

ANNUAL REPORT

UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

2023-2024

INTRODUCTION OF THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Jammu strives for Achieving world-class excellence in teaching, research and knowledge transfer and making valuable contributions to the socioeconomic development of the region and country. Imparting quality education to the students, promoting their all-round development by participation in sports, extracurricular and other socially relevant activities and including the skill of decision making and democratic values.

Providing state of the art facilities and opportunities for academic growth and to carry out research in the modern areas, particularly of applied nature and technology.

Cradled in the lap of mountains at the foothills of auspicious Trikuta, besides the river Tawi at an altitude of 1030 ft. is Jammu. This 'city of temples' has many places that are flocked by people from every nook and corner. Among all these, also comes the famed University of Jammu. A place, where imparting education is not considered just as a mere duty, but as a commitment towards the advancement of the society. A university with a vision and a single-minded mission. To make Jammu university a name to reckon with. A saga that has been continuing from the time of its inception.

The University of Jammu, accredited as 'A+' Grade University by National Assessment & Accreditation Council of India came into existence in 1969 vide Kashmir and Jammu Universities Act 1969 following bifurcation of the erstwhile University of Jammu and Kashmir. The University provides instructions in such branches of learning as it deems fit and makes provision for research and the advancement and dissemination of knowledge. The University stands for spiritual and material elements in life thirst for knowledge and virtue under the backdrop of holy peaks of Trikuta Hills.

University of Jammu holds examinations, grants degrees, generates knowledge and confers diverse academic distinctions on persons who pursue approved courses of study in the University or in constituent colleges/institutions approved for the purpose also for those who appear as external/private candidates. It also confers honorary degrees or other distinctions on the persons of exceptional caliber. The University also admits, maintains, recognizes, affiliates colleges and other institutions. It is primarily a research, teaching, affiliating, and examining body involved in promotion of arts, science and other branches of learning. The University is open to all classes and creeds with the sole objective to carry people from darkness to light.

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

(as on March 31, 2024)

I EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

- 1. Chancellor
- 2. Pro-Chancellor
- 3. Education Minister
- 4. Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu
- 5. Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir
- 6. Pro- Vice Chancellor
- 7. Administrative Secretary to Government Planning & Development Department
- 8. Financial Advisor
- 9. Education Advisor to the Government or Officer designated by the Government to the Incharge, Higher Education.

II Members Nominated by the Chancellor

- i) Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Jammu
- ii) Dean Faculty of Medical Sciences & Principal, Govt. Medical College, Jammu
- iii) Principal, Government Degree College, Samba

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- iv) President, Jammu University Teacher's Association (JUTA)
- v) President, College Teachers Association(CTA), Jammu Wing

III Two Nominees of the Chancellor

- i) Prof. Alok Kumar Rai, Vice Chancellor, Lucknow University
- ii) Prof. A.K Kaul, Department of Sociology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi

UNIVERSITY SYNDICATE (as on March 31, 2024)

- Vice Chancellor
- Pro- Vice Chancellor
- Education Advisor to the Government or Officer designated by the Government to the Incharge, Higher Education.
- Financial Advisor
- Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Jammu
- Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Jammu
- Dean, Faculty of Business Studies
- Dean, Faculty of Arts
- Principal, Government Degree College, Bani
- Principal, Government Degree College, Marwah
- Prof. K.S Charak, Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu
- Prof. Aneesa Shafi, Head, Department of Sociology, University of Kashmir
- Prof. Anwar Hassan, Dean, School of Physical & Mathematical Sciences, University of Kashmir
- Prof. Sunita Singh Sen Gupta, Faculty of Management Studies, University of Delhi
- Prof. Chandra Bhushan Sharma, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi
- Prof. J.P Pandey, Director, Kamla Nehru Institute of Technology, Sultanpur

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ACADEMIC COUNCIL

(as on March 31, 2024)

I. Vice-Chancellor

II. Deans of Faculties of the University of Jammu

- Dean, Faculty of Science
- Dean, Faculty of Law
- Dean, Faculty of Business Studies
- Dean, Faculty of Education
- Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Arts
- Dean, Faculty of Mathematical Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Medical Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Engineering.
- Dean, Faculty of Music & Fine Arts

III. Heads of Departments of University

IV. Six Principals of Affiliated/Constituent Colleges Nominated by The Vice Chancellor

- Principal, Govt. Degree College Kathua
- Principal, Govt. Degree College for Boys, Udhampur
- Principal, Govt. Degree College, Poonch
- Principal, Govt. Degree College, Kishtwar
- Principal, Govt. M.A.M College, Jammu
- Principal, Govt. Degree College, Reasi

V. Four College Professors Nominated by the Vice-Chancellor

- Head, Department of Persian, Govt. Degree College, Rajouri
- Head, Department of Arabic, Govt. Degree College, Doda
- Head, Department of Music, Govt. Degree College for Women, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu
- Head, Department of Philosphy, Govt. College for Women, Parade, Jammu

VI. Deans of Faculties of Kashmir

- Dean, Faculty of Arts
- Dean, Faculty of Applied Science & Technology
- Dean, Faculty of Biological Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Physical & Material Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
- Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies
- Dean, Faculty of Education
- Dean, Faculty of Law

- Dean, Faculty of Oriental Learning
- Dean, Faculty of Engineering
- Dean, Faculty of Medicine
- Dean, Faculty of Music & Fine Arts
- Dean, Faculty of Dentistry

VII. Five Persons to be co-opted by the Academic Council

- Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu
- Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu
- Controller of Examinations, University of Jammu
- Director, Directorate of Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu
- Director, Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu



RECTORS/DIRECTORS OF THE CAMPUSES

Rector/Director

Y OF JAMMU

Bhaderwah Prof. J.P. Singh Joorel

Campus

Kathua Prof. Arvind Jasrotia

Kishtwar Prof. Jasbir Singh

Poonch Prof. Rakesh Vaid

Ramnagar Prof. Vinod Sharma

Reasi Prof. S.K.Pandey

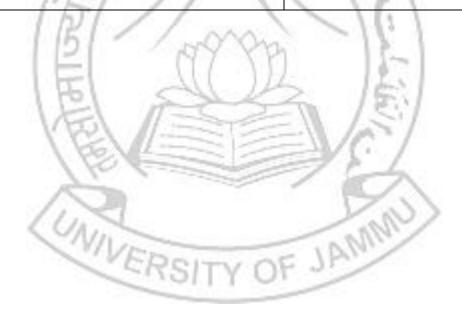
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Udhampur Prof. Yash Pal Sharma

HEADS OF THE UNIVERSITY TEACHING DEPARTMENTS (As on March 31, 2023)

Name of the Department/ Directorate	Head/Director
Biotechnology	Prof. Sanjana Koul
Botany	Prof. Veenu Kaul
Buddhist Studies	Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik
The Business School	Prof. Vinay Chauhan
Chemistry	Prof. Haq Nawaz Sheikh
Computer Science & IT	Prof. Vibhakar Mansotra
Commerce	Prof. Hardeep Chahal
Dogri	Prof. Sushma Devi
Economics	Prof. Sunita Devi
Education	Prof. Rajeev Rattan
Electronics	Prof. Susheel Sharma
English	Prof. Sucheta Pathania
Environmental Sciences	Prof. Piyush Malviya
Geography	Prof. Anuradha Sharma
Geology	Prof. P.K. Srivastava
Hindi	Prof. Sushma Sharma
History	Prof. Suman Jamwal
Home Science	Prof. Samridhi Arora
Human Genetics	Prof. B.K Bajaj
Hospitality & Tourism Management	Prof. Anil Gupta
Law	Prof. Satinder Kumar
Law School	Prof. Manju Jamwal
Library Science	Prof. Sangita Gupta
Life Long Learning	Prof. Jeevan Jyoti
Mathematics	Prof. Romesh Kumar
Physical Education	Prof. Daud Iqbaal Baba

Name of the Department/ Directorate	Head/Director			
Physics	Prof. Arun Bharti			
Political Science	Prof. Baljit Singh			
Psychology	Prof. Satnam Kour			
Punjabi	Prof. Baljeet Kaur			
Remote Sensing	Prof. Avtar Singh Jasrotia			
Sanskrit	Prof. Sushma Devi			
Sociology	Prof. Vishav Raksha			
Statistics	Prof. Parmil Kumar			
Strategic and Regional Studies	Dr.Virender Koundal			
Urdu	Prof. Reyaz Ahmed			
Zoology	Prof. Seema Langer			
ICccR& HRM	Prof. Jeevan Jyoti			



OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

(As on March 31, 2024)

Vice Chancellor's Secretariat

Prof. Umesh Rai Vice-Chancellor

Special Secretary to Vice Chancellor Dr.Neeraj Sharma

Public Relation Officer Sh.Imran Farooq

Office of Dean Academic Affairs

Prof. Anju Bhasin Dean Academic Affairs

Joint Registrar Dr. Sumita Sharma Assistant Registrar Ms. Supriya Sharma

Dean Research Studies

Prof. Neelu Rohmetra Dean Research Studies Ms. Alka

Assistant Registrar Dr. Pallavi Anand Assistant Registrar

Administration

Registrar Prof. Rahul Gupta

Assistant Registrar (Establishment) Mr. Avinandhan Sharma Ms. Renu Bhai Joint Registrar (Teaching Wing)

Finance

Sh. Sanjeev Mahajan Joint Registrar (Finance)

UNIVERS Dy. Registrar Ms. Dhritika Singh Mr. Tanv Sharma Assistant Registrar Assistant Registrar Ms. Satakshi Gupta Sh. Dinesh Gupta Programmer

Controller of Examinations wing

Controller of Examinations Sh. Sanjeev Mahajan

Sh. Vivek Salathia Joint Registrar Dr. Raj Kumar Joint Registrar Joint Registrar Sh. Ajay Sh. Mahim Jitendra Deputy Registrar Sh. Ashwani Kumar

Assistant Registrar Assistant Registrar Smt. Neena Gupta Smt. Sangeeta Gupta Assistant Registrar Sh.Vinod Kumar Gupta Assistant Registrar

Smt. Usha Kumari Assistant Registrar S. Rajinder Singh Assistant Registrar Sh. Kuldip Kumar Assistant Registrar Sh. Arun Abrol Assistant Registrar Sh. Ravi Kant Programmer

College Development Council

Prof. Rajni Kant Director

Sh. Khem Pal Deputy Registrar

Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance

Dr. Ginny Dogra Director

Ms. Ginny Dogra **Deputy Director** Er.Ameet Targotra **Assistant Director** Ms. Akanksha Sharna Assistant Registrar

Office of Dean Students Welfare

Prof. Prakash Chand Anthal Dean Student Welfare

Central Library

I/C Librarian Dr. Vikram Sahi Ms. Anju Gupta Assistant Librarian Ms. Anita Sachar Assistant Librarian Dr. Gurdev Singh **Assistant Librarian** Ms. Nimmi Suri Assistant Librarian

Works Department

UNIVERS Er. Rajeev Kumar **Assistant Executive Engineer Assistant Executive Engineer** Er. Jeevan Singh Er. Akash Bhola **Assistant Executive Engineer**

Hostels

Prof. Lalit Sen Provost (Boys Hostel) Prof. Shashi Manhas Provost (Girls Hostel)

Health Centre

Dr.Bharat Bhushan Medical Officer Dr. Goutam Sharma Dental Surgeon

Gen. Zorawar Singh Auditorium Mr. Sanjeev Mahajan

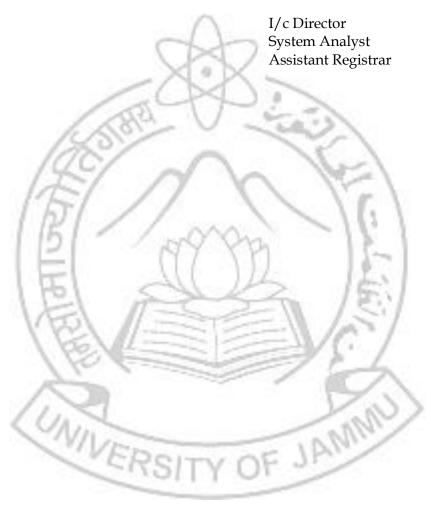
Centre for IT Enabled Services

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Dr. Guneet Sudan Ms. Jasvinder Kour Incharge System Development Engineer

Computer Centre

Sh. Raman Gupta Sh.Amit Mahajan Sh. Som Raj

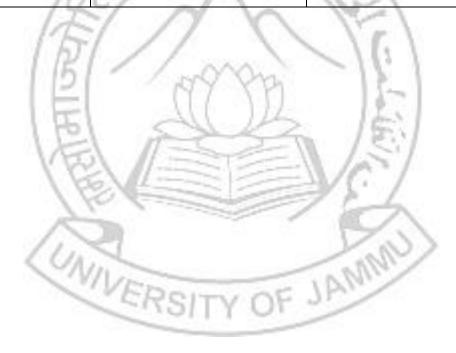


CONVENERS OF BOARDS OF STUDIES

(As on 31st March 2024)

Subject	Department/Institute/College	Convener		
History	History	Prof. Suman Jamwal		
Commerce	Commerce	Prof. Hardeep Chahal		
Sociology	Sociology	Prof. Vishaw Raksha		
Chemistry	Chemistry	Prof. K.K Kapoor		
Music and Fine Arts	Institute of Music and Fine Arts, Poonch House, Talab Tillo, Jammu	Principal, Institute of Music and Fine Arts		
Zoology	Zoology	Prof. Seema Langer		
Sericulture	Sericulture	Prof. R.K Vaid		
Fish and Fisheries/ Human Genetics	Fish and Fisheries/ Human Genetics	Prof. Seema Langer		
Computer Application	Computer Science	Prof. Pawnesh Abrol		
Museology	Museology	Prof. Poonam Choudhary		
Teacher Education /Education /Physical Education	Education	Prof. Renu Nanda		
Electronics	Electronics	Prof. P.K Lehna		
Urdu	Urdu	Prof. Reyaz Ahmed		
Dogri	Dorgi	Prof. Sushma Devi		
Physics	Physics	Prof. S.S Sambyal		
Hindi	Hindi	Prof. Rajni Bala		
English	English	Prof. Sucheta Pathania		
Buddhist Studies	Buddhist Studies	Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik		
Botany	Botany	Prof. Veenu Kaul		
Mathematics	Mathematics	Prof. Romesh Kumar		
Political Science	Political Science	Prof. Baljit Singh		
Food Science Technology/Quality Control/ Home Science	Home Science	Prof. Samridhi Arora		
Geography	Geography	Prof. Anuradha Sharma		
Bio-Technology/Bio- Chemistry/Microbiology	Biotechnology	Prof. B.K Bajaj		
Business Management/ Business Administration/ MTM /Marketing Management	The Business School	Prof. Sameer Gupta		
Punjabi	Punjabi	Dr. Baljeet Kaur		
Economics	Economics	Dr. Aroon Sharma		
Psychology	Psychology	Prof. ArtiBakshi		

Sanskrit	Sanskrit	Prof. Sushma Devi
Environmental Science	Environmental Science	Prof. Piyush Malviya
Kashmiri	Kishtwar Campus	Dean, Faculty of Arts
Geology	Geology	Prof. Rajnikant
Library Science	Library Science	Prof. Sangita Gupta
Information Technology	Information Technology	Dr.Pawnesh Abrol
Statistics	Statistics	Prof. Parmil Kumar
Law	Law	Prof. Satinder Kumar
Engineering	Govt. College of Engineering & Technology, Kot Bhalwal, Jammu	Principal GCET
MD/MS/MBBS/BAMS/BP T/BDS	Govt. Medical College, Jammu	Principal GMC
Remote Sensing	Remote Sensing & GIS	Prof. Avtar Singh Jasrotia
Rural Development	Life Long Learning	Prof. Kavita Suri
Islamic Studies	History	Prof. Suman Jamwal



Courses Offered in Various Teaching Departments of the University:

Faculty	Department Programmes			
Tacuity	Department	• M.A.		
	Buddhist Studies	• M.A. • Ph.D		
	Dogri	• M.A.		
		• Ph.D		
	English	• M.A.		
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Arts	Hindi	• M.A.		
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	Punjabi	• M.A.		
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	Urdu	• M.A.		
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		• Ph.D.		
		• M.Com.		
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Business Studies	Commerce	 PG Diploma in Banking & 		
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		PG Diploma in Marketing		
- /-		& Sales Management		
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	SHTM	• Ph.D.		
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		Destination Management		
Education		• M.A.		
	Education	• M.Ed.		
		• Ph.D.		
	Physical Education	• MPED.		
		BPED.		
Law		• LLB 3-Years		
	Law	• LLM.		
		Diploma in Criminology		
		• Ph.D.		
	Law School	• LLB 5 Years		

Faculty	Department	Programmes
		Diploma in Human
		Rights & Duties
	Mathematics	• M.Sc.
	- Triatricinaties	• Ph.D.
	Statistics	• M.Sc.
Mathematical Science	Statistics	• Ph.D.
		• MCA.
	Computer Science	• M.Tech.
		• Ph.D.
	Chemistry	• M.Sc.
	Chemistry	• Ph.D.
	Geology	• M.Sc.
	Geology	• Ph.D.
	Geography	• M.Sc.
	Geography	• Ph.D.
Science	Home Science	• M.Sc.
Science	110me Science	• Ph.D.
	Dhyoiga	• M.Sc.
	Physics	• Ph.D.
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1	Electronics	• Ph.D.
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	Remote Sensing	• Ph.D.
	P: (1 1	• M.Sc.
1	Biotechnology	• Ph.D.
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)	Biochemistry	• Ph.D.
	Variation of the second	• M.Sc.
	Microbiology	• Ph.D.
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Life Science	Botany	• Ph.D.
(Environment Science	• M.Sc.
	Environment Science	• Ph.D.
	CROITY OF	• M.Sc.
	Zoology	• Ph.D.
		• M.Sc.
	Human Genetics	• Ph.D.
		M.A Economics
	Economics	• Ph.D.
		• M.A.
	History	• M.Phil.
Social Science	Thistory	• M.F.III. • Ph.D.
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	Political Science	
		• Ph.D.
	Library Science	• M.LI. Sc.
		• B.LI. Sc.

Faculty	Department	Programmes
		• Ph.D.
	Life Long Learning	• M.A.
	Cociology	• M.Sc.
	Sociology	• Ph.D.
	Psychology	• M.Sc.
		• Ph.D.



Departments under Various Faculties of the University

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Faculty of Arts	Faculty of Sciences				
 Buddhist Studies 	Chemistry				
 Dogri 	 Geology 				
 English 	 Geography 				
 Hindi 	Home Science				
 Punjabi 	 Physics & Electronics 				
 Sanskrit 	Remote Sensing				
• Urdu					
 Journalism & Media Studies 					
Faculty of Social Sciences	Faculty of Life Sciences				
• Economics	Biotechnology				
History	Botany				
Library & Information Science	Environmental Sciences				
Political Science	 Zoology 				
 Psychology 	Human Genetics				
 Sociology 	V				
 Strategic and Regional Studies 					
 Philosophy 					
Faculty of Mathematical Sciences	Faculty of Education				
 Computer Science & IT 	• Education				
 Mathematics 	 Life Long Learning 				
• Statistics	 Sports & Physical Education 				
Faculty of Business Studies	Faculty of Law				
Commerce	• Law				
The Business School	The Law School				
 School for Hospitality and Tourism 					
Management	/A /A /				

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Boards of Studies under various Faculties of the University

Boards of Studies under various Faculties of the University					
Faculty of Arts	Faculty of Life Sciences				
 Faculty of Arts Buddhist Studies English Sanskrit Persian Arabic Hindi Urdu Punjabi Music Dogri Functional English Kashmiri 	 Faculty of Life Sciences Botany Zoology Environmental Sciences Bio-Technology Microbiology Bio-Chemistry Human Genetics Sericulture Industrial Fish and Fisheries Biological Techniques and Specimen Preparation 				
English Literature	7				
Faculty of Science	Faculty of Social Sciences				
 Physics and Electronics Chemistry Geology Remote Sensing and GIS Geography Home Science Food Science and Quality Control 	 Economics History Political Science Library Science Public Administration Anthropology Rural Industries Interior Decoration Strategic and Regional Studies Sociology Psychology Philosophy Islamic Studies 				
Faculty of Mathematical Sciences	Faculty of Education				
Computer Science & ITMathematicsStatistics	EducationTeacher EducationPhysical Education				
Faculty of Business Studies	Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine				
 Business Management Marketing Management Business Administration Tourism Management Commerce 	 Medicine Midwifery and Gynaecology Social and preventive Medicine (Kaya Chikitsa Charak, Prasuti Stri Rog, Swasthvrit) Anatomy and Surgery, Eye and E.N.T. (Sharira Shalya Shalakaya) Physiology and Pathology (D.D.M. V. & Nidan) Pharmacy and Pharmacology, Medical Jurisprudence and Toxicology (Ras Shastra, Dravya Guna and Agad Tantra) Basic Sciences and Languages (Padarth 				

	Vigyan, Basic Sciences and Sanskrit)
Faculty of Law	Faculty of Engineering
• Law	Civil Engineering
 The Law School 	Electrical Engineering
	Mechanical Engineering
	Electronics/Communication/Computer
	Engineering
	• Physics
	Chemistry
	Mathematics
Faculty of Medicine	~
Anatomy	/ \-
Physiology including Bio-Physics	7217
Pathology and Bacteriology	0 0
Pharmacology	
Forensic Medicine	17:3
• Surgery	V - 24.3
Medicine	12/

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Obstetrics and Gynaecology Opthalmology & E.N.T

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Radiology
Psychiatry
Pediatrics
Anaesthesia
Orthopaedics
Dermatology
Bio-Chemistry
Micro-Biology
Physiotherapy
Dental Surgery

CENTRAL LIBRARY

The Central Library of the University, the 'Dhanvantri Library' is housed in a three storied building constructed over an area of 60,000 sq.ft. It has a rich collection of books, journals, periodicals, manuscripts, dissertations, thesis etc. which cater to the varied academic and research needs of the users. The library has large reading halls and compact stack areas with open access. About 500 students can be accommodated in the reading area of the library. Most of the functions of the library have been computerized. RFID technology is being used for the security purpose. Access of EDUSAT is provided to the students, research scholars and faculty members.

Facilities for students, scholars and faculty members:

- Reading Room facility is functional 24 X 7 for faculty, bonafide Research Scholars, Students, Alumni and others in all the three floors of the Library.
- On-Line Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) provided at the Circulation Counter and the stack areas for the Users of the Library.
- Browsing Room special facility for consultation of magazines and newspapers.
- Resource Cell for Visually Challenged Students.
- Facility of Separate Section for Research Scholars.
- INTERNET Section of the Dhanvantri Library provides access to Journals
- Research and Documentation section provides access of any news/articles on Jammu & Kashmir published in local/national news papers.
- INFLIBNET E-JOURNALS CONSORTIUM provides access to more than 14000 online ejournals in the Dhanvantri Library.
- Edusat programmes running regularly.
- Online available database demonstration organized for the students and faculty members to access their usefulness.
- Xerox facility available during all working days
- Uninterrupted power supply assured in the library
- Latest procured books displayed in the new arrivals
- Self issue/return of books through Smart Card.

Library Services

• Latest p	 Latest procured books displayed in the new arrivals Self issue/return of books through Smart Card. 									
	Existing Newly added Total									
	No.	Copies	Value	No.	Copies	Value in ₹	No.	Copies	Value in ₹	
Text Books	11271	N.A.	N.A.	284	N.A.	290400.00	11555	N.A.	N.A.	
Reference Books	9439	N.A.	N.A.	133	N.A.	169400.00	9572	N.A.	N.A.	
e-Books										
Journals	-	-	-	118	-	3788702.00	118	-	3788702.00	

e-Journals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Digital Database	13	-	-	13	-	Centrally Funded (eSS)	13	-	-
CD& Video	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



CENTRE FOR IT ENABLED SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT

The era of Internet started in the University under the aegis of Department of Computer Science in the year 1999-2000. A Central Internet facility was created in the Department of Computer Science for the rest of the Departments. In the Year 2002-03 the University established a Campus wide Network on Optical fibre backbone connecting all the Teaching departments and Administrative offices and the internet connectivity was extended to almost all the academic departments.

The centre today offers essential ICT services including Internet Access, Emailing, IT security, Wi-Fi access, development and maintenance of Various University Portals, Problem diagnostics and troubleshooting etc. through a network comprising approximately 4000+ nodes. All ICT services offered by the centre remain operational 24x7 across the University.

To provide Internet facility and access to online learning material, the Centre administers a 1-Gbps link to the National Knowledge Network. In addition, the centre manages an additional Internet bandwidth of 500 Mbps available through other operator.

Wi-Fi Facility

• Wi-Fi Campus Network covers entire campus which includes all buildings and outer surroundings

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- Seamless Roaming facility
- 24X7 hours Availability
- 802.11g/b/n/ac/ax protocol used

Measures for Cyber Security in University of Jammu

- University of Jammu installed SOPhos XG750 UTM firewall Device with the following features:
- Web & application Protection: control over all users' web and application activity.
- Provides enterprise-level Secure Web Gateway policy controls to easily manage sophisticated user and group web controls.
- Enables user-aware visibility and control over thousands of applications with granular policy and traffic-shaping (QoS) options based on application category, risk, and other characteristics.
- Provides protection from the latest spam campaigns, phishing attacks, and malicious attachments.
- Load balancing.
- Firewall rules: You can allow or disallow traffic flow between zones and networks based on the matching criteria. You can implement policies, specify access for endpoint devices and servers, and prioritize traffic.
- Frames User authentication Policy.

Functions / Activities:

Computing Services

- Management of the Centralized Internet Facility.
- Management of the Campus-wide Network.
- Operation & Maintenance of Website of the University.
- Providing IT support services to Various Departments, Administrative Sections, Hostels & Guest
- House of the University .The services include:
- Creation of Users
- Configuring of LAN/ WI-FI Settings on Individual machines/Laptops
- Troubleshooting of various problems etc.
- Preparing and processing the tender document for selection of a vendor for supply of various networking items.
- Technical support on Video conferencing for running Global Understanding Programme being run in collaboration with University of East Carolina.
- Providing Video Conferencing facility through NKN for various events organized at the Centre/State level.
- Conducting training programmes in the field of IT and Computer networks.
- Maintaining Complete Telephone directory of the University with E-mail addresses

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GUEST HOUSE

University Guest House, one of the important constituents of the University was established in April 1981 in February 2014, four number of suite rooms in the first floor of Faculty Transit House were constructed and furnished. The main guest house has been renovated. The waterproof treatment of the entire roof area of main guest house has been done to control the water leakage and seepage. Old electric panels in the main guest house have been replaced to control power supply. Faculty transit house has been renovated. Guest House refurnished five VIP rooms and two Meeting Halls. For bookings in all the three guest houses, a booking form has been introduced, which is available on University Website. The housekeeping of the main guest house and Transit House has been outsourced but the housekeeping of the Faculty House near. Another guest house, faculty house near Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu, majorly caters to the candidates attending refresher courses/ orientation courses conducted by Academic Staff College, University of Jammu.

Mess of the main guest house has been catering to all the three guest houses by providing customized and personalized services to guests staying especially in faculty transit house. Mess is being run on no profit no loss basis with in house cooks ensuring the quality of food at subsidized rates, approved by University.



AUDITORIUMS

General Zorawar Singh Auditorium Complex

The General Zorawar Singh Auditorium Complex, one of the mega infrastructural projects of the University was established in 2007. The Auditorium showcases the rich, diverse and pluralistic traditions and heritage of Ladakh, Jammu and Kashmir and is a step towards meeting the needs and aspirations of the students and the people of the region. The Complex houses an auditorium, a museum and an art gallery. The auditorium is named after General Zorawar Singh, a Dogra soldier, famous for his military expeditions. The Museum is named after Shiekh Noor-Ud-Din Noorani, a great sufi and propagator of Rishi cult in Kashmir and the Art gallery is named after Rinchen Bzangpo, a scholar and propagator of Buddhism in Ladakh and the founder of Gompas, famous for their architecture and design.

The Auditorium has a seating capacity of around 1400 and can be divided into two with the help of a state-of-art hydraulic stage and sliding-folding partition to create a mini auditorium with a seating capacity of 400. The Complex also has a brainstorming room, a reading room cum library, an exhibition hall, a souvenir shop, a green room etc.

The major collection of the Gallery is of contemporary paintings. These paintings have been received from the artists who participated in the "All India Contemporary Artists Camp" at Patnitop (Jammu) in October 2004, organized by the University of Jammu. The other collection is of black and white photographs, sketches and paintings which have been donated by renowned artists and art historians like Prof. S.D.S Charak, Sh.Satti Sahni and Sh.Sarbjeet Singh. The Art Gallery also houses some beautiful wooden sculptures, which were carved in the special "Wood Carving Camp" organized by the University of Jammu in 2005 and attended by renowned sculptors from all over the country.

The Shiekh Noor-Ud-Din Noorani museum housed in the ground floor of the complex has a collection of artifacts covering the history of our State through various ages. The interesting displays in the museum include the remains of Krimchi Temple and a replica of Burzahom pit.

Through this unique combination of an art gallery, a museum and an auditorium, the University seeks to create a holistic academic ambience, where students have exposure to visual arts, performing arts and culture not just for career building but enriching their existing faculties and bringing forth new ones.

The Auditorium is being utilized for holding conferences, seminars, award functions, concerts by the various departments of the University, affiliated colleges, educational institutions, social organizations, etc. During the period under reference, more than hundred events were organized in the General Zorawar Singh Auditorium (both from inside and outside the University).

Some of the major activities/functions organized in the Auditorium during the period include:

Brigadier Rajinder Singh Auditorium

Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium is a compact auditorium with 325 seating capacity. Most of the functions are organized by or for the students throughout the year. The nature of the programmes organized at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium are:

• **Cultural programmes:** Organized by the students and professionals, prominent amongst them is Display Your Talent which is a flagship programme of the Department of Students Welfare and around 1500 students from the teaching departments and affiliated colleges participate in it.

• Literary Events

- ✓ Seminars/Workshops
- ✓ Fresher's/Farewell programmes of the departments.
- ✓ Other programmes by outside organisations (non political and non religious)



HEALTH CENTRE

A First Aid Centre was initially established in the premises of the boys' hostels of the University managed by a part-time medical assistant. Later, the First Aid Centre was upgraded to a full fledged Health Centre in the early seventies to provide medical aid benefits to the University community and the dependents of the University employees.

Facilities and Services provided:

The Health Centre has grown manifold over the years. The facilities provided are as follows:

- OPD Level Treatment (8 A.M 8 P.M)
- **Dental Facility**
- Physiotherapy
- Ultra Sound weekly
- Clinical Laboratory
- ECG Facility
- X-Rays thrice weekly
- Ambulance Service
- Emergency Services on call/telephone
- Referral to GMC & associated hospital in need
- Reimbursement facilities during hospitalisation
- Immunization camps for Polio eradication
- Treatment of sports personnel during sports meeting
- Inspection of canteens/ cafeterias
- Cleanliness and Sanitation of the campus.

Apart from this, the Health Centre also looks after sanitation and cleanliness in and around the campus, canteens, hostels and undertakes disposal of garbage in collaboration with the Municipality of Jammu. OF JAMM

Number of patients catered during the period

General OPD -2500 per month 300-400 per month Dental Physiotherapy -350-450 per month

Different Lab tests like routine Blood (Hb%, TLC, DLC, BT, CT, Blood Group ,PBF) Urine R/E, stool exam and different biochemical tests like Blood Sugars, Cholestrol, Lipid Profile, B Urea, S. Creatinine, S. Billirubin, Widal tests have been conducted on 331 patients during the period.

HOSTELS

The University of Jammu provides hostel facility to its students and scholars. There are three girls hostels located on the main campus and four boys hostels, one of which is located in the old campus and the other three in the new campus. The allotment to the hostels is done by Provost Hostels on the basis of merit, to those students who reside more than 45 kms away from the University Campus. Each hostel has a capacity of 100-150 seats.

Hostel Occupancy

Name of the Hostel	Name of the Warden	Year of Establishment	Intake capacity
Nehru Hall Boys Hostel	Dr. Satinder Kumar	1984	125
Swami Vivekananda Hostel	Dr. Gurdev Singh	1987	120
Boys Hostel Old Campus	Dr.Lalit Sen Sharma	1969	100
Baba Jitto Boys Hostel	(84)	2011	120
Chanderbhaga Girls Hostel	Prof. Shashi Manhas	1980	145
Priyadarshani Girls Hostel	Dr. Sarita Sood	1996	230
Sarojini Naidu Girls Hostel	Prof. Gurjeet Kour	2007	240

Facilities provided:

- Co-operative mess
- Dinning hall
- Guest room
- Well furnished reading room with national and local newspapers and magazines
- Internet facility
- Recreation hall with television facility
- Sports facilities (indoor games like carrom, chess, badminton, table tennis)
- First aid facility
- Ambulance is provided, whenever needed
- Telephone booth facility
- Security provision for boarders
- 24 hour electricity supply with power backup
- Filtered drinking water facility.

UNIVERSITY SCIENCE INSTRUMENTATION CENTRE

The University Science Instrumentation Centre (USIC) was established in the year 1987 with the following objectives and goals:

Goals, objectives and action plan developed to achieve these objectives:

- (i) To provide service to University Departments/Centres/Offices/Affiliated Colleges in repairs and Maintenance of their instruments.
- (ii) To provide and assist analytical services on specialized instruments available in the University.
- (iii) To provide support facilities in designing and fabrication of teaching-aids and kits of scientific equipment to all the departments of the University in their teaching and research programmes.
- (iv) All purchase proposals of the science faculty for purchase of scientific items are being routed through SSO, USIC for scrutiny and who also conducts proceedings of the Central Purchase Committee (Sciences) meeting.

USIC is headed by Prof Meena Sharma (Hon'y Director)

Physical infrastructure, equipments and facilities

Physical Infrastructure:

- USIC building including plinth area: 2500 sft. + 1000 sft. i.e.
- Laboratory area (Analytical Lab., Electronics, Electrical, Office & SSO Room): 2500 sft.
- Three workshops (Glass blowing, Mechanical, Refrigeration): 1000 sft.
- 1st Floor of USIC with area of approx. 1000 sft. consists of 3 Rooms housing computer section, store and analytical section.

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Equipments available in USIC

Glass Blowing Section:

- 1. Glass Blowing lathe
- 2. Glass Cutting Machine
- 3. Furnace
- 4. Surface Grinding Machine
- 5. Pentograph Machine
- 6. Glass Grinding Machine etc.

Mechanical Section:

- 1. HMT Lathe
- 2. Drill Machine (.25 mm)
- 3. Hecksaw Machine
- 4. Grinding Machine
- 5. Welding Set (300 Amp.)

6. Air Compressor etc.

Electrical Section:

1. Testing Equipment etc.

Electronics/ Analytical Section:

- 1. UV-Vis-Spectrophotometer
- 2. Ion Analyzer
- 3. Water Quality Analyzer
- 4. Cathode Ray Oscilloscope
- 5. Electronic Balance
- 6. pH meter
- 7. LCR Meter
- 8. IC Tester
- 9. Soldering De-soldering Station
- 10. UPS -2KVA etc.
- 11. Gas Chromatograph

Refrigeration Section:

1. Testing Equipment etc

Office:

- 1. Computers
- 2. Printers (Ink jet & Laser)
- 3. Scanner etc.

Facilities

Refrigeration Section:

Repair of:

- 1. Refrigerator
- 2. Air Conditioner Window type
- 3. B.O.D./Incubator
- 4. Water Cooler
- 5. Rewinding of compressor and Fan motor of air conditioner

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Electrical Section:

Repair of:

- 1. Transformer
 - (a) Automatic
 - (b) Manual
- 2. Heating mantle
- 3. Stirrer
- 4. Hot plate

- 5. Oven
- 6. Furnace
- 7. Melting point apparatus
- 8. Conventional heat convector/Blowers
- 9. Water bath
- 10. Normal checking of conductivity of instruments
- 12. Fabrication of single phase transformers (automatic and manual) upto 8KVA capacity.

Mechanical Section:

- 1. Welding
 - (a) Electrical
 - (b) Gas
- 2. Sheet cutting
- 3. Drilling upto 1 inch-diameter
- 4. Turning and lathe applications
- 5. Grinding
- 6. Gauge measurements
- 7. Fabrication of mechanical jobs as per the design specifications given by the concerned.

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Glass Blowing Section

Repair of: 1. Tower apparatus

- 2. Measuring cylinder
- 3. Conical flask
- 4. Burette
- 5. Guard tube

Fabrication of:

- 1. Capillaries
- 2. Condenser bulb type
- 3. Guard tube
- 4. Dean stark apparatus
- 5. Column

Electronics Section

Repair of: 1. Projectors

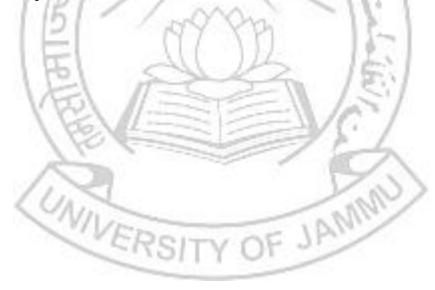
- (a) Overhead
- (b) Slide
- 2. Muffle furnace
- 3. Microscope
 - (a) Binocular
 - (b) Stereoscope
 - (c) Optical
- 4. Single pan balance

- 5. Conventional Camera
- 6. Lux meter
- 7. Dissection light
- 8. Emergency lights (handy)
- 9. Handy air sampler
- 10. Sound meter

Measuring and testing:

- 1. Digital IC testing.
- 2. Inductance, capacitance and resistance measurements/testing.
- 3. Conductivity, total dissolved oxygen, pH value, salinity measurement.
- 4. Ion analysis: ammonia, bromide, cadmium, calcium, chloride, copper, carbondioxide, fluoride, lead.
- 5. Electronic weighting facility available (200 gm) upto 3 decimal place.
- 6. UV-analysis (range 190nm-1100nm) spectrum, time scan, photometric, concentration.
- 7. USIC has procured a gas chromatograph which is used as centralized facility for all the science departments of University of Jammu.

In addition to repair/fabrication facilities, scrutiny of purchase proposals of science departments and scrutiny of firms entering into annual rate contract with the University of Jammu for the supply of chemicals/glassware/plasticware etc. is done.



DEPARTMENT OF DEAN STUDENTS WELFARE

The Office of the Dean Students Welfare was established in 1972. Department organizes various cultural/literary competitions to inculcate creativity among the students in about 16 events with active participation from almost all Affiliated Colleges and Teaching Departments of the University. On the basis of the performance in Inter-Collegiate contests, the students are deputed for Zonal, National and International Level Competitions being organized by Association of Indian Universities, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India, Indian Council of World Affairs, National Council for Cooperative Training, Shiksha Mandal Wardha and other Universities and prestigious Institutions. Arranges performances by the visiting artists of National and International repute and conducts special lectures and workshops etc. To date our students have excelled in various competitions and have even visited countries like USSR, JAPAN, BULGARIA, U.K and SOUTH KOREA etc.

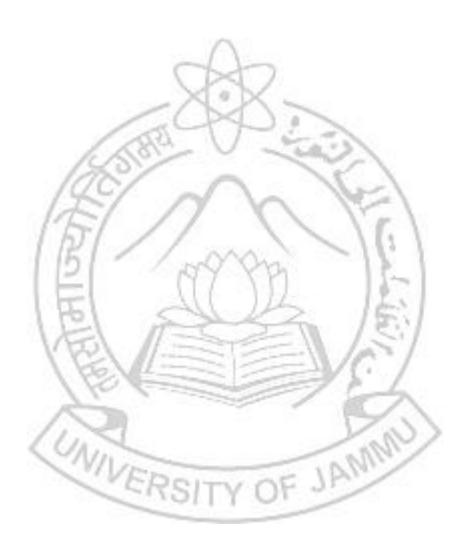
The Department supervises the infrastructural facilities for organizing various Academic and Cultural/Literary activities, working of the Cafeteria, Canteens, Eat Points, Kiosks for various student services viz. Photo Copying, Stationery, PCO, Book Shop and Daily Needs Shop etc. Law & Order and Maintaining Discipline on the Campus also includes the designated duty of the Department.

The emphasis has been laid to provide the students and scholars, quality food and sumptuous edibles, juices, snacks and beverages etc. at the Campus as they have to stay at the Campus for long hours attending the practical classes and consulting the libraries etc. The Canteen Committee keeps complete check on all these central facilities.

GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTION PLANS DEVELOPED TO ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES

- To plan, organize and conduct Students Welfare programmes including cultural and literary activities, festivals, extension and special lectures, youth clubs, societies etc.;
- To co-ordinate the work of student services and agencies in the University and motivate faculty involvement in the students' welfare programmes;
- To prepare the activities calendar in co-operation with the Heads of the teaching Departments of the University and Heads of affiliated/constituent colleges;
- To provide secretarial services to the Board of Sports and Youth Welfare and pursue and implement decisions taken by it or the Syndicate in regard to Students Welfare activities;
- To maintain discipline and deal with cases of indiscipline in the University Campus and provide secretarial services to the Discipline Committees in accordance with the Discipline Regulations that may be framed by the University from time to time;
- To devise ways and means for promoting the well-being of the University students social, moral, emotional and inculcating among them regard for great ideals like loyalty to the country, devotion to duty and pursuit of truth;
- To supervise the working of Cafeteria, Canteens, Eat Points, Kiosks and Reharis etc.
- To prepare reviews and reports of the activities pursued during a year; and
- To perform such other functions as the University Council or the Syndicate or the Vice-Chancellor may direct or as may be deemed necessary for promotion of Youth Welfare and maintenance of discipline among students.

• To form various Clubs like Theater Club, Music Club, Fine Arts Club etc to enhance the cultural activities in University.



CAMPUSES

BHADERWAH CAMPUS

The Campus started functioning from 2006.

Infrastructure:

The Campus started functioning in a rented accommodation in Bhadarwah town in 2006. Simultaneously the construction of the Campus was started in Sungli, 2.5 km from Bhadarwah town, which was inaugurated by Her Excellency The President of India on 26.05.2008.

- i) Administrative Block
- ii) Academic Block
- iii) Institution of Mountain environment.
- iv) Pre fabricated huts
- v) Faculty Quarters
- vi) Girls Hostel
- vii) Boys Hostel
- viii) Rector Residence
- ix) University Guest House

Detail of Academic Programme offered in the Campus.

PG/Undergraduate Courses

MBA, MCA, M.A English, BBA, B.Com (Hons.), M.Sc Geography, B.Ed and experimental School of B.Ed.

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st semester/1st year) in each programme in the Academic year 2022-23

Programme	Intake Capacity
MCA	20
MBA	20
MA English	20
B.Ed	
BBA	20
B.Com (Hons.)	20
M.Sc Geography	10

Faculty Profile

Name	Qualification	Designation	Specialization	No. of years	Department
				Experience	
Dr. Jatinder	Ph.D	Associate	Databases, Data	17	MCA
Singh		Proffesor	Mining &		
			Computer		
			networks		
Dr. Aabid	Ph.D.	Assistant		07	MCA
Sarwer		Proffesor			
Dr. Subash		Assistant	Post Colonial	14	English
Chander	Ph.D.	Proffesor	Studies &		
			Canadian		
		()	Drama		
Dr. Rakesh	Ph.D.	Assistant	American	16	English
Kumar		Proffesor	Novel		
Mrs. Jasleen	M.A,	Assistant	10	16	English
Kour	JRF	Proffesor			
Dr. Umesh	Ph.D	Assistant	Human	14	MBA
Chodhary	(ms)	Proffesor	Resource Mgmt		
Dr. Rohit	Ph.D	Assistant	Marketing	14	MBA
Bhagat	10-1	Proffesor	Mgmt	-	
Dr.	Ph.D	Assistant	Finance Mgmt	14	MBA
Mohammad	1151	Proffesor		V 1	
Avais	121	MAN	OP1	5-1	
Dr. Sunil	Ph.D	Assistant	Finance Mgmt	14	MBA
Bhardwaj	Po l	Proffesor	12	65.7	
Dr. Neeraj	Ph.D.	Assistant	2-11/	12	IME
Sharma	1.651	Proffesor		- /	
Mr. Chhering	UGC NET	Assistant		12	IME
Tandup	1 1000	Proffesor		-	
Mr. Shayan	UGC NET	Assistant	100	01	IME
Javeed	11.3	Proffesor	2	COD	

Contractual faculty

Name of the Faculty	Qualification	Experience in Years
Dr.Ambish Malik	Ph.D.	09
Dr. Sundus Quyoom	Ph.D.	05
Dr. Waqar Yonus Butt	Ph.D.	04
Mr. Waseem Akram	Ph.D.	04
Dr. Dinesh Singh	Ph.D.	06
Dr. Gagan Kumar	Ph.D.	06
Mr. Waseem Akram	Ph.D.	04
Mr. Abrar Ali Sheikh	Ph.D.	7.5
Ms. Shallu Kotwal	Ph.D.	06
Ms. Priya Rani	MCA	02

Name of the Faculty	Qualification	Experience in Years
Dr. Meenakshi Nargotra	Ph.D.	05
Dr. Atif Javed Qazi	Ph.D.	06
Mr. Amit	MBA	07
Ms. Aishya Gupta	MBA	05
Ms. Sonia Sharma	MBA	05
Dr. Surekha Pukharwaj	Ph.D.	03
Mr. Rajinder Kumar	MBA	08
Dr. Ahakesh Sharma	Ph.D.	4.5
Dr. Dinesh Singh	Ph.D.	06
Mrs. Neetu Parihar	NET	08
Mr. Vimal Kumar	NET	06
Mohd. Amir	NET	02
Ms. Renu Devi	M.Ed.	06



KATHUA CAMPUS

Kathua Campus is fast emerging as the technical Campus of the University. Currently MBA and MCA programmes are being offered at the Campus. The other programmes like B. Pharma, MP.Ed five-Year integrated MBA and the various Engineering Programmes through the University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET) are in the pipeline, for augmenting quality and technical education and research. Kathua Campus is working with technological focus, futuristic outlook and social sensitivity.

The MBA programme at Kathua Campus commenced in the year 2006 in The Management School at the Campus. The MBA admissions are made on the basis of Common Admission Test (CAT)/ AIMA – MAT score as one of the parameters of selection process through centralized process at The Business School at the main campus.

The Campus is well equipped with Computer Labs, Video Conferencing facility, Smart Classrooms, Seminar Room, Common Recreation Room, Transport facility etc.

About 362 Kanals of land has been acquired at Village Janglote, Kathua where separate hostels for boys and girls, academic and administrative blocks are in completion stage. Further, the construction of UIET buildings under RUSA has also started at Janglote, Kathua by JKPCC, the executing agency. The Campus is likely to move from the rented premises to the newly constructed Academic block by December 2016. All the buildings are environment friendly and shall be equipped with modern facilities.

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Details of academic programmes offered in the Campus

- MBA (2 Year's full-time Degree Programme)
- MCA (2 Year's full-time Degree Programme)

Thrust Areas of Teaching and Research

MBA

- Marketing management
- Human Resource Management
- Financial Management

MCA

- Data Structures
- Programming Languages
- Databases
- Computer Networks
- Algorithms
- Software Project Management
- Data Mining and Data Warehousing
- Artificial Intelligence
- Neural Networks

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st semester/1st year) in each programme in the Academic year 2022-23

Programme	Intake Capacity
MCA	20
MBA	30

Faculty Profile

Name	Qualification	Designation	Specialization	No. of years	Department
Dr. Sourabh Shastri	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Machine Learning, Data Structures, Knowledge Discovery	Experience 12	Computer Science & I
Mr. Amit Sharma	MCA	Assistant Professor	Discrete Mathematics, Theory of Computation, Artificial Intelligence	07	Computer Science & I'
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Name of the Faculty	Qualification	Experience in Years	Department
Dr. Zahin Ansari	Ph.D.	03	MBA
Mr. Gaurav Sharma	MBA	09	MBA
Ms. Anjally Gupta	MBA	07	MBA
Ms. Avni Sharma	MBA	05	MBA
Dr. Mahesh Koul	Ph.D.	2.5	MBA
Ms. Tiharika Nath	MBA	2.5	MBA
Ms. Kamakshi	MBA	2.5	MBA
Dr. Sunny Sharma	Ph.D.	05	Computer Science & IT
Ms. Ritika Goyal	MCA	05	Computer Science & IT

KISHTWAR CAMPUS

The campus was established in January 2008 and was inaugurated in November 2010. Initially MSc IT was being run in the same Year. In 2011-12 two courses namely M.Sc Geology and M.A Kashmiri were started.

Details of Academic Programmes offered in the Campus

- M.Sc IT
- MA Kashmiri

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st Semester/1st year) in each programme in the academic year 2022-23.

Department	Intake Capacity
MSc. IT	20
MA Kashmiri	20

Detail of Contractual Faculty

Name of the Faculty	Qualification	Experience in Years
Mr. Aftab Ahmed Mir	PG	01
Mr. Mutiyyab Farooq Mughal	NET	01
Ms. Sonam Sharma	MCA	01
Mr. Narinder Verma	MCA	03
Ms. Upma Sharma	MCA	01
Mr. Sachin Kumar	MCA	01
Mr. Kuljeet Singh	NET	03
Dr. Meer Tufail	Ph.D.	04
Ms. Rizwana Kouser	SET	04
Ms. Rabia Akhter	MA	02
Mr. Amir Ayoub Bhat	MA	02

POONCH CAMPUS

Poonch Campus is the Youngest Campus among various Campuses of University of Jammu inaugurated on 15th of Feb, 2008 by the then Hon'ble Chief Minister of the state Jenab Gulam Nabi Azad and Vice-Chancellor Prof. Amitabh Mattoo. University Campus in Poonch is a remarkable step in the arena of Higher Education. 61.07 kanals of land stands transferred at the name of Poonch Campus. Construction work of two buildings i.e. Girls Hostel and Academic Block is going on but temporarily halted

Programmes offered by the Department

M.Sc. Sericulture.

Thrust Areas of Teaching and Research

- Mulberry Physiology, Breeding and Genetics
- Silkworm Physiology, Breeding and Genetics

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st Semester/1st year) in each programme in the academic year 2022-23.

Name of the Programme	Intake Capacity
M.Sc. Sericulture	25

Collaborations/Linkages:

Collaboration with Regional Sericulture Research Station, Central Silk Board, Miran Sahib, Jammu where P.G. Department of Sericulture send the students for "On Job Skill Training Programme" of 4-6 weeks every year . The students compile their work and submit their project work (report) in the Department.

Healthy practice/practices of the Department, which Department wants to highlight

The Department carries out various activities and celebrates various important days like World Environmental Day, Biodiversity Day and carry out many Cleanliness derive (Swaach Bharat Abbiyan) within the Campus and outside the Campus, various Co-curricular activities like motivation lectures for students for preparing for competitive exams by local resource persons, Quiz Competitions, Debate Competitions etc.

RAMNAGAR CAMPUS

The campus at Ramnagar was established in 2007. It started functioning from Govt. Degree College Ramnagar. The campus is headed by Director. Contractual faculty is engaged as per requirements.

