

**18<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018**

Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu conducted 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual North Zone Inter-University Declamation Contest-2017-18 at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu. The Silver Rolling Trophy for the same has been instituted by Sh. N. N. Vohra, Hon'ble Governor J & K State. 32 students from different Universities of North Zone participated in this contest who represented J & K, Punjab, Delhi and Haryana.

Sh. N. N. Vohra, Hon'ble Governor J & K State and The Chancellor University of Jammu was the Chief Guest at the Valedictory function where he presented Silver Rolling Trophy to the winning team of the University of Jammu consisting of Sangpriya and Shivika Thakur. The overall first prize in individual category was won by Sangpriya from the University of Jammu while Sheenam Dhingra from Panjab University, Chandigarh and Shivika Thakur from the University of Jammu were declared second & third respectively. Certificates of Merit were awarded to Mehak Ayaz from the University of Kashmir and Prateek Sharma from GGM Science College. Participation certificates and mementoes were also presented to the participants.

Sh. N. N. Vohra, Hon'ble Governor J & K State expressed gladness over vibrant participation of the students from J&K and neighboring universities. He mentioned that in addition to channelize the young minds towards positive direction, such competitions infuse them with confidence to project their arguments in an assertive manner and the ability of finer public speaking proves a boon for their careers.

Prof. R.D. Sharma, esteemed Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu presided over the function. He presented a detailed insight about the topic of the declamation which was "Is digital intervention in education among the most pressing challenges?"

Hon'ble Governor Sh. N.N. Vohra also released the 'Kulgeet' of the University of Jammu which was made under overall supervision of Pt. Shiv Kumar Sharma. Music and Lyrics by Brij Mohan, sung by Seema Anil Sehgal, Jeevan Sharma and Sonali Dogra and video of which was directed by Maloop Singh.

Prof. Satnam Kour, Dean Students Welfare formally welcomed the august gathering. Anupama Vohra, Associate Dean Students Welfare rendered the Vote of Thanks. All the participants rendered thought pondering speeches. Earlier in the morning, the event was inaugurated by Prof. Keshav Sharma, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu. He expressed his pleasure that such events are being organized which will engage the young minds towards constructive things.

Prof. Lalit Magotra, Prof Indu Kilam and Prof Chanchal Dogra were the adjudicators for the contest whereas Dr. Garima Gupta was the teacher incharge for the event. Dr. Minakshi Kilam, Prof. Jigar Mohd. Prof. K.K. Kapoor, Dr. Parmil Kumar, Dr. A.R. Manhas, faculty members, officers students and scholars of University of Jammu were present at the occasion. The event was coordinated by Ifra Kak and Sumeet Sharma.