support of Dr. Anil Bhardwaj, Coordinator, and Jatin Sharma, Organizing Secretary.

SMVDU Researcher Declares Qualified for the Award of Ph.D. Degree

Ms. Meenu Sharma, a research student, in the School of Biotechnology at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) has been declared qualified for the award of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD). The candidate has worked on the topic, titled "Investigation into the Role of F-box Motif Encoding Gene SAF1 in Combination with Certain Genome Stability Regulators in the Maintenance of Genome Stability and Stress Response in *S. cerevisiae*" under the joint supervision of Dr. Narendra K Bairwa, Assistant Professor and Ramalingaswami Fellow, SMVDU and Prof. V. Verma, Former HoS, School of Biotechnology, SMVDU. Ms. Meenu Sharma was also awarded the "FEMS Meeting Grant for Early Young Scientists" and "Genetic Society of America (GSA) Travel Grant" for the presentation of her research works at international conferences, and she published her research findings in the SCIE journals. The candidate has expressed her gratitude to the School of Biotechnology and SMVD University for providing all facilities and necessary support for carrying out the research work, and for the support received from DBT, the DST GOI funding agency. Prof. R.K. Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, and committee members congratulated the candidate and wished her a bright future ahead.



SMVDU Researcher Declares Qualified for the Award of Ph.D. Degree

Ms. Sonali Sharma declared qualified for the award of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Economics by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU). Ms. Sharma worked on the topic, titled "Productivity and Efficiency Analysis of ASIAN Agriculture: An Empirical Exploration", under the supervision of Dr. Kakali Majumdar, Faculty, School of Economics, SMVDU, Katra. Ms. Sonali has published research papers indexed in ABDC ranked journals. She has presented many research papers in international and national conferences. Additionally, Ms. Sharma has also worked in the ICSSR sponsored Research Project. The Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, Prof. (Dr.) R.K. Sinha, chaired the committee, including committee members Dean, Faculty of Management, Dr. Supran Sharma, Head, SoE, Dr. Meenakshi and other faculty members.



SMVDU Researcher Declares Qualified for the Ph.D. Degree

Mr. Aasif Ali Bhat, Ph.D. student of School of Economics, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), has been declared qualified for the award of the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD). Mr. Bhat worked on the topic, titled "Impact of Tourism on Local Residents: A Study of Kashmir Region" under the supervision of Dr. Kakali Majumdar, Associate Professor, School of Economics, SMVDU, and Prof. R.K. Mishra, Senior Professor, ONGC Subir Raha Chair & Former Director, Institute of Public Enterprise, Hyderabad. Mr. Bhat has been awarded the ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship administered through Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE), Hyderabad. He has published research papers indexed in the reputed ABDC ranked journals, and presented many research papers in international and national conferences. Mr. Bhat has worked in the different Research Projects sponsored by ICSSR and ICMR. In addition, he is a member of the European Union Research Project of centers of Excellence in Sustainable Tourism to boost economic development and enhance University-Business cooperation in Southern Asia. The candidate has expressed his gratitude to the School of Economics, SMVD University and IPE Hyderabad for providing all facilities and necessary support for carrying out the research work. Prof. (Dr.) R.K. Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, and committee members congratulated the scholar and wished him a bright future ahead.



Mr. Pradeep Singh of SMVDU Declares Qualified for the Award of Ph.D.

Mr. Pradeep Singh has been declared qualified for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mathematics by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, J&K. He has worked on the topic, "On Zero-Divisor Graph of Rings and its Topological Indices", under the supervision of Dr. V.K. Bhat, Professor, School of Mathematics, SMVDU. His research work has published in reputed SCIE and SCOPUS indexed journals. The candidate thanked the university for granting him NET- fellowship during Ph.D. Prof. R.K. Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, congratulated the candidate and wished him a bright future ahead.



SMVDU Alumnus Qualifies UGC-JRF Exam with AIR-3

Miss Arti Rathore, an alumnus of M.Sc. Biotechnology (Batch 2018-2020) of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, has qualified the prestigious National Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) Exam and eligibility for Assistant Professor conducted under the Joint CSIR-UGC Test June-2021. She obtained All India Rank 03 (AIR-3) in Life Sciences. Ms. Arti has been a recipient of the Student Merit-cum-Means Scholarship Scheme (SMMSS) on account of her academic performance. She has been an all-rounder at the University and also actively participated in many academic events, cultural activities and fests. Prof. (Dr.) Ravindra Kumar Sinha, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU, congratulated the candidate and wished her a successful career ahead.



ALUMNI CORNER

SMVDU Alumnus Honors with Raksha Rajya Mantri Commendation Badge

Lt (Dr) Kamal Deep Kaur, presently working as Assistant Professor in English and Associate NCC Officer at GCW Udhampur, has been honoured with Raksha Rajya Mantri Commendation Badge, and Certificate Card for her exemplary performance and contribution to NCC for the year 2021-22. She was also presented with ADG Commendation Card for her directed documentaries 'Utsarg' and 'Chahat' this year. Dr. Kamal Deep Kaur had worked on the dialects of the Dogri language during her PhD at School of Languages & Literature, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University.