Programmes Offered in the Campus

- i) MCA
- ii) M.A Sociology

Interdisciplinary programs offered and details of the department/Disciplines involved: Guest lectures: Nil

Recognization/ Accreditation of the programs offered by the department (other than university): Nil

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st semester/1st year) in each programme in the Academic year 2022-23

Programme	Intake Capacity
MCA	25
MA Sociology	25

Faculty Profile

Name	Qualification	Experience in Years
Dr. Deepika Sharma	Ph.D.	07
Ms. Swati Mahajan	M.Tech.	08
Ms. Ritika Bandral	M.Tech.	04
Ms. Megha Sharma	NET	04
Ms. Sakshi	NET	03
Mr. Rakesh Kumar	NET	08
Ms. Himani Sharma	MCA	04
Dr. Bachhiter Singh	Ph.D.	02
Mr. Jarnail Singh	NET	02
Ms. Robina Akhter	NET	04

REASI CAMPUS

The Reasi campus, University of Jammu has been functioning in the District Reasi, since 2007 with the objective of getting the higher education to the deserving students of the rural and far-flung areas of the State. Presently, the Campus is running in the DIET Complex at Reasi. The Campus is running one P.G. Course in Sociology with strength of about 40 students from the different far-flung areas of the District and the State. Besides, the regular class work, the campus also conducts Field Research Studies, Workshops, Invited Talks, Seminars, Presentations, Interactive Sessions and other Cocurricular activities for the students of the Campus. In addition to this, the Campus is also frequently nominated as the examination centers for the Under-graduate Examinations like B.Ed and other courses. The alumni of the campus have been working in diverse fields like in Higher education, Social welfare, school education, rural development etc. Students having passed out from this institution have qualified JRF/NET and some are pursuing Ph.D. in different premier institutions of high repute in the Country like University of Jammu, JNU, Punjab University, Chandigarh University etc. It is pertinent to mention here that this Campus is the only institution of higher learning for P.G. programmes at Reasi and has good potential for further academic growth of Campus in terms of teaching staff, infrastructure, library and computing facilities with wi-fi facilities. This shall be very beneficial in near future for the students and staff appointed at Campus in particular and public of the District Reasi, in general

Programmes offered by the Campus:

MA Sociology

Interdisciplinary Programmes offered and details of Department/disciplines involved: Nil

Recognition/Accreditation of the programmes: Nil

Thrust Areas of Teaching and Research

- Rural sociology
- Urban sociology
- Gender and society
- Environmental sociology
- Political sociology

JAMM Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1st semester/1st year) in each programme in the Academic year 2022-23

Programme	Intake Capacity
MA Sociology	25

Faculty Profile

Name	Qualification	Specialization	Experience in Years
Dr. Ranjeet Kumar	Ph.D.	Rural Sociology, Classical Sociological Tradition	08

Name	Qualification	Specialization	Experience in Years
Dr. Nisha Sharma	Ph.D.	Gender and society, Sociology of Religion	05
Ms. Priya Sharma	NET/JRF	Classical Sociological Tradition, Social Statistics and Computer Analysis	02
Mr. Manoj Kumar	NET	Gender and society, Modernity, Culture and Society	02

Healthy practice/practices of the Department, which Department wants to highlight

- Regular interactions with the faculty of Main campus.
- Educational Field visits.



UDHAMPUR CAMPUS

The Udhampur Campus was established in year 2013, The construction work has been initiated for the Udhampur campus. The Cutting/Leveling work for Boys Hostel, Girls Hostel and Academic Block has been completed.

Details of academic programmes offered in the Campus

- M.Com.
- M.A Economics.
- B.Com.

Intake Capacity and total no. of students admitted (1^{st} semester/ 1^{st} year) in each programme in the Academic year 2022-23

Programme	Intake Capacity	
MA Economics	30	
M.Com.	30	
B.Com.	30	

Faculty Profile (Contracrual)

Name	Qualification	Experience in Years
Dr. Mamta Sharma	Ph.D.	11
Dr. Ritika Sambyal	Ph.D.	06
Dr. Kamini Dutta	Ph.D.	06
Dr. Jyotsna	Ph.D.	02
Dr. Jatinder Kour	Ph.D.	02
Dr. Shilpa Gupta	Ph.D.	06
Dr. Sunita Kumari	Ph.D.	01

COLLEGES DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

The College Development Council is responsible for taking all necessary steps for the promotion, coordination and raising the standard of education in colleges. It serves as an academic guide to the Colleges and advises the University on all matters relating to development of affiliated colleges. The College Development Council is responsible for preparing a perspective plan for the development and opening of new colleges to enable the University and State education authorities to take long term decisions on planning and development of Colleges.

The broad functions under the ambit of College Development Council are:

- Affiliation of Colleges (Documentation, Inspection, Maintenance and Management of Records)
- Admissions (Admission Process, Documentation, Entrance Tests, Counseling, Maintenance and Management of Records).
- Accounts & Legal affairs (Fee and fund management, legal aspects-liaising with legal counsels and the legal cell of the University, preparing and providing requisite documentary support to the legal counsel and the legal cell, follow up cases and appearing in the court of law).
- Monitoring & measurement.



FINANCE

The financial year of the University corresponds with that of the Government of India/J&K Government i.e. 1st April to 31st March of the subsequent year. The accounts of the University are maintained under single entry system. The University is, however, planning to shift to accurable double entry system in due course of time. The accounts of the University are manually audited by the Accountant General of J&K.

SYSTEMS OF ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

The accounts of the University are maintained in four distinct parts:

Non-Plan:

Dealing with revenue receipts in the shape of Grant-in-aid from the State Government and University Receipt and Establishment/ Administrative and maintenance expenditure of the University.

Development (Plan) Account:

Dealing with receipts /expenditure under Dev./construction activities and other Schemes funded by the UGC under General Development Assistance Scheme etc. and State Government under Plan Grant-in-aid.

Specific/Projects & Fellowships/Scholarships:

Dealing with transactions in connection with specific projects being funded by UGC, CSIR, DBT, DST etc. in favour of the teachers. Also the receipts/expenditure for UGC, CSIR, Teacher Fellowships, ICHR Fellowships, Rajive Gandhi Fellowships etc. are dealt under this head.

Debt/Deposits & Advances:

Dealing with receipts & payments under advances, Deposit and University Development Fund transactions.

The financial year of the University corresponds with that of the Govt. of India/J&K Govt. i.e. Ist April to 31st March of the subsequent year. The accounts of the University have been switched over to accruable double entry system w.e.f. the financial year 2010-2011. The accounts of the University are audited by the Accountant General of J&K. The budget of the University is placed before the competent bodies for approval.

Statement of Income (Plan & Non-plan) & total expenditure for the financial year 2023-24 and total monthly expenditure during the period.

Income & Expenditure Statement:

RUSA 2.0

Component: Enhancing Quulaity & Excellence

Particulars	Amount in Lacs
Unspent Amount	41.60
Installment	157.00
Total Receipt	198.60
Expenditure	160.56

Component: Faculty Improvement Support

Particulars	Amount in Lacs
Unspent Amount	180.00
Installment	0.00
Total Receipt	180.00
Expenditure	108.45

Component: New Professional Colleges (Institute of Science & Technology, Poonch Campus, University of Jammu)

Particulars	Amount in Lacs
Unspent Amount	157.74
Installment	130.00
Total Receipt	287.74
Expenditure	213.00

REVENUE BUDGET

Receipts in Lacs

Opening Balance	11.58
University Receipt	6305.39
State Grant	22095.00
Total	28411.97

Expenditure

Salaries	17393.79
Retirement Benefits/Pensions	7782.13
Medical Reimbursement	6.19
Travelling Expenses	120.84
Office Expenses	90.05
Electric Charges	345.10
Materials & Supplies	61.30
Books & Periodicals	112.73
Other Charges	2466.56
Maintenance of Vehicles/POL	31.82
Total	28410.51

ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY (2023-2024)

JANUARY 2023

- 1. Shri Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor, Jammu and Kashmir UT and Chancellor, University of Jammu chaired the 87th University Council Meeting of the University. During the meeting, deliberations were held on various agenda items to bring a paradigm shift in overall functioning of the University. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu presented the vision document of the University highlighting the new initiatives for building a culture of start-ups & innovations, dissolving boundaries evolving education, promoting trans-disciplinary & holistic education, establishing Skill Incubation Innovation and Entrepreneurship Centre, promoting quality research and education for societal relevance & engagement, introducing new academic programmes, transferring knowledge into action, promoting national integration and sports, Alumni/Student recognitions, good practices and enhancing global visibility of the University. The Chancellor said, the vision document presented outlines the values and aspiration and it will take University of Jammu to greater heights and realize the ultimate goal of academic excellence. The chancellor also reviewed the measures taken for effective implementation of National Education Policy-2020. He directed the University of Jammu to ensure the implementation of Reservation Policy of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir UT. The Chancellor sought active participation of the Universities and reputed educational institutions in the successful conduct of the ensuing G20 event in Jammu & Kashmir. He further asked the Universities to conduct seminars and discussions on G20 conference. A threadbare discussion was held on following:
 - a. Digital & Green Initiatives.
 - b. Reforms in Examinations.
 - c. Promotion of Regional Languages.
 - d. Culture, Art & Heritage.
 - e. Capacity Building of Faculty.
 - f. Strengthening Industry Academia Society Interface.
 - g. Promoting Experiential Learning.
 - h. Curriculum Development as per requirement of the market.
 - i. Handholding in Skill Development & Entrepreneurship and future requirements of the University.
 - j. Establishment of 'Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board' to promote capacity building, literacy and employment among the young girls/women.
 - k. Developing University of Jammu as a vibrant & thriving hub of cultural & cocurricular activities.
 - 1. Common admission portal for all universities of Jammu & Kashmir UT.
 - m. Sharing of Human Resource between Universities.
 - n. 360 degree feedback system.
 - o. Identifying gaps in implementation of NEP-2020.

- p. Creation of digital database of universities.
- q. Adherence of biometric attendance.
- r. Nasha Mukti Abhiyaan.
- 2. Shri Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor, Jammu & Kashmir UT and Chancellor, University of Jammu inaugurated 36th Inter-University North Zone Youth Festival "Antarnaad" at University of Jammu. The 05 day long Youth festival is being organized by University of Jammu under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi. The Lieutenant Governor welcomed the participants from various universities to Jammu & Kashmir and underscored the need to provide more platforms like "Antarnaad" to the youth to express themselves through art. Shri Sinha said, Cultural and Creative activities motivate students to achieve excellence, nurture the talents, ignite the minds and nourish the civilizations heritage for future generations. He said, artistic expressions are source of intellectual inspiration and wanted to see students transforming themselves as 'Triveni'- a confluence of knowledge, science & art, a balanced personality with a sense of inquisitiveness, serene, peaceful and dynamic. Shri Sinha also highlighted the significant role of the Universities in nurturing the talent of the younger generation. While welcoming the Chief Guest, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu said that the University of Jammu has played a historic role in the growth and integration of Jammu and Kashmir. The University has been a torch bearer for pluralistic, cultural and secular credentials, besides contributing towards nation-building. In this Inter-University North Zone Youth Festival 1000 participants from more than 18 Universities shall participates in Arts, Fine Arts and Literary activities. Prof. Rai said that even the name of the Youth Festival 'Antarnaad-2023' holds significance in contemporary times, which means to listen to inner soul and lead the way of life accordingly. In order to make "Antarnaad-2023" a vibrant festival, various cultural activities viz- music, dance, drama, theatre and fine arts shall be organized during the five day event. The participants who came from various parts of the country were welcomed by Kathua Campus, University of Jammu at the gateway of Jammu & Kashmir.
- 3. The 74th Republic Day of India was celebrated at the University of Jammu with great enthusiasm & patriotic fervor. It was attended by teaching faculty, officers, staff and students of the University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu unfurled the National Flag and released the Tri-Colour Balloons. Prof. Rai, greeted the University fraternity and said that University of Jammu is scaling new heights under the guidance and support of Hon'ble Chancellor Shri Manoj Sinha. He further highlighted the achievements of University that includes constitution of Women's Collegiate Board, establishment of the Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship Skill Development Centre (IIESDC) with the Verticals i.e. Entrepreneurship Development, Skill Development and Career Planning, Business Incubation and Innovation (BII), Industrial-Academia Partnership and there is also a paradigm shift in education wherein no formal degree shall be

- required to be appointed as visiting faculty. The 74th Republic Day was also celebrated by all the offsite campuses of the University.
- 4. Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu initiated the process to participate in National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2023. Data required to be uploaded on the NIRF portal had been collected from all the departments and offsite campuses by the office of the DIQA and after compilation the same had been uploaded for the ranking purpose.
- 5. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau, Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu started three day workshop series on "Digital Literacy". In this regard, 02 workshops were organized in collaboration with:
 - a. Government Degree College, R.S. Pura, Jammu. 35 students have participated in the workshop. Mr. Surjeet Kumar, Department of Life Long Learning was the Resource Person.
 - b. Government Degree College, Purmandal. 25 students have participated in the workshop. Mr. Sanjay Manhas, Department of Computer Science & IT was the Resource Person.
- 6. University Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Centre under the series of five-day workshop modules of Value Added Courses organized a workshop on "Soft Skills for Workplace" for the students of the Department of Political Science and Buddhist Studies. A total of 20 sessions were conducted by various industry experts, leading academicians and motivational speakers within and outside the university namely Ms. Geetika Kohli, Writer and Entrepreneur; Ms. Payal Jain, Brand Consultant; Ms. Swati Basotra, founder of Talkeasytakeeasy; Dr. Neelika Arora, Central University of Jammu; Prof. Vinay Chauhan; Dr. Anil Gupta; Dr. Garima Gupta; Dr. Sarita Sood and Dr. Pallavi Sachdeva from Jammu university.
- 7. The Business School, University of Jammu organized a corporate lecture on "Innovation & Entrepreneurship" by Dr. Rahul Mirchandani, Chairman and Managing Director, Aries Agro Ltd. Dr. Rahul Mirchandani has 23 years of experience as Director of Aries Agro Limited and was ranked amongst the 30 Most Innovative CEOs in India in 2014. He has pioneered several unique marketing processes and brand management tactics at Aries. While interacting with the students, he talked about the relevance of innovation and creativity in the industrial sector. Mr. Khurshid Maqbool Dar, Deputy Director, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), J&K addressed the students and highlighted that the focus of CII is mainly on entrepreneurship, bringing industries in J&K, domestic and international learning missions.
- 8. Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu in collaboration with UGC-Human Resource Development Centre organized five day workshop on "Analysis and its Applications". The workshop had 24 one-hour talks given by eminent mathematicians Prof. Indrajit Lahiri from the University of Kalyani, West Bengal; Prof. Hares V.

Dedanian, Sardar University Gujrat; Prof K. Mishra, Patel S. Banaras Prof. Swadesk K. Hindu University; Sahoo, IIT Indore; Dr. Krihanendu Gangopadhyay, IISER Mohali; Dr. A. Sairam Kaliraj, IIT Ropar and Dr. Tanmay Sarkar, IIT Jammu. This workshop was attended by 52 participants comprising faculty members and research scholars from the University of Jammu, University of Kashmir, SMVD University, Central University of Jammu, Central University of Kashmir, Cluster University of Jammu, National Institute of Technology Srinagar, Sangam University, Rajasthan and Affiliated colleges of the University of Jammu. The aim of organizing this workshop was to update teachers and research scholars about recent developments in Analysis and to give them the right directions for further studies in some of the areas of Complex Analysis and Functional Analysis.

- 9. Department of Sociology in collaboration with the Law School, University of Jammu organized an awareness lecture on 'Constitutional Obligations: Values, Rights, Duties and Responsibilities of the Citizens' for students and scholars of the department. Dr. Pallavi, Faculty, The Law School was the Keynote Speaker. She focused on the need to follow the ideal code of behavior, which runs parallel to the eleven basic obligations on the fundamental duties, which are the essence of the Constitution. She further explained that the Indian Constitution outlines people's basic rights and responsibilities which are developed along the lines of a moral, ethical, and cultural code of behavior that must be observed by the citizens in order to maintain and defend sovereignty, unity, and integrity of the nation, which aids the government in preserving good governance and enabling a democratic society.
- 10. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Human Resource Development Centre and Centre for IT Enabled Services and Management, University of Jammu organized one week hands on Bioinformatics Workshop on Plant & Microbial Genomics funded by DST-SERB. The workshop was held under Karyshalla scheme of Accelerate Vigyan program of SERB to impart high end skills to researchers and faculty in the STEM area. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu said, there is need of dissolving man-made academic boundaries and in life sciences teaching, there is a need to include various subjects such as computer languages, mathematics covering linear equations, hard core statistics, organic chemistry and biophysics as basic courses. Prof. Rup Lal, INSA Senior Scientist, Acharya Narendra Dev College, University of Delhi was the Keynote Speaker in the inaugural event.
- 11. Department of Botany, University of Jammu organized an awareness lecture on "Essence of Constitutional Values" by Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, University of Jammu. Prof. Jasrotia highlighted some main components of the Indian Constitution and discussed in length about the essence of Justice, Liberty of thought, expression and democracy. He said, Constitution of India is live, elastic and subservient to the needs of society. Further, he also stressed upon the responsibilities of Indian citizens towards national public property like the national anthem, national flag and emblem.

- 12. Department of Electronics, University of Jammu in collaboration with UGC-Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC) organized three-day workshop on "Internalization of Higher Education: Opportunities and Challenges in line with NEP-2020" under the RUSA-II Faculty Improvement Support. Prof. Nandakumar Kalarikkal, Senior Professor, MGU. Kerala and Prof. K. C. Mohite, Former-Dean, Pune University were the Resource Persons.
- 13. Placement Cell, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on computation and presentation skills for the students of various departments of the University of Jammu. Prof. Pawanesh Abrol, Head, Department of Computer Science and IT, University of Jammu; Prof. Vinay Chouhan, Dean Students Placement, University of Jammu; Dr. Anil Gupta, University of Jammu and Dr. Farah Choudhary, University of Jammu were the Keynote Speakers.
- 14. Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu organized Placement Drive. M/s Solitaire Infosys Pvt. Ltd., Mohali, Chandigarh conducted a pool placement for MCA and M. Tech students of main campus and offsite campuses. Solitaire Infosys is an IT company providing services in UX and UI design, android development, web development, enterprise and digital marketing besides consulting services provider that partners with organizations to achieve business and digital transformation. A total of forty students were shortlisted for the technical and HR round which will be conducted at Mohali. The selection process included a written test and a technical interview.
- 15. Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu organized PCP B.Ed. Programme for In-service Teachers. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu congratulated Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Director, Directorate of Distance Education University of Jammu, Faculty Members, Officers and Staff for successfully organizing various programmes and the courses in the Directorate of Distance Education. Prof. Rai exuded that the future of country lies in Distance mode of education and while quoting Mahatma Gandhi he said "If you educate a man you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman you educate an entire family and while looking at the strength of female students in the audience, it seems that that the future of J&K is promising. Prof. Rai exhorted that the DDE must formulate its own examination system so as to increase the efficacy of the Directorate and in this direction, he urged Dean, Faculty of Education and Director, DDE to study the best practices of Campus of open Learning (COL), University of Delhi and that of IGNOU so that indigenous examination cell fully dedicated to DDE can be established. He further said that DDE is in the process of establishing two studios to ensure that the students in the far flung areas can benefit with the quality learning and besides that University shall soon start the Women Collegiate Board for working women who have been deprived of education because of certain reasons.

- 16. The Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS commemorates 'National Youth Day' in the University of Jammu. The National Youth Day is celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda ji- the great Indian Thinker, Philosopher and Social Leader. More than 100 volunteers from various departments of the University and from different colleges participated in the programme. Swami Yajnadharananda ji, Secretary Ramakrishna Mission Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. Swami Yajnadharanada, the Speaker of the occasion inspired and motivated the volunteers by narrating the life incidences of Swami Vivekananda. He stressed upon the importance of selfless service towards others in the society. He motivated the volunteers to imbibe the values of Swami Vivekananda and follow his path of truth and sincerity.
- 17. Student Cultural Council University of Jammu organized a cultural extravaganza to celebrate Lohri and Makar Sankranti. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu, the Chief Guest on the occasion extended warm greetings to the participants and the audience on the auspicious occasion of Lohri and Makar Sankranti. He appreciated the great efforts made by members of Cultural Council and announced that fresh initiatives have been taken by the administration for the benefit of the Student such as a Literary Club, Photography Club, Film Club, Theatre club etc. He also announced that very soon the University will have its own FM Station.
- 18. The Office of the Programme Coordinator NSS in collaboration with Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan, Jammu University Chapter organized winter Clothes donation drive at Akhnoor(Mathwar-village), in one of the adopted villages of Jammu University. Around more than 200 villagers participated in the camp belonging to all the age groups.
- 19. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu organized a Book Exhibition at University of Jammu. The Book Vendors who participated in the exhibition were M/S's Radha Krishan Anand Book Publishers; Oberoi Book Service; Yak Book Channel; Vinod Book Depot; Jay kay Book House; Fair Deal Books; Amazon Infotech Centre; Anand Books Distributor and Qasmi Kutub Khana. The books on display included Reference Books, Encyclopedias, General Books, Subject Related Books and Compendiums etc. The purpose of holding the Exhibition was to encourage the consultation and usage of Books among the scholars and students.
- 20. University of Jammu celebrated "National Girl Child Day-2023". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his presidential address said that the education of girls is very important and highlighted the same by quoting Mahatma Gandhi "If you educate a man you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman you educate an entire family." and Kofi Annan "To educate girls is to reduce poverty". One of the initiatives towards empowerment of women has been concretized by the way of establishing the 'Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board' to promote capacity building, literacy and employment among young girls/women. Dr. Darakshan Andrabi, Chairperson J&K Waqf Board was the Chief Guest. She discussed Hon'ble Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi's initiatives undertaken for the girl child in India.

- 21. Centre for Women's Studies, in collaboration with the Office of Programme Coordinator NSS, University of Jammu organized a 'Nukkad Natak' to commemorate National Girl Child Day. The aim of the Nukkad Natak was to generate awareness among all scholars and students of the University.
- 22. NSS Volunteers of Campus Unit-I, Faculty of Social Sciences and Arts, University of Jammu organized a cleanliness drive under the theme "Keep your University Clean and Green". More than 50 Volunteers participated in the drive and cleaned surrounding area of Faculty of Social Science, Faculty of Languages, Department of Sociology, Department of Psychology and Department of Life Long Learning. NSS volunteers also generated awareness among the students to keep their surroundings clean and adopt healthy life style. Proper masks and gloves were given to the volunteers and due care with regard to safety measures were taken.
- 23. In order to generate and create awareness among the masses on the importance of mushrooms, a Wild Mushroom Calendar 2023 was released by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof. Rai thanked the Ministry of Environment, Forests, Climate Change, the Government of India, the National Mission of Himalayan Studies (NMHS) and the Departments of Botany, University of Jammu and University of Delhi for jointly supporting the calendar and expressed the hope that raising awareness of wild mushrooms will aid in addressing the region-specific issues of food security and the environment facing the community and examining solutions.
- 24. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a webinar titled "Object Oriented Programming using .NET Technology" for the students of MCA. Mr. Aslam Khan, .NET Developer, Anvik Infotech, Noida was the Resource Person. He has enriched the students with his 18 years of experience in .NET Technology. Mr. Khan started the discussion with the basic object-oriented programming concepts and emphasized upon the rising demand of technology experts taking into consideration the world shift towards automation. He further stressed upon the prominence of usage of technology everywhere and elaborated .NET Technology framework along with its connectivity with databases. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that these types of thoughtful interactions with the domain experts are helpful in augmenting the knowledge of students. Dr. Kilam while emphasizing upon the significance of such programmes stated that technology has transformed the education sector and NEP-2020 is also focusing to strengthen the academic-industry collaboration. She further said the Government of India is focusing on data privacy & security and IIT Madras developed an indigenous mobile operating system 'BharOS' that was revealed recently. She encouraged the students to work on similar lines and focus on the practical implementation along with the understanding of concepts.
- 25. The Management School, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized two-day workshop on "Financial Education" under "Kona Kona Shiksha Abhiyan" for students

- of the campus. Mr. Anil Sharma, Expert Trainer, National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) was the Resource Person. More than 50 students were participated in the workshop.
- 26. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a two-week Stationary collection drive for helping the underprivileged children of the adopted village Kathera to honour the deity of learning i.e. Goddess Saraswati on the eve of Basant Panchami. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said a small gesture of donating stationery is a boon for underprivileged children to focus harder on their studies and added that the students of Kathua Campus should imbibe the valuable learning from organizing these types of charity events and help the indigent souls if the opportunity prevails. She further added that such events are an important part of student life as it not only helps to create awareness about our social problems but also gives an opportunity to improve the management skills. She further said that such an ambitious mission conveys a pious message which should be followed in letter and spirit.
- 27. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized "Farmer Classes" to aware farmers about the Sericulture being an agro based industry is mainly operated by rural masses living in villages. Janab Gulab Din Janyar, an Expert Farmer from Poonch is the Resource Person.
- 28. Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Department of Sericulture, SKC GDC Poonch organized an extension activity entitled "Adoption of Seri-Village and Plantation Drive" for the implication of MoU signed by both the institutions. Prof. Gurvinder Raj Verma, HOD Sericulture & Coordinator Sericulture extension Unit, Department of Sericulture, SKC GDC Poonch was the Resource Person. The programme was attended by 50 students and 20 farmers along with 02 Panches of the NSSB blocks along with the teaching and non-teaching faculty of University and College. During the event, 15 identified potential sericulture farmers were registered under the adoption programme and 1000 mulberry saplings were distributed to the adopted farmers.
- 29. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized one day awareness programme on "Drug Abuse: Awareness amongst the Youth" at Poonch. The aim behind organizing this program is to spread awareness regarding this menace among the general masses in district Poonch about the drawbacks and destruction being caused to society due to this drug abuse. On the occasion an awareness rally was also organized by the students of Offsite Campus.

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30. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized Inter-collegiate Handball (Men & Women) Tournament 2022-23 and Inter-Collegiate Cricket (Men) Tournament 2022-23.

- 31. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2022-2023:
 - I. Indira Gandhi Government Dental College, Jammu for imparting instructions in BDS & MDS courses
 - II. Institute of Dental Sciences, Jammu for imparting instructions in BDS course.
 - III. Harvard College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - IV. Rajiv Gandhi Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - V. Ramisht College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - VI. Ranjit College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - VII. Surya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - VIII. New age College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - IX. Rajiv Gandhi Memorial College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed./M.Ed./4 year BA.B.Ed. Integrated program course.
 - X. JK College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - XI. Sant Mela Singh College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - XII. New Age Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - XIII. RB College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - XIV. Sai Shyam College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - XV. JK College of BCA/BBA for imparting instructions in BBA course.
 - XVI. Trikuta College of Physical Education for imparting instructions in B.P.Ed. course.
- 32. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of UG 4th Semester (NCBCS), BBA(HM) 5th Semester, MBBS 2nd Professional, PGDCCM (2nd Semester), MDP math (4th Semester), MDP Physics (4th Semester), MDP Sanskrit (4th Semester), MDP Chemistry (4th Semester), MDP Commerce (4th Semester), MDP English (4th Semester), MDP Political Science (4th Semester), MDP History (4th Semester), MDP Dogri (4th Semester), MDP Hindi (4th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for UG 2nd Semester (CBCS & NCBCS), B.Sc. (Nursing) 1st Year, BA LLB 5 year (1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th Semester) Private, BA LLB 5 Year 10th Semester (Supplementary), BAMS 2nd Prof. (Reg.), BPED (2nd Semester), UG Part 1st (Private), MLIB (2nd Semester), UG (4th Semester- CBCS), BSC Nursing 3 year (Subsequent), MDP Political Science (3rd Semester), MDP Economics (3rd Semester), MDP Urdu (3rd Semester), MDP Commerce (1st & 4th Semester) etc. in the month of January 2023.

FEBRUARY 2023

1. Sh. Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, JKUT and Chancellor, University of Jammu inaugurated 22nd International Theatre Festival Bharat Rang Mahotsav at University of Jammu. Shri Sinha said the festival will provide an opportunity to the audience to acquaint with the glorious theatre culture of the country. "Bharat Rang Mahotsav is a tribute to the creativity and enterprise of theatre which has entertained and inspired many generations. In our ancient tradition, theatre was considered as the medium which combined two other performing art forms- music and dance," said the Hon'ble Lt Governor. Natya Veda, the fifth Veda, reflects India's glorious theatre and creative tradition. Shri Sinha also said that it is our endeavour to provide mentoring to the Children and budding artistes through Theatre in Education Centre of National School of Drama. One such Centre has been established in Srinagar and another Centre will start in Jammu.

The Theatre Festival was organized by Department of Student Welfare, University of Jammu in collaboration with National School of Drama. National School of Drama is one of the best Theatre institutes in the world, and the only one of its kind in India and Asia, which has played a major role in Theatre training as well as in the Indian Theatre movement. An important part of this Theatre movement is 'Bharat Rang Mahotsav', which is considered as one of the biggest Theatre festivals in the world, in which there is a holistic confluence of Indian as well as global Theatre cultures.

2. Human Resource Development Centre in collaboration with Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu under Amrit Kaal Trans-Disciplinary Lecture Series organized a lecture on "Attitude, Leadership, Motivation & Values" by Shri Shiv Khera, an Author, Educator, Business Consultant, a popular motivational speaker and author of bestselling books like "You Can Win" (over 9 million copies sold in 21 languages) and "Living with Honour". Shri Khera has a rich experience of 40 years of research and understanding on the path of growth and fulfillment. His clients include Lufthansa, HP, DHL, HSBC, Canon, Nestle, Philips, Mercedes, Johnson & Johnson, Metlife and many more.

Speaking on the occasion, he asserted that when it comes to emotional strength, a positive attitude and resilience keep us from drowning. He exuded that a healthy body is a necessary prerequisite and in that endeavours, everyone should focus on physical strength and that should never be ignored. Individuals, who live by well laid design and take charge of their own circumstances are bound to lead a life filled with happiness and well-being whereas those who life lived by default is marred with guilt, remorse and resentment. The lecture was attended by more than 1400 people including Senior officers from UT Government, 200 Police Officers, Deans, Heads, Officers, Scholars, Students of the University of Jammu; Faculty & Students from various affiliated colleges etc.

- 3. A high level meeting under the convenorship of Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, J&K Higher Education Council (JKHEC) and former Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University was held at University of Jammu which was attended by Sh. Alok Kumar (IRS), Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, J&K; Prof. Nilofer Khan, Vice - Chancellor, University of Kashmir; Prof. Shakeel Ahmed Romshoo, Vice-Chancellor, Islamic University of Science & Technology, Awantipora, Srinagar; Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice-Chancellor, Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Rajouri; Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu; Prof. Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges, Directorate of Colleges, J&K (HED), Jammu; Sh. M.M. Chaturvedi, University of Delhi; Prof M.M Chaturvedi, Former Director, Cluster Innovation Centre, University of Delhi; Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu; Sh. Abdul Majid Bhatt, Director, Finance; Sh. Sushil Khajuria, Additional Secretary, Jammu; Sh. Ashu Gupta, Joint Director and Dr. Ashwani Hansa, Under Secretary, HED. Prof Dinesh Singh while recognizing the wisdom and spirit of ancient Mimansa philosophy which states that knowledge without action is meaningless, emphasized upon introducing highly innovative under graduate programs. He further stated that these programs shall enable true education. One of the highlights of the meeting was a proposal of running a train christened "Gyaanoday Express: College on Wheels" for more than a 1000 students of Jammu and Kashmir and Delhi on a journey of 15 days that shall enhance innovative learning. These students shall be selected on the basis of group based projects that shall be connected to various aspects of the journey ranging from the design of the coaches, toilets, and engines to ideas and problems connected with the land and places through which the journey shall pass. These projects shall also deal with the culture, the economy, the history and entrepreneurship of the places of halt. The journey shall take the students to various places of learning treating the world as a university. The journey shall include visits to Delhi University, Sabarmati Aashram , Gujarat Vidyapeeth, Surat, the INS Vikrant at the naval dockyard of Mumbai, the entrepreneurial activities of Goa, ISRO and IISc Bengaluru and the Gandhi Ashram at Wardha. The students shall submit detailed project reports at the end of the journey. Other deliberations included a host of ideas dealing with development of best practices and high-end innovations under "Goonj" reflective reverberations of the Institutions of J&K, entrepreneurial programs, engineering kitchens, development of transdisciplinary four-year new degree program, pedagogy trainings, innovation projects, skill based programmes etc. The house discussed the various themes and aspects of employing flexible nature of NEP 2020 in educational institutes of J&K. It was unanimously resolved to include practical and skill based outcome programmes. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu emphasized upon continuous evaluation and appreciation of the learning process of the student. It was also resolved to develop a detailed road map for a formal Higher Education Executive Council.
- 4. Prof. Dinesh Singh, the Vice-Chairman, J&K Higher Education Council and former Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi held a detailed discussion in presence of Prof

Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu regarding capacity building of the university faculty. Prof Dinesh Singh elaborated in detail the initiatives that can be taken to improve the quality of teaching and research at the university. He stressed the need for training of faculty members in advanced and job-oriented technologies and subjects and offered to help University of Jammu in such endeavours. He advised to invite experts from national and international universities and institutions for capacity building in different disciplines including Artificial intelligence, robotics, physical sciences, mathematical sciences, life and medical sciences, architecture and finance. Prof Singh while discussing about the international experts, explored options in fostering collaboration of University of Jammu with Edinburgh University, Middlesex University, Rice University and IISc, Bangalore for exchange of faculty members and research scholars. The academic exchange shall help the University of Jammu in strengthening its curriculum and facilitate the brand image of the university. Prof. Dinesh Singh also shared the roadmap for making masters in rural development and management programme in Department of Lifelong Learning more socially relevant and beneficial both for the students as well as the rural areas of the Jammu region. He also highlighted the need to replicate such courses in other teaching departments of the University of Jammu mainly with an objective to explore and nurture the social and economic potential of the rural youth in Jammu region. Prof Singh highlighted the importance of two-way process of learning, where students can also learn from villages, he further added that the importance of libraries in villages and how can "YouTube" be used as a source of knowledge for rural youth. Prof Singh further added that students along with faculty must understand the importance of SMART villages and the SMART villages devise the mechanism for developing in our country

5. University of Jammu Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Indian Adult Education Association (IAEA), New Delhi. The ceremony was held in the Vice Chancellor's secretariat wherein Mr. Kailash Chowdhary (Chief Advisor-IAEA), Prof L. Raja President, Dean- Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram), Shri Suresh Khandelwal (General Secretary-IAEA) and Ms. Kalpana Kaushik (Director-IAEA) were present on behalf of the IAEA whereas the University of Jammu was represented by Professor Umesh Rai (Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu), Prof. Naresh Padha (Dean of Academic Affairs, University of Jammu), Professor Arvind Jasrotia, (Registrar, University of Jammu) and Dr. Jeevan Jyoti (Director-DLL). Detailed deliberations were held among the stakeholders for possible future endeavours and also reinstate the immense scope being offered under NEP-2020. While speaking on the occasion, Prof. Umesh Rai congratulated the Department of Lifelong Learning for taking the initiative for strengthening institutional ties for a meaningful Universitycommunity interface. He also thanked the IAEA for joining hands with the University of Jammu and committing to do hand-holding for a field-based Masters Programme in Rural studies. It was also emphasized upon to explore the possibilities of engaging faculties from various streams for community-based university interventions in a meaningful manner. The dignitaries present also elaborated upon the common mandate (extension and field outreach) and the possibility of engagement for various academic ventures of mutual interest.

- 6. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu was conferred with The Mahatma Gandhi Seva Puraskar by the advisory and executive body of Gandhi Global Family, J&K. The coveted award was conferred on Prof. Rai for his extraordinary contribution in the field of education, especially with regard to the promotion of Gandhian values and the peace initiatives undertaken by the University of Jammu under his leadership.
- 7. Jammu University club cluster meeting was held under the chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Umesh Rai emphasized that it will be a great opportunity for the University of Jammu to Collaborate with Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) to make all the twelve clubs more vibrant and inclusive. In order to make the students more participative and to promote holistic education, the University is envisaging to place before the ensuing Academic Council meeting the proposal for granting 4 credits to the students who participate in the club activities. Ms. Shruti Awasthi, Regional Director, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) informed about various courses that are being offered by IGNCA in which various clubs of the University can collaborate so that the students can benefit from the courses like Post Graduate Diploma Courses of Cultural Informatics, Preventive Conservation, Digital Library and Data Management, etc. and the Short Term Courses like Philology, Linguistics, Mathematics, Astronomy, Ayurveda, etc. Innovative ideas and suggestions were put forward to make these clubs vibrant and to promote the heritage, art and culture, and preserve the dwindling history of the Jammu region.
- 8. Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu in collaboration with Mission Directorate, RUSA, Government of Jammu & Kashmir UT, the Nodal Agency for All India Survey in Higher Education in J&K organized one-day workshop on All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE). Ms. Anita Sirohiwal, Joint Director, Higher Education in Ministry of Education, Government of India was the Resource Person. The workshop was attended by more than 100 participants comprising of Nodal Officers of AISHE of various Government/Private degree colleges of Jammu division, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University and Offsite Campuses of University of Jammu as well as technical experts from Ministry of Education, GoI.
- 9. Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu organized one-day online workshop cum interactive session on Career Advancement Scheme (CAS). Dr. Amit Sharma, Statistician, Statistical Planning & Research Unit (SPRU), University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 10. Department of Life Long Learning, University of Jammu organized one-week workshop on "Basics of Research Methodologies". Prof. Rajni Kant, Dean Research Studies & Dean, Faculty of Sciences, University of Jammu was the Keynote Speaker.

Prof. Rishiraj Sharma, President - Business Research Plasma and Associate Dean-Gurudaspur Campus-GNDU was the Guest of Honour. The workshop was attended by teachers, scholars and students from various universities and colleges like Mumbai University; University of Jammu; SMVDU-Katra; Central University of Jammu; Government College for Women Parade; Government College of Education, Canal Road Jammu, MAM College-Jammu.

- 11. Department of Zoology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini, a unique Leadership Development Academy with an aim to nurture, impart training and capacity building of social workers, institutions, organizations and start-ups; organized an interactive session cum online Chaupal on "Inclusive Society under G20". Prof. Seema Langer, along with more than 60 Faculty and Research Scholars came together in the online Chaupal. The chaupal was led by C-20 Working Committee Member and Director, Inclusion at Connecting Dreams Foundation, Dr. Simi Mishra to discuss the topic of "Transgender Inclusion for Societal Development".
- 12. Department of Economics, University of Jammu organized a two-day Seminar on 'India's Pathways to Next Economic Powerhouse by 2047' sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi. Prof. Raj Kumar Mahajan, Former Professor, Punjabi University, Patiala, Regional Centre Bathinda, Punjab, was the Chief Guest. Prof. (Dr.) Charan Singh, Chief Executive, EGROW Foundation; Non-Executive Chairman, Punjab & Sind Bank; Former Professor, Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Bangalore; Former Director, Department of Economic Policy, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Former Senior Economist, International Monetary Fund (IMF); Prof. (Dr.) Aparna Negi, Professor, Department of Economics, H. P. University, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh; Prof. Vikram Chadha, Former Professor, Punjab School of Economics, GND University, Amritsar, Punjab; Prof. (Dr.) Balwinder Singh Tiwana, Former Professor, Punjabi University, Patiala, Prof. Kuldip Kaur, Ambedkar Chair, and Former Professor, Punjab Economics, GND University, Amritsar, Punjab and Prof. I. C. Awasthi, Former Professor, Institute for Human Development, New Delhi were the Keynote Speakers. More than 200 participants across the country from the states like Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Kerala, West Bengal, Bihar, Delhi, Haryana, Maharashtra, Odisha, Jammu & Kashmir and Chandigarh attended the seminar.
- 13. Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Jammu organized a Lecture on "Indian Constitution Based on Buddhism" by Mr. M.S. Prabhu Maurya, Faculty, Department of BTTM, Lumbini Buddhist University, Nepal. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Maurya said that our democracy has been deeply influenced by Buddhist ideals and symbols. In the teachings of Lord Buddha, emphasis has been given to inner peace, he said, adding that the purpose of remembering these teachings on this occasion is that all people should inculcate the right meaning of the teachings and remove all the evils and inequalities to make a world full of peace and compassion.

- 14. The Business School organised a one-week workshop aimed to enhance the professional competencies of MBA students. During the weeklong workshop, a total nine sessions were conducted by various industry experts, leading academicians and motivational speakers within and outside the university namely Mr. Priyanker, HDFC Bank; Mr. Gautam, Chamber of Commerce and Industries; Ms. Swati Basotra, Talkeasytakeeasy; Ms. Geetika Kohli, Thinksta; Prof. Vishav Raksha, University of Jammu; Ms. Maansi Rattan, MG Design School; Mr. Akash Bali, Amazon India; Ms. Jasleen Kaur, Branding Elves; Mr. Aman Talla, Talla Jewellers and Mr. Satish Koul, Emcure Pharmaceuticals Ltd.
- 15. Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu organized a webinar 'Inclusion of Students with Visual Impairment in Higher Education'. The webinar was carried out with the objective of creating awareness about the challenges encountered and resources available to persons with visual impairment at higher education. Dr. Tata Rama Krishna, Faculty, STRIDE IGNOU was the Resource Person on the occassion.
- 16. Guru Nanak Chair, Department of Punjabi, University of Jammu under Azadi ka Amrit Kaal organized a one-day national Seminar on 'Guru Nanak Dev Ji Di Bani Di Samkali Parsangikta'. Prof. Sarabjeet Singh, Chairperson, School of Punjabi Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh was the Keynote Speaker.
- 17. Department of Statistics, University of Jammu organized Three-day Annual Conference on "Significance of Statistical Sciences in Emerging Scenario (SSSES 2023)" with the aim to bring together Statisticians, Researchers, Academics, and Industry Experts from around the world to share their knowledge and insights on the latest trends and best practices in Statistics. The event provided a unique opportunity for attendees to learn from some of the best minds in the field, network with peers, and discover new ways to advance their work and their careers. Dr. G.P. Samanta, Chief Statistician of India, was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Prof. Balgobin Nandram, WPI, USA was the Keynote Speaker.
- 18. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC) organized five-day workshop on "Advances in Environmental Monitoring and Analysis". The workshop comprised of twenty sessions wherein eminent resource persons from Institutes/Universities like Jawaharlal Nehru University; The Energy and Resources Institute, Tejpur University; Central University of Jammu; Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine; Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences Technology (Jammu) and Directorate of Ecology, Environment and Remote Sensing, were called to deliver lectures on the latest tools and techniques in monitoring and analysis of various environmental components like air, water, and soil. Hands-on training on various visualization methods and statistical techniques for representing and interpreting the environmental data was also provided to the participants during the practical/demonstration sessions. The Keynote lecture of the workshop was delivered by Prof. R K Singhal, Head, Analytical Chemistry Division, Bhabha Atomic

Research Center, Mumbai on tools and techniques in environmental monitoring. A total of thirty-two participants from both within and outside the JKUT participated in the workshop

- 19. Department of Home Science in collaboration with Human Development Resource Centre. University of Jammu organized five-day FDP on "Development of Leadership Skills among Future Academic Leaders". Mr. S. A. Mujtaba, Former Member JKPSC and Former DG Prosecution, JKP, was the Chief Guest and Dr. Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges, JKUT was the Guest of Honour. Speaking on the occasion Mr. Mujtaba encouraged the participants and lauded the efforts of the Department of Home Science and the UGC HRDC, University of Jammu, in organizing the FDP which was on a very relevant and contemporary theme. He said that communication is an essential tool of leadership and as an academician, knowledge of one's field plays a key role. He also mentioned that NEP 2020 focused on inculcating leadership skills and it's a policy that connects various disciplines.
- 20. Department of Dogri celebrated Mother Tongue Day. Prominent Dogri Writers and Scholars who were awarded various awards in the field of Dogri language during 2022-23 at national as well as at state level which includes Padamshree Mohan Singh, Prof. Veena Gupta, Dr. Nirmal Vinod, Sh. Dhian Singh, Sh. Rajeshwar Singh 'Raju', Dr. Nirmal Sareen and Dr. Ashu Sharma were felicitated by the department on this occasion.
- 21. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu in collaboration with the Jammu Kashmir Study Centre (JKSC) organized one-day Seminar to commemorate "the Parliament Resolution on Jammu and Kashmir". Major General (Retd.) S.K. Sharma was the Chief Guest at the occasion.
- 22. Department of Buddhist Studies organized a one-day Seminar on "Buddhism and its Impact in Daily Life". Venerable Mingyur Dorjay from Zanskar, Ladakh was the Key Note Speaker and Dr. Chhering Tandup was the Chief Guest of the Seminar. Ven. Dorjay briefly spooked about the teaching of the Buddha including the Four Nobel Truths, the Noble Eight Fold Path and their impact on the daily life of all human beings.
- 23. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with National Institute of Social Defense (NISD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India organized one-day workshop on "Transgender: Representation & Reality". Shri Dinesh Manhotra, Secretary General, Press Club of Jammu; Advocate Shakeel Ahmed and Advocate Dinesh Chauhan were the Resource Persons. The Workshop was attended by more than 200 participants from Cluster University, Jammu; IIMC; Central University of Jammu and University of Jammu.

- 24. NSS Campus Units in collaboration with the Department of Computer Science & IT organized an Induction cum Orientation Programme for Newly enrolled NSS volunteers of Campus Unit II. Prof. Rajni Kant, Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu and Dean, Faculty of Science was the Chief Guest of the function. In his address, he through his personal life experiences motivated the students to social work with zeal and enthusiasm for the welfare of the society and nation which will help in their overall personality development also.
- 25. Film Club, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "Understanding the Making of Documentary". Shri Brajesh Kumar Jha, Executive Editor of Hindustan Samachar New Agency and Editor, Navotthan Magazine was the Resource Person. Ms. Shruti Awasthi, the Regional Director, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) was the Guest of Honour. The workshop was attended by the faculty members, scholars and students of the University of Jammu.
- 26. Jammu University Internal Complaints Committee Against Sexual Harassment in collaboration with Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized an awareness lecture on "Prevention of Sexual Harassment in Educational Initiations". Ms. Avny Lavasa, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Vibhuti Patel, Retired Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai was the Keynote Speaker.
- 27. Padma Shri Balwant Thakur, the former Cultural Diplomat of India to South Africa and Mauritius who has also been the Secretary, J&K Academy of Arts Culture and Languages and Regional Director of Indian Council for Cultural Relations in the Ministry of External Affairs, called on the Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Prof. Umesh Rai. During the meeting, while complementing Prof. Rai for his innovative initiatives of transforming the University of Jammu into a major hub of cultural happenings, Balwant Thakur shared his global vision of new cultural approaches and interventions in academics. Interestingly, Balwant Thakur represented India in over a hundred international cities showcasing vibrant Indian culture abroad. He hoped that the University of Jammu shall take up the role of a catalyst in revolutionizing the cultural landscape of the Jammu region. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu appreciated the efforts of Sh Balwant Thakur for propagating the culture and history of Jammu in particular and J&K in general through the medium of theatre in the International arena.
- 28. Kathua Campus in collaboration with Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trademarks, Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India organized a webinar on "Intellectual Property Rights" under National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM) in order to aware and sensitize the students pertaining to Intellectual Property Rights. Ms. Prachi Prateeti, Examiner of Patents and Designs, DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, New Delhi was the Resource Person. The webinar was attended by more than 100 participants across the nation. Dr.

Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message expressed the requirement of awareness regarding IP rights in contemporary times and said the webinar would benefit the campus along with the participants in their future endeavours as innovators. Further, she highlighted the inevitable role of Intellectual Property for augmenting the socio-economic expansion of the nation and thereby, contributing to Atam Nirbhar Bharat campaign of India. She concluded by suggesting the youth to take lead towards the new initiatives of the Government of India like Startup India along with transforming the innovative ideas into intellectual property.

- 29. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 3rd Extension Outreach Activity on "Drug Abuse: Problem, Management and Prevention" with the aim to keep the children, youth and students away from menace of drugs at Government Higher Secondary School, Kathera. More than 400 students from Government Higher Secondary School, Kathera and Kathua Campus, University of Jammu participated in the said activity. The awareness programme was attended by more than 100 people from Panchayat Kathera who were thrilled by the performance of the students of Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in the form of a play on Drug Abuse.
- 30. Kathua Campus organized a two-week stationery collection and distribution drive with the aim to help the children of adopted village Kathera. The collected stationery items were distributed to more than 350 students of Panchayat Kathera in order to channelize their energies to harness their potential in nation building and refrain them from bad habits so that they can focus harder on their studies.
- 31. As part of the ongoing Education Tour for the students of Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus, visited the following locations:
 - a. Department of Studies in Sericulture Science, University and Central Sericulture Research and Training Institute CSRTI Mysore.
 - b. Satellite Silkworm Breeding Station, Conoor, CSGRC, Hosur, Tamil Nadu.
 - c. NIO, University of Goa.
- 32. Udhampur Campus of the University of Jammu in collaboration with the Green India Initiative Pvt. Ltd. (GIIPL), Mumbai, Maharashtra organized a one-day event for the distribution of Solar Study Lamps to the rural students of the Government Schools located in the vicinity of the Udhampur campus. On the occasion, Mr. Sachin Yashwant Shigwan THE SOLAR MAN OF INDIA, Director- Green India Initiative Private Ltd. (GIIPL), a for-profit social enterprise that has developed expertise in rural electrification through renewable energy projects since 2014, was the chief Entrepreneur who enlightened the young schools children with his vision and mission of lighting up more than 1000 villages by 2025 in India. As many as 100 solar study lamps procured from the donor organizations namely EY- GDS and Goodera were distributed to the students from village Garnai who participated in the programme.

- 33. Research Scholars of Metagenomics Laboratory, School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu, Tahir Ali, Ritika Mansotra and Ayushi Verma were declared winners of the North Zone-Anveshan: Students Research Convention 2022 programme which was held at Desh Bhagat University, Gobindgarh, Punjab in the area of agricultural sciences. The team of scholars presented the idea of increasing saffron corm and stigma quality by evaluating the delivery method of Bacillus sp. strain D5 at the zonal level. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu congratulated the team for the participation and award. He motivated scholars to think out of the box and propose innovative ideas for nation building.
- 34. The Wushu team of University of Jammu brought laurels by winning 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 2 Bronze in the All India Inter-University Wushu Championship organized by Chandigarh University. The Gold medal has been won by Hrithik Charak in 85 kg category, Silver medal by Gurmeet Singh in 90 kg whereas 2 bronze medals by Rohan Sharma in 65 Kg and another bronze by Pratham in 80 kg category. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu congratulated the team and said that it is hardwork and continual efforts of Directorate of Sports and Physical Education University of Jammu that Sports of JU has established its name not only in Jammu and Kashmir but also has earned its reputation in entire nation.
- 35. University of Jammu Roller Inline Hockey (M) team won the Gold medal in the All India Inter-University Roller Inline Hockey Tournament 2022-23 organized by the Andhra University Visakhapatnam. S. Jaideep Singh of Jammu University was declared as the highest goal scorer and best goal awardee of the tournament.
- 36. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2022-2023:
 - a. National College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - b. Vivekananda College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - c. Cosmic College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - d. Dogra College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - e. Calliope College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - f. Kawa College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - g. New Millennium College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - h. Institute of Management Sciences for imparting instructions in BBA, BCA and MBA courses.
 - i. Bhartiya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed, M.Ed. and 4-year BA/B.Ed Integrated Courses.
 - j. SSVS Degree College, Sunderbani for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - k. SVS College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.

- 1. Govt. Degree College Sunderbani for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- 37. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of BPED 3rd Semester (External Practical), BSC Nursing (1st Year and 4th Year), LLB 3 Year (2nd, 4th and 6th Semester), UG 3rd Semester (CBCS), MDP Hindi (2nd Semester), MDP Commerce (2nd Semester), MSC Physics (2nd Semester), MDP Psychology (2nd Semester), MDP Geography (2nd Semester), MDP Urdu (2nd Semester), MDP Urdu (2nd Semester), MDP Punjabi (2nd Semester), MDP English (2nd Semester), MDP Political Science (2nd Semester), MDP Dogri (2nd Semester), MSC Information Technology, MSC Home Science (Human Development) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for UG Part-II, BE 8th Semester (Supplementary), BE 6th Semester (Private), BE 5th Semester (Supplementary), LLB 3 Year (1st Semester), BA LLB 5 Year (4th Semester, Regular), BSC Nursing 2nd Year (Online/Offline), UG Part 3rd, MDP Hindi 1st Semester (Re-Eval), MDP Commerce (1st Semester), MDP Economics (1st Semester), MSC Chemistry (4th Semester), MDP Dogri (3rd Semester), MDP Commerce (3rd Semester), MDP Sociology (3rd Semester), MDP History (3rd Semester), MDP Geography (4th Semester), MDP Dogri (1st Semester), MDP Hindi (3rd Semester), MDP Math (1st Semester) etc. in the month of February 2023.

MARCH 2023

- 1. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Jammu & Kashmir and Chancellor, University of Jammu inaugurated a three-day Inter-University Sports Festival "Sauhard-2023" in the sports disciplines of Athletics (Men & Women), Basketball (Men & Women), Cricket (M), Kabaddi (Men & Women), Volleyball (Men & Women) and Table Tennis (Men & Women) organized by Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu. Sh. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor J&K UT, was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. More than 550 participants from various Universities of J&K UT like University of Kashmir, Cluster University of Kashmir, Islamic University of Science & Technology Awantipora, Cluster University of Jammu, SMVDU Katra, BGSBU Rajouri and the host University of Jammu along with team of Directorate of Distance & Online Education participated in the event. University of Jammu lifted the overall trophy.
- 2. "Utsaah", The Clubs, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (IGNCA) organized 10-day long "Duggar Darpan (a Multi-Art Festival)". The Multi Art Festival was inaugurated by Padamshree Mr. Rajinder Tikoo. The following events were organized during the programme:

- a. The Literary Club, University of Jammu organized an Open Mike Programme and Nukkad Natak. Capt. Lalit Sharma, IFS, and Convenor, Nami Dogri Sanstha was the Chief Guest. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu applauded the initiative of the Literary Club, "Utsaah," and expressed his wish to see more and more student participation in the future. He reiterated the purpose of "Utsaah" as evolving the understanding of education.
- b. Heritage and Tourism Club, UTSAAH, University of Jammu organized a Karigari Pratiyogita, which saw the participation of various students and scholars of University of Jammu. Ms. Megha Boagia, Deputy Director (planning) Directorate of Handloom and Handicraft was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- c. Heritage and Tourism Club, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, Regional Branch Jammu organized Paak-Kala Pratiyogita (A Fireless Cooking Competition) for students and scholars of various departments of University of Jammu. Sh. Vivekanand Rai, IRS, Director Tourism, Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Sh. Vivekanand Rai in his address applauded the efforts of University of Jammu for promoting local culture through such innovatively planned activities. He further emphasised that such festivities foster better connectivity and cohesiveness among communities.
- d. Music Club & Dance Club organized Duggar Musical evening in which the students and employees from different Departments and Institute of Music and Fine Arts, University of Jammu performed in Dogri singing, Dogri Dance & Innovative Duggar Band. The mesmerizing musical evening was attended by world-renowned Dogri Singer Smt. Seema Anil Seghal as the Chief Guest, Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu as Special Guest along with many Senior Academicians, Officers, Scholars and Students. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his remarks said that this is the need of the hour to promote & preserve our culture by organizing such types of events involving local artists & renowned personalities of the field to provide new heights to our culture.
- e. Community Service and Social Justice Club, University of Jammu organized Community Awareness Programme on 'Cyber Information'. The Community Service and Social Justice Club of JU intends to address the different social and environmental issues confronting society and motivate the participation of the students. A considerable number of students and scholars of the different departments attended the programme. Mr. Mohd. Yasin Kichloo, SSP, J&K Police was the Resource Person.
- f. Science Club, University of Jammu, organized workshop on "How creative brain works?" with the aim to create brain awareness and help participants to understand the science behind creativity and learn techniques to unlock their full creative potential. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address briefed about various aspects of creativity and how the University of Jammu is planning various activities and courses which will be outside the four walls of a classroom and how these various activities in the campus will enhance creativity aligning with main goals

- of NEP 2020. The workshop was attended by faculty members from various teaching departments along with scholars, students and non-teaching staff.
- g. Science Club, University of Jammu organized two-day workshop on "Creative Brains" & "Scientific Marvels". The workshop was attended by more than 100 participants including distinguished faculty, teaching and non teaching staff, students and scholars of University of Jammu.
- h. Painting Club, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "Artefacts of Jammu" showing the art and culture of Jammu. Dr. Sunil Khosla, Former HoD, Art, History and Aesthetics was the Chief Guest.
- 3. In the finale of the ten-day multi-arts festival "Duggar Darpan," organised by "Utsaah," the Clubs, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, Regional Centre, Jammu and Kashmir, a bonanza of programmes were showcased within the premises of the Main Campus as Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, Regional Centre, J&K celebrated its Foundation Day. The intricately curated, day-long event was a rich treat of the finest performances, particularly capturing the essence of the history, art, and culture of the Jammu region. The array of programmes, then be it exhibitions of photography, paintings, installation, display of "Sada Gran" with stalls of local culinary, singing, music, dances, drama, literary discussions, poetry recitations, or the visual arts, offered a spectacle to every onlooker conjuring an atmosphere and ambience of a festival with the beats of drums and Dogri folk songs being heard at regular intervals. Shri Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, Chief Guest on the occasion, congratulated IGNCA on its foundation day and applauded the commendable work on the part of "Utsaah" and the University of Jammu. He asserted that while the government can only provide the infrastructure, it is really the responsibility of the members of the society to contribute in the conservation of the heritage and culture of the region. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu applauded the ebullient participation of the students, scholars, faculty members, non-teaching staff, gazetted, non-gazetted employees, and community members. He even provided a sneak peek into his future plan of action in the direction, of proposing a project, "Jammu Kashi Sangam".
- 4. University of Jammu under Amrit Kaal Trans-Disciplinary Lecture Series organized 3rd Lecture on "Developing an Earthquake Resilient Society" by Padma Shri Dr. Harsh K Gupta, NASI Platinum Jubilee Fellow, President, Geological Society of India, Member, Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, India, Past President, International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG). the lecture was attended by Officers from State Disaster Response Force, Faculty Members and Students from University of Jammu & Cluster University.
- 5. A team from Department of Botany, University of Jammu bagged 1st Position in Hackathon 1.0 competition organized by CSIR Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine as a part of National Science Day 2023 for empowering, promoting and strengthening biotech-based Startup Ecosystem & Skill Development in youth of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. More than 30 teams participated from all over J&K with startup ideas which could bring a promising product/technology in the market. The team comprising of Mr. Azhar, Mr. Komal, Mr. Anil,

Ms. Shiny and Ms. Sweta along with Prof. Veenu Kaul, Head, Department of Botany and other faculty members was also felicitated by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Jammu. While congratulating the winners, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor emphasized upon the need for following trans-disciplinary approaches in solving the day-to-day issues of the society. For this, he said that active participation of more scholars and students in such events will make them aware of these societal needs and prove helpful in boosting their confidence for undertaking such assignments.

- 6. University of Jammu under its Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU) initiative released its Environmental Policy. The policy aims to develop an Environmentally Sustainable and Ecologically sound campus. The Environmental Policy of the University endeavours to create Environmental Consciousness among various stakeholders and strives to continually improve the environmental performance of the University for Sustainable Development of the campus. The University has committed to make sustained efforts towards the Protection of the Environment, Prevention of Pollution and Promotion of Green Energy through appropriate eco-technological interventions. The Environmental Policy has been formulated as a part of the Green Auditing process of University of Jammu for obtaining ISO-14001-2015 certification.
- 7. The Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu celebrated its 47th Foundation Day. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address congratulated the Directorate of Distance Education for celebrating the 47th Foundation Day. He said that the future of Country lies in Distance mode of education and thereby the Directorate must take all necessary steps to formulate its own examination system and in that direction, University will offer all the requisite support. While reiterating Mahatma Gandhi's quote, he further said that we should motivate children rather than remain in a punishment mood because punishment doesn't purify, it hardens young minds. He also added that keeping in view the rise in population, it is not possible for the Government to open new Universities and Colleges and in that scenario, the distance education is the best possible solution to deliver quality education to aspiring students at their doorsteps. It is time to take education out of the four walls of the institution which is possible only when education is not confined to the syllabi. He suggested that distance mode must offer project-related work to the students of far-flung areas and offer necessary credits on their successful completion of the project as part of the overall scheme. Dr. Sumeet Gairola, Principal Scientist, IIM, Jammu & Nodal Officer for Purple revolution and Aroma Mission, J&K; Sh Vinod P Baxla, GM-HR, Power Grid Corporation of India, Jammu and Sh Rajat Salgotra, Founder/CEO Samast Eco-Alternatives Private Limited were the Keynote Speakers.
- 8. Department of Statistics, University of Jammu organized one week long Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Data Analytics through SPSS" with the aim to provide an opportunity for faculty members from different colleges and universities across the country to enhance their knowledge and skills in data analytics using SPSS. Mr. Kamal P Patnaik, Regional Director, Reserve Bank of India (UT of J&K and Ladakh) was the Chief Guest. Prof. Suresh Kumar Sharma, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Prof. Gyan Parkash Singh, PHU, Varanasi; Dr. Sushil Sarkar, IASRI, Delhi and Dr. Mukender Singh, Kurukshetra University were the Resource Persons. The workshop was attended by more than 50 participants from University of Jammu.

- 9. Department of Statistics in collaboration with HRDC, University of Jammu organized one-week Faculty Development Program (FDP) sponsored by RUSA II on Data Analytics through SPSS. A total of 50 faculty members from various institutions across the country participated in the workshop. Prof. Suresh Sharma, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Prof G P Singh, Institute of Medical Sciences, BHU, Varanasi; Dr. Susheel Sarkaar, IASRI, Delhi and Dr. Mukender Kadyan, KU, Kurukshetra were the Resource Persons. The workshop provided an excellent opportunity for faculty members to learn new skills and techniques in data analytics through SPSS. The participants gained practical experience in using the software, which would help them in their research and teaching activities.
- 10. Institution Innovation Council (IIC), University of Jammu organized a motivational lecture on "Sustainable Strategies for Improving Rural Health, Food Security and Livelihood (Activities done by NASI, Varanasi Chapter, in eastern UP. India)". Prof. Madhoolika Agrawal, Dean Faculty of Sciences, Banaras Hindu University was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Agrawal discussed about the problem solving mechanism adopted by her group in the tribal areas of eastern Uttar Pradesh and discussed about reasons for the migration of the people from villages to the cities and how to stop this migration. She emphasized upon the young students and scholars to undertake research initiatives and innovations and thereby work for the betterment of the society. The lecture was attended by more than 100 students, research scholars and faculty members from University of Jammu.
- 11. The Science Club of the University of Jammu in collaboration with the Nature and Wildlife Club celebrates National Science Day and Rare Disease Da. On this occasion, students got a chance to learn about rare diseases from a geneticist, Dr. Rakesh K. Panjaliya, Department of Zoology, University of Jammu. He explained to the students in a very lucid manner with examples of common rare diseases in the population. Dr. Panjaliya stressed upon various cancers which are also many a time are rare diseases and specifically brought awareness about breast cancer and its preventive measures.
- 12. Department of Environmental Science, University of Jammu organized an expert talk on "Threats to Birds of India" by ace ornithologist and former Director of Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), Dr. Asad R Rahmani. Dr. Rahmani delivered a presentation on the Birds of India and deliberated in detail about the issues and concerns the birds face. Dr. Rahmani said that India is a vast country manifested with different climate regimes and a vast array of habitats from subtropical forests to vast grasslands, mountains capes and innumerable water bodies that offer permanent or transitory habitat to the birds that may be residential, local, or transboundary migrants. India being a developing country has seen unprecedented infrastructural development that has an evident impact on the existence of different life forms, including plants, animals, birds, reptiles and even insects.
- 13. Department of Computer Science & IT organized Prof. G.L. Kaul Memorial Lecture. Prof. Rattan Lal Hangloo, Honorary Chancellor, Nobel International University, Canada at its USA Campus, and former Vice Chancellor, University of Kalyani, West Bengal and University of Allahabad was the Keynote Speaker. He talked on theme Science, Technology, and Freedom a historical perspective. Prof Hangloo deliberated in depth about the relevance of science and technology in shaping the societies and contribution of ancient Indian knowledge in various

fields. He said that science has given the freedom to individuals to express their views freely in sharing knowledge for the growth and development of the nation. The lecture was attended by all faculty members, scholars and students of Department of Computer Science & IT.

- 14. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu in collaboration with Government Degree College, Marh and Government Polytechnic College for Women, Jammu organized a three-day workshop on beautician skills at M Cube Centre, Mishriwala, Jammu. Prof. Rakesh Kumar Koul, Principal, GDC Marh elaborated on the importance of skill development programmes and also appreciated the efforts of DLL for providing this opportunity to the students of his college.
- 15. School of Biotechnology organized an Awareness cum writing workshop on "Biotechnology Ignition Grant (BIG)" as run of activities under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mohatsav. Dr. Aatmeeyata and Ms. Aanchal Verma from Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur were the resource persons for the program. Ms. Aanchal Verma enlightened the audience about the BIG grant which is the flagship program of the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC). This scheme is for potential entrepreneurs from Academia, start-ups or Incubatee (Researchers, PhDs, Medical degree holders, Biomedical Engg. Graduates) who have an exciting idea which may be in the nascent and planning stage and there is an unmet need for mentorship and initial funding.
- 16. The Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized the Second G20 Public Lecture on "India's Policy towards Neighbourhood". Prof Sangeeta Thapliyal, Chairperson, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, JNU, New Delhi was the resource person. She emphasized on an important shift in India's policy towards neighbours when Prime Minister Narendra Modi invited all the state heads of South Asia in his swearing-in ceremony of 2014. Prof. Thapliyal stressed that South Asian countries have to cooperate with each other on the issue of economic development, non-traditional threats, and calamities.
- 17. The Business School, University of Jammu conducted Businessline Campus Connect lecture series for the students of MBA, PGDBM and Research Scholars. The event was aimed at fostering dialogue and connects between academic and corporate spheres. Mr. Sunil Mirza, GM North, 'The Hindu', was the Resource Person. He explained the Businessline Campus Connect as a student-industry interface programme where industry and academia come on the same platform and exchange their thoughts. Mr. Ajoy Shah, Trainer Coach and Mentor at JK Tyre and Industries Ltd. was the Keynote Speaker of the event. He enlightened the students about the importance of being relevant and adaptable when dealing with change, managing one's expectations, and adhering to principles of integrity, along with the comprehensive list of career do's and don'ts. Mr. Anjani Kumar, Divisional Head, IOCL, Jammu, shared insights from his rich industrial experience and made participants aware about the future projects of the IOCL in Jammu and Kashmir.
- 18. The Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized a lecture cum interactive session on "Military Psychology in India". Dr. Nity Sharma, Scientist 'E' at Defense Institute of Psychological Research (DIPR), Defense Research and Developmental Organization (DRDO), Ministry of Defence, Delhi was the Resource Person. She elaborated on the roles, importance and contributions of psychologists in defense services. She further stressed upon the various

- career options in military services and the different recruitment processes in DIPR as well as in military services. She further motivated the students by telling about her own journey and her experiences and expressing her gratitude of being a psychologist in DRDO.
- 19. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu in collaboration with National Institute of Social Defense, Ministry of Social justice and empowerment and ANUGRAHA Regional Resource Centre and Training Centre on Ageing organized five-day outreach programme on Primary Health Care for Senior Citizens for the youth. Dr. Aabha Choudhary, Chairperson of ANUGRAHA Regional Resource and Training Centre on Ageing; Dr. Nirojini Bhat, Former Visiting Faculty in Food & Nutrition; Dr. Rohit Bhatia, Renowned Physiotherapist and Visiting Consultant, IIT, Jammu; Dr. Kamini Sharma, Neurologist, K.D Multispecialty Hospital, Jammu; Ms. Deepali Arora, Senior Advocate, J & K High Court were the Keynote Speakers. The programme was attended by all the faculty members, scholars and students of Department of Home Science.
- 20. The Business School, University of Jammu organized a three-day Management Development Programme (Training the Trainer) on Agricultural Marketing, Post Harvest Management and Export Promotion for the Department of Horticulture Planning and Marketing, Government of Jammu & Kashmir. Grading and Marketing Inspectors and Assistant Grading and Marketing Officers were trained during the MDP. During the three days of the Management Development Program, various sessions were held on Marketing of Agricultural Produce, Branding and Brand Management for Agricultural and Horticulture products, Digital Branding with special reference to Agricultural products, International Business and Trade Exports, Export Policy, Value Chain and Forward Linkages, and Startup Success Stories of Agripreneurs. Prof. Alka Sharma from The Business School, University of Jammu; Prof. Sudhakar Dwivedi and Dr. Anil Bhat from SKUAST, Jammu; Dr. Supran Kumar Sharma from SMVDU, Katra and Dr. Rajeshwari S M, Director, Project Management Unit, HADP program, Secretariat, Jammu & Kashmir were the Resource Persons.
- 21. Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Jammu organized a heritage tour to the Buddhist site of Ambaran near Akhnoor, Jammu. Dr. Lalit Gupta, the Chief Guest on the occasion explained in detail to students and scholars the historic and cultural importance of the ancient monastic complex of Ambran, how it had remain active from the 2nd century BCE to the 6th century CE as a center for the propagation of Buddhism in the region and also as an important transit station for the monks going to Kashmir and further to Central Asia. The students also visited Akhnoor Fort and the Jia Pota Ghat, the site of the coronation of Maharaja Gulab Singh by Sher-e-Punjab Maharaja Ranjit Singh in 1822.
- 22. Learning Management System (LMS), University of Jammu in collaboration with UGC-Human Development Centre (HRDC) Academic Affairs, University of Jammu organized one week Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Learning Management System" with the aim to train teachers for a blended mode of learning and teaching which is one of the objectives of NEP-2020. A series of sessions were organized by various experts to use effective Teaching, Learning and Development of econtent and to create and manage course contents, share Learning Resources, create assessments and communicate with students on LMS platforms. The workshop was attended by more than 40 teachers across all the teaching departments of University of Jammu. Prof. K. Delhi; Srinivas, NIEPA, New Dr. Deepak Bisla,

Ambedkar University, Delhi; Prof. J.N. Balia, Central University of Jammu and Dr. Ashok Sharma, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu were the Keynote Speakers.

- 23. The Business School in collaboration with Human Resource Development Centre, University of Jammu and Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, Patiala, organized a one-week Faculty Development Programme(FDP) "Train the Trainer" on Outcome-based Learning Pedagogy. More than 40 faculty members from different departments of the University of Jammu and its affiliated colleges attended the FDP. Prof. Tejinder Paul Singh, Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering; Prof. Manmohan Chhibber, School of Chemistry & Biochemistry; Prof. Rajesh Khanna, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering; Dr. Anoop Verma, School of Energy and Environment; Dr Parag Nijhawan, Department of Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering and Dr. Karminder Ghuman, Chief Coordinator, Science and Technology Entrepreneur's Park from Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology (TIET) were the Keynote Speakers. All these trainers were trained by Centre for Academic Practice and Student Learning at Trinity College, Dublin, for 18 weeks and have completed Special Purpose Certificate in Academic Practice (SPCert) and "Train the Trainers" program.
- 24. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a talk on "Research and Publication Ethics in International Relations" by Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Guru Nanak Dev University of Amritsar for the Scholars and Students of the department. Prof Rajesh Kumar introduced the concept of ethics and gave a detailed account of ethics related to the conduct of research in International Relations and National Security Studies. The focus of his talk was on different types and methods to avoid conflict of interest and suggested to give due respect to copyright norms.
- 25. Department of Philosophy, University of Jammu organized a lecture on the topic "The Self in Descartes, Hume and Kant: A Conceptual and Analytical Journey " by Prof Bijoy H. Boruah, Visiting Professor, Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Jammu. Prof. Bijoy in his keynote address explored the three philosophical views on the self that are famously proposed by Rene Descartes, David Hume and Immanuel Kant by showcasing the chronology as well as their conceptual progress. He intentionally chose the above-mentioned thinkers who belonged to Rationalism, Empiricism and Critical Philosophy for the exploration of the notion of self which was guided by their distinctive individual assertions. The talk was attended by all the faculty members & students of department.
- 26. The Business School, University of Jammu organized the interaction session for students of MBA with consultants from Price Water House Coopers (PWC). Dr. Yashpal Malik, Associate Director, Social Sector Division and Abhinav Sharma Manager, Management Consulting Division from PWC were the Resource Persons. While interacting with students Mr. Malik emphasized on lifelong learning by sharing his own life journey of having three master degrees, doctorate degree and Management degree from premium institutes like ICFAI, Amity and IIM Ahmedabad. The speaker apprised the students about changing skill sets requirements during industrial revolution 4.0. Mr. Malik motivated the students to work on their basic skills such as communication, behavior and attitude, sharpen functional competencies and develop technical skills.

- 27. National Service Scheme (NSS), University of Jammu in collaboration with Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized two day workshop on the theme: 'G20 and Women: Unlocking the Potential'. Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs was the Chief Guest. Prof. Naresh Padha, in his address stressed upon unlocking the potential of women and not restricting them to gain more knowledge. He also gave details about the G20 and said that it will provide a platform to showcase its efforts towards the social upliftment of the women. While interacting with the students he mentioned that the visibility of women in the society is limited and suggested various remedies to bring equality, focusing more on equity. The workshop was attended by more than 100 students including NSS Volunteers from various Degree Colleges, B.Ed Colleges and from various Departments of University of Jammu.
- 28. NSS Campus Unit-II, University of Jammu organized two day Cleanliness and Plantation Drive under the theme "Go Green, Stay Clean.". Day one started with the cleanliness drive around the Dhanvantri Library. The drive was formally started by Prof. Neeru Sharma, Incharge Librarian, Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu. The volunteers cleaned the surroundings of Dhanvantri Library and painted the adjoining walls and rocks. On the second day, plantation drive was organized and more than 50 fruit plants of various varieties including citrus fruits, mangoes, guava, litchi, loquat, peach, amala were planted in the backyard of Dhanvantri Library. More than 70 NSS volunteers, students, scholars and employees of the University of Jammu participated in the drive.
- 29. Disability Initiatives unit of University of Jammu organized a workshop on 21st-century essential life skills. The workshop was an endeavor to help the differently abled students to develop skills that would help them deal with life challenges in a skilled manner. Dr. Chand Trehan, renowned Psychologist and RCI-certified Counselor was the Resource Person. She stated that self-awareness and empathy are two core skills that all individuals including those with disabilities need to nurture. She also emphasized on the need of developing good communication, interpersonal and critical thinking skills. She shared motivational videos with the participants and also quoted the life journeys of people who in spite of their disabilities were able to make a mark for themselves. 25 differently abled postgraduate students and research scholars belonging to the different departments /centres of Jammu University participated in the workshop.
- 30. University of Jammu under the Disability Initiatives organized a cloth distribution drive for the underprivileged and destitute children. The clothes distribution drive is a symbolic voluntary act that aims to instill a feeling of social responsibility. The clothes for the purpose had been provided by a Mumbai-based NGO.
- 31. Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS in collaboration with National Institute of Social Defense, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and RRTC Anugraha organized Sensitization Programme on the theme 'Intergenerational Bonding' in the MIER college of Education for the NSS Volunteers. Dr. Aabha Choudhary, Chairperson, Anugraha was the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker. She in her address appreciated the Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS and the NSS Unit of MIER college of Education for undertaking such types of awareness programmes. Focusing on the various problems of the elderly people, she motivated the younger generation to come forward and contribute towards the social and psychological well-being of the elders.

- 32. NSS Campus Unit, University of Jammu on the occasion on International Women's Day organized an interactive lecture on "Social Perception of Feminization and Gender Construction: An Enquiry" by Prof. Jasbir Singh, Professor, University of Jammu. Dr. Singh said that there is a need to restructure and reorganize the role of women with changing dimensions of the society and the time has come to create a safe space for people to express their true potential regardless of what society's gender stereotypes and expectations. Role sharing is the need of the hour to build up a balanced society.
- 33. NSS Volunteers from University of Jammu participated in three-day awareness drive on Solid Waste Management organized by Jammu Municipal Corporation. The volunteers displayed placards in their hands with slogans on "NO IMMERSION OF SAKH IN RIVER TAWI", "SAVE SURYA PUTRI TAWI" and "SAY NO TO POLYTHENE". They also interacted with the people passing over the bridge and spread awareness regarding Solid Waste Management and made people aware about the ill effects of throwing garbage in the Tawi River.
- 34. Department of Students Welfare and Office of Programme Coordinator, NSS University of Jammu in collaboration with National Institute of Social Defense, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Anugraha organized Intergenerational Bonding Mela. The event was attended by around 150 persons including elderly citizens, NSS volunteers and faculty members. Dr. Aabha Choudhary, Chairperson, RRTC, Anugraha was the Keynote Speaker. She motivated the younger generation to come forward and contribute towards the social and psychological well-being of the elders.
- 35. The Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies University of Jammu in collaboration with The Art of Living foundation Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh organized four-day The Art of Living Workshop titled "Utkarsha Yoga" for the children of Balgran, Jammu, which is a charitable home for destitute children in Jammu. The Utkarsha Yoga Program is a unique blend of breathing techniques, exercises and games that enable children to face today's ultracompetitive world and still retain their confidence and uniqueness. The core of the program is going to be the Sudarshan Kriya-a breathing technique that removes stress, fear and, aggression, and enhances positive emotions. The purpose of the workshop is to build the capacity and empower young minds to bring out the best in themselves. Utkarsha Yoga is a meticulously designed program by Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar exclusively for the children. The program focuses on all round development of children in a holistic way. The breathing techniques taught in the program gives the children the essential tools to overcome negative emotions such as fear, shyness, nervousness, anxiety, frustration, jealousy etc. easily. Nearly seventy children attended the workshop and received the training. The children also learnt the five keys of wisdom which are useful for overall development of the children. Besides this, the soft skills were also imparted to the students such as communication skills, public speaking, mind management, time management, eating and sleeping habits, control over emotions in a play way method. The workshop was conducted by two senior Art of Living teachers Ms. Anju Gupta and Dr. Anuja Jasrotia.
- 36. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu felicitated Dr. Jatinder Manhas, Faculty, Department of Computer Science &IT, Bhaderwah Campus or his outstanding contribution to Computer Science and encouraged him to carry on world class research in the domain of Artificial Intelligence (AI). Dr. Jatinder Manhas recently visited the Lulea University of Technology Sweden to attend advanced training to study brain signals (EEG) in the field of

Human Emotion Intelligence using Artificial Intelligence based techniques. The entire training was conducted on a High computing platform equipped with DGX machines at EISALAB research group of LTU. The visit was executed to enhance and refine research capabilities in this domain and to introduce advanced research areas in the University of Jammu and to extend the research boundaries of the University of Jammu at the international Platform. Dr. Jatinder Manhas also explored the possibility of future collaborations with Lulea University of technology Sweden in the area of human emotional intelligence to enhance institutional reach to other Universities working in this domain and to create a joint workforce in the field of artificial intelligence keeping in view the future prospects of this ever changing field of Computer Sciences & IT. Various common research area in computer vision has been identified and the process for entering into MOU with LTU Sweden were also explored related to scholars exchange, joint publications and organizing joint training programmes and conferences. Deputy Vice-Chancellor Prof. Marcus assures all possible help in near future and shall also act as a mentor in creating artificial intelligence-based advanced labs at the University of Jammu. He also assures providing physical as well as virtual access to High Computing Environment installed at LTU Sweden that is equipped with DGX machines for big data analytics.

- 37. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu released three books written by Prof. K.L Bhatia that includes Jurisprudence of Experiential Learning Law, Administrative Law: Cases and Material, and COVID-19 Pandemic: Blessing in Disguise in Academic Pursuits. Vice-Chancellor appreciated the efforts of eminent scholar Prof. KL Bhatia and further discussed the contents of the book expressing these books as scholarly and providing quality research-based materials to the students and researchers.
- 38. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized oneweek long Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Machine Learning: Concepts and Applications". Dr. Meenu Gupta, Chandigarh University, Punjab; Ms. Surbhi Vijh, Amity University, Noida; Dr. Aditi Sharma, Parul University, Gujarat; Prof. Kiran Sree Pokkuluri, Shri Vishnu Engineering College, Andhra Pradesh; Dr. Nishant Jain, Jaypee University of Information Technology, Himachal Pradesh; Prof. Ram Bilas Pachori, IIT, Indore; Dr. Arjit Roy, IIIT, Sri City; Mr. Bishwa Ranjan, Aryan Institute of Engineering & Technology, Odisha; Prof. Parteek Bhatia, Whitman College Walla Walla, Wahington, USA; Dr. Nilgun Senguz, Burdur Mehmet Akif Ersoy University, Turkey; Dr. Swagatam Das, Indian Statistical Institute, West Bengal; Ms. Disha Sharma, Scoopin, Chandigarh and Dr. Ajay Gadicha, Amravati University, Maharashtra were the Resource Persons. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus, University of Jammu exhorted the faculty to adopt the latest means and methods to promote research and impart world class quality education to the students. She added that the primary aim of the FDP was to introduce the relevance of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in a wide range of academic and real-life problems. She concluded by suggesting the participants to utilize the FDP learning in their research work and assured that more endeavours of organizing such research-oriented programmes shall continue in future too for the welfare of faculty members, research scholars and students.
- 39. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu with the aim to promote innovation and creativity among the youth of Kathua District organized Campus

Visit and Hands-on Training on Information Technology for the students of the following School of District Kathua:

- a. Government Higher Secondary School, Jakhbar, Kathua. More than 50 students along with faculty members visited the Campus and hands-on training on Information Technology was imparted to them. Mr. Deepak Shastri, Technical Lead, Cyber Security Risk Services, Wipro Technologies, Gurugram was the Resource Person. Mr. Shastri while addressing the students, highlighted the importance of higher-order skills such as creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, visualization and idea generation in the present era to compete at the global forum. He gave a detailed presentation on emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Internet of Things, 3D Printing, Simulation, Cyber Security, Block Chain, Quantum Computing etc. and talked about various Government initiatives pertaining to technology in the field of education. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu highlighted the requirement of awareness regarding Information Technology in contemporary times and said that the Hands-on training would benefit the students of Government Higher Secondary School, Jakhbar in their future endeavors as well.
- b. Government Higher Secondary Schools of Zone Basohli. More than 130 students along with faculty members visited the Campus and hands-on training on Information Technology was imparted to them. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu highlighted the necessity of awareness regarding Information Technology in contemporary times and said that the Hands-on training would benefit the students of Government Higher Secondary Schools of Zone Basohli in their future endeavours as well. Dr. Sourabh Shastri, Incharge Head (Computer Science), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu; Mr. Pranav Ratta, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu and Mr. Sunny Sharma, Kathua Campus, University were the Keynote Speakers.
- 40. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET) Jangalote, Kathua Campus celebrated National Science Day to commemorate the discovery of 'Raman Effect' by Sir C.V. Raman in 1928 with the theme "Global Science for Global Wellbeing". a quiz competition was also organized during the event.
- 41. The Students of the Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus University of Jammu attended one-day training program in Sericulture organized by SKUAST Jammu and KVK Poonch under "Holistic Agriculture Development Programme" at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Poonch. The Government of J&K has launched the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme to expand business and marketing opportunities for farmers with a well-planned Holistic Agriculture Development programme which is immensely helping Jammu and Kashmir to move towards historic transformation.
- 42. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized five-day Farmers Centric Training Programme about latest techniques in Sericulture and also signed a MoU with SKC-GDC Poonch with the aim to aware farmers about the Sericulture. Dr. Muzafar Mir Scientist

- Horticulture, KVK Poonch, SKUAST-Jammu; Dr. Rubia Bukhari, Campus officer Poonch Campus and Ms. Avinder Kour Incharge Poonch Circle, Poonch were the Resource Persons.
- 43. Bhaderwah Campus and Kishtwar Campus jointly in collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Police organized a seminar on Awareness on Anti-Drugs. The seminar was attended by 50 NSS volunteers from both the campuses. Mr. Dil Mir Choudhary, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Bhaderwah and Mr. Kameshwar Puri, SP, Bhaderwah were the Keynote Speakers.
- 44. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu under Udhampur Campus Community Facilitation Centre (UCCSC) for the welfare and upbringing of the society specifically rural women organized one-day Women Empowerment Training Workshop on "The Art of Kaleera Making". Mrs. Bimla Devi, a progressive entrepreneur and Kaleera making artist of Garnai Lotta, Udhampur was the Resource Person who imparted training to the target group of about 20 young women of the area.
- 45. NSS chapter, Poonch Campus in collaboration with the Rural Development Department, Loran Poonch organized a one-day Awareness Camp on Swachh Bharat Mission in Loran, Poonch. This awareness program was a part of the ongoing initiatives taken up by the Poonch Campus for the welfare of the people of the border district of Poonch. BDC member Mrs. Shameem Akhtar was the Chief Guest on the occasion. She said that for the success of any Scheme, the awareness among common people is the real mantra. Director Poonch Campus, Prof. Dipankar Sengupta said that organizing such events, which are directly associated with the common masses, will help eradicate problems from district Poonch. Block Development Officer, Loran, Mr. Zamood Ahmed (JKAS) while addressing the gathering said that the active participation of premier educational institutes like Poonch Campus in such an awareness Camp on Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen will go a long way to create an atmosphere of positivity among the common people about the implementation of such Schemes announced by the governments for the benefit of people time to time.
- 46. Disability Initiatives, Unit of the University, Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan-Jammu University chapter, and Directorate of Sports and Physical education in collaboration with NGO partner Divyang Cricket Team Jammu and Kashmir organized a two-day North Zone Cricket Tournament for Divyang Cricketers. Three cricket teams representing the states of Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Jammu and Kashmir participated in this tournament. J&K team lifts the Tournament Trophy.
- 47. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu in collaboration with Cloud Camps and Treks (OPC) Pvt. Ltd. organized 4 days camping and trekking expedition at Jungle Gali, Udhampur. 60 students from University of Jammu actively participated in the trek.
- 48. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu organized 3 days hiking and trekking expedition at Chilla, Sanasar. 50 students from University of Jammu participated in the expedition.

- 49. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2022-2023:
 - a. Sacred Heart College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - b. KC College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - c. KC Gurukul College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
- 50. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of BBA (HM) 3rd Semester, B.Ed 3rd Semester, B.Sc. Nursing 4th Year, UG 1st Semester (NCBCS), PGDBM 1st Semester, B.Arch 10th Semester, B.A LLB 5 Year 7th Semester, B.A LLB 5 Year 9th Semester, B.P.E.D. 3rd Semester (NCBCS), BAMS 1st Prof., MD/MS (Ayd.) 1st Year, B.Tech 5th Semester, B.Arch 1st Semester CBCS, B. Arch 3rd Semester CBCS etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for Re-evaluation UG (Part-3rd, Private), BAMS (Final Prof., Regular), BPHT (Final Prof., Regular), B.Arch (2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 9th Semester), Reevaluation UG (NCBCS), B.A LLB 5 Years (2nd Semester, Regular), B.A LLB 5 Years (6nd Semester, Regular), BAMS (3rd Prof., Regular/Subsequent), M.Tech (3rd Semester, CBS), LLM (3RD Semester, Regular), Re-evaluation UG (2nd Semester, NCBCS), M.Sc. Chemistry (4th Semester), Information Technology (2nd Semester), Re-evaluation MDP Sociology (1st Semester), PG DIP. Composite Culture Mang. (2nd Semester), Re-evaluation MDP Hindi (3rd Semester), LLM (2nd, Regular), Re-evaluation M.Lib. (2nd Semester), MDP Political Science (1st Semester), PGDBM (2nd Semester), PG (CBCS, 2nd Semester), MDP Sociology (2nd Semester, Ramnagar), M.Sc. Physics (2nd Semester) etc. in the month of March, 2023.

APRIL 2023

1. University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, Hindustan Samachar and Cluster University of Jammu organized three-day mega event on Five Resolves "Panch Pran" announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on the eve of 76th Independence Day. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Chancellor University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the Inaugural Ceremony. Shri Ajay Kumar Singh, Press Secretary to Hon'ble President of India was the Keynote Speaker. The three-day event comprised of an exhibition that showcased the activities and achievements in sync with the Five Resolves of the government at the national level, the activities at the JK UT level and the activities at the University Level. Apart from the Keynote lecture that focused on "Resolve to move the country ahead as a developed India", four special lectures were organized during the event on each of the Prans. These included lectures on "Erase all traces of servitude" by Dr. Agnishekhar, Convener, Panun Kashmir; "Be proud of India's Heritage and Legacy" by Mr. K.D Maini, an eminent poet; "Strength of Unity and Solidarity" by Prof retired Colonel (Dr.) Virendra Sahi, Vir Chakra awardee and "Duties of the citizens towards the Nation: Exhibiting his proficiency in the field of Law" by Mr. Anchal Sethi, Secretary to Government, Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary affairs, Government of J&K UT. A Plethora of cultural and competitive events were organized during the "Panch Pran" Ustav with participation from students of various affiliated colleges, IMFA, University of Jammu and Cluster University of Jammu. The competitive events included painting, poetry recitation, rangoli, cultural and poster making. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, while focusing upon the five Resolutions, said that University of Jammu has taken numerous initiatives to acquaint the students with the rich heritage of India. Prof. Rai encouraged the students to nurture their cultural roots and make a strong connection with their cultural and national identity. A documentary film highlighting the activities/achievements of University of Jammu was also showcased during the event. Prof. A Ravinder Nath, Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Kashmir was the Chief Guest on the Valedictory session.

- 2. University of Jammu in collaboration with Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India organized Youth 20 Consultation on "Peace-building and Reconciliation: Ushering in an Era of No War". The Youth20 (Y20) Engagement Group is organizing discussions Pan-India, to consult the youth of the nation on ideas for a better tomorrow and draft an agenda for action aims to provide a platform for youth to express their perspectives and ideas on G20 priorities. The University of Jammu was one of the 15 Academic Partners chosen in India for hosting Y20 meets. Three panels with about 18 international & national speakers deliberated around the following themes:
 - Facilitating Global Consensus on Conflict Prevention and Peace Building.
 - Regulating Non-State Actors through Concerted Efforts.
 - Empowering Youth for their active role in peace building.

An ice-breaking session with all the International and National speakers and delegates who participated in Youth 20 Consultation was held in which a cultural event sponsored by J&K Academy of Art, Culture & Languages was also organized. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State (IC) for Science and Technology and Earth Sciences, Hon'ble Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Government of India was the Chief Guest on the inaugural of the Y20 session. The function was presided by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Jammu & Kashmir and Chancellor of University of Jammu. Sh. Ashwin Sanghi, an acclaimed and eminent writer was the Keynote Speaker. International delegates from over ten countries representing South Korea, Afghanistan, Malawi, Iran, Ghana, Madagascar, Indonesia, South Africa, Nigeria and Russia participated in the meet. Further, National delegates from over 15 educational institutions of the country also participated. Experts from the fields of Activism, Journalism, Police force and Geopolitics like Shri Manu Khajuria Singh, Author and activist from UK; Ms. Sunanda Vashisht, Author and Commentator from the USA; Shri M K Sinha, IPS, ADGP from JK Police; Ms. Sahana Singh, Author, Editor and Columnist from the USA; Shri Rohit Pathania, Political Analyst and History enthusiast graced the event and deliberated on the themes in the different panel discussions held during the Consultation.

3. A two-day workshop was organized under the convenership of Prof. Dinesh Singh, the Vice-Chairman, J&K Higher Education Council and former Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi. A detailed discussion was held in the presence of Shri Alok Kumar (IRS), Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department and Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu, in which faculty from University of Jammu and University of Delhi participated to deliberate and finalize the introduction of a four year innovative programme in Bachelors in Interdisciplinary Studies in line with the NEP. Prof. Dinesh Singh emphasized that this program is one of its kind in India that will provide a unique opportunity for the students that will allow them to shape their curriculum. Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs; Prof.

Rajeev Rattan, Director, CDC; Prof. Madan Mohan Chaturvedi, Delhi University; Prof. Shobha Bagai, Delhi University; Prof Anju Shrivastava, Delhi University; Prof Pankaj Srivastava, President, JUTA, University of Jammu; Prof Alka Sharma, Convenor, Convener University Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Centre, Dr Sadaf Shah, various other faculty members from Delhi University and Jammu University, Sh Abdul Majid Butt, Director (Finance), Higher Education Department, J&K UT, Sh Rakesh Kumar Badyal, Special Secretary to Government, Higher education Department, J&K UT were also present on the occasion. This programme is intended to begin from the ensuing academic year.

- 4. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized the following talks for the research scholars and students of the department on:
 - a. "Research in Security Studies" by Prof. Umrao Singh from the Department of Defence and Strategic Studies, Punjabi University of Patiala. Prof Umrao Singh introduced the concept of security and gave a detailed account of security studies from different perspectives as well as shed light on Research Ethics in National Security Studies.
 - b. "India-China Relations: An Analysis" by Prof. Josukutty C.A., Department of Political Science, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram. Prof. Josukutty first introduced the understanding of India-China relations from an ancient, medieval and modern historical perspective and provided a detailed account of the two neighbours' diplomatic and security equations from different perspectives as well as shed light on it from his field visits to China and Indian parts of North-East and Ladakh.
- 5. The Law School, University of Jammu organized an interactive session on "The Role of Police in the Criminal Justice System". Sh. Nitish Kumar, IPS, Inspector General of Police, CID was the Chief Guest and Mr. Zahid Manhas, Senior Superintendent Police, CID, Jammu was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. Sh. Nitish Kumar in his interaction deliberated upon four important pillars in the criminal justice system and police being one of the foundation pillars. He also said that the police plays a vital role in mainstreaming public order to combat crime and discussed how police functionaries have developed enforcement mechanism while coordinating with the judiciary to provide administration of justice. The lecture was followed by a question-and-answer session where the enthusiastic students asked questions related to the criminal administration system.
- 6. Institution Innovation Council (IIC), University of Jammu in collaboration with The Law School, University of Jammu organized a lecture cum interaction on "Intellectual Property Rights". Dr. Vinod Kumar, Teaching Associate, J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Jammu was the Resource Person.

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- 7. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized one-day interaction on "Constitutional & Legal Provisions for Women in India" with the students of the Master in Rural Studies (MRS). Dr. Bindu Sangra, Assistant Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu was the Keynote Speaker.
- 8. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu under Ranganathan Lecture Series organized 3rd lecture on "Emerging Trends & Technologies in Library & Information Services". Dr. Nabi Hassan, Librarian & Head, Central Library, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi was the Keynote Speaker.

- 9. Directorate of Distance & Online Education organized a Lecture on the theme "Role of Youth in Nation Building" for the students of DD&OE and the Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu. Prof. Sudarshan Iyengar, Former, Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Sudarshan Iyengar threw light on the challenges faced by the youth of today and suggested ways to handle them. He spoke at length about harmony at self/individual and social levels, citing examples and narrating cases. He motivated the participants to identify local problems and work on their solutions with a 'bottom-up' approach.
- 10. Department of Library and Information Science organized an extension lecture on "Academic Integrity and Plagiarism" with special focus on Plagiarism for all the M.Lib.I.Sc students, research scholars and faculty members. Professor Satish Malik, Librarian and Former Head of DLIS, M. D. U Rohtak was the Resource Person. The programme proved informative and insightful for all the participants and received a lot of appreciation from the faculty members and the scholars for the successful lecture completion.
- 11. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu, celebrated World Book and Copyright Day, 2023 by organizing an Exhibition of Rare Books of the Dhanvantri Library and from the Departmental libraries of Urdu, Hindi, Punjabi, and Dogri Departments of the University of Jammu. The Exhibition of Rare Books was inaugurated by Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, he congratulated the organizers and the contributing departments for preserving the culture and intellect of the land for the generations to come. He highlighted the need to digitize the documents for its longevity and outreach. He called this a Dharohar, heritage that should be accessible to the society throughout the world. Dhanvantri Library, or Central Library as it was previously known, is a premium Library of Jammu, visited not only by the Faculty, Scholars, Students of the University of Jammu, but also by the members of the civil society, faculty, and scholars from universities in the state and from other parts of India. It houses 4.6 Lakh books. More than 500 Rare books like Agnipuran, Upnishad, Mahabharat Katha, Pali Sahitya ka Itihyas, Sardar Patel's Correspondence (1945-50), Picturesque Kashmir, Srimadh Valmiki Ramayan (Sanskrit), Tahir-e-Kashmir, Firangi Kulayat Mir, Mukhtasar Tariq J&K were displayed including Dogri, Manuscripts in Takri Lipi, Giligit, Buddhist Manuscripts, Gulabnama in Urdu Language, Punjabi Literature, copies of old newspapers like Hamari Zaban, The weekly Mashriq, Javeed, The Chand, Jadid Kashmir, Awami Daur, Khayyam, The Weekly Ranbir, Mughal Art, Dogra Wall Paintings in J&K etc. The purpose of the exhibition was to display and promote the linguistic diversity of indigenous languages of India and to move towards digitization of these rare documents for wider outreach, and for reference of generations to come.
- 12. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu celebrated World Book and Copyright day to develop the love for reading among the young minds. Prof. Sangita Gupta, Head. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. She addressed the audience and inspired them to become readers and creative thinkers. She also highlighted the importance of this day from the perspectives of the librarians. Around 50 Alumni/Assistant Professors, Faculty members and Scholars from University of Jammu attended this event.
- 13. Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with The Law School, University of Jammu & Gandhi Research Foundation, Jalgaon organized a

story telling workshop on "Walking with Gandhi: from Mohan to Mahatma". Prof. Sudarshan Iyengar, former Vice Chancellor, Gujarat Vidyapith and noted Gandhian Activist was the Resource Person.

- 14. Disability Initiatives Unit, University of Jammu in collaboration with Dean Student Welfare, University of Jammu and NGO partner, The Association of Deaf and Aphasic (ADAJ) organized a day-long cultural event and short film festival for the deaf and aphasic children. More than 150 children and youth having hearing impairment from different parts of India including Delhi, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Kerala, Punjab, West Bengal participated in this cultural fiesta. Folk dance, magic show, quiz session, fashion show, short drama and short documentary screening were held under this festival. Sh. Arun Manhas (JKAS), Managing Director, J&K Agro Industries Development Corporation was the Chief Guest. Speaking on the occasion, he remarked that empathy towards the divyang community is much needed, if we have to truly embrace them. He further mentioned that there is provision in NEP for creating inclusive classrooms and schools for the benefit of the specially-abled children. He emphasized on the need to involve the disabled community to realize the goal of national development. He also lauded the efforts of the University in highlighting the cause of the specially-abled by hosting a unique cultural festival.
- 15. Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, University of Jammu organized a literary function by releasing a poetry book "Shyamali" written by Dr. Ashok Gupta (Retd), Department of Hindi. Prof. Naresh Padha, the Chief Guest of the function appreciated the efforts of the teacher who contributed after his superannuation by setting an example for others and also brought laurels to the University. He further highlighted that under the leadership of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of the University of Jammu the university is making all-out efforts to promote Hindi Language and encourage retired and in-service teachers to publish their Research on local aspects by extending financial support to them under publication grant. The University of Jammu is shortly establishing the Directorate of Hindi to promote the Hindi language in the region. The book contains 77 poems related to Indian Culture, Philosophy, Nature, Place of the women in Indian Society and on the local landscape.
- 16. Kathak Dance department of Institute of Music & Fine Arts (IMFA), University of Jammu celebrated World Dance Day where eminent artists, thinkers, practitioners, writers, faculty members of IMFA and students enjoyed the Kathak Dance performance followed by Dogri fusion dance. The mesmerizing Kathak Dance program was attended by Prof. Lalit Mangotra, renowned dogri writer and Sahitya Akademi Awardee; Sh. Deepak Kumar, renowned poetess and Director Rangyug, Swami Antar Nirav Hardeep Singh Deep; Parneeta Kapoor, Senior Tabla Player; Guru Purshotam Kumar and faculty members & students of IMFA.
- 17. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Expert Talk on "Wealth Creation and Management" wherein more than 100 students participated from Kathua Campus and Government Degree College, Kathua. The event was organized with the view to give undergraduate students from affiliated colleges a bird's-eye view of career options in finance and management and to acquaint them with the programmes and facilities available on the Campus. Mr. Akhil Gupta, Founder & CEO, Motuindia Business Hub (MBH), Kathua was the Resource Person. Mr. Gupta is a trusted advisor for over 50 corporate houses and has inspired students by training in various institutions. The MBH Wealth Management Company has been

managing wealth across different businesses that include Equity Shares of Indian Companies, F&O Trades, Self-Owned Businesses, etc. Mr. Gupta discussed various methods of creating wealth and its management in today's scenario. He further talked about the benefits of investing in stock market and mutual funds. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus, University of Jammu acknowledged the Resource Person for such a vibrant talk on a topic that holds relevance in the present scenario. She said that organizing such events often facilitates the upliftment of the young minds who need to be motivated and dazzled. She also said that the Campus has already organized similar programmes for students from affiliated colleges and Higher Secondary Schools of Kathua region and this was in series of such programmes.

- 18. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 4th Outreach Extension Programme on "Skill Development and Women Entrepreneurship "at its adopted village Kathera to develop skills among women folk of the village that will lead them for better livelihood, economic independence and the ability to earn for their families. The training programme was attended by more than 100 women from Kathera and adjoining villages. Besides, 150 students from Government Higher Secondary School, Kathera and Kathua Campus, University of Jammu also participated in the said activity. Various artisans and trainers including Ms. Vaishali, Ms. Meena Rani, Ms. Neetu, Ms. Kiran Sharma, Ms. Jyoti Sharma, Ms. Seema Devi, Ms. Parveen Kumari, Ms. Shabnam Khajuria, Ms. Gurpreet Kour, Ms. Priyanka Sharma, Ms. Bharti, Mr. Rajinder Kumar and Smt. Ayodhya Devi imparted the skills for making Jute Bags, Spices, Pickles, Keychains, Khoya, Packaged Multigrain Atta, Bamboo crafts, Polyester Bags, Dori Work, Cushion Work, Beetroot and Spinach Atta, Shawl Kadhai, embroidery accessories, Crochet Knitting etc. to women present at the event. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus, University of Jammu during the programme said that this activity was intended to help women of the adopted village Kathera to strengthen their skills and aid them for selfemployment in order to ensure empowerment.
- 19. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with SKC-GDC Poonch organized "Five Day Farmers Centric Training Programme" on latest techniques in Sericulture at adopted village Dingla, Poonch. Dr. Harjeet Singh, Incharge Mulberry circle, Tharakalwa, Kathua; Dr. Muzafar Mir, Scientist Horticulture, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Poonch; Ms. Avinder Kour, Sericulture Assistant, Incharge Poonch Circle and Mr. Mohd Riaz, Incharge State Department of Sericulture, Lamberi circle, Rajouri were the Resource Persons.
- 20. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with PG Department of Orthodontics, Indira Gandhi Government Dental College & Hospital (IGGDCH), Rehari Chungi, Jammu under the community facilitation Centre (UCCFC) organized free Oral Health Check-up Camp. Dr. Akshay Gupta, Professor and Head, PG Department of Orthodontics, Indira Gandhi Dental College and Hospital (IGGDCH) along with a team of seven dental experts including Dr. Faisal Arshad, Dr. Vikas, Dr. Reyaz Ahmed, Dr. Anurag JB, Dr. Ahtisham Ishtiyaq Khan, Dr. Ameetpal Singh, and Mr. Bikram Singh offered their services for the dental check-up of the local community of Garnai Lotta, Udhampur. Approximately 150 patients, including local villagers, kids from government schools and students from Udhampur Campus participated in the camp. They all received free treatment as well as guidance from dental professionals during the camp.
- 21. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with CSIR-IIIM-Technology Business Incubator, Jammu organized awareness campaign on "Innovation, Incubation, Startups and Hackathon". Dr. Saurabh Saran, Principal Scientist, CSIR-IIIM & PI, IIIM-TBI,

Jammu and Er. Ankush Varma, Coordinator, IIIM-TBI, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu were the Keynote Speakers. They highlighted the importance of "Role of TBI in building startup ecosystem in Udhampur".

- 22. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized an interactive lecture for its students on the topic "Role of Youth in Nation Building". Chief Justice of Common High Court of UT of J&K and Ladakh Justice N. Kotishwar Singh and Justice Wasim Sadiq Nargal were the Keynote Speakers. Dignitaries present on the occasion were Shri Vishesh Pal Mahajan, DC Doda; Shri Shahzad Azeem, Registrar General; Shri M.K Sharma, Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Justice; Shri Sunit Gupta, Principal District and Session Judge, Bhaderwah; Shri Abdul Qayoom, SSP Doda and Shri Dil Mir Choudhary, ADC Bhadarwah. Addressing the students of Bhaderwah Campus, Chief Justice High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice N. Kotishwar Singh said that hard work, discipline and a strong desire for knowledge is the key to success. He urged upon the students, to achieve continuous improvement and success in any activity. He also highlighted the importance of positive efforts in achieving their ambitions. He planted saplings of Chinar on the premises of the Bhadarwah Campus.
- 23. Department of Computer Science & IT, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized a guest lecture on "Emerging Technologies and Communication Skills in the IT Industry". Dr. Purnima Bali, Associate Professor, Chitrakoot School of Liberal Arts, Shoolini University, Solan, Himachal Pradesh; Mr. Shamneesh Sharma and Mr. Chetan Sharma, both Managers Programs at UpGrad Education Pvt. Ltd were the Keynote Speakers.
- 24. College Development Council, University of Jammu during the period granted affiliation to Government Degree College, Mahanpur to start two new subjects i.e. Dogri and Physical Education at UG level from the academic session 2023-2024.
- 25. University of Jammu Grappling (Men) players Ravinder Mukherjee & Ravinder Singh clinched 03 Silver Medals and Sameer Malik bagged Bronze Medal in the All India Inter-University Grappling (M) Championship 2022-23 organized by Madhyanchal Professional University, Bhopal.
- 26. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of BPED (1st Semester), BE 6th Semester (CBS Supplementary), B.LIB. 1st Semester (Reg./Pvt.), BBA (HM) CBCS (1st Semester), BDS 1st Semester (Prof. Reg), PGDBM 1st Semester (Reg/Pvt/TBS/DDE), BA LLB 5 Year (1st & 5th Semester), BDS 1st Prof. (Subsequent), BAMS 1st & 2nd Prof. (Subsequent) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for BDS 3rd Prof. (Subsequent), BPHT 2nd Prof (Subsequent), UG 1st Semester (CBCS), LLB 3 Year 5th Semester (Supplementary), UG 6th Semester (Non-CBCS Supplementary/Reg./DDE), UG 4th Semester (NCBCS) DDE late Admitted, UG 6th Semester (Supplementary-CBCS), BSC Nursing 2nd Year (Regular), MDP Sociology Re-evaluation (3rd Semester), MDP Hindi (4th Semester), MDP Sanskrit (4th Semester), MDP History (4th Semester), MDP Urdu (2nd Semester), MDP Sanskrit (2nd Semester), MDP Punjabi (2nd Semester), MDP Hindi (2nd Semester), MDP Punjabi (4th Semester), MDP Beconomics (2nd Semester), MDP Mathematics (2nd Semester) etc. in the month of April, 2023.



MAY 2023

- 1. In its journey of Rankings & Accreditations, University of Jammu added another feather in its cap by securing 8th position in North Zone multidisciplinary universities, 12th position among best state multidisciplinary universities and 20th among All India multidisciplinary universities by The Week Hansa Research Survey for the year 2023. University of Jammu is the only university from the UT to figure in the list and has shown considerable improvement from 23rd position last year to 20th position this year. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu, while expressing his gratitude to Hon'ble Chancellor and Lieutenant Governor, Sh. Manoj Sinha, for his continuing support and guidance to the University of Jammu, said that "the University will maintain and improve its standards of academics, research, outreach, infrastructure, and student support". Giving credit to all the stakeholders, he added that "the level of efforts of the faculty, officers, staff, scholars, and students can be gauged from the fact that the university is consistently performing well in accreditations and rankings by different agencies.
- 2. University of Jammu and High Altitude Warfare School (HWAS) Gulmarg entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate in various skill-based academic programs. The MOU was signed by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and Sh. R. K. Singh VSM, Commandant High Altitude Warfare School. Prof Umesh Rai, while addressing the gathering including Indian and foreign officers and soldiers from eight countries, informed that the MOU records mutual intent for academic and research collaborations between the University of Jammu and HAWS. He further said that, these programs conducted jointly with HAWS will impart special skills to the students which will help them in developing adventure sports in the Union Territory of J&K. Prof Rai informed about the introduction of two certificate and two diploma courses in Snow Craft and Disaster Management and Mountain Craft and Disaster Management for the Army Personnel. Recognizing the rigorous training of the army personnel and their contribution to the country, the University is also formulating undergraduate degree and post-graduate degree programmes, especially for the Army personnel in Disaster Management giving due weightage to their experiential learning. While addressing the gathering Commandant HAWS Major General R K Singh said that the MOU is a landmark decision for the technical advancement and progression of Army personnel and UOJ personnel (students and faculty members) specifically in the discipline of high altitude studies and disaster management in mountainous regions. He further said that this will also help to enhance the capability of students of the UT of J&K in Disaster management studies, particularly in mountainous, high altitude and glaciated regions with the expertise available with HAWS.
- 3. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu chaired the maiden meeting of the Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board, DD&OE. Speaking on the occasion Prof. Umesh Rai congratulated Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Director, Directorate of Distance & Online Education, for taking the lead in ensuring that Board was established and made functional in a record period of time. He further said that the objective of the Board is to empower girls and women in this region. Those girls and women, who are unable to pursue college/higher education due to some unavoidable circumstances on a regular basis, shall be able to pursue

courses that can lead to their empowerment. These girls shall also get a feel of the campus as classes will be held on the weekends, i.e., Saturdays and Sundays. He further said that the emphasis will be on those courses that ensure employability and self-employment. The Vice-Chancellor emphasized that an analysis shall be undertaken by the Directorate which shall provide direction in the design of various courses for women of the region who would want to undertake the course on weekends. On the occasion, Prof. Madan Mohan Chaturvedi, formerly Director, Cluster Innovation Council and Centre for Science Education and Communication, New Delhi, and the Vice Chancellor's nominee on the Board, suggested to assess the areas where women of the region may be empowered through courses and skill training for livelihood. The Board decided that as an outreach exercise, the Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board shall set up centres at different locations in the Jammu region and associate with various government/corporate bodies to connect with girls and women in far-flung and rural areas of the region.

- 4. Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), University of Jammu organized Lecture cum Interaction for the students in collaboration with the following departments:
 - a. Department of Botany & School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu on "Reflections on Science in the Age of Coronavirus" by Padmabhushan Prof. P. Balaram, Former Director IISc, Bangalore and Chair Professor at NCBS.
 - b. The Law School, University of Jammu by Dr. Vinod Kumar Sharma, Teaching Associate, at the Entrepreneurship Development Institute (EID). More than 100 students and faculty members from various teaching departments of the University participated in the Workshop.
- 5. Directorate of Distance and Online Education organized popular lecture (1st in the series) on the theme "Are the living systems intelligently designed" by Prof. Madan Mohan Chaturvedi, former Director, Cluster Innovation Council and Centre for Science Education and Communication, University of Delhi. Prof. Chaturvedi discussed the topic through a multidisciplinary approach in simple, lucid format. During his talk, he distinguished between living and non-living systems and highlighted the role of water for the sustenance of living systems. He touched upon issues like 'power house of a Cell', 'causes in membrane disorder', the self-organizing and self-reproducing features of living etc. He opined that it is not possible to define 'life' in totality, and a lot needs to be explored and examined. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his presidential address congratulated the Directorate of Distance and Online Education, for organizing this lecture on an important theme, and expressed his gratitude to Prof. Chaturvedi for highlighting the important areas related to living systems. Vice-Chancellor Prof. Rai emphasized that these like events must be organised more often in a multi-disciplinary context, to build and promote the concept of 'dissolving disciplinary boundaries'.
- 6. Coordinator UGC-SWAYAM, University of Jammu in collaboration with Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance (DIQA), University of Jammu organized two day workshop on "Design & Development of SWAYAM-MOOCS" for faculty of University of Jammu. The workshop was carried out with the primary objective of sensitizing the participants about

MOOCs and providing them necessary skills for designing and developing e-content in their respective knowledge domain, to be hosted on SWAYAM and other similar platforms. Prof. B.S. Balaji, School of Biotechnology, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Dr. Aerum Khan, Department of TT and NFE, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi; and Dr. Shri Ram Yadav, Department of Biosciences and Bio-engineering, IIT Roorkee were the Resource Persons. The workshop was attended by 44 faculty members of various departments of University of Jammu.

- 7. Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu organized two-day National Seminar on 'Recent Developments in Analysis and Related Areas' and 30th Annual Conference of Jammu Mathematical Society (JMS). Prof. Tarun K. Das from University of Delhi was the Guest of Honour. The seminar was presided over by Prof. A.P. Singh, Department of Mathematics, Central University of Rajasthan, and former Head of Department of Mathematics of University of Jammu. The conference was attended by participants from various institutes of the country like University of Delhi; Banaras Hindu University; University of Kalyani; IIT Roorkee; IIT Ropar; IIT Bhubaneswar; Central University of Jammu; Central University of Kashmir and University of Kashmir.
- 8. The Literary Club, University of Jammu under the aegis of "Utsaah" organized the following events:
 - a. A three-day workshop for amateur writers, "Andaaz-e-Nigaarish: A Multilingual Writing Workshop" with the aim to provide a platform to the students to hone on their latent writing talent. Mr. Pritam Katoch, an eminent stage, radio, and television artist as well as writer, was the Resource Person.
 - b. A three-day workshop for amateur artists, "Crafting Visual Impact: A Workshop on Art of Poster Making" by Mr. Rakesh Sharma, Coordinator, Painting Club, and Head, Department of Music & Fine Arts, IMFA, University of Jammu.
- 9. The Business School, University of Jammu initiated a lecture Series on "Indian Ethos and Human Values", which is in line with the New Education Policy. The first lecture in the series on "The Timeless Wisdom of GITA" was delivered by Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Professor of Law and Registrar, University of Jammu. Prof. Jasrotia highlighted the importance of Upanishads, GITA and Brahmasutra in creating philosophical ideology that marks the foundation for human values. He further emphasized that GITA has been studied and praised for centuries for its clarity, insight and wealth of spiritual knowledge that forms the guidebook for living a meaningful and joyful life. The spiritual journey from ignorance to knowledge enlightens the path of human beings to create a difference in society.
- 10. Learner's Ability Management Programme (LAMP) in collaboration with Department of Education organized the 17th Orientation Session cum Workshop on the theme "Indigenous Toys of India." Prof. C. B. Sharma, Professor of Education, Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi was the Resource Person. Prof. C.B Sharma discussed about the

Handbook for the teachers proposed by the NCERT on toy-based learning and named it "JADU KA PITARA". He discussed that a set of toys should be created for the children to connect it to their curriculum by giving classic examples of hand-made toys from Andhra Pradesh. Different members present in the meeting deliberated and put forth their suggestions on how these indigenous toys of India can enter into the Indian classrooms and help children to learn from them. Exposure to a variety of colours to the children, reaching out to the rural areas to understand the importance of local and indigenous toys in the education of the children, teaching the concept from known to unknown, sensitization to the masses about the significance of lost treasures of indigenous toys in learning etc. are some of the valuable suggestions that were given by the distinguished guests present.

- 11. Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu, in technical collaboration with The Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE), Jammu Sub-Centre celebrated "Telecommunication and Information Society Day-2023". This day has been celebrated on 17th of May, since 1969, to mark the foundation of the International Telecom Union (ITU) and signing of First International Telegraph Convention in the year 1865. On this occasion, two invited talks were organized. Dr. Arvind Selwal, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, Central University, Jammu, gave an invited talk cum demonstration on the topic: Fingerprinting Biometrics for Human Authentication. The second session was taken by Ms. Surbhi Kohli, Owner & Director Life Skills Scoop, on the topic: Communication Skills for Confidence Building & Personality Development.
- 12. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized the Intra Department Debate Competition for LL. B Students on the topic "In the opinion of the house Same-sex marriage should be allowed in India" in the Moot Court Hall of the Department of Law. The debate provided a platform for students of LL.B (3 Years course) to engage in a meaningful dialogue on the various aspects of same-sex marriage. The debate competition was judged by Prof. Dipanker Sengupta of Department of Economics, University of Jammu; Dr. Garima Gupta, HoD, Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Jammu and Dr. Jasleen Kaur of Department of Distance and Online Education, University of Jammu. A total 25 students from University of Jammu participated in the debate competition.
- 13. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized a lecture on the topic "Role of Prosecutor in the Criminal Justice System" by Ms. Sunita Kargotra, Deputy Director, Prosecution, Directorate of Prosecution, Jammu. Ms Sunita Kargotra made a holistic approach to the role played by a prosecutor in the administration of the criminal justice system. At the outset, she apprised the students of the process of appointment of a prosecutor and the various roles allotted to the Prosecuting Officers appointed in different government departments vis-à-vis Public Prosecutors, besides explaining the hierarchical positions and working of the Prosecutors. While emphasizing the role of the Prosecutor, who acts as a bridge between various investigating agencies in the State and the Centre and the Court.
- 14. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized an Extempore Debate Competition for LL.B students. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students of law department, University of Jammu. The Extempore Debate Competition served as a platform for budding legal minds to showcase their oratory skills, critical thinking abilities, and depth of legal knowledge. The competition was designed to challenge participants to brainstorm and

deliver compelling arguments in response to given topics or questions, without any prior preparation. Such extempore debates not only enhance public speaking skills but also develop the ability to analyze complex legal issues and present coherent arguments in a limited timeframe. The participants displayed remarkable expertise in presenting their viewpoints and engaging in thought-provoking exchanges. The competition witnessed lively discussions on diverse subjects of current, contemporary, and socio-legal relevance.

- 15. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a talk on "Prospects of Startups in Rising India". The talk was delivered by Mr. Bneat Singh, alumni of the University of Jammu and the United Kingdom-based Financial Expert, to the Research Scholars and the students of the master's programme of the department. Mr. Bneat Singh began his talk first by introducing the concept of "Startup" and then explained in detail about the startup companies as new born companies formed on innovative and brilliant ideas. These companies' focus is to provide innovative service with an intention of catering the needs of the society, market or nation. He also stressed on the major problem start-ups face while creating new innovative business ideas and finding business opportunities.
- 16. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a talk on "G-20 Meeting in Kashmir". Dr. Ganesh Malhotra and Dr. Ranjan Sharma from the Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu were the Keynote Speakers. Dr. Ganesh Malhotra initiated the talk on India's hosting of the G-20 meeting in Srinagar and its strategic importance particularly for Tourism Working Group (TWG) in Kashmir. Dr. Ranjan Sharma assumed the charge of presenting India's position from India's growing influence at the regional and multilateral forums. His talk emphasized more on the relevance of India's presidential takeover of G20 and how India can use this platform to address relay its viewpoint on national, regional and global interests on the basis of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. The deliberations were followed by question-answer session.
- 17. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a Panel Discussion on "Current Political Crises in Pakistan". The session was chaired by Prof. Mathew Joseph C, Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi. The panel for discussion comprised of experts on Pakistan affairs including Brig. (Retd.) Dr. Vijay Sagar Dheman, Managing Director, International Institute of J&K Studies; Mr. Pradeep Dutta, Bureau Chief J&K, Times Now and Dr. Mohd. Monir Alam, Assistant Professor, DSRS, University of Jammu. Prof. Mathew Joseph C, a seasoned academician, during moderation touched upon various aspects of Pakistan politics and presented a broader picture of the current political situation. The panel discussion was also followed by a question-answer session.
- 18. Botanical Club, Department of Botany, University of Jammu in collaboration with Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh Chapter of Society of Ethnobotanists and Jammu and Kashmir Biodiversity Council, Jammu and Kashmir Forest Research Institute organized a Capacity Building and Awareness Program on updation and verification of People's Biodiversity Register (PBRs) in University of Jammu. People's Biodiversity Register is an initiative started by National Biodiversity Authority (NBA), Chennai to document the Biodiversity of the Country and traditional knowledge (TK) associated with it so that IPR's can be protected. Mr. Rakesh Abrol, DFO Research Forest Division, JK Forest Research Institute was the Resource

Person. A small documentary on the PGRs was also visualized wherein the importance and methods of PBR were discussed. The programme was attended by students, research scholars and faculty members of the department of botany, University of Jammu.

- 19. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu in collaboration with Analytik Jena organized a technical seminar on "Elemental and Carbon Analyses Techniques in Environmental, Geological, Soil, and Drinking Water Samples". The seminar was attended by technical experts from various government departments, including the Pollution Control Board, Agriculture, Horticulture, and PHE, as well as research scholars and faculty members from the University of Jammu. The technical sessions were delivered by Mr. Sudheer Kumar Reddy, Product Manager, Spectroscopy on "Elemental Analysis using AAS, ICP-OES, & ICP-MS Techniques." and M. Ananthan, Product/Industry Manager of the Elemental Analysis division on "Carbon Analyses".
- 20. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized an outreach extension activity for the students of Bee Enn College of Nursing and Paramedical students. About 70 students of B.Sc. Nursing and B.Sc. Paramedical along with Mrs. Radhika Sharma, Associate professor in Microbiology at Bee Enn College of Nursing visited School of Biotechnology under extension and outreach program. At the outset, Prof. Sanjana Kaul, Director, School of Biotechnology, welcomed the gathering and enlightened the students with the importance and scope of Microbiology. She further highlighted the contribution of the School of Biotechnology during the corona pandemic in the form of manpower and infrastructure thereby highlighting the importance of their subject and profession. She urged the students to take the optimum benefit of their visit and interact with faculty and research scholars. Students visited various laboratories of the School such as Fungal Biotechnology, Fermentation Technology, Plant genomics, Metagenomics, Immunogenetics, Plant Molecular Biology, Animal cell Culture, Special Facility etc. and were briefed about the different facilities available pertaining to the microbiology programme. Students were educated about the research interest of each lab and also got acquainted with various scientific equipments and microbial techniques such as sterilization techniques, cultivation of microbes on synthetic media, PCR techniques etc. Fascinated by the research in microbiology in SBT, students were inquisitive and interacted with scholars from each lab.
- 21. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu under outreach and extension activities programme visited Government Middle School Kotli (Birpur), Zone Vijaypur to appreciate the academic performance of students in recently held exams. The meritorious students from classes 5th to 8th were awarded scholarships and certificate distribution program was also organized in the aforesaid school. The scholarship in the form of cash award and certificate of appreciation were given to the position holders. Six teachers of the school were also given certificates of appreciation for their true and selfless service as nation builders.
- 22. Department of Lifelong Learning organized a day-long field trip on "Agricultural Marketing" for the students of MA in Rural Development. The field trip assumes greater significance against the backdrop of the launch of the project named Holistic Agriculture Development Program (HADP) by the government of Jammu & Kashmir in April this year that aims to strengthen the existing market infrastructure and create a robust market ecosystem that caters to the needs of all the stakeholders. it is pertinent to mention that University of Jammu has,

from time to time been taking initiatives for strengthening the community-based university interventions.

- 23. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized an invited talk by Prof. B. S. Balaji, School of Biotechnology, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on title "Think Beyond Labs" and Dr. Shri Ram Yadav, Associate Professor, Department of Biosciences & Bioengineering, IIT, Roorkee on title "Studying Evolution of Genetic Regulation in Plants". Prof. B. S. Balaji encouraged the students and research scholars to consider and explore the concepts and ideas beyond the traditional laboratory setting. He underscored the importance of expanding our perspectives, fostering creative thinking, and actively observing our surroundings to seek alternative solutions to the problems that exist. He stressed the significance of acquiring new skills like 3D printing, statistical analysis, not merely for the sake of learning, but for practical application. Dr. Shri Ram Yadav discussed various root systems in plants and their developmental origin, along with the involvement of specific genes and signaling molecules. He delved into the genetic and evolutionary aspects of gene duplication and emphasized its functionality. The talk was attended by faculty members, students and research scholars of the School of Biotechnology and other departments of the University.
- 24. Department of Computer Science, University of Jammu organized in collaboration with M/s Sedulity Solutions and Technologies, New Delhi under "Industry Academia cooperation" organized one week lecture series. This programme is an important initiative envisioned by Prof. Umesh Rai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu to engage the industry in the academia by inviting the experts from various leading fields of computer technologies for interaction with the students and research scholars. Dr. Anup Girdhar, CEO and Founder, Sedulity Solutions and Technologies, was the Resource Person for the programme. Dr. Anup gave in depth coverage in the domain of Cyber Security along with practical demonstration and explained research approaches to the students and the scholars. The programme was attended by all the faculty members, research scholars, and students of MCA & M.Tech. programmes.
- 25. Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with Directorate of Sports and physical Education University of Jammu organized ten days workshop on "Yoga and Inner Peace". The workshop was conducted by Mr. Sandeep Sharma and Mr. Sanjeev Kumar. The workshop was attended by 70 students from University of Jammu.
- 26. Employment Information Cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL) in collaboration with Department of Chemistry, PSPS Government College for Women, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu organized an awareness programme on Self Employment for the students of their college. Dr. Harleen Kour, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. The programme was attended by 72 students from the college.
- 27. Centre for Studies in Museology and Sheikh Noor-ud-Din Noorani Museum of Heritage, University of Jammu celebrated International Museum Day. The theme of the function was chosen to align with the International Council of Museums' theme for the year

2023 "Museums, Sustainability and Wellbeing". An interactive program between the four University Museums (Herbarium, Zoological Museum, Wadia Museum, and Sheikh Noor-ud-Din Noorani Museum of Heritage) was organized, where the Resource Persons from respective museums came and interacted with the participants through PowerPoint presentations. They emphasized the role of University Museums- exploring the sustainability of Museums in the present scenario, and the different museum techniques used by them.

- 28. Department of Education, University of Jammu, organized an "Alumni Interaction Meet", in collaboration with University of Jammu Alumni Association (UJAA). The theme of the programme was Rejuvenating Cultural legacy of India".
- 29. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized Maiden Open Badminton Tournament (MOBT-2K23) wherein more than 85 participants including students from campus, schools and colleges participated. Being an open tournament, citizens of Kathua and Jammu have also participated in the four categories viz. Men's Single, Men's Double, Women's Single and Women's Double. The participants had neck to neck combat for the victory and a huge crowd enjoyed the thrilling performance of the participants. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu appreciated the efforts of Campus Sports Committee, Kathua Campus (JU) for successfully organizing the maiden open badminton tournament at Kathua Campus and motivated the students to actively participate in sports activities besides academics. She exhorted the importance of sports in physical and mental fitness and in inculcating discipline and a sense of mutual trust and confidence.
- 30. In continuation to the Career Counseling Programmes being organized by the Kathua Campus, The Management School, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with The Business School, University of Jammu organized a Career Counseling session for the students of the Government Degree College, Kathua. The session was attended by around 80 students of BBA and B.Com of the College.
- 31. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu celebrated the National Technology Day by organizing the following events for the students:
 - a. Department of Civil Engineering organized a field visit of its students to the 206 MW Shahpur Kandi Dam Project located on Ravi River downstream of Ranjit Sagar Dam in collaboration with the Department of Water Resource, Govt. of Punjab. The key objective of the field trip was to impart practical knowledge and exposure besides enhancing the technical skills of the students in a real time environment. This trip provided the students an opportunity to learn from real world examples and to observe and analyze the practical applications of various engineering concepts, techniques and solutions.
 - b. Department of Computer Science and Engineering, organized a one day Workshop in Collaboration with Finnlogic-IT Services Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore on 'Cyber Security and Cloud Computing' for the students of Computer Science and Engineering.

- 32. The Business School, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized a Corporate Guest Lecture for the students of MBA, BBA and B. Com (Hons.). Mr. Ravi Kumar Sharma, Branch Head, J&K Bank, Pranoo was the Keynote Speaker. Speaking on the occasion he talked about important financial aspects like CRR, SLR, repo rate, reverse repo rate, financial inclusion, inflation, monetary policy, fiscal policy. Apart from that he also highlighted various schemes offered by J&K bank for promoting and developing entrepreneurs. He further put light on the avenues and opportunities for women entrepreneurs. The guest lecture was followed by an interactive session with the students of The Business School, wherein all the students participated actively.
- 33. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized a field visit to Silk Technical Service Centre, CSTRI, Central Silk Board, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, Miran Sahib, Jammu. During the visit, the Director Poonch Campus, Prof. Rakesh Vaid asked the students of the Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus to pursue dissertation work with zeal and dedication. He also motivated the students about the importance of this ongoing dissertation program and how to become a successful Sericulturist and productive contribution at the "Nation Building".
- 34. All India Football_Federation in collaboration with Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu conducted 4 days E certificate. Apart from certification a special camp for Football players of University of Jammu was also organized by Football Academy in which Shri Arun Malhotra, Former Indian Player and Current Member, AIFF was the Resource Person.
- 35. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period granted affiliations to following colleges for the academic session 2022-2023:
 - a. Government Degree College, Sunderbani to start two new subjects i.e. Dogri & History at UG Level.
 - b. Government Degree College for women, Kathua to start two new subjects i.e. Home Science and Bio-technology at UG level.
- 36. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of BAMS 4th Prof. (Subsequent Session), B.Sc. Nursing Regular (2nd & 3rd Year), LLB 5 Years (3rd Semester), Music & Fine Arts (Final Year), Yoga 1st Semester (Regular/Private), B. Pharmacy (3rd Semester), MCA 2nd Semester Private (NCBCS), PPHT 2nd Professional (Regular), UG 5th Semester (NCBS/DDE/PVT) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for BDS 3rd Prof. (Subsequent), LLB 3 Years (6th Semester-Regular Private), LLB 5 years 9th Semester (Regular), BSC Paramedical (1st Year (Regular Session), UG Re-eval 4th Semester (NCBCS Spl. Exam), PBED (3rd Semester), B.Tech (6th Semester-CBS), B. Pharmacy (3rd Semester-Reg), BDS 2nd Prof. (Subsequent), PG Diploma in Bio-Informatics (2nd Semester), BBHM (4th Semester), MDP Dogri (4th Semester), MDP

Commerce (2nd Semester), MDP Economics (4th Semester), MDP Sociology (2nd & 4th Semester), MDP English (4th Semester), MDP English (2nd Semester), MBA (HT) 1st Semester (CBCS), MSC Sericulture (Poonch Campus, 1st Semester), MA Punjabi (1st Semester), MSC Applied Geology (3rd Semester, CBCS) etc. in the month of April, 2023.

JUNE 2023

- 1. University of Jammu successfully conducted Special Convocation-2023 wherein 211 Gold Medals for the years 2016–2019 and 265 Ph.D. degrees for the years 2017–2019 were awarded to the scholars and students. Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Vice-President of India was the Chief Guest on the occasion. The convocation was presided by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT and Chancellor, University of Jammu. Among other dignitaries who attended the Convocation were Dr. Smt. Sudesh Dhankar, Second lady of the Nation; Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT; Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, J&K UT & former Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi; Shri Alok Kumar, Principal Secretary, School Education, Government of J&K UT.
- 2. University of Jammu has collaborated with Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and IIT, Mumbai in the field of start-ups, research, capacity building and innovation. The decision was made after a meeting of a visiting team of senior academicians comprising of Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman of the Higher Education Council J&K; Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu; Prof. Shakil Ahmad Romshoo, Vice Chancellor, IUST Kashmir; Members of Higher Education Council, J&K with Director of IISc Bangalore, Prof Govindan Rangarajan and Prof Kavi Arya of IIT Mumbai at Bangalore. Students from University of Jammu shall now be able to avail the opportunity of doing internships at IISc. Bangalore. The students who shall be a part of the Jammu University's initiative 'College on Wheels' train shall have two days stay at IISc. Bangalore. IIT Mumbai shall also be establishing a 'Yantra Lab' at University of Jammu. Prof. Shobha Baghai, Director of the Cluster University Innovation Centre, DU has also committed to organize collaborative programs with regard to Innovation and Skill Development.
- 3. University of Jammu and Indian Space and Research Organization (ISRO) have arrived at an understanding to initiate collaborative programs with regard to fostering of Space Science Education. ISRO shall also be offering internship to the students of Jammu University, apart from mentoring and capacity building for faculty of the University. These progressive decisions were arrived at in a meeting of senior academicians from J&K comprising of Vice Chairman of Higher Education Council, Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor IUST Prof. Shakil Ahmad Romshoo (Members of Higher Education Council J&K) with Prof N. Sudhir Kumar, Director, Capacity Building & Public Outreach, ISRO. This collaboration would usher in an era of academic pursuits in various facets of science, space, education and research including research projects to be mentored by faculty of Jammu University, ISUT and ISRO. These initiatives shall also be incorporated in the forthcoming 'Design Your Degree' programme of the University that with give the students a wider scope to choose the subjects of their liking.

- 4. University of Jammu has been ranked 63rd among the top 100 Universities in India under National Institutional Raking Framework (NIRF) 2023 rankings released by Ministry of Education, Government of India. Pertinent to mention that the University of Jammu continues to a part of top 100 universities of the country since the inception of rankings by the Ministry of Education (MoE) in 2016.
- 5. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu held an interactive session with all the stakeholders to review the preparedness of the University for NAAC Accreditation and the annual NIRF rankings. Prof. Umesh Rai called upon all the stakeholders of the University to work proactively to build on their strengths for better ranking in various bodies. He exhorted upon the entire faculty to work on enhancing their research profile which will eventually help the institution to secure a higher ranking. A detailed Power Point presentation on various criteria for evaluation and ranking by various bodies like NIRF and NAAC was presented by Dr. Ginny Dogra, Deputy Director, Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu. Various stakeholders were also invited to give their report on the initiatives taken for the preparations of NAAC. The interaction meet was attended by all the Deans, Directors, Heads, Faculty and Officers of the University.
- 6. Institution Innovation Council (IIC), University of Jammu organized the following lectures:
 - a. "Reflections on Science in the age of the Corona virus". Padmabhushan Prof. P. Balaram, Former Director, IISc., Bangalore was the Resource Person.
 - b. "Structure-Function studies on the enzyme Guanosine Monophosphate (GMP) Syhthetase" by Prof. Hemlata Balaram a renowned Scientist and Professor at Molecular Biology and Genetics Unit, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore.
 - c. "Innovation on Communication Technology, Internet of things (IoT), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Big Data, Neuromorphic Computing and 5G Technology" by Dr. Ajit Kumar Panda, IEEE Distinguished Lecturer and BOYSCAST Fellow at University of Michigan and a Regular Associate of ICTP, Triesty, Italy.

IIC is a Ministry of Education's initiative for Higher Education Institutions to systematically foster the culture of innovations and start up ecosystem in higher educational institutions. IIC has various proposed programs namely Innovation Ambassador Program, Impact Lecture Session, Innovation Contest, Mentor-Mentee Program, Yukti National Innovation etc.

7. The Business School, University of Jammu in an effort to enrich the Research Scholars from various functional areas in management organized one-day doctoral workshop on "e-views". The workshop was conducted by Dr. Ritu Rana, Post Doctoral Fellow at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), who presented in-depth sessions about the E-views software and its application within the discipline of management. More than 50 scholars from different functional areas of management participated in the workshop.

- 8. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu under Ranganathan Lecture Series organized 4th lecture on "Librarianship as a Discipline" by Dr. Nirmal Kumar Swain, Professor, & Former Head DLIS, M. D Rohtak.
- 9. Department of Commerce in collaboration with Government College of Engineering & Technology (GCET) Jammu under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahautsav organized one-day workshop on "Business Model Canvas". Dr. Harleen Kaur and Dr. Rupa Mahajan from University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 10. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized an internship drive for students of the department by J&K Dairy Producers, Producers and Marketing Cooperatives Limited. The drive was conducted by Mr. Vikrant Dogra, Chairman, J&K Dairy Producers, Producers and Marketing Cooperatives and Ms. Neetu Dhar (Chief Co-ordinator, JKDCUL). JKDCUL is a CBBO (cluster-based organization) empanelled by NABARD for forming FPO's (Farmer Producer Organizations) under CSS (Central Sector Scheme) since 2020. The organization provides handholding and professional support to develop economically sustainable FPOs while facilitating adequate market and credit linkages.
- 11. Employment Information Cum Advisory Bureau, Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Jammu, in collaboration with Dogra College of Education, Bari Brahmana, organised a one-day workshop on "Importance of Career Counseling and Self-employment" for the students of the college. Dr. Harleen Kaur, Sr. Asst. Prof., Department of Commerce, and Dr. Rewa Khajuria, Counsellor, Employment Information and Advisory Bureau, Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 12. Department of Environmental Sciences in collaboration with ESRI, India and Innovative Systel (Authorized Partner of ESRI India) organized a one-day workshop on ArcGIS Applications in Higher Education: Emerging Trends. The purpose of the workshop was to acquaint the participants with the importance and applications of Geographical information system (GIS) in biological and earth sciences, the use of ArcGIS tools to visualize real-world features, explore spatial data and analyze maps to communicate information and make decisions. Ms. Aprajita Singh, ESRI India; Mr. Mallesh Balina, ESRI India and Mr. Rominder Bedi, Innovative Systel were the Resource Persons. The workshop was organized in hybrid mode wherein around 100 participants from various educational institutes across the country participated.
- 13. Department of Environmental Sciences organized a three-day Educational Trip to "Udhmapur-Dudu-Basantgarh-Ramnagar Circuit" to provide students with an opportunity to understand the regional natural heritage and integrate practical knowledge with informal environments to enhance learning capabilities. Students also interacted with the local community to sensitize them regarding the importance of conserving the flora and fauna, cultural heritage, and springs of the area. Students visited several protected monuments, like the Sheesh Mahal in Ramnagar, which is a historical royal mansion built by Raja Ram Singh in 1885. Students were also shown the walls of the exquisite palace, which are ornamented with

beautiful murals and paintings depicting the stories of Indian epics like the Mahabharata and Ramayana. The Educational trip was an exposure for the students to understand literary theory practically by visiting ecological and archaeological hotspots in the Jammu region. Dr. Rakesh Kumar and more than thirty post-graduate students from the department participated in the trip.

- 14. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized a lecture for the students of the department on "Gender Inequality: A Legal Perspective on Equal Opportunity Legislation". Dr. Monica Narang Associate Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr. Narang apprised the students on sociological aspects of gender inequality and equal opportunity legislation prevalent in India. She also threw light on the constitutional provisions and recent developments in Indian law.
- 15. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a talk on "Imagining 'regional' in Climate Science: Challenges of Scientists in the Himalayas". The talk was delivered by Dr. Suresh Babu G.S., Faculty in the School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi, to the Research Scholars and students of the Master's Programme of the department. Dr. Suresh Babu also had a brain-storming session with the research scholars and faculty members wherein they discussed varied dimensions of climate change and puzzles that originate from the liberalization, globalization, modernization and other progressive domains of contemporary era. He also shed light on how and why the eight states surrounding the Himalayan region or sharing this region need to look into this issue related to the environment and climate change to make them viable and sustainable modern states in international politics.
- 16. UGC-HRDC, University of Jammu conducted five-day's induction training programme for the newly recruited Assistant Registrars and officers of University of Jammu. Various sessions/lectures/presentations were conducted to acquaint with the working of the University as well as their role and responsibilities towards the University.
- 17. Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS commemorated "World Bicycle Day". The event was aimed to popularize and adopt the use of cycling as a solution to avert global warming and as a norm for healthier lifestyle while celebrating and cherishing the noble ideas that inspired freedom struggle. A cycle rally was also organized in the University Campus in which more than 80 NSS volunteers participated. The cycles for the said programme were sponsored by the Chairman, Smart city Project, Jammu.
- 18. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu in collaboration with University Health Centre organized a Lecture and Demonstration session on the topic "Exercises and Importance of Physiotherapy in the Management of Injuries". Dr. Amit Kumar, MPT, BPT (Spine Neurology and Biomechanics Specialist), New Delhi was the Resource Person. Dr. Amit Kumar conducted a highly informative session with the employees and students of the University. The highlight of the session was a live demonstration of several exercises that help in strengthening the muscles, keeping the posture correct, and managing acute and chronic pains with the help of Physiotherapy.

- 19. University of Jammu organized the following events to commemorate the "World Environment Day" on 5th June, 2023:
 - a. NSS Volunteers of Campus Unit-IV in collaboration with the Office of the Coordinator NSS, University of Jammu along with more than 100 participants from various departments of Jammu organized the Green Program of Celebrating "World Environment Day". Volunteers took the initiative of decorating the Parks in a natural way without the use of plastic. NSS Unit-IV has come up with an annual calendar which involves many activities and celebrations for the purpose of matching NSS objectives and to serve the society best. NSS volunteers also shared their views on the Green Earth Concept and attempted opportunities to deliver various means to contribute best to the process of making the environment clean and green.
 - b. The Law School, University of Jammu organized Poster Making/ Slogan Writing Competition on the theme "Go Green, Breathe Clean". The competition was adjudged by Dr. Seema Sharma and Dr. Monica Narang, Associate Professors, The Law School, University of Jammu.
 - c. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized one day "Community Sensitization Programme on Solid Waste Management" at Bahu Fort area with the aim to create awareness and increase the knowledge of the local community regarding the causes and consequences of unscientific disposal of waste, and the potential solutions and benefits of waste reduction, reuse, and recycling.
- 20. University of Jammu organized the following events to celebrate the 9th International Yoga Day:
 - a. National Service Scheme (NSS) Campus Unit-I in collaboration with department of Economics, University of Jammu as a part of "International Yoga Day" celebrations organized Yoga Workshop for the NSS volunteers and students of department of Economics to raise awareness about the benefits of the ancient and traditional system of keeping the mind and body healthy through Yoga. More than 40 Volunteers from NSS Campus Unit-I and students of Department of Economics participated in the workshop. Dr. Ritu Chaku, Associate Professor, Yogic Science, Sharda School of Humanities and Social Science, Greater Noida was the Resource Person.
 - b. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized 7-day Yoga Camp. The yoga session was conducted by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Pandey, Teaching Assistant, University of Jammu who gave information about different Asanas, Pranayama, and the trending utilization of Yoga Mudras.
 - c. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu in collaboration with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) under the banner of "Har Ghar Dhyaan

Abhiyaan" celebrated the 9th International Yoga Day. About 150 participants including employees, students and people from the civil society participated. The meditation session was conducted by Ms. Vandana Daftri, Regional Director, Art of Living.

- d. Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS in collaboration with the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu celebrated International Yoga Day. The theme for this year is "YOGA FOR VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM," i.e., One Earth, One Family, and One Future. Various Asansas were performed by the volunteers of the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education during the event.
- e. NSS Unit of Kathua Campus, in collaboration with the students welfare Kathua Campus University of Jammu under the banner of Azadi ka Amrit Kaal organized one-day Yoga workshop to commemorate International Yoga Day, 2023 and as a part of Common Yoga Protocol (CYP) launched by the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India for the students of Kathua Campus and University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET). The aim of the workshop was to lower participants' stress levels through meditation, raise their health standards and enable them to function better in today's cutthroat environment. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Vivek Sharma, Academic Coordinator, Kathua Campus & Vipassana expert and Mrs. Shalini Gupta, Yoga Instructor.
- f. A relaxation and consciousness session on "Therapeutic Meditation" in collaboration with Art of Living to celebrate International Yoga Day. Sh. Bhagwati Prasad, Senior Teacher, Art of Living was the Resource Person. Sh. Prasad is also the State Coordinator of the Art of Living in J&K and Ladakh. He focused on the mindfulness of breathing, compassion, loving, and kindness-focused meditation during the session and also used various mantras and phrases to develop the concentration power of the audience. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus (JU), expressed appreciation and gratitude to Sh. Bhagwati Prasad for selflessly doing such meditation sessions for the common people and helping them understand their true selves. She said that in such a restive milieu and turbulent times, meditation and yoga can bring everyone together and help us find our shortcomings.
- g. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Government Ayush Dispensary, Malhar, Udhampur organized one-day "Yoga for Meditation and Fitness Camp" for Faculty Members, Students and local residents. The camp was organized under the supervision of Dr. Shefali Sharma (Medical Officer) and Dr. Shameem (Medical officer) along with her team of Yoga therapist, Mr. Sunil Bhogale and Mr. Baldev Sharma (Multitasking worker). The purpose of the camp was to raise awareness of both physical and mental fitness among the general masses, especially students as meditation and yoga can develop the ability to cope with stress and can maintain calm in pressuring situations.
- 21. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Constitution: Values, Rights, Duties and Obligations" for students and faculty of the campus. Dr. Vijay Sehgal, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Law, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr.

Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, expressed gratitude to the resource person for the knowledge imparting lecture. She further assured that more such lectures shall be organized at the Campus that is crucial for the development of understanding towards the rights and duties as a citizen of a sovereign nation.

- 22. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu (JU) organized an industrial talk titled "Customer Communication Management (CCM)" for the students of the Campus. Mr. Shubham Sharma, Senior Composition Developer, BelWo Services (India) Private Limited, Mohali was the Resource Person. He enriched the students with his vast experience in the industry. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message said that these types of thoughtful interactions with the industry experts are helpful in augmenting the knowledge of students. Dr. Kilam while emphasizing upon the significance of such programmes stated that the technology has revolutionized the education sector and NEP-2020 is also focusing to strengthen the academic-industry collaboration. She encouraged the students to work on similar lines and focus on the practical implementation along with the understanding of concepts.
- 23. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an awareness talk titled "Domestic Violence and Women Empowerment" for the students of UIET, MCA, MBA and English departments of the Campus. Ms. Kiran Thakur (Advocate), Certified Cyber Security Expert and Human Rights Lawyer, enrolled with J&K State Bar Council with an experience of 10 years in practice at Jammu & Kashmir High Court and District Courts was the Resource Person. In her talk, she focused that the violence against women and girls is regarded as a global pandemic that affects one in every three women across their lifetime. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus while emphasized on women empowerment and stressed upon encouraging women of all sections of society to make their own decisions and dare to stand for oneself and for other women folk to create a protective environment so that no human rights violation in the form of domestic violence can happen. She further stressed that such lectures on social issues should be organized in future also for the awareness of students.
- 24. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Industrial Webinar on "Data Analytics" under the Expert Lecture Series in collaboration with Froyo Technologies, Noida. Mr. Rajinder Kumar, Data Scientist, Froyo Technologies, Noida was the Resource Person. Mr. Kumar stressed on the importance of data analytics as it helps businesses to optimize their performances. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu appreciated and thanked the Resource Person for sharing valuable knowledge regarding Data Analytics with the students of the Campus. She further stressed on learning data analysis as it covers multiple facets and approaches encompassing diverse techniques and is used in different domains of day-to-day life.
- 25. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a motivational talk on "Indian Economy: The Dawn of a New Era" under the newly launched Expert Lecture Series for the students of the UIET, MCA, MBA, and English departments of the campus. Mr. Kamal K. Sharma, Founder and Director of Savefirst Investinsure Services was the Resource Person. Mr. Sharma is an author and a financial professional with over two and a half decades of corporate experience working with large

financial institutions of international repute. His book, "The Piggy Bank Billionaire," has sold over 22,000 copies and is available in more than 300 libraries across the country. In his motivational talk, he inspired the students not to lose their courage despite difficult and adverse circumstances. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu eulogized the speaker and thanked him for spending his valuable time for the students of the campus. She further urged that today's generation should improve their thinking ability, innovativeness, and creativity.

- 26. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a memorable Cultural Fest "Funanza", a student-driven activity that was packed with fun, frolic, and a myriad of scintillating performances by students, alumni and local artists. The principals and teachers of different Higher Secondary Schools of district Kathua were invited for the programme. It was an effort to encourage the local talents and highlight the campus and UIET to increase admissions. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam expressed gratitude towards the special guests, media persons and for coming, joining and motivating the students of UIET in organizing such a wonderful programme. She further stressed on the role of extracurricular activities in encouraging students to explore their real strength that ultimately helps them to excel in their academic pursuits also. She also said that 'FUNANZA-2023' is an opportunity to bring out talents and will help in developing the personality of the students.
- 27. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a Maiden one-week "Environmental Consciousness Drive" wherein, more than 200 earthen water pots were placed in the campus premises including academic block, administrative block and hostels Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu suggested everyone to come forward and participate in bringing the solution to the problems that are required in the transformation of the society. She added that one should always connect to nature and move from hurting the planet to healing it. She also encouraged everyone to take the responsibility of looking after our planet and actively contribute to its sustainability.
- 28. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a Blood Donation Camp for Thalassemia child patients in the run-up to International Blood Donation Day in collaboration with Work for Blood Donor Society (WBDS), J&K. After proper donor screening and medical examination, all the voluntary donors, students, faculty members, and civilians of Kathua donated blood for the noble cause. Accentuating the importance of blood donation, Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that blood donation is the opportunity to gift somebody with new life and every healthy person should donate blood with full willingness as it is for the well being of every human being. She talked about the virtues of regular, voluntary and unpaid blood donations and also highlighted the commitment of Kathua Campus (JU) to creating a conducive environment.
- 29. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a felicitation programme to honour and celebrate the exceptional achievements of the 12th standard students of Kathua District. The aim of the programme was to recognize the outstanding academic performance and commendable efforts of the students

and inspiring them to continue their educational journey with determination and enthusiasm. The programme was a testament to UIET's commitment for recognizing academic excellence and promoting education in the region.

- 30. Department of Computer Science & IT, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with iHUB, Divyasampark IIT Roorkee organized a week-long IT tour for the students of the Department of Computer Science to IIT Roorkee. The group consisted of 16 students; Dr. Jatinder Manhas and Ms. Ayushi Kotwal from the Department of Computer Science & IT, Bhaderwah Campus. During their visit, the group interacted with members of Dtown Robotics Private Limited, which is a startup that works in the area of drone and robot manufacturing. The students learnt about the application areas of the drone. Thereafter, the students also visited the robotics lab of the iHUB, Divyasampark, established at the Noida Campus of IIT Roorkee. Dr. Manish Anand from iHUB, Divyasampark IIT Roorkee apprised the students about the different schemes and scholarships that one can get while pursuing his or her research. He also shared his immense knowledge on some of the state-of-the-art technologies, i.e., block chain technology, cyber security, IoT, drones, etc. with the participants.
- 31. Department of Computer Science & IT, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with iHUB Divyasampark IIT Roorkee, conducted a training program on IOT sensor networks for the students of the various educational institutions. The training program is a part of the MoU executed between the Department of Computer Science and IT at Bhaderwah Campus and iHUB DivyaSampark at IIT Roorkee. The training was conducted by the trainers from Uni Converge Technologies, Noida in physical mode.
- 32. Department of Geography, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized a one-day Regional Seminar on the theme "Climate Change and Ecosystem services in Himalayan Region". Prof. Milap Chand Sharma from JNU, New Delhi was the Resource Person. Jenab Dil Mir Choudhary, ADC, Bhadewah was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- 33. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with District Employment & Counseling Centre, Poonch in order to create awareness amongst the students about the various employment schemes started by the Department of Employment UT Jammu and Kashmir organized an awareness programme for the students of the campus. Mohd. Rafiq, Deputy Director, District Employment & Counseling Centre, Poonch was the Resource Person.
- 34. The Fencing team of University of Jammu won three Team Bronze Medals in 3rd Khelo-India University Games-2022 in Men's Epee Team, Men's Sabre Team and Women's Sabre Team held at Lucknow (U.P.). Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu congratulated the Fencing teams who won medals for the University and applauded the efforts of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of Sports & Physical Education and entire staff of the Directorate for this achievement at 3rd Khelo India University Games.
- 35. Ms. Parsanjeet Kour, an alumnus of the Department of Chemistry, University of Jammu brought laurels to the University by securing 11th rank in the Civil Services Examination of UPSC, 2023. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor congratulated and greeted her and wished best

of luck for her future endeavors. An interaction session was held with the students and scholars of the department of Chemistry with her.

- 36. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - a. Baba Mann Singh College of Nursing for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing, course.
 - b. Data Ranpat Dev College of Nursing and Post Basic Nursing for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing and Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - c. Rajiv Gandhi College of Nursing for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing; Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing and M.Sc. Nursing course.
 - d. Institute of Public Health & Hygiene College of Nursing & allied Health Sciences for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing and Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - e. Siddhi Vinayak College of Nursing for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - f. Government College of Nursing, Udhampur for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - g. Bee Enn College of Nursing for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing; Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing; B.Sc. paramedical and M.Sc. Nursing courses.
 - h. Government College of Nursing, Doda for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - i. Government Medical College, Doda for imparting instructions in MBBS and Paramedical courses.
 - j. Government Medical College, Udhampur for imparting instructions in MBBS course.
 - k. Government Degree College Dudu Basantgarh for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - 1. JSS College of Pharmacy for imparting instructions in B.Pharmacy course.
- 37. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of LLB 5 Years (10th Semester); BA/B.ED. Integrated (1st Semester); B. Pharmacy (2nd Semester); UG 6th Semester (CBCS); BDS (2nd & 3rd Semester), UG 5th Semester (Supplementary); MBA (4th Semester); M.Ed. (1st Semester, Special Chance); MDP Political Science (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Maths (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP English (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Hindi (3rd Semester); MDP Chemistry (3rd Semester); MDP Commerce (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Sanskrit (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Punjabi (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Urdu (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Dogri (1st & 3rd Semester); MDP Hindi (1st Semester, DDE/Private); MDP Economics (1st Semester); MDP Sociology (1st Semester); MDP History (3rd Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for B.E. (5th & 7th Semester); MBBS 2nd Professional; UG Re-eval 1st Semester (CBCS); LLB 3 Year (4th Semester); B.Arch. (10th Semester); UG 1st Semester (NCBCS); LLB 5 Year (7th Semester); BBA(HM) 6th Semester); B.Ed. (#rd Semester); UG 3rd Semester (CBCS); UG (1st Semester); BDS 1st Prof. (Subsequent); MDP Dogri (2nd & 4th Semester); MCA (2nd Semester, Private), MDP Applied Geology (1st Semester, CBCS); MDP Commerce (1st Semester, CBCS), MDP English (1st Semester, CBCS); MDP Hindi (1st Semester, CBCS); MPED (1st Semester, CBCS); M.Tech. (1st Semester, CBCS); PDP Political Science (1st Semester, CBCS); MDP Urdu (1st Semester, CBCS); MDP Zoology (1st Semester, CBCS) etc.

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- 1. A team of University of Jammu led by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu participated in the two days Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam-2023 at Internal Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC), Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. The following recent innovative initiatives of the University of Jammu were showcased at the event:
 - a. Innovative 4 Year Under Graduate Program called "Design Your Degree". This program focuses on personalized experiential learning, problem solving through collaborative team work and practical applications of technologies like AI, Coding, Communication, GPT4 Data and more.
 - b. "College on Wheels"- JK Gyanodaya Express, a unique and innovative project, wherein around 800-1000 students of the universities of J&K shall get an opportunity to undertake a rail journey across the country and work on different projects to promote hands-on learning outside the classroom.

Various other initiatives like Goonj - Listen to your inner calling; High Altitude Studies and Disaster Management and Innovative Academic Initiatives in Online and Blended Mode by Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD&OE) and The Business School of University of Jammu were also showcased during the event.

The University of Jammu's stall witnessed an overwhelming response, with a large gathering of visitors showing keen interest in enquiring about the university's recent initiatives. The enthusiastic response from learners and other education enthusiasts highlighted the growing reputation and popularity of Jammu University in the higher education landscape. Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar, UGC Chairman and Prof Manish R Joshi, UGC Secretary appreciated the innovative initiative, - Design Your Degree Program, recently launched by University of Jammu.

2. University Grants Commission (UGC) appreciated University of Jammu's innovative 4 Year Under Graduate Program called "Design Your Degree" by sharing the details of the initiative on its official twitter handle. The tweet encouraged the students, academicians and industry professionals to visit the stall of University of Jammu to further gather information about this novel initiative.

3. University of Jammu successfully conducted the Academic Council under the chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof. Rai emphasized that the University has always focused on the overall development of students and soon credits will be awarded for participation in sports, cultural, NSS, NCC and other curricular activities. He also stated that University is envisaging to launch an app to ensure that appropriate research work and other publications/fellowships reach the faculty members in time.

The following new initiatives were endorsed in the Academic Council:

- a. Introduction of Innovative Four Year Under Graduate Program 'Design Your Degree'.
- b. College on wheels (J&K Gyanodya Express).
- c. Participation & Inclusion of Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD&OE) students in the Display your Talent competition of University of Jammu.
- d. Merger of Learning Support Centres of Directorate of Distance & Online Education.
- e. Introduction of online M. Com and M.A programme in the Distance & Online Education.
- f. Introduction of Post Graduate Diploma Course in Intellectual Property Law in the Department of Law from the Academic Session, 2023-24.
- g. Introduction of Post Graduate Diploma Course in Media and Law in the Department of Law from the Academic Session, 2023-24.
- h. Revised mode of Admissions to various Post Graduate Masters/ Diploma Programmes of study of the University of Jammu running in its Main/ Offsite Campuses and Affiliated PG Colleges for the Academic Session, 2023-24 and onwards.
- Introduction of Diploma courses to be offered by the Disaster Management Centre, University of Jammu including Diploma in Mountain Craft & Disaster Management.
- j. Introduction of Diploma in Snow Craft & Disaster Management.
- k. Introduction of Executive MBA programme in The Business School from the academic session, 2023-24.
- 4. The Business School, University of Jammu becomes the only B-school from the UT of J&K to bag a prestigious ranking among the top B schools of the country. TBS is placed at rank 11th in Return on Investment (ROI) and 33 among top government B-Schools of India by one of the most credible and exhaustive Best B-School ranking by Business

- Today -MDRA (Marketing & Development Research Associates). This places TBS in a coveted list of the top Management Institutions of India.
- 5. A team of faculty members from University of Jammu made a detailed Power Point presentation on the innovative four-year UG- Design your Degree Program at University of Kashmir. The presentation garnered significant attention and was attended by the top officials of Kashmir University including Dr Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges, HED, Government of J&K who gave her valuable input. The session was chaired by the Vice-Chancellor, University of Kashmir, Prof. Nilofer Khan. During the presentation, it was highlighted that this innovative program is designed to meet the rapidly evolving demands of the modern world by encouraging interdisciplinary approach or studies that promote creative thinking. The Design Your Degree program seeks to equip students with a well-rounded skill set that transcends the boundaries of traditional education. The Vice-Chancellor, Kashmir University lauded the team for their dedication to fostering a standard-centric approach to education. She emphasized that Jammu University's commitment to innovation in academia would further strengthen its position as a leading institution in the region. At the end of the presentation, various queries were raised which were addressed satisfactorily by the team from Jammu University. The audience applauded the efforts of the Jammu University to break away from the traditional model, acknowledging that this would enable students to flourish in their respective areas of interest and make a meaningful impact on society.
- 6. University of Jammu organized a brain storming session on Intellectual Property Rights. The session was attended by Prof. B.K. Bajaj; Prof. Seema Langer, Prof. Kamal Kapoor; Prof. Satyapaul; Prof. Sanjay Gupta; Dr. Nisha Kapoor; Dr. Yashpal Khajuria; Dr. Sandeep Arya and Dr. Mandeep Singh. The session concluded with a unanimous resolution that such brain storming sessions can be a good source of unidentified inventions, ideas and deliberations to foster the culture of innovations and patent filing.
- 7. Skill Development and Career Planning Vertical of Skill Innovation Incubation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC), University of Jammu organized 15-day workshop on personality development and communication skills. The workshop featured prominent academicians and experts from the field of communication skills as the Resource Persons. The primary objective of the workshop was to enhance the participants' personality traits and communication skills to empower them for personal and professional growth.

- 8. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized a lecture cum interaction session. Prof. Hardeep Lal Joshi, Department of Psychology, Kurukshetra University was the Resource Person. Prof. Joshi emphasized the critical importance of Clinical Psychology in today's society and shed light on the challenges that individuals face due to lack of necessary skills, both in personal and professional settings.
- 9. Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with Art of Living, Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh chapter organized three days long Art of Living YES! Course (Youth Empowerment Seminar) at Balgran Jammu. Balgran is a charitable home for destitute children. The Youth Empowerment Seminar (YES!) is a dynamic and fun program that challenges teens to take responsibility for their life and provides a comprehensive set of practical tools for releasing stress, mastering emotions, increasing energy levels and raising self-awareness. It also focuses on experiential processes in order to develop problem solving strategies. Sh. Shakti Sagar, Art of living faculty and District Teachers coordinator was the Resource Person.
- 10. Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu organized Plant Adoption Drive in the lawns of University of Jammu. The drive was organized in collaboration with the Arboriculture and Landscaping Unit, Department of Environmental Sciences, Green Campus Task Force and NSS Unit III of the University of Jammu. The purpose of the plantation drive was to give experiential learning and develop a sense of belongingness and sensitivity among students towards nature. Around thirty-five student volunteers participated in the drive and thereafter took a pledge of Panchpran. Prof Piyush Malaviya, convener of Arboriculture and Landscaping Unit and Head Department of Environmental Sciences, Dr. Seema Rohmetra, incharge Director, Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, Dr. Deepika Slathia, Member Secretary, GCTF-JU were present during the occasion.
- 11. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized farmer's awareness meet for introduction of Saffron cultivation in non-traditional areas of Poonch district, Jammu & Kashmir. The meet was conducted under a transdisciplinary Project entitled "Socio-Economic effect of cultivating saffron using in-house developed method" sanctioned to Prof. Jyoti Vakhlu, School of Biotechnology; Dr. Shallu Sehgal, Department of Economics; Dr. Aubid Hussain Parrey, Department of Management; Dr. Sunil Sharma, Department of Statistics and Dr. Sheetal Ambardar from Institutional Research Fund of University of Jammu.

- 12. Department of Lifelong Learning in collaboration with the Department of Commerce, University of Jammu under "Extension & Outreach Programme" organized 10-day workshop on "Promotion of Art and Craft". Smt. Sanjogita Dogra, founder of Budha Art and Paintings, and Mrs. Rekha Gupta were the Resource Persons. Smt. Sanjogita Dogra provided the required counselling to the participants and advised them to become job providers rather than job seekers. The workshop was attended by 15 girls from Balika Bhawan, Ved Mandir.
- 13. Department of Environmental Sciences and Green Campus Task Force, University of Jammu (GCTF-JU) in collaboration with Arboriculture and Landscaping Unit, University of Jammu initiated a week-long plantation drive in the University Campus with an aim to enhance the green cover of the University of Jammu. Plantation of ornamental, fruiting, and avenue trees on the campus was carried. Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu and Rector, Bhaderwah Campus was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Faculty members, students and GCTF-JU volunteers planted saplings during the plantation event.
- 14. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a lecture on 'Gender Sensitization among Students to deal with Peer Group: An Analysis'. Prof. Jasbir Singh, Head Department of Philosophy and former Dean Social Sciences, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 15. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Reasi and Ramnagar Campus, University of Jammu organized XIIIth Prof. S C Dube Memorial lecture in the memory of Prof S.C. Dube, an eminent Sociologist & Former Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu. The Lecture was organized on the theme "Modernity, its Rupture and Manifested Reflections". Prof. Ashok Kaul, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, was the Keynote Speaker.
- 16. NSS Campus Unit I in collaboration with Office of Programme Coordinator, National Service Scheme, University of Jammu commemorated Kargil Diwas under the banner of Meri Matti Mera Desh Abhiyanin in the adopted village Purshoti, Akhnoor. As a part of the mandate, various events were organized which included conduction of Mega- Plantation Drive at village Purshoti, Honoring of Ex-service men with presentation of plants by Senior NSS volunteers of the Unit, Panch Pran Pledge taking ceremony at famous historical site Ambaran Buddhist Stupa situated in Akhnoor and also Yuva Portal orientation by Dr. Shallu Sehgal, PO, NSS Unit I

University of Jammu. Nearly 35 volunteers from the unit, people from the village including Sarpanch and Panches of the village and adjoining villages, social workers, retired masters, local men, women and children participated with full enthusiasm. The event was conducted under the mentorship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chairman, NSS University of Jammu, able guidance of Prof. Savita Nayyar, Convenor, NSS Campus Units and support of Dr. Hema Gandotra, Programme Coordinator, NSS, University of Jammu. Volunteers from different departments participated in the event.

- 17. Dean Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized a summer camp for children. Children were trained in Theatre, Painting and Dance by the experts. Mr. Sumeet Sharma (Drama Instructor SW); Ms. Simran Dogra (Painting Department, IMFA) and Ms. Ankita Yadav (Dance Department, IMFA) were the Resource Persons of the camp who inculcated creative skills amongst the participants.
- 18. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu during the period organized the following events:
 - a. Started locker facility to ensure safety and security of the students' belongings. This new initiative will help to enhance their overall experience and convenience while in the library.
 - b. A lecture on the life of Freedom fighter and Social worker Comrade Dhanvantri as part of Dhanvantri Lecture Series-1. Dr. Madhulika Singh, Department of History, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
 - c. An interaction session for all the Library Attendants working in Dhanvantri Library and in different Departments of the University on the topic "Role of Library attendants in the Changing Scenario of Library".
 - d. Induction programme for newly appointed Semi-Professional Assistants to expose them with varied activities, operations, library management software and services provided by Dhanvantri library by deputing them in different sections of the library.
- 19. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu under the newly launched Expert Lecture Series organized an Academic Excellence Webinar (4th in the series) on the topic "Demystifying Machine Learning: Unveiling the Power of Intelligent Algorithms". The lecture was delivered by Dr. Archana Pandita, Associate Professor, Westford University College, Dubai (UAE). Dr. Pandita, in her talk, explored the concepts and applications of machine learning and shed light on its potential to revolutionise the future. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam,

Rector, Kathua Campus in her address said that machine learning has emerged as a game-changing technology and that it is crucial for individuals and organizations to understand its potential and harness its power effectively. She also said that through these lecture series, the Campus aims to bridge the knowledge gap and inspire attendees to explore the endless possibilities of contemporary times.

- 20. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Industrial Webinar on "Entrepreneurship in the Era of Startups" under the Industry-Academia Partnership Series for the students of the Campus. Mr. Sushil Kumar Sharma, founder and CEO of Sustaineco and Former General Manager, Corporate Sustainable Development, NTPC Limited was the Resource Person. Mr. Kumar explored the concept of entrepreneurship in the era of startups and highlighted the characteristics, challenges, potential benefits and opportunities that entrepreneurs face in today's fast-paced world. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus (JU) said that startups have become a driving force in the entrepreneurial ecosystem as they embrace agile methodologies, emphasizing rapid iteration, experimentation, and learning from failures. She also added that entrepreneurship in the era of startups represents a dynamic and transformative force in the business world as it epitomizes innovation, agility, and the pursuit of rapid growth.
- 21. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a Workshop on "Android Development" in collaboration with the Google Developer Group (GDG), Jammu. Mr. Abhinandan Trilokia, organizer, GDG Jammu and Mr. Atul Sharma, Associate Consultant, Infosys and Flutter Expert, GDG Jammu were the Resource Persons. The Resource Persons trained the participants and suggested them to explore the limitless possibilities in the field of Android Development and Flutter Basics. The workshop proved to be an exceptional platform for the students to discover the latest trends, exchange ideas, and learn from esteemed experts in the mobile development domain. Dr Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus emphasized that the Android Workshop fostered a collaborative and inclusive environment where all the participants had the opportunity to network with like-minded individuals. She also added that the team activities and group discussions encourage the exchange of ideas and sparking creativity among the students.
- 22. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus (JU) organized an Industrial Talk on the topic "Future-Proofing your Career: The Impact of Personal Branding and Early Entrepreneurship" under the Industry-Academia

Partnership Series. The lecture was delivered by Mr. Sanjeev Sharma, Director and Founder, Orcanio Technologies, Sydney, Australia. Mr. Sharma highlighted that a well-crafted personal brand can amplify early entrepreneurial efforts, increase visibility, and set the stage for long-term success in the business world. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus (JU) expressed gratitude towards the resource person for presenting an informative lecture to the students of the Campus. She said that personal branding is the art about showcasing the skills, experiences, and values in a way that distinguishes one from the others in a specific field.

- 23. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus (JU) organized an Expert Talk under the newly launched Expert Lecture Series (5th in the series) on the topic "Future of Civil Engineering: Modern Technologies and Its Emerging Trends". The resource person was Er. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Chief Engineer (Civil), JKPDC Ltd, Jammu. Mr. Gupta in his talk explored the advancements that are revolutionizing the Civil Engineering field and transforming the way an engineer designs, constructs, and enhances overall safety and performance in the sustainable construction. Further, he added that in the era of latest trends, the smart infrastructures including smart bridges, roads, buildings, cities etc. are relying on sensors, data analytics, and interconnected devices to monitor and manage various systems in real-time. He also highlighted that in today's scenario; Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning are becoming indispensable tools and are being utilized for the safety monitoring and resource allocation of the construction works. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus (JU) in her message appreciated the resource person for inspiring the future engineers of UIET. She said that from smart cities to sustainable materials, the future of civil engineering promises a world of innovation and efficiency. She highlighted that with the growing awareness of environmental issues, future civil engineering projects will prioritize Eco-friendly materials, energy-efficient designs, and waste reduction techniques.
- 24. Department of Geography, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized 15-day geographical tour spanning the length of India from Kashmir to Kanyakumari. This was the first-of-its-kind initiative, aimed to provide students with hands-on learning experiences and a comprehensive understanding of India's vast and diverse geographical landscape, culture, economy, settlements, industries, and natural landscapes.

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25. The Business School, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized a placement drive of ICICI Bank with the aim to provide excellent employment opportunities to the talented youth of the campus. The placement drive was based on a

rigorous selection procedure which includes personal interviews, assessment of the candidate's interpersonal skills through psychometric test, evaluating candidate's domain knowledge, problem solving abilities, communication skills and overall suitability for various roles in the banking sector. Professor Rahul Gupta, Rector, Bhaderwah Campus congratulated TBS, Bhaderwah Campus for taking such initiatives for the holistic development of the students.

- 26. Reasi Campus, University of Jammu organized a one-day Workshop on "Gender Sensitization" for the students and faculty members with the aim to teach and learn about the gender sensitivity and encouragement of behaviour modification through raising awareness of gender equality concerns. Prof. Jasbir Singh, Former Head, Department of Economics and Former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. The workshop was conducted in three sessions including one fully interactive session. Prof. Jasbir Singh explained in detail about gender economics and the concept of gender sensitization in a very effective and lucid way with the help of presentation and interactions. He has elaborated on the understanding of the gender roles, stereotypes and biases that are prevalent in the society and workplace.
- 27. Institute of Music and Fine Arts (IMFA), Poonch House, University of Jammu, organized a captivating workshop featuring renowned vocalist Shri Hemant Pendse. The event showcased the rich traditions of Indian classical music and left the audience spellbound with mesmerizing performances. Shri Hemant Pendse's vast repertoire of bandishes in Khayal music resonated with the hearts of music connoisseurs present at the event. The workshop proved to be a remarkable learning experience for all participants, enriching their understanding and appreciation of the Indian classical vocal tradition.
- 28. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, organized Inter-Departmental Tournaments for the session, 2022-23. These tournaments were played in the disciplines of Badminton (M), & Carrom (M&W). Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Chairman, Campus Sports Committee inaugurated the Inter-Departmental Tournaments, 2022-23 and interacted with the players of various departments participating in different disciplines.
- 29. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:

- a. Government Nursing College, Kathua for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing, course.
- b. Government Medical College, Kathua for imparting instructions in MBBS & paramedical courses.
- c. Government Degree College, Paloura (Mishriwala) to start new subject i.e Environmental Science at UG level.
- d. Government Degree College, Khour to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
- 30. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations of LLB 3 years (1st, 3rd and 5th Semester), LLM 1st Semester (Regular/Pvt), B.Sc. Paramedical (1st Year Subsequent), UG 5th Semester (CBCS Suppl), BA/B.ED Integrated (5th Semester), MBBS (3rd Prof. Subsequent) B.PH.T (1st Prof Subsequent & Final Prof. Regular), MBBS Final Prof (Part 2nd Subsequent), UG (2nd Semester Non-CBCS DDE/PVT), BDS Final (Prof Regular), MDS (3rd Year Regular) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for B. Arch (9th Semester N-CBCS Regular), B.E (6th Semester), Diploma in Museology (1st Semester), UG (3rd Semester Non-CBCS DDE PVT), Reeval (LLB 3 year 6th Semester), Music & Fine Arts (Final Year), Re-eval (LLB 5 Year 9th Semester), B. Tech (2nd Semester CBC PVT), MD/MS Regular, UG (5th Semester Non-CBCS DDE/PVT), MBBS (1st Prof. Regular), Diploma in Yoga (1st Semester Reg/Pvt), MD/MS (1st Prof Subsequent), BBA HM (3rd Semester), MDP Sociology (Re-eval 4th Semester), MDP Commerce (RE-eval 4th Semester), MDP Dogri (Re-eval 4th Semester), MDP Commerce (Re-eval 2nd Semester), PG (CBCS)- 1st Semester (Bio-Chemistry, Bio-technology, Mivrobiology, Chemistry, Geography, Journalism & Media), PG (CBCS)-3rd Semester (Human Genetics, Geography, Psychology, Punjabi) etc.

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- 1. University of Jammu has been designated as the nodal University by the University Grants Commission (UGC) to spearhead the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. This distinction brings great pride and honour to the institution. The University of Jammu has been entrusted with the pivotal responsibility of executing the mandates set forth in the National Education Policy 2020, along with various recommendations and regulations outlined by the UGC. Notably, as a part of the larger initiative, UGC has formed five zonal committees to facilitate the voluntary implementation of NEP across higher education institutions throughout the country. With this new responsibility, University of Jammu will play a central role in creating awareness, arranging programs, and offering guidance to higher education institutions within Jammu and Kashmir to effectively implement NEP, thereby providing a platform to exchange and adopt best practices.
- 2. University of Jammu organized series of "Open House Interactions" on four-year undergraduate Degree programme: Design Your Degree. The aim of this event was to explain to the participants, the transformative potential of "Design Your Degree". Parents and students interacted with faculty members with regard to various aspects of the course. The participants had an opportunity to have one-on-one interaction with faculty members. This personalized guidance assisted them in clearing their doubts and chart future courses of action.

- 3. The 77th Independence Day of India was celebrated at the University of Jammu with patriotic fervour and zeal. A sizable gathering of teaching faculty, officers, staff, students and scholars of the University of Jammu participated in the function. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu hoisted the National Flag at the Fountain Plaza. Prof. Rai, while greeting the University fraternity, saluted the valour, vision, steadfastness and supreme sacrifices of the freedom fighters, which enabled the compatriots to enjoy the much sought after freedom. Prof. Rai called for abiding by the Panch Pran, saying this resolve is imperative for achieving the goal of developed and resurgent India with focus on promoting the country's glorious heritage and legacy. He also mentioned that shunning the slavery mindset is the key to steering this great nation into becoming a Vishwaguru.
- 4. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu chaired the first meeting of Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) for the Directorate of Distance and Online Education. Prof. Rai in his address said that "Online education is a strategic and transformative step taken by the University to reach across regions and nations globally. University of Jammu is the first University in the UT J&K to offer online M.Com and M.A (English) programmes under UGC-DEB regulations 2020 through its Directorate of Distance and Online Education. Prof. Rai

called for exploring the possibilities for engaging faculty resources from abroad as well who shall conduct online sessions. He urged that the study material should be created in such a manner that it generates interest among students and it is important that student feedback is taken to ensure that their concerns, if any, are sorted in real time.

- 5. University of Jammu in order to celebrate the successful landing of the Chandrayaan-3 on the lunar surface organized the following events:
 - a. Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu in association with Department of Physics, organized a Photo/Poster Gallery of all the three missions of Chandrayaan under the theme "Chandrarayan Yatra". Prof Umesh Rai extended his warmest congratulations to ISRO, with a special mention for the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, whose steadfast leadership played a pivotal role in this milestone. Prof. Rai, while lauding the entire team behind this achievement, emphasized the significance of this achievement in pushing the boundaries of exploration and knowledge, marking a new era for India's space endeavours.
 - b. Department of Physics, University of Jammu celebrated the success of moon mission, Chandrayaan-3. Prof. Arun Bharti, Head, Department of Physics, University of Jammu addressed the gathering by congratulating the ISRO team of Scientists responsible for this successful moon mission. He shed light on the history of space missions carried out by India in the past also. He encouraged the students and research scholars of the department for developing creative minds to do extraordinary work in science and technology so that their efforts could be remembered in future. This function was attended by various faculty members, non-teaching employees, research scholars and students of the department.
- 6. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in a significant step towards advancing research methodologies and enhancing academic rigor organized two-days workshop on "Systematic Literature Review and Meta-Analysis" with the aim to provide researchers, scholars, and academicians with comprehensive insights into the world of systematic literature review and meta-analysis. Dr. Jaspreet Kaur, Associate Professor, Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies (VIPS) Delhi was the Resource Person. Participants were introduced to the fundamental principles of SLR, including its purpose, process, and methodologies. With a focus on cultivating a deep understanding of SLR, attendees were guided through the step-by-step approach to conducting a systematic review through various practical sessions and case studies.
- 7. Sh. Alok Kumar (IRS), Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, J&K inaugurated The Kunwar Viyogi Digital Lab established by KVM Trust in the Department of Dogri, University of Jammu. Sh. Alok Kumar said that in today's technologically driven and

digitalized world, this initiative by the Dogri Department in collaboration with the KVM Trust will help the students to equip themselves in emerging as technocrats and gaining benefits of computer-based learnings and hoped that the students and scholars will optimally utilize this advanced facility to progress in their career and achieve new heights. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu lauded the efforts of KVM Trust and signified the importance of technology in literature, translations, Perseverance of literary data and language archives. He further said that efforts should be made to take the Dogri Language to the National /International arena and not confine it to the Jammu region. Speaking on the occasion, Sh. Governdhan Singh Jamwal, Chairman of KVM Trust highlighted many distinctive qualities of Kunwar Viyogi's personality as a leading figure and inspirer.

- 8. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu under Industry Academia Linkage Lecture Series organized the following lectures:
 - a. "Industrialization in UT of J&K" for the students of M.Com. The lecture aimed at fostering a deeper understanding of the potential for economic growth and development in J&K region. Mr. Arshad Noomani, Functional Manager, Directorate of Industry and Commerce Department, Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. Mr. Noomani, shared his insights and perspectives on various aspects of industrialization during the informative event. The discussion highlighted the strategies to leverage the unique resources and capabilities of J&K to promote sustainable industrial growth, create employment opportunities and enhance the overall socio-economic landscape of the UT.
 - b. "Problems and Challenges of Start- Ups in J&K and Scalability Way forward" for the students of M.Com. The lecture series aimed at fostering a deeper understanding of the start-ups viz-a-viz their growth and challenges ahead. Mr. Gagan Jain, Director VKC Nuts Pvt. Ltd. Jammu was the Resource Person.

- c. "Overview of the Banking Industry in Jammu & Kashmir" for the students of M.Com. This session marked another significant step in the department's efforts to bridge the gap between academia and industry. CA Padma Mishra, Senior Manager, Zonal Office Jammu, J & K Bank Ltd. was the Resource Person.
- d. "GST (Goods & Services Tax)" by Mr. Sachin Gupta, State Taxes Officer (IT, DA & EI), Jammu. Mr. Gupta simplified the multifarious procedure proposed under GST and explained it sequentially to the audience. The lecture was inspirational for the students and it ended up with a question-and-answer session.

- 9. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in collaboration with Dean Students Placement, University of Jammu organized Industry-Academia Linkage Meet in order to facilitate the summer training internship programme. The meet aimed to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application by creating a platform for open discussions and idea sharing. Mr. Arun Gupta, President Chamber of Commerce, was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- 10. University of Jammu organized an interaction session for the officers of the University of Jammu with Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar, University of Delhi. Dr. Gupta discussed on the best practices being followed by the Delhi University viz-a-viz various academic and administrative matters which included student admissions, academic policies, research collaborations, and administrative procedures etc. Dr. Gupta has more than 30 years of professional experience and has served in numerous significant Committees and Organizations throughout his career including Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), National Testing Agency (NTA) and University Grant Commission (UGC). Dr. Vikas Gupta shared his vast experience with the officers of the University and spoke at length about the significance of rules and regulations, acts, ordinances, and statutes while making decisions.
- 11. Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu organized an interactive session on the topic: 'Mind Matters'. Shri Rohit Ranjan, BHU Alumni, Ex GE capital, International Faculty, The Art of Living, currently serving as Institutional Program Director, J&K, was the Keynote Speaker. Shri Ranjan elaborated on different techniques of controlling and minimizing the stress and anxiety in day- to- day working. He also gave some tricks and played mind games with the students to help them relieve their stress.
- 12. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized a lecture cum interactive session. Prof. Mamta Sharma, Department of Psychology, Punjabi University, Patiala was the Resource Person. Prof. Sharma shed light on the concept of 'Nasha Mukht Mohalla' emphasizing the importance of creating environments free from the grip of addiction. Prof. Sharma emphasized that the issue of addiction knows no gender boundaries, highlighting that girls are equally susceptible to being affected. Prof. Sharma also discussed the significance of harm reduction approach in tackling addiction by focusing on minimizing the negative consequences of substance used and promoting safer behaviours.
- 13. Department of Journalism and Media Studies in collaboration with the Department of English, University of Jammu organized a day long workshop on "Expression of Creativity in the 21st Century". Dr. Arpan Yagnik, acclaimed TEDx Speaker and Associate Professor, Pennsylvania State University, USA was the Resource Person. The workshop aimed to explore and celebrate the diverse forms of creativity that are emerging in the modern era. The workshop witnessed a vibrant turnout of students, faculty and scholars from various fields of study.

- 14. Department of Journalism & Media Studies, University of Jammu organized an interactive session with Sh. Vishal Bharti, Bureau Chief of United News of India (UNI). Sh. Bharti in his address emphasized that the purpose of research in the field of Journalism is to analyze grassroot issues based on facts gathered from the field. He further said that a field reporter is updated with the overall progress on various issues in the society and has a deeper understanding of the issues that affect the day-to-day life of people. He encouraged media students to harness their curiosity and channelize it into unbiased and impactful reporting based on field work instead of arm-chair reporting.
- 15. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts commemorated Independence Day by organizing a one-day event on the theme: "Many Languages, One expression: India". The programme aimed to highlight the diverse languages and cultures of different regions of the UT of Jammu& Kashmir. The students highlighted the diversity of India by pledging PM Modi's 'Paanch Praan' in different languages of Jammu and Kashmir like Gojri, Dogri, Sharazi, Kishtwari, Hindi, Kashmiri, Urdu, Bhaderwahi and Punjabi. The students expressed their love for their motherland- India by singing patriotic songs in these languages and also expressing their sentiments in write ups. The contribution of the freedom fighter from Jammu who also suffered 'Kalapani' and after whom the central library of Jammu University is christened 'Dhanvantri' was also remembered during the event by the students. Ms. Shruti Awasthi, Regional Director, Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, said that the University of Jammu had been the forerunner in the entire country in promoting the Panch Pran given by the Hon'ble Prime Minister last year when the University organized the grand Panch Pran festival. It is again a forerunner in celebrating the Panch Pran not only in the scheduled but all the languages of the region that aligns with the call of Hon'ble Prime Minister for 'Vocal for Local'. She said, "Such initiatives ensure that these Panch Pran take the country ahead in their letter and spirit".
- 16. Dr. Micha Horacek, Scientist at Department of Lithospheric Research, Vienna University & AGES-Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna Austria called on Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Dr. Horacek is collaborator in the DST-funded Indo-Austrian bilateral project entitled "Stable isotope and endomicrobiome as a marker for origin of saffron in absence of genetic markers". The project aims to assess the geographical origin of saffron using stable isotopes and microbiome associated with the saffron plant. Prof. Umesh Rai during his interaction with Dr. Horacek expressed his keen interest in extending saffron cultivation and also developing GI tags to other products specific to the UT in addition to saffron.
- 17. Prof. Saroj Sharma, Chairperson, National Institute of Open Learning (NIOL) called on Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Umesh Rai

dwelt in detail about the various innovative initiatives taken by the University of Jammu including a four-year undergraduate degree program: Design your Degree and College on Wheels (Gyan Udhay Express). Prof. Saroj Sharma exhorted that in recent years, distance education has witnessed a tremendous surge in popularity, primarily due to its ability to cater to a diverse range of learners, including working professionals, and to those who seek flexible learning options. The Covid-19 pandemic further highlighted the importance of digital learning methodologies and underscored the need for universities to adapt swiftly to the evolving educational landscape.

- 18. Department of Commerce in collaboration with Art of Living Foundation on the theme "Meditation and Mental Health" organized "Har Ghar Dhyan Abhiyan" under the aegis of 'Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav'. Prof. Rajan Salaria, Scientist and Professor, SKAUST, Art of Living Faculty was the Resource Person. The event was attended by the students, scholars and staff of the Department of Commerce, University of Jammu.
- 19. The School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Art of Living Foundation, Jammu organized a special lecture under, "Har Ghar Dhyan Abhiyaan," campaign launched by UGC as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Prof. Rajan Salalia, Chief Scientist at Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology and Coordinator (STC) Art of Living, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh was the Resource Person. Prof. Rajan Salalia emphasized the importance of maintaining a blend of childlike innocence and adult-like intelligence. Drawing insights from ancient scriptures, he discussed different types of learning and demonstrated the significance of mindful listening in enhancing concentration and focus. The audience, consisting of faculty members, students, and research scholars from the School of Biotechnology and other departments of the University, were also introduced to desktop yoga exercises, including eye and super brain yoga, aimed at expanding intellectual capacity, memory and concentration.
- 20. The School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized a one-day Industrial visit to SIDCO, Samba. A total of forty students of fourth semester M.Sc. Biotechnology, Biochemistry and Microbiology were part of the visit. The visit was a part of the curriculum and it aimed to provide the students insight into the real working environment, workstations, assembly lines, advanced technologies and to interact with highly trained and experienced personnel. Such activities equip the students according to the needs of industries also for their future endeavours. Needless to mention, their curriculum includes courses like Bioprocess Engineering, Fermentation Technology, Enzymology, Food Microbiology etc. and therefore, the industries selected were those which would augment the theory courses and their concepts would become clearer. Industries that were visited included Kandhari Beverages, Devan Breweries, Viney Aggarwal industries and Vasak Industries. Industrial trips are highly beneficial for students of Biotechnology, Biochemistry and Microbiology as they provide real world exposure to various aspects of the industry.

- 21. The core group of Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan (UBA), Jammu University Chapter held interaction with the experts of the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP) from the Directorate of Health Services, Jammu to undertake the initiatives under Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Abhiyaan in the villages adopted by the University of Jammu. During the interaction, the objectives of the scheme and the expectations from the UBA members were deliberated upon. Dr. Poonam Mahajan, STO, Dr. Ashfaq and Dr. Pawan, WHO Consultants, Jammu Division and the experts from the Directorate of Health Services desired to collaborate with the UBA team of the University of Jammu to organize activities phase wise under the PMTBMBA, starting with the university campus and then moving to the five villages adopted by the University of Jammu with a mission to make these villages TB free.
- 22. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau, Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized a career counselling workshop on "Plan your future" for the students of Government Degree College, Kunjwani. Dr. Ravender Kumar Tickoo, Principal, GDC Kunjwani appreciated the efforts of Department of Lifelong Learning to organize such workshop for their students as it not only helps students to become independent thinkers but also encourages them to plan for their future as entrepreneurs.
- 23. The Business School, in collaboration with SHoDH (Students for Holistic Development of Humanity Foundation) held an interactive session with faculty, students, scholars, and civil society on the occasion of World Entrepreneurship Day. Mr. Kumud Goel, Director of Headmasters Wellness Zone and TBS alumnus shared the importance of resilience and persistence in entrepreneurship and Ms. Mansi Sharma, Founder & Director, Manu Krishi Pvt. Ltd. and an alumnus of IIT Bombay, motivated the students to explore entrepreneurship as a career path. She also shared her life experience that how she left her job in Mumbai to start a venture that manufactures organic and healthy cattle feed. Mr. Tarun Gupta, Industrial Promotion Officer, Department of Industries and Commerce, J&K was the Resource Person.
- 24. The Business School under its green initiatives organized a pledge ceremony and a lecture on "Plants and Life" along with a plantation drive. The theme of the event was "One Student One Tree". The drive witnessed the enthusiastic participation by faculty, students, scholars and staff, in which more than seventy saplings were planted in and around The Business School.
- 25. The Business School, University of Jammu organized Pre Placement Drive for its students. The drive was conducted by ICICI Bank. Recruiters from ICICI Bank offered Pre Placement Offers (PPOs) to the participants. A total of 14 students from the department received job offer as Deputy Manager Grade 2 with approximately 10 Lakh CTC.

- 26. Department of Philosophy, University of Jammu under the aegis of Amrat Kaal organized a Talk for students of the Master Degree Programme on 'Job Opportunities: Searching for Alternatives'. Dr. Shipra Sinha, Consultant on Economics matters and running a web platform for students preparing for competitive examinations was the Resource Person.
- 27. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Unsung Heroes of Jammu and Kashmir". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Madulika Singh, Sr. Assistant Professor, Department of History was the Keynote Speaker.
- 28. Centre for Women Studies under Gender Sensitization Workshop Series 2023-24 organized 1st Workshop in collaboration with department of Remote Sensing & GIS for scholars and P.G. students of the department. Dr. Hema Gandotra, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 29. To commemorate the 77th Independence Day and under the banner of 'Meri Maati Mera Desh', a zestful Tiranga Rally was organized by the University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu led the rally which was attended by a large number of teaching faculty, officers, students, scholars and employees of the University.
- 30. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu in collaboration with National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD), GOI, New Delhi organized two-days' workshop on "Harnessing Play for Developmental Stimulation and Intervention for children with Developmental Delays and for Enhancing Emotional Well-Being". Ms. Parul Srivastav, Joint Director, National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, New Delhi was the Chief Resource Person.
- 31. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu, as part of their outreach activity and practical programme organized a visit to SMVD Gurukul, Katra to acquaint the M.Sc. students about the management of this highly successful and professionally run educational institute, which is imparting free educational and residential facilities to its students. These students mostly belonging to all sections of the society and coming from different parts of the country are provided with modern education and traditional Vedic values of learning for their holistic development.
- 32. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized an insightful interactive session on the topic "Counselling Skills" for the students of the department. Dr. Vidhu Mohan, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, Punjabi University Patiala, was the Resource Person.

- 33. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu celebrated Librarian's Day with great enthusiasm and reverence. The event was a testament to the importance of librarians in shaping the world of knowledge and learning. The celebration included insightful lectures and inspirational speeches. Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- 34. Department of Economics, University of Jammu under the banner of Unnat Bharat Ahibyaan visited Bajalta Village. All the students of the department interacted with women working under Self Help Groups and visited different houses and enquired about the facilities provided by the government in the shape of loans to start small business by the women and poor families in Bajalta. The women make jute articles for domestic use, print bed sheets, stitch clothes and many other articles which are sold in the local market. A group of students conducted survey of selected households and collected data of each households' profile and availability of basic facilities in the village. These data will be interpreted and submitted to the department for academic evaluation under their course paper on Indian Economic Policy.
- 35. Placement Cell, University of Jammu, is developing active liaison with various industries and companies for placement of students of various departments/disciplines. A placement drive for Semester-IV Biotechnology and Microbiology students was organized by the Placement Cell, University of Jammu, for a pharmaceutical company M/s Akums Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd., New Delhi. M/s Akums represents the largest contract manufacturing pharmaceutical company of India, and deals in the manufacturing and export of formulations in a wide spectrum of dosage forms & therapeutic segments. The company expertises in pharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals, cosmetics & dermatology, and API, and is suppliers to almost all Indian and several multinational pharmaceutical companies across the globe.
- 36. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized internship drive for 4th semester students of its department at J&K Dairy Producers, Producers and Marketing Cooperatives Limited (JKDCUL), Jammu. JKDCUL is a CBBO (Cluster Based Organization) empanelled by NABARD for forming FPO's (Farmer Producers Organization) under CSS (Central Sector Scheme) since 2020.
- 37. Department of Lifelong Learning started coaching classes for upcoming JKSET examination 2023. The main objective of the Coaching programme is to prepare the student community who are appearing in the JKSET examination so that a good number of candidates become available for selection as Assistant Professors in higher education in the UT of J&K.
- 38. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized one day workshop on "Career Management" for the students of Government Degree College, Marh. Dr. Shallu Sehgal, Department of Economics, University of Jammu; Dr. Neetu Dhar, Chief Coordinator and Master Trainer, J&K Dairy Producers,

Producers and Marketing Cooperatives Limited (JKDCUL) and Dr. Rewa Khajuria, Counsellor, EIAB, Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.

- 39. The project-based competition announced by the Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu for the students and scholars of educational institutions of Jammu and Kashmir reached its second round. Twenty-two teams participated in the first round, out of which ten teams have been shortlisted for the second round. Students are required to work on the theme Designing Mahatma Gandhi's Ashram in the context of 21st Century. The problem statement is: "Had Mahatma Gandhi been alive today, what sort of modern Ashram would he have designed?" The project is based on teamwork, having not more than 8 members drawn from various disciplines. In addition, each project group could have 2-3 mentors, who could be drawn from either faculty or members of the civil society. Under this activity, the selected teams shall be funded suitably for creating the physical prototype model of the Gandhian Ashram in present times, provided they reach the final round of competition. The purpose of the competition is to develop the critical thinking among the students and ignite the spirit of creativity and innovation among them.
- 40. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Microbiology Society of India organized a Rangoli competition centered around the theme of Microbial and Viral diseases at Sai Shyam Public College, Gou Manahasa, Jammu. The event was organized as an outreach / extension activity in the border area on the eve of Independence Day. The activity was aimed to develop scientific temper and raise awareness about the significance of Microbiology, Biotechnology and Biochemistry among the students.
- 41. University of Jammu in order to commemorate the 77th Independence Day organized the following events:
 - a. Event & Management Club of Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized a Rangoli Competition to on the theme "India @ 2047". The competition encouraged the participants to explore various aspects, such as technological advancements, cultural transformations, environmental sustainability and societal progress. The competition aimed to foster a sense of imagination, innovation and patriotism among the participants.
 - b. The Girls' Hostels, University of Jammu organized a program "Swaadheenta Mahotsav". A rally was organized in which Swaadheenta songs (Geet), Nukkad Nataks, folk songs and Slogans were performed by boarders, the Provost Girls' Hostels, Wardens and R/Wardens. Various presentations and Display of Talent on the Independence theme made the atmosphere full of patriotic fervor. Several other

programs like Poem/Prose writing, Painting, cultural dance etc, Speech on Swadheenta theme were also organized.

- c. Surabhi Nursery School and Day Care Centre, Department of Home Science, University of Jammu organized a week-long celebration. Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest. In his address, he emphasized that there is a need to sensitize our budding stars regarding National Integration. He said that the aim should be to develop the children holistically and to remove all the prejudices based on caste, colour, creed and religion. He further highlighted that the future of the nation are its children and hence they need to develop stronger feeling of citizenship values. He also initiated the Bal Vatika Plantation Drive in the Surabhi Nursery School, along with faculty members, children, Master's Students and members of the Landscaping and Beautification Committee, JU.
- d. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu celebrated 77th Independence Day based on the theme "Meri Maati MeraDesh -Maati ko Naman Veeron Ka Vandan"in its campus at Janglote, Kathua. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector Kathua Campus was the Chief Guest and Sh. Balbir Singh, Sarpanch Janglote Panchayat, Retired Army Personals and Retired J&K Police Officers were Guest of Honour. The celebration started with the Flag hoisting ceremony in the Campus by the Rector, Kathua Campus after which the national anthem was also recited. "Amrit Vaatika" was also curated by planting 75 native species of the plants by the Chief Guest and retired service personals. '
- e. Bhaderwah Campus University of Jammu came together with the Indian Army to celebrate India's 77th Independence Day in a spirit of unity and patriotic fervor. The collaboration marked a poignant tribute to the nation's valiant defenders and the shared commitment to upholding the principles of freedom, courage, and sacrifice. The joint celebration commenced with a ceremonious flag hoisting, where the Indian tricolor was unfurled with pride by Col. Yogesh Chauhan Commanding Officer Indian Army (4RR) and Dr. Jatinder Manhas, Head Department of Computer Science Bhaderwah Campus accompanied by teaching, non-teaching staff and students of Bhaderwah Campus.

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- f. Reasi Campus, University of Jammu celebrated 77th Independence Day of India with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The function was attended by all the staff members and their family members, students of the Campus and persons from the civil society. The national flag was hoisted by Prof. Sushil K. Pandey, Director, Reasi Campus.
- g. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu celebrated 77th Independence Day of India with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The function was attended by all the staff

members and students of the Campus. The national flag was hoisted by Prof. Rakesh Vaid, Director, Poonch Campus.

- h. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu celebrated 77th Independence Day with great patriotic favour and zeal. The national tricolor was hoisted by Prof. Yash Pal Sharma, Rector Udhampur Campus accompanied by special guests, staff members, students, non-teaching staff and the members of the civil society.
- 42. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell, University of Jammu in collaboration with School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized an interactive Session "Ask the expert "on "IPR Generation and Protection of Intellectual Property Rights". Dr. K. Prasad, Senior Scientist, IIIM Jammu and National Patent agent and Mr. Manik Gupta, Director and Patent Facilitator, Startup Program, Innoverse IP, Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 43. Department of Commerce organized a lecture on the theme "Awareness about Usage of Library Resources". Ms. Azmat Chowdhary, Assistant Librarian, Dhanvantari Library, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 44. A delegation of the Core Team FICCI FLO Jammu-Kashmir Ladakh, the women's wing of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), led by Chairperson Varuna Anand, called on Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of the Jammu University. The meeting centered around the shared goal of nurturing the start-up ecosystem and promoting entrepreneurial endeavours in the region. During the interaction, Varuna Anand expressed her heartfelt gratitude to Prof. Umesh Rai for the successful collaboration with the Institute of Music & Fine Arts for their collaboration in the Art Camp held by FLO JKL at Octroi Post, Suchetgarh. This collaboration has not only enhanced the artistic expression giving great exposure to the young artists and their crafts but also showcased peace and prosperity in J&K and highlighted Suchetgarh as a must visit tourist spot in Jammu. The meeting between FICCI FLO and Prof. Umesh Rai marked a significant step towards strengthening the entrepreneurial ecosystem in the region. The shared commitment to nurturing start-ups and encouraging creative expression sets the stage for promising collaborations that will contribute to the socioeconomic development of the region.
- 45. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu released a book titled "Complex Rivalry: The Dynamics of India-Pakistan Conflict" written by Dr. Surinder Mohan, Faculty Member of Department of Strategic and Regional Studies' (DSRS). The book was published by University of Michigan Press (USA). Prof. Umesh Rai was glad to see this accomplishment and motivated the faculty to keep on doing good work and take more such initiatives to publish research works from internationally reputed publishers, primarily from University Presses.

- 46. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu released the translation of the book "Asfar-e-Shohab written by Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik, Principal, IMFA and Former Head, Department of Urdu. The book has been translated into Kashmiri by Pyare Hatash, a well-known Kashmiri writer and Sahitya Academy Award winner, and has been published by Qasmi Qutub Khana, Jammu. The book is the collection of travelogues of Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik which contains 11 travelogues, including those of Egypt, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Mauritius, besides Lucknow and Hyderbad. The book contains 224 pages. Prof. Umesh Rai lauded the efforts of Prof. Shohab for the promotion of Urdu and described him as a well-known Urdu writer in the country who has authored 20 books in Urdu, which have been highly appreciated in the world of Urdu.
- 47. Dean Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized a lecture on 'Anti-Ragging'. Dr. Vijay Sehgal, Assistant Professor, Department of Law, University of Jammu delivered the lecture with the aim to sensitize the students about different regulations related to ragging. It was attended by a sizeable gathering of Class Representatives, Cultural Representatives, Scholars, members of anti ragging squad and members of the Campus Cultural Committee.
- 48. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu celebrated National Sports Day-2023. The students of Directorate of Sports & Physical Education demonstrated Yoga, Fencing, Pencak-Silat Wushu during the event. An award ceremony was also held in which the prominent personalities of J&K in Sports, players along with Coaches & Managers who won medals for the University in All India Inter University / National/ International competitions for the session 2022-23 were felicitated with Certificate of Appreciation, souvenir Blazer along with University Crest & an award of excellence in the form of memento.
- 49. Abey Kuruvila, Member BCCI, inspected the Cricket ground of University of Jammu for the Ranji Matches likely to be played in the University ground in January 2024. Abey Kuruvilla is an Indian former cricketer and general manager of Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI). He played as a bowler in mid-1990s for Indian cricket team. He was a selector of BCCI.
- 50. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a Campus Placement Drive to provide employment opportunities to the students of Computer Science and Management. The drive was conducted by Code Garage Tech Pvt. Ltd., a leading technology company headquartered in Chandigarh. Mr. Mehakpal Singh (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Ankush Mahajan (Chief Technological Officer), Mr. Dixit Tiwari (Team Lead/Sr. Software Engineer), and Mr. Shubham Dhasmana (Software Engineer) from Code Garage Tech Pvt. Ltd. Chandigarh conducted the interviews of the students. The placement drive aimed to identify and recruit exceptional talent from the B.Tech/M.Tech/BCA/MCA/MBA student pool, targeting two prominent roles including Software Engineers and Business Development Executives. The placement drive witnessed enthusiastic

participation from the students of UIET, MCA (Kathua Campus), MBSCET, GDC Kathua, Chandigarh University, SAI College of Engineering and Technology and Bhargava College of Engineering and Technology. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message appreciated the efforts of faculty of UIET for conducting the impactful placement drive for the students. She stressed that such collaboration bridges the gap between academia and industry, enabling the students to embark on promising careers.

- 51. University Institute of Engineering & Technology, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu under the Expert Lecture Series organized an Expert Talk (6th in the series) on the topic "Bulk Heterojunction: A New Class of Solar Cells". Dr. Dinesh Pathak, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago was the Resource Person. Dr. Pathak has also been awarded with Rising star award and International Union of crystallography award by Asian and Chinese crystallography society in Beijing City, China. Dr. Pathak discussed that bulk heterojunction solar cells present a promising avenue for advancing solar energy technology. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus in her message eulogized the resource person for sparing his time and interacting with the students of Kathua Campus. She urged everyone to support and contribute to the progress of bulk heterojunction solar cells and other renewable energy solutions. She said that by working together, it is possible to usher a brighter, cleaner, and more sustainable future for generations to come.
- 52. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Induction cum Motivational lecture (7th in the series) under Expert Lecture series on the topic "Personality Development". Mr. Ajay Sharma, Chartered Accountant, Kathua was the Resource Person. Mr. Sharma emphasized about the significance of self-awareness and self-reflection. He engaged the audience with interactive exercises and thought-provoking anecdotes and guided them towards gaining deeper insights into their own motivations, strengths, and weaknesses. He further discussed about the key components of personality including traits, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviours. He also explained the interplay between genetic factors and environmental influences in shaping an individual's unique character. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus said that everyone should overcome limiting beliefs and embrace the changes coming in daily life. She also added that one should learn the strategies to foster a growth mindset and harness their potential for continuous learning and self-improvement.
- 53. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Forest Department, Kathua and Department of Social Forestry, Kathua under the newly launched campaign of the Government of India "Meri Maati Mera Desh: Maati ko Naman, Veeron ka Vandan" organized One Week Plantation Drive. This noble endeavour witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, faculty, and community members. The core essence of the campaign revolved around connecting individuals with their roots and nurturing a deep-seated reverence for the mother land. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Kilam said

that the aim of Plantation Drive at Campus was to encourage widespread afforestation for environmental sustainability. She further stressed that Kathua Campus is always working with determination to promote ecological well-being and this initiative stands as a shining beacon of hope and uniting individuals towards a common goal of Green India.

- 54. University Institute of Engineering and Technology, Kathua Campus organized a tree talk titled "Heritage Trees and Sacred Groves" under the Green Campus Initiative. Sh. Om Prakash Vidyarthi (IFoS), Retd. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (J&K) was the Resource Person. Sh. Vidyarthi is a member of J&K Biodiversity and Wild Life Board and was also awarded with Sahitya Akademi Award-2002. He also authored more than 50 books. The event was aimed to raise awareness about the importance of preserving our natural heritage and fostering a deeper connection to the environment. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus admired the Resource Person for engrossing everyone in the captivating world of the natural wonders, exploring their significance, ecological importance, and cultural heritage.
- 55. University Institute of Engineering and Technology, Kathua Campus concluded its highly successful one-week plantation drive with a spectacular valedictory ceremony, showcasing the institution's commitment to environmental conservation and sustainable practices. The event witnessed the participation of esteemed guests including the Chief Guest Prof. R. D. Sharma, Former Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and Founding Rector Kathua Campus; Guest of Honour, Prof. Meena Sharma, Dean Planning, University of Jammu and Former Rector, Kathua Campus; Special Guest, Prof. Rakesh Vaid, Director, Poonch Campus (JU); Keynote Speaker, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Chief Engineer, JKPDC Ltd, Jammu. The programme also included a series of engaging activities aimed at fostering environmental awareness among students and the larger community. As part of the celebration, amidst the rusting leaves, all the guests united and nurtured the earth by planting saplings hoping for greener tomorrow. The invited guests also visited various gardens prepared by the students within campus which emphasize the importance of green spaces and biodiversity.
- 56. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu celebrated Independence Day under the newly launched campaign of the Government of India "Meri Maati Mera Desh- Mitti ko Naman Veeron ko Vandan". The campus was alive with patriotic spirit as students, faculty, and staff joined hands to celebrate 77th Independence Day of India with fervor and enthusiasm. A Tiranga Rally and captivating cultural performances that showcased the rich and diverse tapestry of India's cultural heritage were also organized. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu congratulated everyone on the 77th Independence Day and emphasized the importance of education, innovation, and responsibility in building a prosperous and harmonious India. She added that Kathua Campus demonstrated its unwavering commitment to the country by organizing the event that encapsulated the essence of India's independence struggle and stressed that the institution remains committed to nurturing young minds that are not only

equipped with technical skills but are also imbued with a deep sense of civic duty and national pride.

- 57. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized National Sports Day showcasing an exhilarating display of athleticism and camaraderie. The day is celebrated to commemorate Major Dhyan Chand, a true sporting hero, who has left an indelible mark on the world of sports, particularly in the field of hockey. The National Sports Day celebration at UIET underscored the institution's commitment to holistic education by promoting physical fitness, mental agility, and social interaction. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message expressed her happiness to see the enthusiasm and passion exhibited by our students during the National Sports Day celebration. She said that these events provide a valuable platform for students to showcase their talents, build friendships, and learn important life skills such as teamwork, discipline, and resilience.
- 58. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu commenced a Two Week Stationery Donation Drive-II aimed at providing essential learning tools to underprivileged children of the adopted village Kathera. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that this initiative reflects our commitment for bridging educational gaps and fostering a brighter future for children who lack access to basic learning resources. She further added that education is the cornerstone of a thriving society, and every child deserves the opportunity to learn and grow.
- 59. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu established a Research Lab fully equipped with AR VR technologies sponsored by Department of Science & technology (DST), Government of India. This technology has a wide range of applications in Medical Sciences, Tourism and Human Emotions etc. The engineers nominated by DST from Bhopal visited the Bhaderwah campus and supported all technicalities.
- 60. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Students for Holistic Development of Humanity Foundation (SHoDH) organized a seminar on "'Entrepreneurship Development in Jammu and Kashmir' to celebrate World Entrepreneurship Day 2023. Bhaderwah Campus invited people from Civil administration, Banks, Universities, DIC, JKEDI, DE&CC, local entrepreneurs and all the stakeholders involved in developing and boosting entrepreneurship in the region especially young entrepreneurs in the seminar.
- 61. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Horticulture Department Chandak, Poonch in a remarkable effort to promote environmental sustainability and community engagement organized a highly successful plantation drive under the banner of "Mere Matti Mera Desh" initiative. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, faculty members and non-teaching staff members of the campus.

- 62. In an effort to show love, care and protection for the vegetation and environment, Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu on the eve of Raksha Bandhan, celebrated Green Rakshabandhan (Vriksha-bandhan) with the school children of village Garnai-Lotta Govt. schools under the banner of "Green Rakhi". As part of the best practices, young and artistic students added a special touch to the occasion by preparing Green Rakhis (Sacred protection thread) out of flowers and leaves as part of their enthusiastic celebration of Rakshabandhan. The idea behind the unique approach of commemorating Raksha-bandhanasvriksha-bandhan was to make a pledge to the trees that they would be protected and cared just as humans are protected and fed by them. Students respectfully tied sacred Rakhi thread on trees to disseminate the message to mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) as well as "Save and protect the Environment for future security", and to show their affection and relationship with the environment.
- 63. As part of the Green J&K Drive 2023–24, which was envisioned and started by the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of J&K, Sh. Manoj Sinha at IIM Jammu, a plantation drive was organized by the J&K forest department in collaboration with Udhampur Campus (Garnai-Lotta), University of Jammu. The plantation drive was attended by representatives of the J&K Forest Department and other governmental organizations, and it was live streamed. On the occasion, saplings of a variety of plants, including Amla, Guava, Arjun, Harad, Jamun, Neem, etc., were planted on the Udhampur Campus. The Green J&K initiative seeks to advance sustainable living by preserving, safeguarding, and restoring, rewilding, and reclaiming the natural bioresources of the world.
- 64. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - I. Mahant Bachittar Singh College of Engineering & Technology, Jammu to start new subject i.e Civil Engineering at UG level.
 - II. Government Girdhari Lal Dogra memorial Degree College, Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
 - III. Government Degree College Kathua to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
 - IV. Government Degree College, Vijaypur Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
 - V. Government Degree College Kunjwani/Sainik Colony Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
 - VI. Government Degree College, R.S. Pura Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.

- VII. Government Degree College, Bishnah Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
- VIII. Government Degree College, Neeli Nallah Hiranagar for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - IX. Government Degree College, Chenani for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - X. Government Degree College, Neeli Nallah Hiranagar to start new subject i.e. Environmental Science at UG level.
 - XI. Muqaddas Degree College, Mendhar for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- XII. Government Degree College, Mandi for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- XIII. Government Degree College, Surankote for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- XIV. Government Degree College, Majalta for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- 65. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations UG 6th Semester (NCBCS DDE/Pvt.), MDS 1st Year (Subsequent), UG 4th Semester (NCBCS DDE/Pvt.), BAMS (1st, 2nd and 3rd Semester), B.Ed. 4th Semester (Bhaderwah Campus and DDE), MBA (HT) CBCS 4th Semester, PGDCCM (1st Semester), MBA (IB) 4th Semester, B.LIB (I.Sc.) 2nd Semester, LLB (5 Years) 9th Semester (Suppl.), PG Diploma in Human Right & Duties (1st Semester), MDP Political Science (4th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for B. Arch (1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th Semester), UG 6th Semester (CBCS), UG Re-Eval 1st Semester (NCBCS DDE/Pvt.), BAMS (2nd Prof. Subsequent), MBBS 1st Prof. (Reg.), LLB 5 Years 10th Semester (Reg./Pvt.), UG Re-Eval 3rd Semester (CBCS), BE 5th Semester (CBS Reg.), BPED (4th Semester), UG 6th Semester (CBCS), BBA HM (1st Semester), BPHT (1st Semester), BLIB (1st Semester), LLB 5 years (5th and 7th Semester), B.ED RE-eval (3rd Semester), UG 2nd Semester (Pvt.), BDS Final Prof. (Subsequent), MDP Commerce (1st Semester), MCA (5th Semester), MDP Sociology (1st Semester), MTECH (1st and 3rd Semester), MDP Urdu (1st Semester), MDP Hindi (1st Semester), MDP Economics (1st and 4th Semester), MDP Commerce (3rd Semester), MDP History (1st and 3rd Semester), MDP Urdu (3rd Semester), MDP Sanskrit (3rd Semester), MLIB (1st Semester), MDP Punjabi (1st Semester), M.ED (1st Semester), MDP math (3rd Semester), M.Sc. Chemistry (3rd Semester) etc.

SEPTEMBER 2023

1. University of Jammu celebrated its Foundation Day on 5th September 2022. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of UT of J&K and Chancellor, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

On the occasion, the Lt Governor was conferred with Shikshan-Kul Gaurav Samman by Higher Education Institutes of J&K. A citation was also presented to the LG Governor signed by all the Higher Education Institutions of J&K UT.

In his address, the Lt Governor congratulated the Vice Chancellor, faculty members and students of the University on the occasion and highlighted the key role being played by the Higher education institutions like Jammu University in all-round and speedy development of the nation.

"With several landmark initiatives such as 'Design Your Degree' and 'College on Wheels', Jammu University is making an immense contribution to brighten J&K's image globally in research, innovation and economic development," the Lt Governor said.

He said the futuristic approach of the University and the implementation of National Education Policy 2020 have ensured the best academic practices and top-class skilled workforce to meet future challenges.

The Lt Governor impressed upon the higher education institutions and the teaching community to promote independent thinking, creativity, research and new inventions in the campus.

All the inventions of the world, all the institutions that have been formed, all the new ideas that have become possible in the humanities, are products of someone's imagination. The prime objective of every University should be igniting that imagination in young minds, he said.

"Education is the journey of endless exploration and learning. It is the responsibility of teachers to innovatively set up a system in their classrooms to encourage new ideas, provide clear goals and inculcate dedication, confidence, optimism and curiosity for the journey ahead," the Lt Governor said.

In the last three years, our higher education institutions have made efforts to eliminate the barriers that exist between departments, tried to make the curriculum more flexible to promote lifelong learning, and continue to reinvent the classroom concepts, encouraging mentoring rather than teaching, the Lt Governor added.

Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu gave an overview of the key initiatives taken by the university.

University of Jammu also inked a Memorandum of Understanding with IIM Jammu that will help in fostering the advancement in the key areas ranging from teaching, research, and cultural understanding and promoting entrepreneurship, innovation and incubation.

- 2. University of Jammu is the first University in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir to establish a Community Radio 91.2 FM – Dhwani JU which was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT. Speaking on the occasion, Lieutenant Governor congratulated the University of Jammu on the establishment of the Community Radio and expressed satisfaction that like other initiatives of the University, the Community Radio will also go a long way in serving the interests of the students and the community. The Lieutenant Governor expressed satisfaction over the implementation of NEP-2020 by the University in its true spirit. He further added that the last two years of the University of Jammu have been significant as various fruitful initiatives like Design Your Degree have been started by the University and this will go a long way in changing the course of education in India. Referring to the popular programme "Mann Ki Baat" by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, the LG added that the radio can play a significant role not only in propagating the policies of the government but also seeking the feedback from the stakeholders for efficient formulation of the various Government policies. The Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor shared that on the same lines, the programme "Awaam Ki Awaaz"has been started in J&K for efficient administration of the UT. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Umesh Rai stated that the Community Radio Station is a step towards University's 'Social Responsibility.' The Community Radio platform will air various innovative programmes launched by the University under NEP-2020 and will also air programmes related to admissions/examinations etc, the Vice-Chancellor shared. He further added that through its programmes based on social issues and community development, the Community Radio will establish close contact with civil society. Prof Rai further said that the 91.2 FM – Dhwani JU will be run by the students. The University students will work as radio jockeys, content creators and provide other logistic support. This would be done on the lines of "Earn while you Learn."
- 3. In a major development, the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, women, Children Youth and Sports that visited J&K on 1st September 2023, and interacted with various stakeholders has appreciated and endorsed the Design Your Degree initiative of the University of Jammu. It is noteworthy to mention here that the Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor University of Jammu had made a detailed presentation before the visiting Parliamentary delegation at Srinagar on 1st September 2023.

The Parliamentary Committee after taking a comprehensive view of Design Your Degree initiatives of the University of Jammu has appreciated the same and also recommended to the University Grant Commission to include the same into the National Curriculum framework. The report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee which was published on 25th September 2023 reads "UGC should also take up the 'Design Your Degree' initiative of the University of Jammu and look after the feasibility and

promotion. It may review the National Curriculum framework in compliance with the recommendation of the National Education Policy and to accommodate new innovative ideas such as 'Design Your Degree." Commenting on the development. Vice Chancellor extended heartfelt gratitude to Chairman, DRPSC on EWCY&S, Sh Vivek Thakur for recognizing the value and potential of Design Your Degree. Their endorsement reinforces the dedication of the University in delivering quality education that prepares students of the University for the challenges of the future. The Vice-Chancellor expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Chancellor, University of Jammu and Vice Chairman Higher Education Council UTJ&K, Prof. Dinesh Singh for their unwavering support and guidance.

It is also pertinent to mention here that UGC, Chairman Prof Mamdala Jagadesh Kumar during the Akhil Bhartiya Siksha Samagam 2023 at IECC Paragati Maidan, New Delhi has also appreciated the innovative initiative – Design Your Degree Program launched by the University of Jammu and also shared the same on the official UGC Twitter handle. It is further to mention here that the "Design Your Degree" program at the University of Jammu represents a paradigm shift in higher education, empowering students to tailor their academic journey to their individual interests and career goals. Design Your Degree places a strong emphasis on equipping students with practical skills that are in demand in today's growing job market, preparing them for successful careers.

4. Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice-Chairman of the Higher Education Council in the Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory, presided over a pivotal meeting of the council to assess the readiness of universities in the UT of J&K for the implementation of the 4-year undergraduate program, "Design Your Degree," and the forthcoming "College on Wheels" initiative. The meeting was attended by Vice-Chancellors from various universities in the UT of J&K and principals to address critical issues and chart the future course of higher education. Prof. Dinesh Singh expressed the Higher Education Council's commitment to supporting universities in the seamless implementation of the "Design Your Degree Program." He highlighted that this innovative program focuses on project-based learning and will employ a constructive teaching approach, with a strong emphasis on experimental and practical learning. He emphasized that these initiatives are poised to revolutionize the higher education landscape, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and a deeper sense of ownership in students' education. Prof, Singh stressed the need to establish a common pool of resources for the effective implementation of the "Design Your Degree Program." He extended his gratitude to the Honorable Lieutenant Governor and Chancellor of Universities in the UT of J&K for his unwavering support and guidance. Another ambitious project discussed during the meeting is the "College

on Wheels" (JK Gyanudhay Express). This innovative concept involves to journey on a fully-equipped train taken from the Indian Railways to transform learning into a projectbased, problem-solving exercise, effectively treating the world as a university. This train will host 800 girls students and faculty members from across Jammu and Kashmir, earning academic credits based on their project work. This concept draws inspiration from the role that trains and journeys played in the life of Mahatma Gandhi. Professor Dinesh Singh highlighted the importance of breaking down educational boundaries, emphasizing that "College on Wheels" signifies the Higher Education Council's commitment to inclusive and equitable access to higher education. He underscored the significance of maintaining professionalism in organizing this grand expedition. The main objective is to encourage students to interact with peers from diverse backgrounds to exchange ideas. Students will not be charged any expenses during this journey, which is scheduled for mid-November. A dynamic portal/app will be developed for the efficient sharing of information with all stakeholders. Professor Umesh Rai, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Jammu, provided an update on the recognition and support garnered for their educational initiatives. He mentioned that a Parliamentary Board visited Jammu and Kashmir, where he a presentation about these initiatives. The board expressed appreciation for the initiatives and the University's efforts, and they requested a detailed note about the programs. Furthermore, they assured that they would recommend these programs to the University Grants Commission (UGC) for nationwide implementation. Additionally, Professor Rai noted that the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) had also shown interest in these programs by seeking information from the University. In addition to these developments, Professor Rai proposed the establishment of a faculty exchange program among universities within the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. This program's primary objective is to bolster the capabilities and expertise of educators, facilitating the successful implementation of these educational initiatives. To oversee the smooth execution of the JK Gyanudhay Express journey and other related efforts, he announced the creation of a centralized committee, featuring two nominated members from each participating institution. This committee will play a pivotal role in ensuring seamless coordination and the efficient operation of the educational journey. Dr. Yasmeen Ashai, Director of Colleges at the Higher Education Department in the UT of J&K, confirmed that faculty for the "Design Your Degree Program" has been identified, and the remaining processes will be completed soon. She highlighted that this innovative program will empower students to choose subjects according to their preferences. Prominent attendees at the event included Vice-Chancellors Prof. Bechan Lal (Cluster University Jammu), Prof. Qayyum Hussian (Cluster University, Kashmir), Prof. Pragati Kumar (SMVDU, Katra), Prof. Akbar Masood (BGSBU), Prof. Kursheed Bhatt (Dean CDC, Kashmir University), Prof. Irshad Nawcho (Dean Research, Kashmir University), Prof. A.H Moon (Dean Research,

IUST Srinagar), Prof. Naresh Padha (formerly Dean Academic Affairs), Shri Pradeep Singh (Additional Secretary, Higher Education Department, UT J&K), Prof. Alka Sharma (TBS), Dr. Sadaf Shah (Dept. of English), Dr. Sheikh Ajaz Bashir (Principal, Amar Singh College, Srinagar), Dr S P Saraswat, Principal, Govt Degree College Parade, and Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba (Director, Sports and Physical Education).

5. University of Jammu organized a three day induction session on Design Your Degree. Prof. Dinesh Singh, former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Delhi and current Vice-Chairman of the J&K Higher Education Council set the stage and left an indelible mark on the proceedings, his talk revolved around the program's core principle of openness. He emphasized that within this innovative academic journey, traditional reliance on textbooks is unnecessary. Instead, the focus should be on engaging in mind-opening conversations and pursuing intellectual growth through experiential learning. His words resonated deeply with the students, encouraging them to embrace the boundless possibilities of the program. To ignite intellectual curiosity, Prof. Singh urged students to seek answers within themselves and avoid shortcuts in life. His inspiring message underscored the importance of self-driven learning and constant expansion of horizons. Prof. Singh also stressed upon the practical aspects of personal and professional development, emphasizing the significance of strong communication skills in the everevolving global landscape. Prof. Dinesh Singh's talk instilled a profound sense of curiosity and self-discovery among the students, setting the tone for their educational journey within the "Design Your Degree" program. As they embark on this transformative path, they carry with them the inspiration to explore, learn, and adapt, guided by the wisdom of a distinguished educator and visionary, said Prof. Singh. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor of Jammu University, talked about this new course and shared information about the facilities and infrastructure provided to the students at the university. Prof. Shobha Bagai, Director of Cluster Innovation Center at the University of Delhi also met the enthusiastic participants of the "Design Your Degree" program. Prof. Sharma conveyed her heartfelt appreciation to the esteemed guests for gracing the induction program with their presence, underscoring the program's unique educational importance. Prof. Shobha Bhagai then spoke about introducing the structure and philosophy of the program. Drawing from her personal experience of running this course in Cluster Innovation Centre, Delhi University. She eloquently outlined the program's distinctive contours and innovative elements. Her discourse emphasized the concept of hands-on experiential learning, inspiring the students to embrace the essence and spirit of JU's "Design Your Degree" program. Engaging in a heartfelt dialogue with the students, Prof. Bhagai delved into prospective courses and the promising opportunities they offer within the framework of the program. Her words deeply resonated with the audience, as she shared enriching experiences and showcased the success stories of previous graduates.

- 6. Jammu University has taken a significant step towards advancing education in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) through active participation in a four-day faculty development workshop held at the Cluster Innovation Centre, University of Delhi. This transformative event saw the convergence of academia's finest minds, igniting discussions on innovative curricula for higher education. The first session commenced with an address by Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman of the Jammu & Kashmir Higher Education Council, who introduced the workshop's objectives and its pivotal role in shaping the future of education in the region. Prof. Singh's insights were instrumental in framing the discourse around the NEP. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of the University of Jammu, made a presentation about the innovative "Design Your Degree Program." and showcased the university's commitment to aligning its curriculum with the principles of the NEP and providing students with a dynamic and holistic educational experience. Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice Chancellor of Cluster University, Jammu, added to the narrative by highlighting the implementation of the "Design Your Degree Program" at Cluster University. His remarks underscored the collaborative efforts of higher education institutions in the region to foster innovation and studentcentric learning. This workshop exemplified Jammu University's unwavering commitment to educational innovation and its dedication to the successful implementation of the National Education Policy. It provided an invaluable platform for educators and leaders to exchange ideas and insights, fostering a collaborative spirit that will continue to drive progress in higher education.
- 7. On the first day formal class of Design Your Degree 2023 batch of Four Year Undergraduate Program aligned with NEP 2020 had motivating interaction with renowned scientist in his field and founder director of Cluster Innovation Centre, Delhi University Prof. Madam M. Chaturvedi, who spoke to students to ignite their passion and how to give directions to the thoughts and ideas to fruition.

Resonating with inspiration the students of Design Your Degree had a wonderful session with Mission Director, Jammu & Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission Mrs Indu Kanwal Chib. She shared three major focus for students that if they Dream, Plan and Execute with dedication nothing is impossible to achieve. Students had a splendid experience and gave an enthusiastic feedback on a positive note.

- 8. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu organized a lecture on the topic "Understanding Open Educational Resources for Teaching, Learning, and Research. Dr. Shri Ram Panday, Head of DLIS at the Central University of Haryana, Mahendargarh was the Resource Person. Dr. Panday's lecture brought together students, faculty, and professionals from the field of library and information science to delve into the dynamic world of Open Educational Resources (OER).
- 9. Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu organized two-day workshop on introduction to robotics for the teachers of engineering & science streams. The workshop was conducted by e-Yantra, CSE Department, IIT Bombay. Prof. Kavi Arya, D.Phil. (Oxon), Principal Investigator, e-Yantra, and Professor, CSE Department, IIT Bombay, in his virtual address, emphasized the need for hands-on training in the latest technology using the robotics kits designed by IIT Bombay for enhancement of skills in the field of microcontroller programming. He further said that more than 400 robotics labs have been established across the country with the goal of inculcating interest and talent among the young engineers to solve real problems using the latest high-end technology. Prof. Arya further said that e-Yantra is a robotics outreach programme funded by the Ministry of Education and hosted at IIT Bombay. He appreciated the initiative taken by the department in organizing e-Yantra workshop and hoped that collaborations may be worked out in the future with the Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu.
- 10. Department of Dogri in collaboration with Sahitya Academy, New Delhi organized a two-day seminar on "History of Dogri Language and Literature". Dr. OM Goswami, an eminent writer of Dogri was the Keynote Speaker. The Scholars from Centre for Excellence in Dogri presented papers on most unexplored subjects.
- 11. Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage, Jammu Chapter and Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu organized a one-day Rural Heritage Workshop on 'Connecting with the Roots: Gandhian Vision.' Dr. Seema Rohmetra, Director Incharge, Gandhian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies; Dr. Lalit Gupta, Former

Faculty, Music &Fine Arts and Sh. Kripal Singh, Life Member INTACH and an Expert in Heritage Walks and Rural Intangible Heritage were the Resource Persons. Madam Indu Kanwal Chib, Director, Rural Livelihood Mission J&K and Sh. Hemant Sharma, IAS (Retd.) were the Chief Guests.

- 12. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized a two-day Interaction-cum-Environmental Awareness drive during the ongoing Machail Yatra pilgrimage which is organized every year from Gulabgarh to the high-altitude Himalayan shrine of Mata Chandi at Machail Village located at an altitude of 9,705 ft in Kishtwar district of J&K UT. The drive was organized to sensitize the devotees and locals about the importance of sustainable religious tourism including proper waste disposal, conservation of flora and fauna, and protecting the cultural and religious heritage of the area. While interacting with the locals, the team stressed upon promotion of religious tourism while maintaining socio-economic and ecological balance in the area and suggested adopting a holistic approach for environmental management of the area including mass awareness regarding the overall cleanliness and sanitation in the area during the yatra period. The Departmental representatives also talked about the importance of the water bodies in the area and the need for their conservation.
- 13. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu in collaboration with Balani Infotech organized an awareness programme on awareness of e-resources available through Project Muse, a world-renowned collaborative project of Johns Hopkins University Press and the Milton S. Eisenhower Library. Dr. Nikita Wanjari, the Resource Person of the programme gave a detailed presentation about the Project Muse and informed the participants that presently the University of Jammu has access to 800 journals. The awareness session was attended by more than 55 library professionals of the University.
- 14. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM) in collaboration with the Skill Incubation Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC) organized "Tourism Education Confluence" on the occasion of World Tourism Day. Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu was the Chief Guest while Prof Parikshat Singh Manhas, Chairman, JK Board of School Education and Director, SCERT was the Guest of Honor. Prof Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu and Prof S P Saraswat, Nodal Principal, Jammu were the special guests during the occasion.

Sh Ramesh Kumar said in his address that Jammu Division has immense potential in the tourism and hospitality sectors, which should be leveraged by the youth of the region. He was of the view that there is a need to work on infrastructure, soft skills and amenities at the grass-roots level, and that tourism education should be introduced at the school level. He invited the academic fraternity to prepare a road map for tourism exploration and how the tourism services can be improved. Prof Parikshat Singh Manhas in his address urged the young students and aspiring entrepreneurs to understand technology and use social media to their advantage. He said that today is the time for a SMART stakeholder approach where the entrepreneurs and companies are willing to adapt to the new paradigms. Prof. Anju Bhasin emphasised four key strategies: integrate technology with skills and knowledge, enhance the industry-academia partnership, work on an internship model, and cultivate a hospitality mindset focusing on creating memorable experiences. She said the University of Jammu, through its novel initiatives under the patronage of Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, is leading the way to implement NEP-2020 in its true spirit.

Earlier, Dr. Anil Gupta, Director, SHTM in his welcome address raised concerns about building appropriate skills and competencies regarding the tourism and hospitality industry and informed that this event is a step in this direction. Dr. Suvidha Khanna, Associate Professor, SHTM and Event Secretary presented the formal vote of thanks.

During the function, the prizes of competitive event – StartUp fair were also distributed. Jaskiran Kaur, Vaishali Sharma, Rohini Sharma from GCW Gandhi Nagar bagged the first prize. The second prize was also won by GCW Gandhi Nagar which was represented by Sheetal Sharma, Anjali Sharma and Sakshi Sharma. The third prize was won by Kavneet Kour and Kanishka Kapoor from SHTM. In the in-house event the best performer award was bagged by Jasmeet, Isha and Tanvi from BBA—Hotel Management of SHTM.

15. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in collaboration with Anutham Hotel and Amantran Farm organised Management Development Program on "Building Leadership Skill" sponsored by "Yokohama India Pvt. Ltd, Gupta Tyre House, Jammu". Dr. Rinku Sanjeev, Corporate Trainer, Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies, Noida was the Resource Person. Dr. Rinku conducted various hands-on-sessions like 'mobile exchange', 'tower ka power' and various behavioural exercises to enhance the

observation capacity and other skill-sets of the participants. The sessions aimed at understanding self; managing self; managing relationships with others and leading with social skills. The outcomes of the event focused on pillars to improve personal effectiveness to build self for better productivity. Managers thoroughly participated and learnt along with fun element of the exercises carried by the resource person. The event was attended by Prof. Neetu Andotra, Dr. Tarsem Lal, Dr. Jyoti Sharma, Dr. Sunil Kumar, Dr. Rupa Mahajan, Dr. Vishal Gupta, Dr. Sumeet Kour and Dr. Deepti Abrol.

16. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized 3nd workshop under ongoing series for the students and scholars of the department of Hindi on 26th, September 2023. Dr. Shallu Seghal, Faculty, Department of Economics, University of Jammu was the resource person. The workshop began with the welcome address by Prof. Rajni Bala Head, Department of Hindi who spoke about the importance of such workshops, which are much required especially for the students to not only understand about the challenges that women face rather to understand the society as a whole. Further, she said that the status of the women in India has been socially invisible due to gendered roles, there is a social control on women and there is no decision making power in the hands of women which leads to hurdles to women's mobility, access to choices, and social restrictions in every sphere of women's life. She also stressed on the important role of the family and parents in generating gender sensitivity among the children irrespective of gender.

Dr. Shallu Seghal, the key resource person for the workshop, spoke about the relevance of Gender sensitization workshops especially for the students and scholars and said that it is important to acknowledge each other as human being first, and not just by any gender. She also gave the reference of Amartya Sen's idea of development that each and every human being has a certain potential and their development lies in their environment which should be supportive and encouraging. While explaining the gender gaps she gave reference of the data on Female Foeticide, Malnourishment, Domestic Violence, Unpaid Work wherein the disparities that exist are because of the social justifications and biasness towards women that are there in the society from time immemorial. Dr. Sehgal also explained about how the contribution of one gender is quantified due to which the work done by the women is not acknowledged as they are unpaid care workers/farm workers. While concluding she engaged all the participants in an activity to hold a hand and say "I belong to you" to symbolize that we all are one and need each-other's help to uplift each other.

- 17. Department of Home Science (Human Development), University of Jammu organized parent empowerment program on the theme 'Positive parenting in early childhood years'. The program was organized for the parents and caretakers of the young children enrolled in the Departmental nursery and day care center. Ms. Swati Basotra, Founder Ttalk easy take easy, leadership trainer, life coach and motivational speaker was the Keynote Speaker. Ms. Swati in her interactive session elaborated on the need to develop 21st century skills- Communication, Collaboration and Connecting among the young children. She stressed on the importance of spending quality time with children, along with limiting screen time and indulging them in more commonly shared activities.
- 18. The Business School, University of Jammu in collaboration with Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Jammu in its endeavour to build strong academic foundation organized Financial Literacy workshop. The team members of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) headed by Mr. Navjot Singh, Manager, RBI, Jammu interacted with the students and scholars. Mr. Navjot in his deliberation stressed upon the relevance of the workshop to equip students with the knowledge needed to make informed and prudent investment decisions, ensuring their financial well-being in the future. The event culminated with an engaging quiz, where students and scholars had the opportunity to put their newfound financial knowledge to the test.
- 19. The Business School, University of Jammu organized an interaction session for its students with Mr. Sunil Mirza, General Manager(S&D) of The Hindu Group with a focus to apprise the students about the relevance of media, both print and digital, in enhancing the skills and employability of the students by keeping them updated with the contemporary issues to remain relevant. The students found the session quite informative and raised a lot of queries which were duly addressed by the Resource Person.
- 20. Employment Information Cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL) in collaboration with Government Degree College, Kathua organized a career counselling workshop for the students of the college. Prof. Ramni Gupta, Department of Physics and Dr. Harleen Kour, Department of Commerce, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons. The workshop was attended by 80 students of the college.

- 21. Department of Hindi in collaboration with Yuva Hindi Lekhak Sangh, Jammu commemorated Hindi Diwas. Dr. Shiksha Rani evaluated the short story of Kalpana Jasrotia, which was read out to critics and literature lovers in the Yuva Hindi Lekhak Sangh's Goshthis during the past several months. In her paper, she explained anxiety, tension, and depression and their relations to different dimensions and situations prevailing in our society. Two research papers were also presented during the event.
- 22. Department of Hindi in collaboration with Yuva Hindi Lekhak Sangh, Jammu in connection with Hindi-diwas pakhwada organized Kavi Sammelan wherin Dr. Rajkumar, Ashok Kumar, Sheikh Mohammad Kalyan, Pawan Khajuria, Sanjeev Bhasin, Dr. Parshottam Kumar, Rajiv Sharma, Devendra Kumar, Bhagwati Devi, Amita Mehta, Maharaj Krishn Santoshi, Bindiya Tickoo, Arun Bajaj, Hina Mahajan, Dr. Vikram Sahi, Soniya Upadhyay, Mehnaz Begum, Swarndeep, Anila Singh, Tanuj Syal, Iqbal Khullar and Dimple Verma regaled the audience with their poems on different social issues.
- 23. Department of Hindi in collaboration with Kunwar Viyogi Memorial Trust organized 4th Kunwar Viyogi Memorial lecture on the theme "Success Mantra for the Digital Age", a remarkable event that brought together academia, industry leaders, and distinguished personalities. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu introduced the august gathering to the recently launched innovative undergraduate programme "Design Your Degree". He said the "The lecture speaks of the Success mantra in the digital age and this degree is also designed to equip the students to face the changing requirements of the job market". He further congratulated the trust for furthering the cause of promotion of Dogri language and lauded its contribution in donating a digital lab to the Dogri Department. He stressed that it is the need of the hour to align the language departments with technology to ensure they keep pace with the changing times. The Memorial lecture was delivered by the esteemed Rajendra Singh Pawar, a Padma Bhushan awardee and the Chairman and Co-Founder of NIIT Ltd. and NIIT University. Mr. Pawar emphasized the critical link between academia and industry, stressing the importance of integrating technology into education while underscoring the essential role of the human mind in the digital era. The highlights of the event 'Cheten di Lari' was the Scholarship Presentation Ceremony to the meritorious students in the Departments of Dogri and English.
- 24. Directorate and Distance & Online Education, University of Jammu on the occasion of Hindi Diwas organized a panel discussion on the topic "Hindi Bhasha ka Vikas Chunautivan aur Samadhan". Prof. P.N. Trisal, (Retd.) Professor of Hindi, Jammu

University, deliberated on linguistics and traced the origin and evolution of the Hindi language over the years in a lucid manner. He dwelt upon the contributions of noteworthy writers such as Bhartendu Harishchandra, Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi and Premchand. The programme was attended by the faculty, officers, non-teaching staff, research scholars and the students of the Directorate in large numbers.

- 25. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Navigating Open Access and Digital Services: Your Path to Teaching, Learning, and Research Success". Dr. Sanjiv Kadyan, Head, Department of Library & Information Science, Maharishi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Kadyan emphasized the critical importance of adapting to the rapidly changing landscape of information management. He discussed innovative strategies for modern libraries to remain relevant and meet the diverse needs of users in an era dominated by technology. The lecture was attended by all the faculty members, scholars, Students of the department and professionals from the field of Library and Information Science from University of Jammu.
- 26. Centre for Women's Studies in collaboration with Department of Geology, University of Jammu organized 2nd workshop under ongoing "Gender Sensitization" series for the students and scholars of the Geology. Prof. Sarika Manhas, Faculty, Department of Home Science, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Prof. Sarika Manhas in her address spoke about the relevance of Gender sensitization workshops especially for the students and scholars and said that this lecture can be a helpful tool in creating sensitive and inclusive society.
- 27. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized a Book Discussion on the book: "Silent Assertions: Women's Agency in Jammu and Kashmir Politics", authored by Prof. Rekha Chowdhary and Dr. Vibhuti Ubbott, for the scholars and faculty members of the University of Jammu. Prof. Rekha Chowdhary while discussing the main theme of book said that the book provides a comprehensive account of women's involvement in politics of Jammu and Kashmir. She said that the book is especially focuses on "Agitation politics" unique to Jammu and "Conflict politics" in Kashmir, as well as the position of women in this political context. Dr. Vibhuti Ubbott deliberated on the concept of Agency, wherein she mentioned that initially it was a new concept though now it is used as a key concept to understand the role of women in the society. She elaborated in detail on the role of women as Agency in the conflict area of Jammu and Kashmir. Faculty members and Research Scholars from the various departments of the University very actively participated in the book discussion and shared their views on:

women as agency and their visibility. They also raised many queries on the political condition and political issues regarding women in Jammu and Kashmir.

- 28. University Health Centre, University of Jammu in collaboration with Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Super Specialty Hospital Narayana free medical camp for the benefit of Students, Employees, and their families. Dr. Bhanu Partap Singh, a Senior Consultant in Internal Medicine at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana and his team examined more than 80 patients.
- 29. Chairperson Waqf Board Dr. Darakshan Andrabi, Minister of State meets Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor University of Jammu. During the course of the meeting, various initiatives in the field of higher education under the leadership of Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Sh Manoj Sinha came up for discussion. On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor apprised the visiting dignitary about the newly launched four-year undergraduate program: Design Your Degree. The Vice-Chancellor also shared important information about the developments in the University in a brief presentation. The Waqf Board Chairperson sought Jammu University's help in initializing collaborative programs and research projects with regard to the history of the various Sufi shrines in the J&K.
- 30. Placement Cell, University of Jammu in collaboration with the School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized a Placement Drive cross various disciplines. The Placement drive was conducted with the objective of connecting the students with good educational institutes for their employability. On-Campus Placement Drive was conducted by Guru Nanak Institutions from Hyderabad for providing job opportunities to the students who are pursuing their academic courses in Physics, Chemistry, Engineering and Mathematics. Guru Nanak Institutions is a prominent group of educational institutes located in Hyderabad, serves as the flagship institute of Guru Nanak Institutions (GNI). The institute is recognized as a premier technical institution in South India with NAAC A+ rating. The drive saw an overwhelming response from the offsite campuses of University as well as from the main campus of University of Jammu. Many candidates were shortlisted during the drive.
- 31. The students, scholars and faculty of the Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu visited IIT Jammu to witness the exhibition of defense equipment "North Tech-2023", a three days symposium jointly organized by the Northern

Command of the Indian Army, Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) and IIT, Jammu. The North Tech symposium is an event conducted annually by Indian Army and this year it was organised at IIT, Jammu. This event has witnessed a passionate participation of around 200 Industry partners. Defence exhibition in IIT, Jammu has provided an opportunity to the students of defense and strategic studies to witness the critical military equipment. It is important for the academicians to analyze the true potential of advance technologies so that the coordination in theory and practice can be synchronized to achieve the true potential of defense forces as well as the industry.

- 32. University Institute of Engineering & Technology, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in order to promote the vision of entrepreneurship as a viable avenue for employment among the youth in general and students of the campus in particular organized an awareness programme on "Entrepreneurship for Self-Reliant India" under Swavlambi Bharat Abhiyaan. The students of the campus participated in various activities, including essay writing, poster making, quiz competitions, declamations, and slogan writing. Ms. Surbhi Kohli Babma, Owner and Director (Life Skills Scoop) was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that the objective of organizing this awareness programme is to focus on the promotion of the idea of self-employment and to change the mindset of youth from job seekers to job providers. Further, she reiterated that Kathua Campus is empowering youth with the knowledge and skills necessary to become successful entrepreneurs, thereby playing a pivotal role in nation-building. The special guests including Sh. Agninder Bakshi (Executive Engineer, J&K SIDCO), Mr. Rohit Mishra (HR, M/s Varun Beverages Pvt. Ltd), Mr. Brij Pal Singh (I/c Site, M/s Devayani Food Industries Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Shubham Saini (Project Engineer, M/s OPI Pharma Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Pankaj Mehra (Director, M/s Mehra Polyplast Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Abhishek Garg (Director, M/s Micropet Technology Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Tyagi (Site Engineer, M/s Aeroplast Ltd.), Mr. Ankur Rana (Project Engineer, M/s Axiom Foods and Beverages Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Virinder Khosla (Owner, M/s Perma Fixer Corporation), Mr. Nishant Shukla (Director, M/s Ecoearth Bipol Pvt. Ltd.) and Mr. Rajinder Thareja (Proprietor, M/s Satyam Ispat Udyog) shared their experiences with the aspiring entrepreneurs and students of the campus.
- 33. University Institute of Engineering & Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Students for Holistic Development of Humanity (SHoDH) celebrated National Engineer's Day and paying tribute to Bharat Ratna

Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, a prolific civic engineer, educationist, economist, scholar of the 20th century, who made significant contributions in the field of engineering. On this occasion, engineering students of the campus proposed various innovative ideas for the sustainable development. Moreover, a motivational seminar was organized on the theme "Engineers for Vishwaguru Bharat". Dr. Shashank D. Kulkarni from Department of Public Policy and Public Administration, Central University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu opined that the engineers are leaders in driving a country's development, competitiveness, and sustainability. She underscored that the vision encompasses not only economic leadership but also cultural, environmental, and societal aspects, and engineers can be instrumental in achieving these objectives through their skills, dedication, and commitment to progress.

- 34. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in a significant stride towards sustainability celebrated World Bamboo Day. The highlight of the programme was the planting of several bamboo plants in the campus grounds, symbolizing the commitment of UIET to environmental conservation. These bamboo plants will not only enhance the beauty of the campus but also serve as a living testament to UIET's dedication to sustainability. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message expressed her delight at the successful execution of the Bamboo Day programme at campus. She added that the UIET is proud to take this step towards a greener and more sustainable future and we look forward to nurturing these bamboo plants as they grow alongside our students.
- 35. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in a move aimed at transforming lives and spreading a message of hope organized an awareness programme on Human Organ and Tissue Donation. Ms. Anshu Sharma, Consultant (Media/IEC), State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization, J&K was the Resource Person. Ms. Sharma said that there is a huge shortage of organs in Bharat and patients die while on the waiting list as they do not get an organ on time. Further, she said that the transplantation of organs is possible only if there are organ donors available in the country. She also unveiled the extraordinary potential of organ and tissue donation to save lives. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in her message said that there can be no greater service to mankind than donating organs to save another life. She opined that the education and awareness are key to increasing the number of donors and ultimately saving more lives. She further said that by organizing this programme, UIET has taken an active role in addressing the critical shortage of organs and tissues required for transplantation.

- 36. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 5th Extension Outreach Programme on "Fostering Agricultural Sustainability: Embracing Millets, Multicropping Strategies, and Mastering Waste Management" at its adopted village Kathera for showcasing a multifaceted approach to agricultural enhancement and emphasizing the importance of sustainable practices. The program was attended by a crowd of over 600 individuals. In a parallel initiative, the "Stationery Distribution Drive-II" aimed at providing essential stationery to all the students of Government Higher Secondary School, Kathera. This noble effort reflected Kathua Campus's commitment for improving educational access and quality in the community. A moment of artistic celebration unfolded with the release of the song "Chalo Kathera" composed and sung by Mr. Shivraj. The song encapsulates the spirit of unity and progress and resonates the brighter future of students of village Kathera. On the occasion, Dr. Vishal Sharma (Sr. Scientist, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kathua), Sh. Manmohan Sharma (Plant Doctor/JAEO, SDAO Office, Kathua), Sh. Mohinder Singh (Agriculture Extension Officer, Govindsar), Dr. Shashank D. Kulkarni (Agricultural Engineer & Policy Scientist), Sh. Pradeep Sharma (Retd. Assistant Agriculture Chemist, Jammu), Sh. Parshotam Gupta (SDAO, Kathua) shared their invaluable insights on various aspects of agriculture, millets, integrated farming and igniting enthusiasm among the attendees to adopt sustainable agricultural practices. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus (JU) said that Kathua Campus is committed for the upliftment and prosperity of our adopted village, Kathera. She emphasized the necessity of embracing eco-friendly farming methods, which serve the dual purpose of ensuring food security and safeguarding our environment for the wellbeing of future generations. Further, she said the song "Chalo Kathera" embodies the prosperous future of the children of Kathera village.
- 37. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with its partner organization, Froyo Technologies, Noida organized an industrial webinar on "Cyber Security Trends, Threats, and Career Perspective" which was attended by the students and faculty members of the campus. Mr. Kapil Bhardwaj, Information Security Consultant, Froyo Technologies, Noida was the resource person. His enlightened presentation and discussion shed light on the latest trends, emerging threats, and the promising career prospects in the domain of cyber security.

Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that the webinar not only offered valuable insights for the challenges and opportunities in the

field of cyber security but also underscores our commitment for providing our students with holistic and industry-relevant education. She further added that UIET always strive to bridge the gap between academia and industry.

- 38. Faculty of Earth Sciences at the Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, marked a momentous occasion as it celebrated the Foundation Day of both the University of Jammu and the Institute of Mountain Environment. This dual celebration served as a testament to the institution's commitment to academic excellence, research, and its profound impact on the field of Earth Sciences. The celebrations brought together students, faculty, staff, and distinguished guests from various fields to commemorate the rich history, achievements, and vision of these esteemed institutions. The event featured a series of activities and presentations that underscored the significance of this milestone.
- 39. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized an art and craft event wherein the students of department of sericulture demonstrated their artistic prowess by crafting a remarkable array of art and craft items. In a delightful display of creativity and skill, the students have produced an impressive collection of handmade crafts that reflect their dedication and passion for the arts. The event provided a platform for students to not only showcase their artistic abilities but also explore their entrepreneurial skills, as many of the items were available for purchase. Visitors to the exhibition were not only treated to an aesthetic feast but also had the opportunity to support these budding artists.
- 40. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized a captivating painting event titled "Colors of Awareness: Menstrual Health and Hygiene Matters." The event was designed to blend artistry with education, proved to be a resounding success as participants passionately expressed their support for menstrual health and hygiene awareness through their artistic creations. Boarders of both the hostels of Poonch Campus showcased their talents by creating unique artworks that encapsulated the essence of menstrual health and hygiene awareness, breaking down taboos and sparking important conversations.
- 41. Institute of Music & Fine Arts, University of Jammu celebrated Krishan Mahotsava. During the celebration students of IMFA presented Raag Bharav, Raag Bhoopali, Raag Bheempalasi, Raag Desh, Raag Bihag and a Bhajan respectively. Dr. Javed Ansari, an eminent Poet from Mumbai was chief guest on this occasion.

- 42. The Business School, Bhaderwah Campus, University Jammu organized a placement drive for the students of MBA by InsuranceDekho. InsuranceDekho is the insurance arm of the car-selling unicorn CarDekho and is based in Gurugram, Haryana. It is an omnichannel insurance platform that enables its consumers to compare different insurance policies based on their requirements and offers them the best choices available. Interview was conducted by Mr. Vikram Thakur. Head, InsuranceDekho. After a regress first round of interview Mr. Taveel Khan and Mr. Akshit Gupta got selected for on-roll Job at a very handsome salary package. The aim of this placement drive was to bridge a gap between students and the companies by offering job best opportunities in the region.
- 43. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - XV. Prabha Harjilal College of Pharmacy & Paraclinical Sciences, Jammu for temporary affiliation for imparting instructions in B.Pharmacy course
 - XVI. Data Ranpat Dev College pf Pharmacy, Kathua for temporary affiliation for imparting instructions in B.Pharmacy course
 - XVII. SVS Paramedical Course, Rajouri for temporary affiliation for imparting instructions in B.Pharmacy course
 - XVIII. Govt. nursing College, Akhnoor for temporary affiliation for imparting instructions in Nursing Course

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- 1. University of Jammu successfully organized 120th Syndicate Meeting of the University under the Chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai extended a warm welcome to Shri Alok Kumar (IRS), Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, J&K; Prof J.P Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Technical University, Lucknow; Sh Ravi Shankar, Special Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, J&K; Sh. Shadi Lal Pandita, Advisor to Finance Dept, UT J&K & other members of the Syndicate for their wholehearted support to University of Jammu. Prof. Rai in his address elaborated on recent initiatives of the University particularly in creating an ecosystem of Innovation and Entrepreneurship. He also spoke in detail about the recent pathbreaking initiative of University of Jammu i.e. Undergraduate Degree Program-Design Your Degree. The following items were endorsed in the meeting:
 - a. Exemption of fees in Ph.D. courses for visually impaired and orthopedically differently-abled candidates.

- b. To Start the Post Graduate Diploma Course in Intellectual Property Law in the Department of Law from the Academic Session 2023-24 and adoption of Statutes governing Post Graduate Diploma Course in Intellectual Property Law.
- c. To start the Post Graduate Diploma Course in Media and Law in the Department of Law from the Academic Session 2023-24.
- d. Revival of Post Graduate Diploma Course in Criminology and Police Science in the Department of Law from the Academic Session 2023-24.
- e. Research Policy of the University of Jammu.
- f. Adoption of Scheme for Pursuing Two Academic Programmes Simultaneously in the University of Jammu from the Academic Session 2023-24 onwards.
- g. Introduction of Post Graduate Diploma Course in Corporate Law in the Department of Law from the Academic Session 2023-24.
- h. Introduction of Master Degree Programme in Public Administration in the University of Jammu from Academic Session 2023-2024.
- i. Introduction of Four year Bachelor Degree in Hotel Management (BHM) Programme in the Kathua Campus, University of Jammu from the Academic Session 2024-25.
- j. To offer the services of DNA extraction and PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) amplification in the Department of Zoology, University of Jammu.

The recommendations of the Principal & Dean, Government Medical College, Jammu for institution of Endowment Gold Medal in loving memory of Late Dr. Kapila Raina, Associate Professor, Department of Bio-Chemistry GMC, Jammu for MBBS students who secure highest **Bio-Chemistry** marks the subject of was unanimously endorsed Syndicate. The Syndicate meeting was attended by Prof Chandra Bhushan Sharma, Department of Education, IGNOU, Prof Sunita Singh Sengupta, Department of Management Studies, Delhi University, Prof Sangeeta Rani, Dean, Faculty of Social Science, Prof K.S Charak, Dept of Mathematics, Prof Seema Langar, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, Dr Manisha Kohli, Principal, GDC, Bani, Dr Mohd Abbas Shah, Principal, GDC, Marwah.

2. University of Jammu organized the Curtain Raiser of the Startup Fest "Igniter-23" to be hosted by the University in collaboration with J&K Rural Livelihood Mission, Directorate of Tourism, Jammu, J&K Bank and J&K Start-up Association. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu; Prof. Naresh Padha, Convenor, Core Committee, Igniter 23; Ms. Indu Kanwal Chib, Mission Director, J&K Rural Livilehood Mission; Sh Rajesh Dubey, Zonal Head, Jammu, J&K Bank; Ms. Sunaina Mehta, Joint Director, Directorate of Tourism, Jammu; Prof Monika Chadha, Convenor, Press & Publicity Committee; Mr Ayush Mahajan, J&K Startup Association were present on the occasion. Prof. Rai in his address announced that the government has sanctioned more than Rs. 4 crores to promote entrepreneurship and start up culture in the University of Jammu. In the light of this, the start-up policy of the University would be released during Igniter -23. He also ensured that about 150 start-ups with the help of various departments like JK tourism, J&K Bank will be initiated in the coming year of which 5 start-

ups will be launched by Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of UT of Jammu and Kashmir during Igniter-23. The University is following Hon'ble Prime Minister's policy of "Teach to Transform and Educate to Inform" which has brought a paradigm shift i.e. from Job Seeker to Job Provider. The culture of Jammu University is transitioning wherein the students who used to discuss the job opportunities are now discussing their own startup programmes.

- 3. University of Jammu on the eve of 154th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi organized the following events:
 - a. Dean Student Welfare conducted a cleanliness drive under the aegis of Swachhata Pakhwada Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS), 2023 by the UT of Jammu & Kashmir. A pledge was also administered in which it was vowed by the faculty and students that we shall support truth without fear or prejudice, we shall oppose all forms of communalism, casteism and chauvinism, we shall rise above religion, caste, creed, community, language or gender and respect one another on grounds of our common humanity and we will not co-operate with people opposing these values. Moreover, we will not take any steps which would harm our country or ruin its reputation as we are proud to be Indians and we shall work for the unity of India and shall dedicate ourselves to the task of making India a great and progressive nation.
 - b. Girls Hostels as a part of "Swachhata hi Seva", conducted a Cleanliness Drive 'Ek Tareekh Ek Ghanta, Ek Sath' at Hostel Premises. Dr. Chinmoyee, Warden, Sarojini Naidu Girls Hostel discussed about the necessity to keep our surrounding and planet clean. Boarders, staff members, along with all wardens and resident wardens participated in the event.
 - c. Department of Education conducted a massive cleanliness drive as part of the 'Swachhata hi Seva' Campaign. Faculty members, scholars, and enthusiastic students came together for the "Ek Tareekh, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath" initiative. The campus witnessed a transformative effort as the participants cleaned pathways, clogged drains, the garden area, parking spaces, roads, and roadsides. This exemplary endeavor exemplifies the University of Jammu's dedication to a cleaner and greener future.
 - d. Department of Students Welfare in collaboration with Gandhian Centre for Peace & Conflict Studies, University of Jammu with the aim to sensitize the students about the precious teachings of Mahatma Gandhi through experiential manner organized a Short Play Competition on the life & teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. Prof. Mahendra Kumar, Senior dramatist from Chandigarh and Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee, Mr. Anil Tickoo, Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee and Ms. Sunita Pandit, veteran artist were the adjudicators and Dr. Neelam Chowdhary were the Teacher Incharge of the event. Around 200 students from 18 different institutes participated in the event. The teams

presented different scripts showcasing diverse aspects of Gandhian thought and practice.

- 4. Centre for Women's Studies, in collaboration with the Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance (DIQA), University of Jammu, organized an external Gender Audit. Prof. Gurpreet Bal, former Dean and Head, Department of Sociology, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar; Prof. Anil Kumar, Head, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central University of Himachal Pradesh; and Dr. Nancy Mengi, Head, Department of Social Work, Central University of Jammu, were the members of the External Committee. A detailed report of the gender audit was presented by Prof. Vishav Raksha, Convenor of the Internal Gender Audit Committee, in which she explained the various gender-inclusive initiatives taken by the university in academics, curricular activities, and co-curricular activities. Later, the external experts gave their positive commendations on the fair gender balance in the university in terms of students and faculty members. The experts also applauded the efforts of the departments of the University for organizing various gender-inclusive activities like workshops, seminars, field visits, tours, etc. on gender-related concerns. They also appreciated the various initiatives taken by the university, including the framing of the gender policy, the appointment of gender mentors and gender champions, the initiation of the non-collegiate board, the College on Wheels, etc.
- 5. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized "Gender Sensitization" workshop under ongoing series for the students and scholars of the following departments:
 - a. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu. Dr. Sonia Aneja, Faculty, Department of Law, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr. Sonia Aneja in her keynote address spoke about the Legal provisions for women's safety and explained the importance of Gender and Law. In her address, she mentioned how the status of the women since time immemorial has remained secondary, and even in the contemporary society the situation is no better as women lack legal literacy.
 - b. Department of Dogri, University of Jammu. Dr. Bindu Sangra, Faculty, The Law School, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr. Bindu in her keynote address spoke about Gender Justice. Through her presentation, she explained about the law and governance and how through these legal mechanisms, law and order is maintained in the society. She used the Global Gender Gap as an example to demonstrate how, despite several protections, women are still not aware of the fundamental rights that are guaranteed by our Constitution.
 - c. Department of Political Science, University of Jammu. Dr. Monika Narang, Faculty, The Law School, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Dr. Narang in her keynote

address spoke about concept of Gender Inequality and elaborated on the legal provisions for the women. She deliberated on the various issues related to women like Sati system, Dowry system, Sexual Harassment, Cyber Voyeurism, Stalking etc. and also suggested various legal provisions to curb these problems. A large number of students and scholars from the Department of Political Science very enthusiastically participated in the workshop.

- 6. Department of Education under the ages of its Golden Jubilee year celebrations organized the following events:
 - a. Interactive Workshop for Research Scholars of University of Jammu , Faculty and students of Department of Education on the theme "Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology: Educational Experience in Russia and India" by Prof. Svetlana Ryzhakova, Institute of Ethnology & Anthropology , Russia Academy of Sciences , Moscow. The workshop aimed to shed light on the unique aspects of cultural anthropology and ethnology within their respective academic contexts in Russia and India.
 - b. Interactive Workshop for Research Scholars from University of Jammu and students of Department of Education on the theme "Bloom's Taxonomy of educational objectives: Implications for curriculum development, teaching-learning and evaluation". Prof. R.P. Vadhera, Former Pro-Vice Chancellor Mizoram University was the Resource Person.
 - c. Discourse for students of Department of Education on the theme "Designing Research". Prof. Lokesh Kumar Verma, Former Head and Dean, Department of Education, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 7. The Business School, University of Jammu in collaboration with the FICCI FLO Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh Chapter organized a workshop on "Financial Planning for Entrepreneurial Success". Sh. G. Velladurai, IEDS, Joint Director, MSME Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh was the Chief Guest on the occasion. He highlighted the entrepreneurial opportunities in J&K, emphasizing industries including sheep leather and the apple industry. He inspired the students to aim high and take on the journey towards becoming entrepreneurs. He also highlighted the various funding schemes offered by the MSME to support students in launching new projects. He gave valuable insights into the entrepreneurial landscape of Jammu and Kashmir and also shared the progress report of Udyam registrations in the region. CA Samriti Kohli, renowned financial expert and member FICCI FLO was the Keynote Speaker.
- 8. Office of Dean, Research Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, organized a One-day 'Scientific and Technical Outreach Programme'. Professor Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest of the programme. The outreach programme consisted of a series of lectures by delegates of BARC on topics such as Radiation Safety in Health and Environment by Shri R.K.B. Yadav;

Nuclear Reactors by Shri S. Mondal; Food Irradiation Technology: A need of the hour by Shri R.K. Mishra and Innovation and Opportunities in BARC by Smt. Heema Rao. The outreach programme was attended by 170 students and scholars from various science departments of the University.

- 9. International Centre for Cross Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR & HRM), University of Jammu in collaboration with Jammu Sahodaya School Complex (JSSC) organized two-day Management Development Programme (MDP) with the objective of training and developing contemporary leadership skills aligned to the changing needs of schools and the society at large amongst school leaders and principals. Dr. Kathan Dushyant Shukla, Chairperson, Ravi J. Matthai Centre for Educational Innovation, Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmadabad was the Resource Person.
- 10. Department of Journalism and Media Studies in collaboration with the National Translation Mission, Mysore organized a one-week skill development workshop (Indian languages) with the aim to make educational content available to the students of Jammu and Kashmir in local languages. Padamshree Mohan Singh Slathia was the Keynote Speaker.
- 11. Department of Geology, University of Jammu celebrated International Fossil Week. The highlights of the event was Fossil Exhibition, Educational workshops, Student Friendly Activities and Community Outreach Programme.
- 12. Gandhian Centre for Peace & Conflict Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Directorate of Handicrafts & Handloom, Jammu and Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized two-day Handicrafts & Handloom Exhibition "Celebrating Gandhi". Various handmade products of Artisans which includes Basohli Pashmina Products, wheat straw products, Calico printed bed sheets, Kashmiri products, paper quilling, Khadi products, resin art products etc. were the main attraction at the event. More than 40 artisans/cooperatives participated in the event.
- 13. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a talk on the eve of 76th Accession Day of Jammu and Kashmir. The event was presided by the Maj. Gen. (Retd.) Goverdhan Singh Jamwal, a war veteran of Indian Army. The experts for the discussion comprised of Brig. (Retd.) Dr.Vijay Sagar Dheman, International Institute of J&K Studies and Analysis and Shri. Ranjan Chauhan, JKSC.
- 14. Employment Information Cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), in collaboration with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sunjuwan organized a career counselling programme for the students of class 12th. Dr. Harleen Kour, Sr. Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, JU was the Resource Person.

- 15. Department of History, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Maharaja Gulab Singh Research Centre, Jammu organized two-day National Seminar on "General Zorawar Singh: Revisiting his Life, Legacy and Legendary Conquests of the Himalayan Territories". Dr. Karan Singh, former Member of Parliament and Padma Shri Prof. K.N Pandita were the Chief Guests on the occasion. Dr. Kuldeep C. Agnihotri, Former Vice-Chancellor, Central University, Himachal Pradesh was the Keynote Speaker.
- 16. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu in association with Jammu Kashmir Study Centre (JKSC) organized 'Brigadier Rajinder Singh Memorial Public Lecture'. Prof. B. N. Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), PMO was the Chief Guest.
- 17. Department of Environmental Sciences & Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu organized 'Save Tawi Campaign' on the banks of River Tawi during the last day of Navratri festival. The purpose of this campaign was to sensitize public about the importance of keeping Tawi River clean, and the causes and consequences of immersion of plastic and other materials along with the "Khetri" into the River. The students and volunteers were divided into groups and each group interacted with the public and made them aware regarding the harmful effects of waste especially the use of plastic materials and gave them easy solutions for effective management of such type of wastes. The students also collected the materials like chunri, coconuts, pots, plastic waste etc., from the devotees and segregated it, and allowed only the immersion of Khetri into the river.
- 18. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu, celebrated World Mental Health Day on October 10, 2023, with the theme "Mental Health is a Universal Human Right". Prof. Sangita Gupta, Dean of Social Sciences, was the Chief Guest for the event. Students of the department actively participated in various activities such as Mental Health Word Puzzle, Deep-Breathing Exercise, Live Life in Colours, Mental Health Check in, etc. The event saw robust participation not only from the students, scholars, and esteemed faculty members of the respective department but also from the other departments of the university.
- 19. The Business School, University of Jammu organized an interactive session on "Commodity Derivatives Exchange" by Mr. Jay Gopal Goel, Senior Manager Business Development Division, Multi Commodity Exchange of India (MCX). Mr Geol in his keynote address enlightened the students about the nature of commodities and the inherent risks entailed in day-to-day businesses. He delved into the complexities of commodity price mechanisms and the accompanying volatility, offering invaluable insights.

- 20. Skill Development and Career Planning, SIIEDC, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Directorate of Social Welfare conducted four-day short term finishing school course for Government School Children. A composite group of girls and boys from various government schools who are residents of remodelled child care institutions Palash (Children's Home for Boys) and Parisha (Children's Home for Girls) in Jammu, Udhampur and Kathua were given training in life skills by various experts in the area.
- 21. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell, University of Jammu in collaboration with School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu organized thematic lecture on "Managing Intellectual Property Rights and Innovations". Dr. Muqbil Burhan, Associate Professor, Business Policy, Strategy and Entrepreneurship, Chairperson, IIM Jammu's Srinagar Campus and Chairperson, Center for Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Skill Development at IIMJ Srinagar campus and an illustrious alumnus of the School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu was the Keynote Speaker.
- 22. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in collaboration with ICA Edu skills Pvt. Ltd. organized a Lecture on 'Career Guidance' to equip the students with the knowledge and skills needed to make informed career decisions. The Career Guidance lecture featured Mr. Aditiya Sharma, a renowned expert in the field of career development shared invaluable insights on choosing the right career path, setting achievable goals and navigating the job market with confidence. The expert encouraged the students to understand their strengths, build effective resume and learn interview required skills.
- 23. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu in collaboration with Taylor and Francis Group organized an awareness Webinar titled "Fostering Human Progress through Open Research: The Future of Open Access Publishing". Ms. Diksha Awasti delivered an informative presentation on open access publishing, focusing on its significance in advancing human progress. The session witnessed participation from more than 70 library professionals, making it a well-attended and insightful webinar.
- 24. The Literary Club, under the umbrella of Utsaah, the Clubs, University of Jammu, presented a spellbinding Mushaira event, "Andaaz-e-Bayaan". The event turned the Main Campus of the University into a hub of literary and poetic enthusiasm, as students, scholars, faculty, and staff congregated at the mini arena in the heart of the campus. This two-hour student-driven extravaganza aimed to celebrate and promote the abundant raw talent within the University.
- 25. The Music Club, University of Jammu under the umbrella of UTSAAH, The Clubs, University of Jammu paid rich tribute to the musical maestro and actor Late Kishore Kumar on his 36th death anniversary. On this occasion, a musical programme was organized at the University of Jammu. The musical event was attended by music enthusiasts and fans of Kishore Kumar.

Budding singers which included faculty, officers, students, scholars and other employees of the University recreated the magic of the iconic songs of Kishore Kumar.

- 26. University of Jammu was abuzz with activity and enthusiasm as "Utsaah," the Clubs, commenced its celebrations in lieu of the upcoming Foundation Day of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, themed "Badalta Jammu Kashmir, Badhta Jammu Kashmir, Aman aur Taraqqi ki Nayi Tasweer." The Painting Club, Literary Club, Film Club, and Photography Club organized multifarious activities. Dr. Satnam Kour Raina, Professor in the Department of English, Chairperson, "Utsaah," the Clubs, and Head, Department of Psychology was the host for the occasion. The adjudicators for the gamut of events were renowned personalities including Shri Bhushan Kesar (an eminent artist in the field of painting), Shri Jang Singh Verma (a columnist and celebrated artist), Prof. Harshvardhan (Head, Department of Painting, Central University of Himachal Pradesh), Dr. Vikas Dogra (Assistant Professor, GCW, Parade and a photographer of national repute), Ms. Phalguni Katoch (Graphic Designer, Film Maker, and Entrepreneur), and Ms. Bhagwati (Department of Hindi, University of Jammu).
- 27. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized a book release function of Prof. K L Bhatia's book titled "Law and Justice: A Festschrift in the Honour of Prof. K.L Bhatia." Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Shukla, Judge of the High Court of Jammu, Kashmir, and Ladakh, was the Chief Guest on the occasion. He in his address appreciated the efforts of Prof. Bhatia's invaluable contributions to the legal world and his unwavering commitment to justice. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address said that the book "Law and Justice: A Festschrift in the Honour of Prof. K.L Bhatia" serves as a testament to Prof. Bhatia's remarkable journey in the world of law, and the book release ceremony was a poignant reminder of the profound impact he has had on the academic and legal community.
- 28. Department of Punjabi, Jammu University in collaboration with Punjabi Lekhak Sabha Jammu organized a literary function to release a book, "Jammu-Kashmir De Punjabi Natak Ate Rangmanch Da Itihas (1947-2021)" by Prominent Punjabi Writer, theatre artist and film maker S. Bikram Singh. Dr Arvinder Amn, former additional secy. JKAACL was the Chief Guest.
- 29. Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD& OE), University of Jammu organized an extensive Book Exhibition to promote and reinforce the habit of book reading among the students and academic community. The exhibition showcased books of reputed national publishers and covered genres covering textbooks, fiction, non-fiction, general readings and volumes on art, history, culture, communication, personality development, behaviour etc. The exhibition was well attended by the faculty, officers, non-teaching staff, research scholars and the students of the University.
- 30. Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD& OE), University of Jammu under its Non-Collegiate Women Education Board (NCWEB) conducted Brain storming session with the girls

of Jammu. Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Director DD & OE, and Chairperson, NCWEB was the Keynote Speaker. The session witnessed active participation of nearly 300 girls who had passed class 12th and belonged to different areas of Jammu division like Gajansu, Marh, Ramnagar and Kishtwar etc. The students participated with zeal and opened up to express the challenges and aspirations in their educational journey.

- 31. Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD&OE), University of Jammu today organized a guest lecture on the topic 'Career opportunities and Role of Industrialization' as part of the PCP for M.com students. Mr. Arshad Noomani, JKAS, Functional Manager, DIC, Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 32. Institute of Music & Fine Arts, University of Jammu organized a Musical Evening on the theme "Nam Gum Jayega" to pay tribute to the Nightingale of India Lata Mangeshkar and commemorate her Birth Anniversary. Prof. Anupama Sharma, a noted singer was the Chief Guest on this occasion. Pt. Prithvi Raj Sharma, renowned music director and composer; Jang S. Verman, artist, writer, and journalist; Harish Kaila, music composer and President Nami Dogri Sanstha, Jammu, were the special guests on this occasion.
- 33. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a flagship event "Sangacham-2023" for involving and engaging external stakeholders for a mutually beneficial relationship. The major initiatives undertaken by the campus were also showcased during the programme. The programme offered a compelling narrative of the campus's remarkable transformation and its profound impact on the community, celebrating partnerships, innovation, and community engagement. Sangacham-2023 was a testament to the collective efforts that shape a promising future and has left an indelible mark to explore the boundless horizons of collaboration and limitless possibilities it offers. Professor Parikshat Singh Manhas, Chairman of Jammu Kashmir Board of School Education (JKBOSE) and Director, State Council of Educational Research and Training was the Chief Guest. He emphasized the paramount significance of collaboration in navigating the ever-evolving landscape of our world, underscoring the pivotal role that higher education institutions play, not only in shaping the destinies of their students but also in sculpting the communities they serve. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu said that the campus has redefined the educational landscape in this region through innovation, unwavering dedication, and active community engagement.
- 34. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu, in collaboration with Shardeum, organized an industrial workshop on "Blockchain and Web3" for the students of the campus. Mr. Chirag Ravishankar, Community Manager, Shardeum, with was the Resource Person. Mr. Ravishankar not only delved into the fundamentals of blockchain technology but also discussed its real-world applications and the transformative potential it holds. He also encouraged the students to envision themselves as pioneers in the Web3 space, highlighting the numerous opportunities it presents for

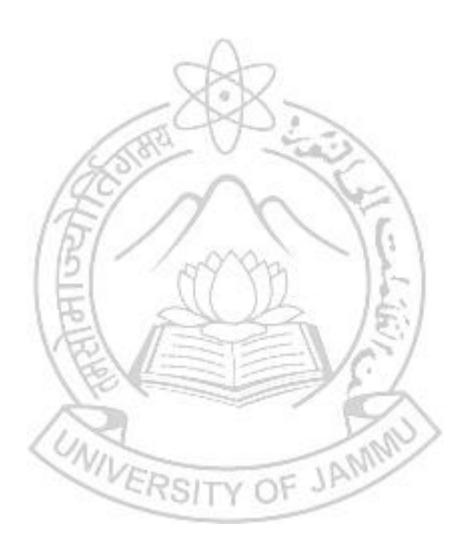
innovation and entrepreneurship. Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu, appreciated the collaborative effort of UIET, Kathua Campus (JU), and Shardeum for organizing the industrial workshop on blockchain and Web3.

- 35. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Indian Army based at Bhaderwah organized five days Youth Festival "SANGAM 2023" with the tagline "Peace and Unity". The Mega event witnessed the participation of more than 500 students and teachers from 24 Colleges. A total of twenty five competitions viz Debate, Sketching, Clay Modelling, Photography, Athletics, Chess, Badminton for girls, Quiz, Painting, Marathon, Volleyball, Kabaddi and Cricket etc were conducted during the five days of Youth Festival.
- 36. Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus in collaboration with Department of Wildlife Protection, Government of Jammu and Kashmir UT with the aim to bring together wildlife enthusiasts, conservationists, researchers, and managers from different parts of the nation organized four day National Workshop on 'Techniques for Wildlife Monitoring in Snow Leopard Landscapes'. Dr. M.K. Kumar (IFS) Regional Warden, Jammu was the Chief Guest of the occasion. He urged the researchers and students to be the brand ambassadors of conservation as the conservation of one species contributes to the protection of many.
- 37. Department of Computer Science and Information Technology (IT) Bhaderwah Campus is making a profound difference in the lives of incarcerated individuals by providing them with essential skills and Computer knowledge through a three-month certificate e-learning course. The certificate distribution ceremony was a moment of pride and accomplishment for both the inmates and the educational institution. The Computer Science and IT program, in collaboration with the District Jail Bhaderwah, is designed to equip inmates with practical skills in computer science, programming languages, software development, and digital literacy. Over the course of three months, dedicated faculty members at the Bhaderwah Campus provided hands-on training and guidance to the participants, empowering them with the tools they need to pursue a brighter future upon reintegration into society.
- 38. Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) appointed Dr. Jatinder Manhas, Head Computer Science and IT Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu as the Secretary of the ACM Chapter Jammu and Kashmir. This significant appointment reflects Dr. Jatinder Manhas's dedication to advancing computing research and fostering scientific collaboration within the region. ACM, founded in 1947, is the largest and oldest international scientific and industrial computer society, dedicated to promoting and facilitating research and communication across a broad spectrum of computing disciplines.

- 39. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized two-day National Conference on the "Role of Social Sciences in Managing Perception and Nurturing Peace in Jammu and Kashmir". Dhananter Singh Kotwal, Chairman District Development Council Doda was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- 40. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Rashtriya Samaj Vigyan Parishad organized two-day National Conference on "Role of Social Sciences in Managing Perception and Nurturing Peace in Jammu and Kashmir". Prof. Chandra Kala Padia, Former Vice-Chancellor, Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Rajasthan was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- 41. Department of English, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Literature and Philosophy: Perspectives in Critical Humanities". Dr. Bijoy Boruah, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 42. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized Inter-Collegiate Chess (Men & Women) Championship 2023-24.
- 43. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - a. BEE ENN College of Nursing, Jammu to start new subject in B.Sc. Paramedical Course.
 - b. Stephens College of Nursing, Jammu for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing and Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing Courses.
- 44. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.Sc. Nursing 4th Year (Subsequent), B.E 5th Semester (Supplementary), UG 6th Semester (CBCS REG/PCT), BA/BED Integrated 2nd Semester (REG/PVT), UG Part 2nd (Pvt.) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for Re-Eval UG 6th Semester (CBCS), Re-Eval UG 2nd Semester (CBCS), BA LLB 5 Years (9th Semester Supplementary), UG 6th Semester (NCBCS) DDE/PVT, BA LLB 5 Years 1st & 3rd Semester (Reg.), UG 5th Semester (Supplementary), B.ED (4th Semester), B.ED 1st Semester (Re-eval), BPED (1st Semester), BA LLB 5 Years (5th Semester-Re-eval), BLIB 2nd Semester (Re-eval), UG 2nd Semester (NCBCS), BDS Final Prof. (Reg.), RE-Eval (MDP Maths 3rd Semester, MDP Sociology 1st Semester, MDP Economics 1st Semester, MDP Commerce 1st Semester, MDP Urdu 1st Semester and MDP Hindi 1st Semester), MDP Political Science (3rd Semester), MDP Economics (3rd Semester-SPL. Exam), MDP Dogri (3rd

Semester), PG (CBCS) results of 2^{nd} Semester (English, Punjabi, Political Science, Sociology, Urdu, Electronics etc.)



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1. In a groundbreaking move, University of Jammu launched historic 'College on Wheels' also known as Jammu and Kashmir Gyanodaya Express, a transformative educational journey that sets more than 700 girls on a unique learning adventure. Aimed at promoting learning beyond the walls of the classroom, the students took transdisciplinary projects which broadened their perspective of education beyond geographical boundaries. The train was flagged off from Katra by Sh. Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor, J&K (UT) and Chancellor, University of Jammu in presence of the Vice Chancellors and Directors of all the Higher Education Institutions of J&K (UT). Sh. Manoj Sinha also released an Information Booklet on College on Wheels "J&K Gyanodaya Express".

The students embarked on this unique educational journey visited the Rashtrapati Bhavan and Parliament House in the National Capital of India and also interacted with Secretary General, Lok Sabha & Lok Sabha Secretariat at Parliament House.

The students during Ahmadabad journey visited Sabarmati Ashram, where they delved into a profound exploration of the life and principles of Mahatma Gandhi. The immersive experience aimed to foster a deep connection with the cultural and historical heritage associated with the father of the nation. Students not only gained insights into Gandhi ji's lifestyle but also actively participated in an interactive session with Sabarmati Ashram's office bearers. This hands-on experience included learning the use of the charkha and the art of weaving a thread, bringing to life the principles Gandhi ji himself practiced.

The students then visited the Mumbai Naval Base and Naval Dockyard in Mumbai and got a briefing on India's naval prowess. The expedition provided the enthusiastic students an extraordinary opportunity to delve into the maritime world, with highlights including a visit to the heritage hall and up-close encounters with INS Vikrant, INS Deepak, and INS Visakhapatnam. The students were privileged to receive detailed briefings about the intricacies of the naval vessels, gaining insight into the cutting-edge technology and historical significance that these ships embody. The immersive experience extended to exploring a submarine, adding an extra layer of fascination to the educational sojourn. One of the standout moments was the contingents visit to the heritage hall, where they absorbed the rich naval history and its glorious ethos. The Naval Base and Dockyard, usually off-limits to the public, opened their gates to the aspiring minds, allowing them to witness firsthand the operations and infrastructure that safeguard the country's maritime interests.

The College on Wheels contingent consisting of students, mentors, and administrative staff then went to GOA and visited the Naval Base and the picturesque Karwar beach in Goa. The day was marked by a warm welcome and an enlightening address by Admiral Ashwani Tikko, and a series of engaging experiences. Admiral Ashwani Tikko addressed the gathering, illuminating a path toward India's future. He expressed happiness over the students from Jammu and Kashmir visiting the naval base, and acknowledged the objective of the journey to foster collaboration and understanding, transcending regional boundaries and strengthening national unity. Delving into the soul of India, Admiral Tikko celebrated the nation's beauty – a vibrant tapestry of languages, traditions, and cultures that unite the country. Diversity, he emphasized, is India's strength. Highlighting achievements of the nation, Admiral Tikko said that India is the sole country to successfully reach Mars, showcasing the nation's capabilities in space exploration and technological advancements. Emphasizing India's impact on the world stage, the Admiral pointed out that leaders of top global companies are of Indian origin, underscoring the global talent and leadership contributions of Indians. In a forward-looking statement, Admiral expressed optimism about the future of girls in the defense forces. He encouraged them to aspire to top positions, envisioning a future where they lead in the defense forces. Admiral Tikko's impactful address served not only as an informative session but also as a catalyst for the students to envision a future where diversity, economic strength, technological prowess, and inclusive leadership propel India to new heights in the maritime domain. The Naval Base also organized a lavish lunch for the contingent, fostering a sense of camaraderie and hospitality.

Following their enriching visit to the Naval Base, the College on Wheels contingent delved into the intricate workings of naval operations at INS Makar. The exploration included a comprehensive tour of the submarines, shiplift facility and naval dockyard, offering students valuable insights into the pivotal roles these components play in the maritime domain. Students witnessed firsthand the technology and expertise involved in the seamless lifting and servicing of ships. The visit extended to the naval dockyard, where students were immersed in the dynamic environment of naval operations. They received detailed insights into the strategic planning, maintenance, and logistical aspects that contribute to the operational readiness of the naval fleet. Throughout the exploration, students interacted with naval personnel, fostering a direct exchange of knowledge. This hands-on experience allowed them to comprehend the multifaceted roles these facilities play in ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of naval operations.

The students then visited renowned Naval Air Base INS Hansa and the prestigious Goa Shipyard Ltd, as part of enriching educational journey. At INS Hansa, the students received indepth insights into the naval air base's operations, exploring cutting-edge equipment and getting an up-close look at fighter planes stationed at the Air Base, including the Dornier 228. The engaging session enabled the students to interact with officials who answered their queries in detail.

The contingent then visited the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) headquarters in Bangalore and got vivid information on the Chandrayaan Land Rover, which embarked on successful journey to moon on August 26, 2023 and India's Satellite Missions.

The students witnessed the precision and dedication behind the remarkable achievement that marked a significant milestone in India's space exploration endeavours. The students interacted with key members of the ISRO team responsible for India's journey to the moon. The interactive session provided a unique insight into the scientific and technological advancements, driving India's space exploration efforts.

Mr T. Subramanya Ganesh, Deputy Director at the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), delivered a motivational talk to students, throwing light on the ISRO and ISTRAC activities. The talk, accompanied by a detailed PowerPoint presentation, focused on the intricate workings of satellites.

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During the presentation, Mr T. Subramanya Ganesh shared valuable insights into ISRO's achievements and the pivotal role played by the Indian Space Research Organization in advancing space technology. He delved into the operational details of satellites, providing students with a comprehensive understanding of their functions and contributions to various fields.

The contingent of students then visited the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bangalore Campus, popularly known as the Tata Institute, ranked among the country's most prestigious institutions, established in 1909. The visit to IISc Bangalore marked a significant chapter in this educational odyssey, offering an unparalleled opportunity for the contingent to engage with cutting-edge research, state-of-the-art facilities, and renowned academic experts. In the heart of IISc, students went round various departments, laboratories, and research centres, immersing themselves in a dynamic environment that fuelled curiosity and collaboration. Interactions with leading researchers and scholars provided invaluable insights into diverse fields, sparking inspiration for the participants' future academic pursuits.

At IISc, a distinguished research university founded 114 years ago by visionaries Jansetji Tata and Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV, students seized the unique opportunity for a productive interaction with senior faculty members. These exchanges offered profound insights into various labs, significantly enhancing the contingent's understanding of cutting-edge research and academic advancements. The students explored facilities dedicated to microscopy and microanalysis, experiencing firsthand the intricate world of advanced research techniques.

Additionally, they engaged with the interdisciplinary Centre for Energy Research, delving into the forefront of energy studies. The visit extended to the Centre for Product Design and Manufacturing, providing insights into the convergence of creativity and technology and simultaneously fostering an environment of curiosity. Interactions with leading researchers and scholars further enriched the contingent's understanding of diverse fields, sparking inspiration for future academic pursuits.

2. University of Jammu in collaboration with J&K Start-up Association, J&K Bank, J&K Rural Livelihood Mission, Mission Youth, Departments of Tourism, Science and technology, and Skill Development organized 'Igniter' biggest Start-up festival of J&K.

The mega event was inaugurated by Lieutenant Governor, J&K (UT) and Chancellor, University of Jammu, Sh. Manoj Sinha in presence of Sh Rajinder Sharma, Mayor, JMC; Sh Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Lt Governor; Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Sh. Saurabh Bhagat, Commissioner/Secretary, Skill Development Department; Sh. Sudhir Gupta, Executive Director, J&K Bank; other dignitaries, guests from across the country. In his address, the Lt Governor congratulated the organizers and the participants of the mega event that brought together various stakeholders and investors on one platform.

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The Lt Governor observed that University and college campuses are known as liquid platform of ideas and the best we can do is to create an environment so that great ideas can be realized. The Lt Governor said for an ideal entrepreneurial climate, it is important to provide facilities like cross-campus collaboration, dedicated work space, mentorship programs, industry collaboration and vehicles for innovation. Such enabling environment and challenges will ignite new innovations and solutions, he added. The Lt Governor said that by unleashing the creativity of the students and budding entrepreneurs, we will be able to ensure high growth rate and direct benefits for Jammu Kashmir and the nation in terms of knowledge products and Intellectual property. The Lt Governor reiterated the commitment of J&K Administration to create a start-up ecosystem and to provide access to capital and other resources, fostering innovation and entrepreneurship, and networking opportunities with other start-ups and investors.

At the mega event to promote start-up ecosystems in J&K, the Lt Governor highlighted the examples of successful start-up ventures from across the world. He also addressed some common myths regarding the new startups. The start-ups and unicorns have seen an increase since 2014. Under the guidance of Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi the Vocal for Local movement has given a huge opportunity to entrepreneurs to realize their potential in the interlinked world, the Lt Governor said. There is a huge potential for start-ups in Tourism, Health, Logistics, Handloom, Handicraft, Horticulture, Agro-based start-ups, and IT enabled services in J&K, he added. He also said that "J&K Admin committed to create a start-up ecosystem, ready to provide access to capital, other resources, fostering innovation, entrepreneurship,

networking opportunities with other start-ups and investors". The Lt Governor directed J&K bank to provide support and financial assistance to startups and incentivize the successful startups.

The MoUs were signed between University of Jammu and stakeholders viz. JK Bank, J&K Startup Association, Department of Science and Technology, J&K, Department of Skill Development for collaboration and knowledge sharing. The Lt Governor released National Innovation and Start-up Policy (NISP) of Skill Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship Development Centre, University of Jammu and launched five other important initiatives to strengthen the ecosystem of startups. The Lt Governor also inaugurated One MW Grid Connected Rooftop Solar Power Plant installed at University of Jammu.

Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu gave a detailed overview of the event and highlighted the key initiatives of the University

- 3. The Business School, University of Jammu has secured the 18th Rank in the Government B-School category released by The Week, further solidifying its status as one of the premier management institutions in the country. This recognition underscores the institution's dedication of delivering high-quality education and preparing its students to meet the challenges of the business world. The Week B-school survey was conducted by the Hansa Group. The Week provides a comprehensive assessment of B-Schools across India, making this achievement all the more significant. Earlier this year, The Business School achieved an impressive 11th rank in Return on Investment (ROI) and a 33rd position among top Government B-Schools in India, as recognized by Business Today MDRA. These accolades demonstrate the school's unwavering commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and fostering the next generation of business leaders.
- 4. In a resounding testament to its commitment for excellence and value-driven management education, The Business School, University of Jammu has secured the 9th position in the prestigious India Today Best B-Schools Ranking for Value for Money (India Today; November13, 2023 Issue). This ranking is the part of 2023 edition of the India Today Group MDRA Best Business Schools Survey in which 273 Management Institutes participated. The India Today Best B-Schools Ranking is highly credible annual evaluation that assesses institutions across the country based on various parameters, including academic excellence, faculty quality, infrastructure, and return on investment for students. The Business School, University of Jammu has consistently demonstrated a commitment to delivering a holistic education experience that prepares students for the dynamic challenges of the business world.

This ranking reflects the tireless efforts of the faculty and staff to create an environment that fosters academic rigor, practical skills development and a strong ethical foundation. TBS has continuously evolved its curriculum to align with industry trends, ensuring that students are well-equipped to make meaningful contributions in their professional endeavors. The institution's emphasis on practical learning, industry exposure and a global perspective has contributed to its success in the India Today rankings.

- 5. The Business School, University of Jammu has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with BSE Institute Limited. The MoU was signed by Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar University of Jammu and Mr. Akhil Chopra from BSE Institute Limited. The objective of the MoU is to implement the skill development programme of BSE Institute Limited supported by SBI and Mission Youth J&K wherein, the BSE will impart a no-cost training to the students of The Business School, University of Jammu.
- 6. Skill Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC), University of Jammu, in collaboration with IIT Bombay organized a Principals Meet and Workshop on e-Yantra with the aim to establish e-Yantra labs in ten colleges across the Union Territory, along with three labs within the University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of the University of Jammu, delivered his presidential remarks, highlighting the significance of Prof. Kavi Arya's visit and the establishment of 25 e-Yantra labs in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. He encouraged the principals and other attendees to actively contribute to the effective implementation of NEP 2020. Prof. Kavi Arya, IIT, Bombay interacted with the principals, emphasizing the importance of establishing e-Yantra labs in various colleges of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir. He discussed the transformative impact these labs would have, providing students with entrepreneurial experiences and better job placement opportunities. A total of sixty participants actively engaged in the workshop, representing faculty members from esteemed institutions such as the University of Jammu, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Baba Gulam Shah Badshah University, and Cluster University of Jammu. The 2-Day workshop was strategically designed to provide an overview of e-Yantra, emphasizing its importance in the coming days. It included discussions on various models and modalities, with four modules spread over two days. Topics covered included the Introduction to Fire Bird V robot, AVR Microcontroller, and Programming environment. The workshop incorporated hands-on sessions, interactive discussions, and networking opportunities, aiming to equip participants with practical insights into the use and handling of robots. The ultimate goal is to initiate skill development programs in the University and various colleges of the State of Jammu and Kashmir.
- 7. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized two-day workshop on "Advanced Research Methods". Dr. Neeraj Kaushik, Associate Professor, NIT Kurukshetra was the Resource Person. The event served as a beacon for researchers, scholars, and faculty members seeking to delve into the latest advancements in research methodologies. The workshop's

comprehensive agenda covered a wide array of topics, ensuring participants gained a holistic understanding of cutting-edge research techniques.

- 8. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Institute of Company Secretary of India organized an extension lecture on the theme "Legal Aspects of Corporate Social Responsibility for the students of M.Com. I and M.Com. III semesters. CS Nitin Gupta and CS Neha were the Keynote Speakers. The Keynote Speakers in their address discussed about the role and responsibilities of the corporate social responsibility committee, directors, and CEOs in filing the CSR. They also familiarized the students with the eligibility criteria for the obligation of CSR under the Companies Act 2013 and discussed the audit procedures and government penalties for non-filing of CSR.
- 9. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized two-day national Conference on "Future of Work: Adapting to a Changing Landscape" with the aim to bring together eminent personalities from Industry and Academia to address the core and related issues on sustainable development. The conference aimed at reconciliation of the economic and environmental goals of the global community. The interdisciplinary conference enlightened researchers, educators, entrepreneurs, and professionals on sustainability from global point of view where environmental, cultural, economic and social issues were discussed. Prof. Alok Kumar Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh; Prof. V.K Shrotryia, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi; Prof. R.D Sharma, Former Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and Noida International University; Prof. Gurcharan Singh, School of Management Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala, Punjab; Prof. Ran Singh Dhaliwal, School of Management Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala, Punjab; Sh. Rahul Sahai, Chairman, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Gagan Jain, Director, VKC Nuts Pvt. Ltd. J&K; Mr. Sandeep Ghunawat, Manager, Financial Inclusion and Development Department, RBI, Jammu and Mohd. Yaseen Kitchloo, IPS, Senior Superintendent of Police, J&K Police Civil Secretariat were the Resource Persons.
- 10. Heritage and Tourism Club (UTSAAH) in collaboration with the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu organized an event "खुशियों Ka कुंभ: A Cultural Fair" with the primary objective of raising awareness about the rich local art and craft traditions of the region among the students of the University. One of the key highlights of the event was a historic tonga ride, which provided a glimpse into the region's history. Further, students and alumni of the University of Jammu showcased their entrepreneurial skills with stalls displaying traditional handicrafts and innovative creations. The event celebrated the creative talents of students, with exhibits ranging from candle making to cane products and bangle crafting. An open mic session allowed participants to share their artistic talents, including singing, storytelling, and personal experiences, fostering an environment of cultural exchange and expression. The event received overwhelming support from the university community and the public, making it a truly memorable event that achieved its mission of

celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the region. The event not only celebrated the vibrant heritage of the region but also provided a platform for students and alumni to showcase their talents and entrepreneurial spirit.

- 11. The Photography Club, UTSAAH, University of Jammu, in association with Canon India organized two-day photography Workshop with the aim to cultivate creativity and skill development among students. Mr. Ramandeep from Canon India was the Resource Person.
- 12. The Science Club, UTSAAH, University of Jammu organized a Public Lecture Series on Science & Innovation for Sustainable Solutions. The lecture series intertwines the knowledge from history, power of data, the wonders of plants for health and the transformative potential of coding skills in entrepreneurial endeavours. The program aimed to instill the culture of inventions and innovation for Sustainable Solutions for future in youth. Padmashree, Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairperson of HEI, J&K UT and Former Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University delivered a lecture on "The World of Inventions & Innovations: Some Interesting Examples" and Dr Sangram K. Lenka, Associate Professor from Gujarat Biotechnology University delivered a lecture on "Sustainable Health Promoting Nutraceuticals from Plants".
- 13. The Music Club and the Literary Club under the aegis of "Utsaah," the Clubs, University of Jammu showcased an array of handpicked scintillating performances in the Mini Amphitheater, within the premises of the Main Campus, as a part of its ongoing Diwali celebrations. The musical evening, themed "Ek Ruhani Shaam Amir Khusro Aur Bulleh Shah Ke Naam" was a tribute to the two renowned poets. Wherein Khusro is known as "the father of qawwali" who enriched Hindustani Classical Music, Bulleh Shah is known for the verse form "Kafi."The intricately curated programme was a huge success as it left the audiences mesmerised. Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University was the Chief Guest and Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu was the Guest of Honour.
- 14. Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD& OE), University of Jammu under its Non-Collegiate Women Education Board (NCWEB) organized a Brain storming session for the girls of Jammu. Prof. Pankaj Srivastava, Director DD & OE, and Chairperson, NCWEB, informed that the NCWEB is an initiative of the Directorate in the University to promote capacity building and design as well as deliver courses to serve the needs of the candidates in the most inclusive manner. The programmes will specifically focus on girls and working women, who are unable to pursue college/ higher studies due to some unavoidable circumstances on regular basis. Through NCWEB, they shall be able to pursue courses on campus on the weekends. The session witnessed active participation of girls belonging to areas of Jammu division such as Reasi, Bilawar, Udhampur, Kathua, Akhnoor etc. The students participated with zeal and opened up to express the challenges and aspirations in their educational journey. Through active involvement and two-way discussion, an attempt was made to identify the

skill and developmental needs that they wanted to acquire in the near future. Some of the courses / areas flagged as a requirement were Communication skills, Financial Literacy and Management, Entrepreneurship, Yoga and Meditation.

- 15. University of Jammu as a part of "Janjatye Gourav Divas" celebrations organized the following:
 - a. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu in collaboration with Tribal Affairs Department of J&K UT organized a One-Day Seminar on "Socio-Cultural Dynamics of Tribal Communities". Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu and formerly Director IIM-Sirmour was the Chief Guest. Janab Mushir Mirza, Director, Directorate of Tribal Affairs Department J&K UT; Dr. Abdul Khabir, Deputy Director, Directorate of Tribal Affairs and Dr. Javed Rahi, prominent tribal writer and researcher were the Keynote Speakers.
 - b. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with The Tribal Research Institute, Tribal Affairs Department J&K organized one-day seminar on "Tribal Rights and Constitution of India". Sh. Mukhtar A Choudhury, Secretary J&K Advisory Board for Development of Scheduled Tribes; Deputy Director, Directorate of Tribal Affairs and Dr. Javaid Rahi, a prominent tribal writer and researcher were the Resource Persons.
- 16. हिन्दी विभाग, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय द्वारा विशिष्ट व्याख्यान का आयोजन किया गया। कार्यक्रम का आरंभ हिन्दी विभागाध्यक्ष प्रोफेसर रजनी बाला ने अतिथियों के विधिवत स्वागत से किया। व्याख्यान में विशिष्ट वक्ता के रूप में पूर्वोत्तर असम प्रदेश की साहित्यकर्मी, अनुवादक और समाज सेवी रूमी लस्कर बोरा ने असम की संस्कृति और साहित्य से अवगत कराते हुए मातृभाषा की महत्ता पर प्रकाश डाला। मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में प्रोफेसर लित मगोत्रा ने कार्यक्रम की अध्यक्षता करते हुए अपनी कविताओं और विचारों द्वारा युवा पीढ़ी को साहित्य की प्रासंगिकता से परिचित कराया। अतिथियों को स्मृति चिन्ह भेंट कर उन्हें सम्मानित किया गया। कार्यक्रम का समापन डॉ. परषोत्तम कुमार द्वारा औपचारिक धन्यवाद से किया गया। मंच संचालन डॉ. बंदना ठाकुर ने किया। व्याख्यान में लगभग पचास से अधिक शोधार्थी व विद्यार्थी उपस्थित रहे। संपूर्ण कार्यक्रम हिन्दी विभागाध्यक्ष के सफल निर्देशन में संपन्न हुआ।
- 17. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized a three-day Pre-Immersion Workshop for the students of Masters of Rural Studies. Ms. Mandeep Kour, Commission Secretary, Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of J&K UT was the Chief Guest. Ms. Mandeep Kour, in her address assured students for handholding for their fieldwork and internship programmes. Ms Sheetal Pandita, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Government of India; Madam Indu Kanwal Chib (JKAS) and Mr. Lakhvinder Singh, Manager IIT Mandi and alumnus of University of Jammu

were the Resource Persons. Other present on the occasion were Ms. Sheetal Pandita, Deputy Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj and Dr Amitash Ojha, Head Department of Essential Skills, IIT Jammu.

- 18. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized the following Extension and Outreach activities:
 - a. Career counselling programme for the students of class 12th of Government Higher Secondary School, Bazar Qasaban, Jammu. Dr. Sandeep Arya, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. The Counselling Session was attended by about 39 students of the school.
 - b. One-Day workshop for Arts students of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Satwari, Jammu. Ms. Neetu Dhar, Trainer for Soft Skills was the Resource Person. The session was attended by about 83 students of class 12th of the School.
- 19. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau, the Career Counseling Cell of Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized one day workshop on "Careers after 12th in Sciences" at Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Bishnah. Dr. Sarabjeet Kour, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Jammu and Ms. Neetu Dhar, Chief Co-ordinator and Master Trainer, JKDCUL were the Resource Persons.
- 20. Department of Education, University of Jammu observed Library week from 14th to 20th of November, 2023 with the aim to promote reading culture that is lacking due to technology as well as appraising the stakeholders with entry and exit culture of the Library. The main focus of the awareness was regarding Library access, Entry criteria for Library, eye card issuance and number of books allotted.
- 21. Department of Education under the ages of Golden Jubilee year celebrations organized Open discussion for students of Department of Education on the theme "Research Methodology". Prof. Saumen Chattopadhyay, Professor, Zakir Hussain Centre for Educational Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi was the Resource Person.
- 22. The Law School, University of Jammu organized a symposium on "Constitution & Gender Equality". Prof. Manju Jamwal, Director, The Law School delivered the Presidential Address. She highlighted the importance of goals of Equality of Status and Opportunity read with Justice to all as enshrined in the The Preamble of the Constitution of India and spoke at length about many gender specific legislations and contribution of judiciary in maintaining gender equality jurisprudence in India. The programme was followed by participation from the students on the said theme of the Symposium. The participants discussed in depth into the

- constitutional provisions on gender equality. The programme was attended by around two hundred students and faculty members of the department.
- 23. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized the 7th workshop under the ongoing series for the students and scholars of the Department of Bio- Technology. Prof. Samridhi Arora, Faculty, Department of Home Science was the Resource Person. Prof. Samridhi Arora in her keynote address spoke on the theme: "Empowering and Nurturing Girls for a Brighter Future".
- 24. NSS Unit V of Directorate of Distance & Online Education (DD&OE), University of Jammu organized Vigilance Awareness program on "Say No to Corruption: Commit to the Nation". Around 35 NSS volunteers, besides faculty, staff & students took Integrity Pledge against Corruption, and also took out a rally around DD&OE campus carrying placards and raising slogans against corruption.
- 25. Department of Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized 'Display Your Talent 2023'. Students from the affiliated degree colleges and university departments were invited to participate in 27 different competitions viz music, dance, literary, fine-arts and theatrical activities. Overall Champion Trophy was won by the Institute of Music and Fine Arts. Overall Runners-Up Trophy was secured by Government College for Women, Udhampur. Overall Trophy for Best Student was awarded to Andrew from Institute for Music & Fine Arts (IMFA); Overall Trophy for Best performance in Theatricals was awarded to Government College for Women, Udhampur. Overall Trophy for Best performance in Fine Arts was awarded to Skanda Sharma from IMFA. Overall Trophy for Best performance in Music was awarded to IMFA. Best Team in Debating was from Department of Journalism & Media Studies, University of Jammu. Overall Trophy for Best performance in Quiz was awarded to UIET, Kathua.
- 26. Dean Student Welfare, University of Jammu in collaboration with Government Degree College Udhampur organized a theatre workshop under 'Training Outreach Programme" to offer training opportunities in performing arts and fine arts to the students of colleges located outside Jammu. Expert Resource Persons from University of Jammu conducted short-term workshops of Music, Dance, Theatre and Fine arts etc. in colleges located at far-off places.
- 27. Placement cell, University of Jammu organized a placement drive for the students of Department of Microbiology and Biotechnology. A food/beverage based company M/s NJ Food Products Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi, was invited for the campus placement drive. The company selected eight students from Microbiology/Biotechnology program for the post of trainee microbiologists for their Samba food/beverage plant.

- 28. Prof. Umesh Rai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu released the Newsletter of the Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu for the year 2019 till 2023, documenting all the activities undertaken by the Centre in these years. The activities of the Centre from 2019 to 2023 are compiled and documented in the Newsletter. The Centre engaged in a variety of activities like Seminars, Workshops, Lecture Series, Outreach, and Extension on various Gender-Related issues for the various target groups both inside and outside the University.
- 29. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu with the objective of fostering innovation and nurturing creativity within the youth of Kathua district organized the 3rd hands-on training on information technology as a part of an ongoing educational series. As part of this programme, students from Government Higher Secondary School, Nagri Parole (Kathua), were given the opportunity to visit Kathua Campus (JU). The primary objective of this visit was to introduce these students to a higher educational institution, broaden their horizons, and inspire them to explore vocational trades, fostering self-reliance.
- 30. Department of Computer Science and IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu under the Expert Lecture Series organized an Expert Lecture on the topic "Leading Digital Transformation" by Dr. Rajat Sharma, Associate Professor of Marketing at Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. Dr. Rajat has Research and Teaching experience of more than 10 years and has also worked on research projects with various ministries, including Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Rural Development and Ministry of Railways. Dr. Rajat Sharma shared invaluable insights and strategies to navigate the complexities of leading digital transitions in today's fast-evolving technological landscape. During his engaging discourse, He emphasized on the crucial role of visionary leadership in spearheading successful digital transformations within organizations. He elaborated on pertinent case studies, industry trends, and emerging technologies, providing attendees with a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the digital sphere. He also stressed upon valuable strategies to navigate and excel in the digital era and throw light on the pivotal role of innovative leadership in navigating and thriving within the digital landscape.
- 31. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 4th hands-on training on Information Technology as a part of an ongoing educational series. The students of Government Higher Secondary Schools of Kathera and Sumwan were offered a distinctive opportunity to immerse themselves in the dynamic realm of Kathua Campus. The visit functioned as a dynamic platform that fostered the exchange of knowledge while delving into student-led projects, showcasing the remarkable creativity and intellectual capabilities of the campus. Throughout the visit, the students were guided on an extensive tour of Kathua Campus, acquainting them with various departments and involving them in interactive sessions.
- 32. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu celebrated Constitution Day with a fervent tribute to the nation's foundational document. The commemoration was marked by an enlightening

lecture delivered by Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu. He underscored the significance of the Indian Constitution in shaping the nation's identity and values. The address served as a poignant reminder of the enduring significance of this guiding document in India's democratic journey. The day's observance culminated in a solemn pledge-taking ceremony wherein faculty members, staff, and students enthusiastically reaffirmed their commitment to the values enshrined in the Constitution by reciting its Preamble. The pledge resonated throughout the campus, echoing the spirit of unity, justice, and equality that forms the bedrock of the nation.

- 33. Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized two-days National Conference on the "Current Scenario & Future Prospects of Sericulture (CS&FPS)-2023". Mr. Sandesh Sharma Additional District Development Commissioner Poonch was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Farooq Baqual, Associate Dean, SKAUST-K was the Resource Person. Notable speakers including Ghulam Nabi Mir, Director All India Radio Poonch; Dr. Musaraf Hussain Shah, Principal GDC Budhal, Rajouri and Dr. Fateh Mohammad Abasi, Head of the Department of Zoology, GDC Surankote graced the occasion with their profound perspectives on the significance of sericulture in the region.
- 34. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu organized an interaction session with Mr. Ghulam Nabi Mir, Station Director, All India Radio (AIR), Poonch. This interaction provided an invaluable opportunity for students to engage with a highly regarded professional from the media industry, potentially opening new doors to learning and growth. Mr Ghulam Nabi Mir extended warm congratulations to the Director Poonch Campus, particularly highlighting Dr. Rubia Bukhari, for their pioneering initiative in Cocoon craft, which has been garnering attention and appreciation. The Station Director also lauded the hard work and dedication of the students involved in this innovative craft.
- 35. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - a. Dogra Law College, Jammu for imparting instructions in BA LLB 3 Years and BA LLB 5 Year courses.
 - b. KC Law College, Jammu for imparting instructions in BA LLB 3 Years and BA LLB 5 Year courses.
 - c. SSVS Degree College, Sunderbani for imparting instructions in Degree courses.
 - d. SVS Degree College, Rajouri for imparting instructions in Degree courses.
 - e. Government Degree College, Sunderbani imparting instructions in Degree courses.
 - f. Himalayan Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree courses.
 - g. Himalayan College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.

36. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for BA LLB 5 Year (4th Semester), MD/MS (Regular/Subsequent), PG Diploma in Yoga (2nd Semester), BAMS (1st Prof), MDP Sociology (2nd Semester), MDP History (2nd Semester), MDP Economics (2nd Semester), MDP Sanskrit (2nd Semester), MDP Hindi (2nd Semester), MDP Commerce (2nd Semester), MDP Urdu (2nd Semester), MDP Math (2nd Semester), MDP Punjabi (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP English (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP Political Science (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP Dogri (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP Maths (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP Economics (4th Semester), MDP Sociology (4th Semester), MDP Arabic (4th Semester), MDP Sanskrit (4th Semester), MDP Geography (4th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for Business Administration (HM) 4th Semester, MDP Dogri (1st Semester Re-eval), MBBS Final Prof. (Part-I Subsequent), B.Ed. Integrated (1st Semester- Re-eval), MDP English (1st Semester-RE-eval), B.Pharmacy (4th Semester), B.Tech. (8th Semester- CBS), BDS 3rd (Prof. Regular), Business Administration 2nd Semester (HM), PG Diploma in Human Rights and Duties (1st Semester), LLM 3rd and 1st Semester (Reg/Pvt), MBBS 1st (Subsequent), B. Pharmacy (2nd Semester), BAMS 3rd (subsequent), MDP Geology (2nd Semester), MDP Applied Geology (4th Semester) etc.

DECEMBER 2023

1. The University of Jammu conducted Academic Council meeting under the Chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof Rai exuded that from this academic session, the University has started a new innovative programme "Design Your Degree", which received commendation from various quarters. The Parliamentary Standing Committee of Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports that visited Srinagar this year, endorsed the Design Your Degree initiative and recommended to the UGC to adopt a similar programme in other Universities of the Country. The Vice-Chancellor further informed that enrolment of University students in "Academic Bank of Credits" has been started and more than 30000 accounts of students have been created. Further, University is ready with egovernance initiatives which include an Employee Management System, Personal Information System, Grievance Management System, Leave Management System, Inventory Management System, Core Communication System, Guest House Management etc, said the Vice-Chancellor. Prof Rai commended all those faculty members/officers involved in ensuring the successful completion of the historic "College on Wheels" journey that had more than 700 girls on a unique learning adventure". Seeking continued and active participation of all the members during the deliberations on various issues related to academics, examinations and research, Prof. Rai said that these matters should be thoroughly examined in corroboration to the laid down statutes and procedures by the various academic bodies for further discussions. During the meeting, around 28 agenda items were presented by Prof Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu. Threadbare discussions were held on each of the agenda items along with the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of the last Academic Council. The Council unanimously endorsed the following:

- a. Introduction of Two Years Master's Degree Programme in Political Science in the Reasi Campus from the Academic Session 2024-25.
- b. Introduction of Tourism and Travel Management subject in the Four Year Under Graduate Programme (FYUGP) as per National Education Policy (NEP)-2020 from the Academic Session 2024-25.
- c. Introduction of Ph.D programme in "Rural Studies" in the Department of Lifelong Learning.
- d. Grant of additional credits to the students of the University of Jammu who participated in the Innovative Project "College on Wheels"- J&K Gyanodya Express 2023.
- e. Adoption of the Sports Policy of the University of Jammu.
- 2. Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice-Chairman, JK Higher Education Council Chairs Executive Committee meeting of Jammu & Kashmir Higher Education Council. On the occasion, various agenda items were discussed and deliberated in detail. In his introductory remarks, Prof Dinesh Singh said that the idea that universities should "bring knowledge to play" often implies that academic institutions should actively engage with society, industry, and various sectors to address practical issues and contribute to the betterment of the community. On the occasion, the Journey of Gyanodaya Express- College on Wheels was discussed. Sh Alok Kumar exuded that the College on Wheels is the first experience and a lot has been learnt from it. He congratulated Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu and his team for smooth organization of the 14 daylong event. Shri Alok Kumar asked the University to explore the possibility of holding a similar event for children with special needs, thereby exhibiting commitment to inclusiveness. He further said that a coffee table book sharing the experiences of the students should be made available at various strategic locations. Dr Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges, Higher Education Department, UT J&K also expressed satisfaction with the response she has received from girls from various colleges. Prominent among those present on the occasion were Prof Nilofer Khan, Vice-Chancellor, University of Kashmir, Prof. Shakil Ahmed Romshoo, Vice-Chancellor, Islamic University of Science and Technology; Prof Bechan Lal, Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu; Prof Qayyum Hussain Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Kashmir; Prof Balbir Singh, Dean Academic Affairs, Shri Mata Devi University; Prof Kavi Arya, IIT Mumbai; Dr Ravi Shankar, Special Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, UT J&K; Shri Abdul Majid Butt, Director, Finance, Higher Education Department, UT J&K; Prof Ragvendra K Mishra, Dean Students Welfare, SMVDU; Prof Madan Mohan Chaturvedi, formerly Director, Cluster Innovation Council and Centre for Science Education and Communication, University of Delhi; Prof Shoba Bagai, Director of Cluster Innovation Center at the University of Delhi, Dr. Sharda, SMVDU, Katra.
- 3. University of Jammu officially initiated the registration drive for Viksit Bharat @2047, an innovative initiative hosted on the MyGov Portal. This groundbreaking endeavor is designed to channelize the collective brilliance and creativity of the University students and scholars towards building a progressive and sustainable India by 2047. It has impressed upon all the Students and Scholars of the University to actively engage in discussions, share ideas, and collaborate on initiatives that align with the project's vision. The University has also started a series of interactive discussions, talks on its Community Radio Station FM 91.2 DhwaniJU on how the youth see Bharat in the year 2047. Lectures are also being organized from time to time in the context of Viksit Bharat.

- 4. To commemorate the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi regarding Viksit Bharat@2047 with Voice of Youth' initiative, which aims to integrate our youth to build a developed India, the following activities were undertaken by University of Jammu:
 - I. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized an Interactive Lecture on the topic 'Role of Arts and Culture in context of Viksit Bharat' by Padmashri Balwant Thakur, former Cultural Diplomat of India and Eminent Theatre Personality.
 - II. Department of Students Welfare organized a Quiz and Essay Writing Competition on the theme 'My ideas of Viksit Bharat'. Enthusiastic students from various teaching departments actively engaged, contributing to the vibrant academic atmosphere of the university. The Quiz segment challenged participants with a diverse range of questions on the various Government initiatives for the development of India.
 - III. Department of History, University of Jammu actively undertaken diverse initiatives aimed at fostering awareness and engaging students in activities related to this program. The students of the department participated in several endeavors, including a Discussion Session on the concept of Viksit Bharat 2047 and a lecture followed by an interactive session conducted by Dr. Amitash Ojha from IIT, Jammu.
 - IV. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized a group discussion on the theme "Viksit Bharat@2047". Students discussed different sub themes like Empowered Indians, Thriving and Sustainable Economy, Innovation, Science and Technology, Good Governance and Security, India in the World.
 - V. The Law School in collaboration with NSS CAMPUS Unit-III, University of Jammu organized symposium on topic "'VIKSIT BHARAT @ 2047 with special reference to Sustainable Development Goals' initiative with an aim to actively involve students and faculty members in shaping the vision of a developed India by 2047. Around 22 students of the Law School took part in the symposium and discussed several facets of sustainability, including innovation, infrastructure development, and access to justice, environmental management, zero hunger, zero poverty, and transparent and responsible institutions.
 - VI. Department of Education organized essay writing and group discussion among postgraduate students of the department. The theme of the essay covered 'How should Viksit Bharat look in 2047?' while the group discussion topic for ViksitBharat@2047 focused on 'What do we need to do to reach the goal?'
 - VII. Department of Home Science, JU organized an Essay writing competition on the theme "How Should Viksit Bharat Look Like in 2047" for the scholars and students of the department.
 - VIII. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a roundtable conference on Viksit Bharat-2024 in which the faculty members, research scholars and students participated enthusiastically and expressed their views on the topic of discussion.
 - IX. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized a thought-provoking seminar focusing on Transformative IT Solutions: Empowering Viksit Bharat. The seminar witnessed active participation from the students of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Kathua who passionately articulated their perspectives on how Information Technology can contribute to the

vision of a developed India. The presentations of students touched upon crucial aspects such as digital literacy, technological innovations, and the integration of IT in various sectors to foster the nation's growth. The enthusiastic participation reflects their dedication, exploration, and understanding of the role of IT in empowering Viksit Bharat. The event encapsulated the essence of collaboration, innovation, and the collective aspiration for a technologically advanced India.

- X. Science Club, Utsaah organized an interactive talk by Distinguished Prof. Madan Mohan Chaturvedi, Founder Director of CIC, DU on "Why Should India Follow Its own Innovative Strategies for Doing Scientific Research?", detailing how India should go forward to envision Indian Science @ 2047.
- XI. The Literary Club under the aegis of "Utsaah," the Clubs, University of Jammu showcased an extraordinary poetry recital programme on the theme "Viksit Bharat @2047". Mr. Mohd Yaseen Kichloo, Indian Police Services, Senior Superintendent of Police Security, Civil Secretariat, Jammu and Kashmir was the Chief Guest.
- XII. The Theatre Club, University of Jammu organized a vibrant event on the theme of "Viksit Bharat Awareness Campaign". The Club presented a "Nukkad Natak" in the University Campus which was based on the theme of "Apna Bharat Viksit Bharat".
- XIII. The Cultural Club organized in collaboration with Canon India organized a two-day wildlife and Astro Photography workshop on the theme 'Wildlife, Environment and India @2047" with the aim to brought together photography enthusiasts, students and nature lovers.
- XIV. Event and Management Club, Department of Commerce organized Essay Writing Competition on the theme 'Viksit Bharat@2047' with the aim to provide a platform for young minds to reflect on the theme Viksit Bharat@2047, envisioning the future development and progress of India as it approaches its centenary year of Independence. Participants portrayed their vision on the themes like Empowered Indians, Thriving & Sustainable Economy, Startups in India, Innovation, Science & Technology, Good Governance & Security, India in the world, etc.
- XV. Event and Management Club, Department of Commerce organized a poster making competition among the scholars and students of M.Com on the theme' Viksit Bharat @ 2047'. The competition is organized to sensitize participants towards transformation, development and sustainable growth of India as it approaches its centenary year of Independence.
- XVI. Department of Journalism & Media Studies, University of Jammu organized a discussion to deliberate on ideas for the Vision "Viksit Bharat @ 2047" initiative. The event featured Mr. Anmol Nath Bali, Correspondent, from the National Bureau of Aaj Tak and India Today group and Mr. Neeraj from Aaj Tak Jammu. Key themes explored during the discussion included women empowerment, rich culture and traditions of Jammu and Kashmir, the pivotal role of transportation, gender equality, and challenges related to unemployment.
- XVII. DD&OE in collaboration with NSS Campus Unit V, University of Jammu organized poster making & slogan writing competition on the topic VIKSIT BHARAT@2047 with an aim to involve students and faculty members in shaping the vision of a developed India by 2047. Around 50 NSS Volunteers, faculty members & Officers of DD&OE participated in the event.

- XVIII. International Centre for Cross Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR & HRM), University of Jammu, organized a videography competition to actively involve the students and faculty members in shaping the vision of a developed India. The series of activities included one week workshop on Financial Literacy, Brainstorming/ Discussion Sessions and 'Voice of Youth' competition, where students of ICccR & HRM competed in teams to generate innovative ideas of the youth that can be transformed into nation building by inviting them to ideate and contribute to the vision of Viksit Bharat.
 - XIX. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu organized group discussion on the theme Viksit Bharat @2047 and a poster-making activity on the theme "Viksit Bharat @2047: Samajshastra ki drishti se". All students from 1st and 3rd Semester of the department actively participated in the event.
 - XX. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized a group discussion on the theme "Viksit Bharat @2047". Dr. Sarita Sood, Assistant Professor, engaged students and scholars in exploring various sub-themes such as empowered Indians, thriving and sustainable economies, innovation, science and technology, good governance and security, and India in the world, fostering dialogue to contribute towards the development of India. Approximately 30-35 students engaged in a group discussion, contributing suggestions on various themes.
 - XXI. The Business School, University of Jammu organized an interactive session on "Viksit Bharat@ 2047". Dr. Tilak Raj, Medical Superintendent, ESIC Model Hospital, Jammu; Dr. Sanjeev Gupta, HOD Orthopaedics, GMC Jammu; Mr. Arvind Jasrotia from Infosys; Er. Anik Gupta, Director, Centre for IT, University of Jammu; Dr. Payal Gupta, MBBS, ESIC Model Hospital, Jammu; Harkreet Kour, from Military Engineer Services; Ms. Parul Khatri From TCS and Mr. Nipun from Mahindra and Mahindra were the Keynote Speakers.
- XXII. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu organized Marathon in which around 160 students of the University participated.
- XXIII. Reasi Campus, University of Jammu, has organized "Essay Writing and Poster Making event" on the theme "Ideas of Viksit Bharat @2047: Voices of Youth," creating a platform for young minds to express their thoughts and perspectives on the future of an evolved India by the year 2047. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from the students of MDP Sociology 1st and 3rd Semester, showcasing their creativity, critical thinking, and passion for contributing to the vision of a developed India. The initiative aimed to provide a space for the youth to articulate their ideas, aspirations, and solutions for building a progressive and inclusive Bharat by the year 2047. The participants delved into a wide array of essay topics, addressing social, economic, environmental, and technological aspects of a future India. The Posters making by the students explored innovative ideas for sustainable development, social harmony, technological advancements, and inclusive growth.
- 5. The Business School, University of Jammu marked a significant milestone with the inaugural function of its pioneering Executive MBA program, in blended mode with the Multiple Entry Exit Scheme (MEES), in alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. Shri. Kamal P. Patnaik, Regional Director, Reserve Bank of India honored the occasion as the Chief Guest. He congratulated The Business School for introducing such an innovative program and

delivered an insightful address, highlighting the program's relevance in the evolving professional landscape. Mr. Patnaik also shared the role of RBI in growth and monitoring of Indian economy. He appreciated the executives who have taken the challenge of learning after experience in their respective fields and walked an extra mile despite of tremendous personal and professional challenges. The launch of the Executive MBA program underscores The Business School's commitment to delivering cutting-edge education that caters to the evolving needs of working professionals, aligning with global standards.

- 6. Department of Economics in collaboration with the Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi, and the Indian Council of Social Science Research, North Western Regional Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh organized two-day collaborative international conference on "Achieving Sustainable Development Goals in Post-COVID-19 World: Regional Challenges, Opportunities and Policy Options". The Key Note speech on the topic 'Disasters and Sustainable Development: Evidences from Mountain Economies in India' was delivered by Prof. I. C. Awasthi, Former Professor at Institute for Human Development, New Delhi. Prof. Awasthi emphasized integration of SDGs to economic development and need for maintaining environmental sustainability across the fragile mountain areas of India. The Key Note speech on the topic 'Synergy of Skill Development in India: The Imperative for Abating Poverty and Income Inequalities in Consonance with the Spirit of Sustainable Development Goals' was delivered by Prof. Vikram Chadha, Former Professor and Head, Punjab School of Economics, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab. The conference was attended by more than 100 participants across the states and union territories of India such as Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Kerala, West Bengal, Bihar, Delhi, Haryana, Maharashtra, Odisha, Jammu & Kashmir, and Chandigarh.
- 7. Department of Zoology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Government of India organized one-day awareness programme on Honey Bee farming at village Gowar, Panchyat Sarwal, Tehsil Pargwal, Jammu under Lab to Land initiative with the objective to spread awareness among farmers of border area about scope and benefits of bee farming. The Awareness session was attended by more than 60 farmers of the village.
- 8. Department of Library and Information Science with the aim to address the critical issue of mental health among youth organized a lecture on "Youth Developing Mental Health Competencies." Ms. Saloni Priya, Founder and Director of Umeed Counselling and Consulting Services, a distinguished expert in the field of mental health and well-being was the Resource Person. Ms. Saloni in her keynote address shared valuable insights, strategies, and practical tips on how young individuals can develop and maintain mental health competencies. The lecture was attended by all the students, scholars and faculty of department of Library and Information Science.
- 9. Department of Environmental Sciences and Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu under its 'Waste to Wealth' initiative organized a one-day extension programme on up cycling of Sticks and Twigs lying as waste in the lawns and gardens of the University. The students and volunteers from the Department were divided into groups and were made to collect the sticks and twigs from the University Campus. They showcased their creativity and talent by forming alphabets out of sticks and twigs under the supervision of Mr. Vikas Khajuria, Waste Sculpture Artist. These alphabets were then used to write the name of the

Department on the outside fence of the Department. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from the students and volunteers.

- 10. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized a two-day educational trip to 'Krimchi-Panchari Circuit' to expose the students to the rich natural and cultural heritage of the first tourist village in the Jammu division and foster an understanding of village life and sustainable practices. During the trip, the students trekked through the lush green Deodar forests at Panchari, which house different varieties of birds, butterflies, and other animals. The students also learned about the wide variety of flora and fauna in the area. After Panchari, the students visited the famous Sankari temple, which is one of the oldest historical temples in the area. The temple is situated on a hillock in the village of Meer and is surrounded by meadows, lofty mountains, and lush green forest. The students were also shown traditional springs and varied vegetation types in the area. The trip ended with a visit to the ancient structures of archaeological importance at the Krimchi Archaeological Site in Udhampur. The educational trip helped students recognize the importance of traditional sustainable practices adopted by the villagers, like the use of Gharaats (traditional water flour mills), conserving natural water bodies like springs, and protecting their biodiversity, thus providing an enriching and knowledgeable experience for the students.
- 11. Department of Environmental Sciences & Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu organized 'Save Tawi Campaign' on the banks of River Tawi during the last day of Navratri festival. The purpose of this campaign was to sensitize public about the importance of Tawi River and the causes and consequences of immersion of plastic material along with the Khetri and the unscientific disposal of waste into River Tawi. The students also talked about the potential solutions and benefits of waste reduction, reuse, and recycling. The students and volunteers were divided into groups and each group interacted with the public and made them aware regarding the harmful effects of waste especially the use of plastic material and gave them easy solutions for effective management of such type of wastes.
- 12. Green Campus Task Force, University of Jammu (GCTF-JU) under its 'Waste to Wonder' initiatives towards Viksit Bharat@2047, organized "One-day Training Programme on Creating Green Walls/Vertical Gardens using Waste Plastic Bottles". Mr. Rakesh, the vertical wall creation trainer provided hands-on training to around 80 GCTF-JU volunteers including the teacher's in-charge, scholars, and students from different departments of the University.
- 13. Department of Law, University of Jammu organized a guest lecture for LL.B 1st semester students on the topic "Orientation towards Studying Law and How to Plan a Career in Law." Prof. Risham Garg from the National Law University (NLU) Delhi was the Resource Person. Prof. Risham Garg is a renowned expert in the fields of Business Law, Insolvency, and Bankruptcy Law and has a wealth of experience in guiding students toward successful legal career. Prof Risham Garg highlighted the role of law in the growth of the economy, the importance of the settlement of disputes, the purpose of law, the fundamental principles of contract law, and the role of advocates in society.
- 14. Department of Law, University of Jammu in collaboration with Adhivakta Parishad Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh celebrated Constitution Day on the Topic "Bhartiya Values and the Constitution. Hon'ble Justice N. Koteshwar Singh was the Chief Guest and the Keynote Speaker. Speaking on the occasion, Justice N Koteshwar Singh said that the original Indian

Constitution was hand written and some pictures were also drawn on it which were well pondered and it held significant value.

- 15. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized training Workshop for the students to register them on Learning Management System (LMS). Dr. Ashok Sharma, Department of Computer Science, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 16. हिंदी विभाग, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, जम्मू के द्वारा 'कवि कर्म और कविता' विषय पर एक दिवसीय व्याख्यान का आयोजन किया गया। प्रो.दुर्गा प्रसाद गुप्त विरष्ठ किव एवं आलोचक, हिन्दी विभाग, जामिया मिल्लिया इस्लामिया वि. वि, मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में उपस्थित रहे।कार्यक्रम का शुभारम्भ मुख्य वक्ता के विधिवत स्वागत से हुआ जोकि डॉ. बंदना ठाकुर द्वारा किया गया। मुख्य वक्ता ने कविता के संदर्भ में प्रेम के सात्विक स्वरूप की व्याख्या की। संबंधों के बीच संवेदनाओं की भाषा का विश्लेषण किया। उन्होनें कहा कि प्रेम के संगीत ने ही उनके संबंधों की बागडोर संभाली है। भविष्य को बचाने के लिए परंपरा को रचाना- बसाना आवश्यक है। किव कर्म पर बात करते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि वह कविता के संदर्भ में अनुकरण पर विश्वास नहीं करते। उन्होंने यह भी बताया किभाषा को अभ्यास के माध्यम से और परिपक्क बनाया जा सकता है।इनकी कविताएं पारिवारिक संबंधों से निकली कविताएं हैं। किव कर्म की बात करते हुए उन्होंने स्वरचित कविता पाठ भी किया।
- 17. हिंदी विभाग , जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, जम्मू द्वारा ' हिंदी भाषा: प्रौद्योगिकी विकास' विषय पर चर्चा- परिचर्चा आयोजित की गई। इस कार्यक्रम में प्रो. रजनी बाला हिंदी विभागाध्यक्ष मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में रहीं। उन्होंने वैश्विक धरातल पर हिन्दी के महत्व को बताते हुए तकनीक का विकास भारतीय भाषाओं में खोजने की प्रेरणा प्रदान की। उन्होंने यह भी स्पष्ट किया कि हिन्दी भाषा में भारतीयता का संस्कार है और इस संस्कार के अभाव में तकनीकी विकास संभव नहीं। वैश्विक धरातल पर आयोजित हिंदी सम्मेलनों के महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला। उन्होंने यह भी कहा कि आई .आई .टी कानपुर, दिल्ली और पुणे ने हिन्दी को तकनीक से जोड़ने में मुख्य भूमिका निभाते हुए उसे आर्थिक जगत की भाषा के साथ भी जोड़ा है। हिंदी और प्रौद्योगिकी के संदर्भ में विभिन्न पैकेज, वेबसाइट्स और सॉफ्टवेयर से सदन को परिचित कराया गया।इस कार्यक्रम में हिंदी विभाग के डॉ.परषोतम कुमार, डॉ. बंदना ठाकुर सिहत विभाग के स्नातकोत्तर विद्यार्थी एवम् विभाग के सभी शोधार्थी उपस्थित रहे। इस चर्चा परिचर्चा में लगभग 75 विधार्थियों, शोधार्थियों एवम् अध्यापकों ने भाग लिया।
- 18. Department of Urdu, University of Jammu organized two-day international seminar on the topic "Jagan Nath Azad and his contemporary Poets". Jenab Ayaz Rasool Nazki, a well known fiction writer was the Resource Person. The function was presided over by Prof. Manzar Hussain from Ranchi University, Jharkhand. The lecture was attended by students, scholars, faculty members of the department of Urdu along with members of the civil society. A Book Exhibition was also organized by Qasmi Kutub KhanaTalab Khatikan Jammu during the event.
- 19. Department of History, University of Jammu organized a nostalgic and vibrant reunion on December 21, 2023, bringing together a diverse group of alumni. The event served as a heartfelt reunion, rekindling the ties between the alma mater and its illustrious former students. The atmosphere at the auditorium buzzed with enthusiasm as faculty, research scholars, and staff eagerly gathered to celebrate the rich history and shared experiences that bind the members of the department. The alumni meet was a poignant occasion that provided a platform for former students to reconnect with their academic roots and reminisce about the formative years spent within the hallowed halls of the University. Interactive sessions allowed for a lively exchange of ideas and perspectives, fostering a sense of community and continuity. The alumni shared insights into how their academic foundation at the university equipped them to navigate the complexities of the real world. Such exchanges served not only to inspire current students but also reinforced the enduring legacy of the Department of History. The

- event also provided an opportunity for the current faculty and research scholars to forge connections with the alumni, tapping into a wealth of knowledge and experience.
- 20. Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu organized 'National Mathematics Day cum One Day National Symposium'. Various renowned mathematicians from different universities, including Prof. R. K. Sharma (IIT Delhi); Prof. Jatinder Singh (HOD, Department of Mathematics, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar); Prof. S. D. Sharma (Former Head, Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu and Central University of Jammu); Prof. Rahul Gupta (Dean, Mathematical Sciences and Registrar, University of Jammu) etc., graced the occasion as experts and threw light on the achievements of Srinivasan Ramanujan with their inspiring, motivational and fruitful thought-provoking addresses.
- 21. Department of Commerce organized guest lecture on "Career Opportunities in RBI". Mr. Rohit Rawat, Assistant Manager RBI and Mrs. Kannagi Lath were the Resource Persons. Mr. Rawat apprised the students about various placement avenues in Banking Sector with special focus on RBI. Mrs. Kannagi Lath familiarized the students with the work culture of the banking sector. During the engaging session, students interacted with the Resource Persons and gained valuable advices on pursuing a career in RBI and other career opportunities in other sectors as well.
- 22. Department of Philosophy, University of Jammu organized a public lecture titled "The Brain-Brahman Dichotomy". Dr. Madhu Mangal Chaturvedi from Department of Philosophy at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Chaturvedi in his address stressed on the problem of the nature of consciousness.
- 23. The students of MBA (International Business), International Centre for Cross Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR &HRM), University of Jammu attended 5-Day residential 'Advanced E-SDP Programme: Building Entrepreneurial Excellence: The Manufacturing Mindset for Make in India' programme at IIT Jammu. The programme was specifically designed for aspiring entrepreneurs who wish to learn about the growing opportunities in India's manufacturing sector. Focused on fostering a manufacturing mindset, the program had key components such as strategic planning, supply chain management, and operational efficiency. The participants throughout the programme were engaged in case studies thereby gaining insights into effective decision-making, innovation, and risk management in the manufacturing sector.
- 24. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized the 8th Gender Sensitization workshop under the ongoing series for the students and scholars of the Department of Urdu and Home Science. Dr. Suraj Mohani Jamwal, Faculty from Cluster University (PSPS GCW Gandhi Nagar Jammu) was the Resource Person. Students from department of Urdu and Home Science participated in the Workshop.
- 25. Jammu University Internal Complaints Committee against Sexual Harassment (JUICCASH) in collaboration with the office of Dean Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized its second awareness lecture on "Prevention of Sexual Harassment in Educational Institutions". Ms. Nisha Nathiyal, Deputy Inspector General, Armed Police, Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Ms. Seema Khajuria Shekhar, Senior Advocate, Hon'ble High Court of Jammu and Kashmir, the Keynote Speaker improvised the gathering about sexual harassment in general emphasizing upon the social, legal and psychological aspects of the same in particular.

She appraised the newly admitted students of the University with the provisions and importance of constituting an Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) in Higher Educational Institutions. The lecture was attended by more than 130 newly admitted students of various departments of University of Jammu.

- 26. ICccR and HRM, University of Jammu, organized an Industrial Visit to M/s Shalimar Floorings Pvt. Ltd, SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmana. The visit was organized for the students of MBA (IB) Semester 1st and 3rd, as part of their course curriculum, with the objective to provide students an insight regarding internal working of industry and practical learning in a real-working environment.
- 27. Office for International Affairs and Malviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTC), University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "Internationalization of Higher Education". Prof. Manisha Priyam, Advisor Internationalization of Higher Education initiatives at University of Jammu and Professor of Education Policy at National Institute of Education Planning and Administration (NIEPA), New Delhi was the keynote speaker of the workshop.
- 28. Employment Information and Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Jammu organized a 3-day workshop on computer skills at Government Degree College, Ramban. Mr. Surjeet Kumar from University of Jammu was the Resource Person. The workshop was attended by about 30 students of the college.
- 29. Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Office of Programme Coordinator, NSS, University of Jammu organized a two-day workshop for student volunteers, 'Peer support for students with disabilities'. The workshop was attended by more than 70 NSS volunteers from different affiliated colleges of Nowsehra, Rajouri, Billawar, Bishnah, Sidhra, Marh, Mendhar, Akhnoor, Ghagwal and other parts of Jammu division. Mr. Mehran Khan-CEO and Founder ELFA International; Ms. Sandhya Dhar- Nari Shakti Awardee; Ms. Swati Basotra- Motivational speaker; Ms. Sukanaya Bha- Sign Language Interpreter; Prof. Sarika Manhas- Coordinator, Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu were the Keynote Speakers.
- 30. Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Office of Programme Coordinator, NSS, JU and ELFA International organized a two-day workshop for students with disabilities and NSS volunteers, 'Leadership Skills for an Inclusive World: Challenges and Prospects'. Mr. Mehran Khan, Founder and CEO of ELFA International was the Keynote Speaker. The workshop aimed at inculcating leadership skills among students with disabilities and NSS volunteers More than 50 students with disabilities belonging to the different teaching departments of the University, and NSS volunteers from the main campus and affiliated colleges actively participated in the workshop.
- 31. Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu organized an interactive panel discussion on the theme "Challenges and Prospects of Building an Inclusive Social Order". The disability dialogue focused on generating a debate and reflecting upon various dimensions of disability rights, policies and issues. The panel discussion was undertaken to deliberate upon issues confronting the person with disabilities in India with special focus on Jammu & Kashmir, highlighting the opportunities and avenues available for emancipation of person with disabilities, and outlining strategies for overcoming the challenges and barriers faced by

person with disabilities. Prof. Kusum Lata Mailk, President of the Blind Federation, and a renowned academician and a researcher; Sh. Anil Joshi, Former Member Board of Directors for National Trust Act, Government of India and an accessibility diversity and inclusion expert; Shri Ranjeet Kalra, Member of the J&K Sports Council and Faculty, University of Jammu; Shri Pradeep Duta, Senior Editor, Times Now and Professor Sarika Manhas, Coordinator, Disabilities Initiatives, University of Jammu were the Panelists for the discussion. Prominent among others who participated in the panel discussion were Shri Umesh Sharma (Disabled Care), Dr. Piyali Arora (Associate Professor, Government Degree College, Udhampur); Shri Kamal Nain Bhan (Association of Aspasic and Deaf); Ms. Ritika (Beloved Grace); Ms. Shria Abrol (RCI Counsellor) and Ms. Balkis Razia (Occupational Therapist). The panel discussion was chaired by Md. Iqbal Lone, Commissioner, Person with Disabilities, J&K.

- 32. Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS and Coordinator, Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu in collaboration with Government College for Women, Parade, Jammu organized one day workshop on inclusivity for the students and NSS volunteers. Prof. Kusum Lata Malik, President National Federation for Blind, India and Shri Anil Joshi, Former Member, National Trust Act, Government of India were the Resource Persons.
- 33. Health Centre, University of Jammu in collaboration with American Oncology Institute and Microbiologist Society of India, organized a Health Talk focused on the most Common Carcinomas affecting Young Female. Dr. Surbhi Kudyar, (Breast Oncoplastic Surgeon) from the American Oncology Institute was the spokesperson in the camp. She emphasized the significance of early detection, prevention, and treatment of prevalent cancers among females. Mr. Ashutosh Gupta, Mr. Tanushree Khajuria, Ms. Nazia, and Ms. Sapna Kotwal from the American Oncology Institute provided holistic support during the camp. The health talk was attended by more than 200 female hostel residents.
- 34. Department of Students Welfare in collaboration with J&K AIDS Control Society organized a Short Play Competition through its Red Ribbon Club for awareness about HIV and AIDS with the aim to create awareness about this issue as there is an urgent need to improve and increase Comprehensive Knowledge of HIV/AIDS through various activities especially amongst young people. Participants presented thought provoking performances on the topics, 'Routes of HIV transmission', 'Myths & Misconceptions related to HIV', 'Promotion of Helpline 1097', 'Information on Stigma & Discrimination/ HIV Act'. The First Position alongwith a Cash prize of Rs. 15,000 was clinched by the team of PG integrated students, The Second Position and Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000 was secured by the team of GCW, Parade. The team of DD& OE secured Third Position and Cash prize of Rs. 5,000. The Certificates of Merit were awarded to the teams of Stephens Nursing College, UIET Kathua and Dogra College of Education.
- 35. The cadets of NCC Cadet Corps, Senior Wing of University of Jammu attended 12 Day EK BHARAT SHRESHTH Camp at Delhi. The basic objective of the camp reads as "through structured engagement on reciprocal basis, is to foster the spirit of Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat and solidarity amongst NCC Cadets by providing them with the opportunity of community living and working with the cadets of other states. The scope of the camp was to:
 - a. Create awareness regarding diverse cultural heritage of our country highlighting the various aspects of unity in diversity.
 - b. To instil greater emotional integration and mutual understanding amongst the young NCC cadets of different states of the country.

- c. To interact with the local populace.
- d. To experience the geography, topography, and cultural heritage of the region.
- 36. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu organized an awareness rally to mark the World AIDS day with the theme "Let the community lead". The rally started from the Udhampur campus and marched towards the crowded Street of the village Garnai Lotta. The student of B.Com, M.A. Economics and M.Com of Udhampur campus participated in the rally.
- 37. Udhampur Campus organized a comprehensive workshop on Learning Management System (LMS). Dr. Ashok Sharma, Assistant Professor, Computer and IT, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. The workshop covered various aspects of LMS, including course content creation, student engagement strategies, assessment tools, and data analytics.
- 38. Department of Computer Science and Information Technology Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, in collaboration with Malviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTC), University of Jammu; iHUB Divya Sampark, IIT Roorkee & LTU Sweden organized a weeklong workshop Faculty Development Program (FDP) on the topic "Machine Learning, Theory, and Application with a Special Focus on Electroencephalography, Document, and Sign Gestures Analysis". Dr. Rajkumar Saini from Lulea University of Technology, Sweden was the Resource Person.
- 39. Students from various schools embarked on an educational journey to the Bhaderwah Campus of the University of Jammu (JU). The visit was organized to provide students with a unique opportunity to explore the cutting-edge facilities available at the Cyber Physical Systems Lab. The highlight of the visit was the immersive experience at the Cyber Physical Systems Lab, where the faculty of the Department of Computer Science and Information Technology (IT) enlightened the students about the lab's advanced infrastructure. The lab is dedicated to Cyber Physical Systems and is sanctioned by iHUB DivyaSampark, a collaborative initiative of IIT Roorkee and the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. During the visit, students were introduced to the various components of the lab, including Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) technologies, Internet of Things (IoT) sensor networks, and Robotic drones. This exposure aimed to broaden their understanding of these cutting-edge technologies and their applications in the real world.
- 40. Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus, celebrated International Mountain Day at Bhaderwah Campus. The theme for IMD-23 was 'Restoring Mountain Ecosystems'. The event unfolded at Little Angels School Bhaderwah Campus, attracting students from various departments of the campus and the school. The active participation of students added a dynamic element to the celebrations, complimenting awareness and understanding of the crucial role mountains play in our environment. Mr. Chander Shekhar, Divisional Forest Officer Bhaderwah, and Guest of Honour on the occasion shared his valuable insights on the status of mountain biodiversity and urged upon the citizens to join hands with the department in the protection and conservation of depleting forest resources.

- 41. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 5th hands-on training on Information Technology under dynamic educational series. The students of Government Higher Secondary School Sallan embarked on a transformative educational journey to the esteemed Kathua Campus. The students were afforded a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in an interactive learning environment, fostering connections and exchanges that transcended classroom boundaries of Kathua Campus. The students were able to gain unique insights into various academic disciplines, social dynamics, and campus life, which enriched their perspectives and broadened their understanding.
- 42. Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus organized an educational tour for the students of the campus to South India. The educational tour itinerary included visits to prominent Sericulture Research Institutes and Centers, Silk reeling factories, Silk Markets and interactions with industry experts in South India. Participants witnessed firsthand experience in the latest advancements in Sericulture, fostering a deeper understanding of the subject.
- 43. The Law School, University Jammu organized an interactive session for Internship Programme of the students of The Law School. Sh. Nitish Kumar IPS, Inspector General of Police CID; Sh. Rajeshwar Singh, Senior Superintendent of Police and Sh. Zahid Mir, Senior Prosecuting Officers from the CID, Headquarters Jammu and Kashmir were the Resource Persons. Prof. Manju Jamwal, Director, The Law School lauded the CID wing of police department for taking the initiative to continue with the internship program for the students which will provide golden opportunities in their career prospects and would enrich their understanding of the complexities within the realm of law enforcement.
- 44. Shifali Chib, a Research Scholar working under the supervision of Dr. Yudhbir Singh in the Department of Geology, University of Jammu, has been awarded the I.A.S. Young Sedimentologist Award (YSA) for the year 2023. The YSA is awarded to an outstanding young researcher for best paper presentation among the selected research papers. The research papers submitted by young researchers are evaluated by an expert committee and selected papers are considered for the award after presentation and defense by the selected young researchers. The award was presented during an international conference and 39th Convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists recently held at Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu.
- 45. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu during the period organized the following events:
 - a. Inter Collegiate Kick-Boxing (Women) Championship 2023-24.
 - b. Inter Collegiate Kabaddi (Men) Tournament 2023-24.
 - c. Inter-Collegiate Hockey (Men) Tournament-2023-24.
 - d. Inter Collegiate Kabaddi (Women) Tournament 2023-24.
 - e. Inter Collegiate Volleyball (Men) Tournament 2023-24.
 - f. Inter-Collegiate Cricket (Men) Tournament 2023-24.
 - g. Inter Collegiate Kho-Kho (Women) Tournament 2023-24.
- 46. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - I. Government Degree College, Rajouri to add new subject i.e. Information Technology and Dogri at UG Level.

- II. Government Degree College, Nagrota for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- III. Bhaskar Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- IV. Bhartiya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. , M.ED. and 4-Year Integrated BA/BED Program Course.
- V. Government Degree College, Kunjwani for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- VI. Government Degree College, Purmandal for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- VII. Government Degree College, Kunjwani to start Commerce at UG level (from the session 2019-20).
- VIII. Kalra College of Education, Udhampur for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - IX. Dogra Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
 - X. Sai Shyam College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - XI. National College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
- XII. KC College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
- XIII. Dogra College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
- XIV. Government Nursing College Rajouri for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Course.
- XV. Government Medical College, Rajouri for imparting instructions in MBBS & Paramedical Courses.
- XVI. Bhargava Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- XVII. New Age Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree Course.
- XVIII. Government Degree College, Mahanpur to start Commerce at UG level.
 - XIX. Kawa College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - XX. Bhargava College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
 - XXI. Ramisht College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
- XXII. New Age College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. Course.
- 47. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.Sc. Nursing (1st Year, MDP Commerce (Special Chance), UG Part 1st (Private) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for LLB 3 Year (3rd Semester), BE (5th & 7th Semester-NCBS), MTECH 4th Semester (CBS), BTECH 4th Semester MD/MS (Regular/Subsequent), MDP Geography (4th Semester), MDP Arabic (4th Semester), MPED (2nd Semester), BARCH (10th Semester-NCBCS), B Pharmacy (1st Semester), LLB 3 Year (5th Semester), BARCH (2nd, 6th, 4th & 8th Semester)etc.

JANUARY 2024

- 1. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Government of Jammu & Kashmir UT and Chancellor, University of Jammu laid foundation stone for Innovation Tower at University of Jammu. The facility will be completed in two phases under the Capex budget of 2023-2024. The Hon'ble Governor in his address said that this cutting edge facility will serve as a central hub for Transformational Innovation, Incubation, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in the Union Territory. The Innovation Tower will provide space for ideation and collaboration. It will encourage youth to discuss new concepts and utilize the testing facility for future projects to reduce the duration of the incubation period. The Hon'ble Chancellor also directed the planning team to ensure space is flexible with in-built capability and multiple spaces for future technology. He further emphasized on creating a space for intellectual collision and experience sharing by students and mentors.
- 2. University of Jammu organized 121st Syndicate meeting of the University. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof. Rai during his address showcased a collaborative effort towards academic enhancement. Prof. Rai extended a warm welcome and expressed gratitude to Shri Alok Kumar, IRS, Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, J&K UT, Sh. Santosh D. Vaidya, IAS, Principal Secretary Finance, J&K Government (Financial Advisor Universities), Prof J.P. Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Technical University, Lucknow and Prof. Sunita Singh Sengupta (Department of Management Studies, Delhi University) along with other Syndicate members for their unwavering support. Prof. Rai emphasized the paramount importance of focusing on teaching and research for achieving academic excellence. He highlighted recent initiatives by the University of Jammu and engaged in in-depth discussions on around ten academic and administrative items. Actions taken on the resolutions from previous Syndicate Meeting were also ratified. The following items were endorsed in the meeting:
 - a. Increase in the intake capacity of seats in the M.Sc. Microbiology program at the School of Biotechnology.
 - b. Introduction of Tourism and Travel Management in the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP) from the Academic Session 2024-25, aligning with the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020. Additionally, the Syndicate endorsed the adoption of the University of Jammu's Sports policy.
 - c. Amendments in the Clause 5(b) in the Students Aid Fund Regulations for the session 2022-23 and onwards.
 - d. Initiating a Ph.D. program in "Rural Studies" at the Department of Life Long Learning (DLL), responding to consistent demand from the stakeholders in various governmental and non-governmental departments of the UT of J&K.
 - e. In order to boost the holistic development of the students in sync with the NEP 2020, corpus fund of Rs. 2 crore was approved for 12 clubs under Utsaah- The Club Consortium.
 - f. In order to ensure sustainability and long term success of the Litzine Magazine, a corpus fund of Rs. 50 Lakh was also approved. The Corpus Fund will enhance Litzine Magazine's financial resilience, ensuring its ability to navigate challenges without compromising its mission.

The Syndicate meeting was attended by distinguished academicians namely Prof. Chandra Bhushan Sharma, Department of Education, IGNOU; Prof. Nazir Ahmed Nazir, Dean, School of Business Studies, University of Kashmir; Prof. Aneesa Shafi, Dean Students Welfare, KU; Prof. Arifa Bushra, Dean, School of Arts, Literature & Languages, KU; Prof. K.S Charak, Deptartment of Mathematics, JU; Prof. Seema Langar, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, JU; Dr. Manisha Kohli, Principal, GDC, Bani and Dr. Mohd Abbas Shah, Principal, GDC, Marwah.

3. The 75th Republic Day of India was celebrated at the University of Jammu with great enthusiasm & patriotic fervor. It was attended by teaching faculty, officers, staff and students of the University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu unfurled the National Flag. Extending Republic Day greetings to students, scholars, faculty and the staff, Prof. Rai lauded the police, armed and paramilitary forces for safeguarding the integrity and sovereignty of the nation, and paid homage to martyrs, who offered supreme sacrifice in line of their duty. The Vice Chancellor complimented the NCC JK Girls Battalion, some of the cadets of which are credited of bagging Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat- Gold Medal in Debate Category and 11 Gold Medals in Army Training Camp Nagrota and various other National Camps. Highlighting the strides made by the University of Jammu, the Vice Chancellor spelled out in detail the various initiatives undertaken in recent times. He referred to the two important programmes - Design Your Degree and College on Wheels, saying the Design Your Degree has got recognition at the National Level and shall soon be implemented in various Universities of the country. He said the other programme, Colleges on Wheels has got recognition, not only at the national level but internationally as well. This initiative of Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha witnessed participation of 400 students from Kashmir division and 300 from the Jammu region, reflecting the time tested spirit of unity. Prof. Rai said that a corpus fund of Rs. 50 Lakh has been allocated for the publication of Litzine Magazine by the Literary Club. Prof Rai said that more than Rs. 70 crore has been sanctioned by the Jammu and Kashmir Government for infrastructural development. Under the Transdisciplinary Research Scheme, 12 research projects, amounting Rs. 70 lakhs, have been sanctioned for the faculty members of the university. The university is also striving to promote research activities and a proposal to increase the travel grants to the faculty and students besides increasing the number of fellowships for the students is on the anvil. Prof. Rai said that the University has received generous support and financial assistance of around Rs. 4 crores from the Government of J&K UT for the promotion of entrepreneurship and startup culture. He referred to the organization of the startup fair "Igniter", saying the University has entered into four MoU's with J&K Bank, Department of Science and Technology, J&K Government, Directorate of Skill Development and J&K Startups Association. Under Environmental and Green initiatives, the Vice Chancellor highlighted that the rooftop rainwater harvesting for various departments has been completed and the campus has also been declared a green campus. Grid-based rooftop solar paneling of 1.1 Megawatt capacity has been installed on various buildings with the objective of making the university self-reliant in generating the energy for meeting its power demand. Prof. Rai said the University of Jammu has become the first University of the UT to start a Community Radio Station "91.2 FM DHWANI. On the occasion, Prof. Rai also unveiled T-55 Tank, a War Trophy, presented by the Army to the University, which has proudly been placed with high reverence in the campus. The 75th Republic Day was also celebrated in all the offsite campuses of the University.

- 4. University of Jammu signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with M/s Growbyte IT Providers Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad. The MoU was signed by Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, on behalf of the University of Jammu and Shri. Madhu Vadlamni, Director, M/s Growbyte IT Providers Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad. The objective of the MoU is to provide technical and developmental opportunities for software development, organization of faculty development programmes, provide project assistance, conduct of seminars and workshops on recent trends in the emerging areas of Computer Science, which will mutually benefit the students, scholars, and faculty members of the Department. M/s Growbyte IT Providers Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, is a global IT consulting company with in-depth expertise in providing end-to-end solutions especially, working in the area of Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence (AI) working on the diverse projects in desktops and web-enabled applications, service oriented and complex enterprise architecture etc.
- 5. UTSAAH, Club Consortium of the University of Jammu organized 'Protsaahan'- A Ten-day Multi-Arts festival, in which 12 prominent clubs under different coordinators organized activities for the various stakeholders of the University and civil society. the following activities were organized during the event:
 - a. Painting Club in collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages organized a five-day art camp "Sarjana". Twelve prominent artists from all over India mentored the students during the camp. Sh. Suresh Gupta (IFS), Principal Secretary to Government, Culture Department was the Chief Guest and Sh. Bharat Singh (JKAS), Secretary, Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages was the Guest of Honour.
 - b. University of Jammu organized a Blood Donation Camp at University Campus wherein more than 100 students participated.
 - c. Community Service and Social Justice Club of "Utsaah" University of Jammu organized a De-Addiction Dialogue on Drugs under "Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan" with the aim to discourage the use of drugs among the youth. The program was organized to promote the societal outreach vision of University of Jammu by inspiring students to utilize their energies and other resources in positive and social development. Mr. Shakti Pathak (IPS) DIG Jammu, Kathua, Samba range was the Chief Guest of the programme. Mr. Harish Kumar, Assistant Director, Narcotics Central Bureau was the Resource Person.
 - d. A two-day comprehensive workshop on "Techniques of Film Making". The workshop is dedicated to the understanding of intricate nuances inherent within the expansive realm of Cinematic Craftsmanship.

- e. The Translation Club of Utsaah, Club Consortium of Jammu organized a symposium on "Poetry and its Translation". Ms. Sapna Kotwal (JKAS), Secretary of the Pahari Advisory Board was the Chief Guest.
- f. Science Club, Utsaah in collaboration with Department of Zoology, University of Jammu organized a one day workshop on "Know Your Genes". Dr Sawarkar Sharma, Director, Centre for Molecular Biology, central University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- g. Music Club & Literary Club, Utsaah organized folk literature and music event "Sanjhi Mitti, Sanjhi Viraasat". Ms. Asha Kesar, Renowned Folk Singer was the Guest of Honour.

Utsaah-The Club Consortium, University of Jammu successfully organized the closing ceremony of the ten-day multi-arts festival, Protsaahan, at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium. The festival based on the diversity of Jammu Province concluded with a vibrant display of Jammu Region's varied themes. The festivities began with the ribbon cutting to "Jambu Haat" organized by Heritage and Tourism Club in collaboration with the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management. This included a Turban tying competition, showcasing Jammu region's cuisines, and an exhibition of handicraft stalls by students and alumni of the University. Cultural and musical performances were presented by the Heritage and Tourism Club, adding an enriching cultural touch to the event. Sh. Alok Rai, IRS, Principal Secretary, Higher Education, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Sh. Alok Rai commended the University of Jammu and praised the Vice-Chancellor for orchestrating an event that beautifully showcased the rich cultural tapestry of the Jammu region. He also recommended these clubs to align their activities with the vision of NEP.

6. University of Jammu organized an interactive session focused on Viksit Bharat@2047 and preparations for the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu on the occasion said that various steps have been taken by the University to promote the culture of Skills, Innovation, Research and Development. Prof. Rai further said that the University is committed to educational excellence which aligns with the national vision of a developed India by 2047. The interactive session was a testament to the collective determination of educational institutions to meet and exceed the standards set by NAAC and NIRF. Prof. Pankaj Srivastava, Director, Distance Education and Online Education & Convener, Viksit Bharat @2047 Campaign, JU underlined the vision laid down by Sh. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister regarding Viksit Bharat @2047 aimed at outlining the path for the development and progress of India by the year 2047. Prof. Srivastava informed that University of Jammu received an unprecedented response from its students while registering them actively on the Viksit Bharat @2047 portal. He said that over 3624 students have actively participated, sharing their visionary ideas to contribute towards the realization of India as a developed nation by 2047. Dr Ginny Dogra, I/C Director, DIQA emphasized on various contours of NAAC and NIRF and about the preparations, University is undertaking for the forthcoming NAAC visit to the University. Prominent among those present on occasion were Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu, Prof. Rajiv Rattan, Director, College

Development Council, Sh. Sanjeev Mahajan, Controller of Examinations, Deans, Rectors, Heads of various Campus Departments, Directors, faculty members, Officers, Office bearers of various associations of the University.

- 7. University of Jammu in collaboration with J&K Science Technology & Innovation Council (JKSTIC), Government of Jammu & Kashmir UT, is organizing JK Women Science Congress from 11th to 13th February, 2024 with the aim to create a platform for networking, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas, fostering a supportive community for women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). University of Jammu aims to bring together women scientists, researchers, academicians, and students from diverse backgrounds and disciplines through this event. To facilitate the participation in the Congress, a dedicated website was launched by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu.
- 8. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:
 - a. Conversation with Prof. Satnam Kaur, Chairman, Utsaah, The Clubs, University of Jammu on "One Year into the Utsaah Club" hosted by Ms. Aatiqa Malik, Student, Department of English, University of Jammu.
 - b. Conversation with Prof. (Dr.) Meena Sidhu, Head, Blood Transfusion Medicine, Government Medical College, Jammu on "Understanding Blood Donation Process and Busting Myths related to Blood Donation".
 - c. Conversation with Dr. Vikram Sahi, I/C Central Library on Dhanvantri Library in Digital Prospects and its Functions hosted by Ms. Shruti Arora, Programming Assistant, FM 91.2 Dhwani JU.
 - d. Conversation with Mr. Pandurang K Pole, IAS, Chief Electoral Officer, Jammu & Kashmir on "National Voters Day: Pledging to Vote" hosted by Dr. Nitan Sharma, The Law School, University of Jammu.
 - e. Conversation with Mrs. Poonam Jamwal, Chairperson, Kunwar Viyogi Trust on "Dogri Literature & Kunwar Viyogi" hosted by Dr. Garima Gupta, Head, Department of Journalism & Media Studies.
 - f. Conversation with Ms. Shilpa Chaku, Training & Placement Officer, University of Jammu and Mrs. India Universal 2023 on "Journey from a Working Women to Mrs. India Universal and Busting myths of Beauty Peagent Industry".
 - g. Conversation with Mohd. Yaseen Kichloo, SSP, Civil Secretariat, Jammu & Kashmir on "Cyber Crime & Cyber Security".
 - h. Conversation with Ms. Manju Wazir, Kathak & Folk Dancer on the topic "Kathak".
 - i. Dogri Lok Geet performance by Vrindha Sharma, Scholar, Department of Chemistry, University of Jammu; Jasmeen Kour and Vidhita Jamwal students from Department of English, University of Jammu.

- j. Short Story in Hindi by Ms. Swati Vijay, Research Scholar, Department of Englsih, University of Jammu.
- k. Short Story titled "AMMA" by Dr. Bhagwati Devi, Lecturer, Department of Hindi, University of Jammu.
- Awareness Capsule on "Sustainable Tourism & Vocal for Local" by Dr. Nikita Dogra;
 Dr. Hanika Mahajan and Ms. Assesdeep Kour from School of Hospitality & Tourism Management, University of Jammu.
- m. Awareness Capsule on "Right to Vote ahead of National Voters Day on 25th January" presented by Mr. Vishwapreet Singh, Student of Political Science, University of Jammu.
- n. Talk Show on National Girl Child Day by Hemani Khandari, Student, Department of Journalism & Media Studies, University of Jammu; Suriya Banoo, Student, Department of Dogri, University of Jammu; Vishwapreet Singh, Student, Department of Political Science, University of Jammu; Aatiqa Malik, Student, Department of English, University of Jammu and Pallavi Devi, Research Scholar, Department of Hindi, University of Jammu.
- o. Talk Show on "Shrimad Bhagwat Gita aur Samay Prabhandan ke Sidhant" by Prof. Rajendra Mishra, The Business School, University of Jammu.
- p. Talk Show on "Basholi & its Heritage" presented by Vishal Singh and Vattan Singh, Research Scholars, School of Hospitality & Tourism Management, University of Jammu.
- q. Talk Show on "The Unexplored Destinations of Jammu" by Hemaanshu Tickoo & Fahima Akhtar, Students from School of Hospitality & Tourism, University of Jammu.
- 9. Department of Botany in collaboration with Regional cum Facilitation Centre, Northern Region-II, National Medicinal Plants Board, Ministry of AYUSH, GoI under the aegis of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology-Kashmir organized seven-day workshop on "Value Addition of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants for health security and entrepreneurial opportunity". Sh. Imam Din (JKAS), Managing Director, J&K Horticultural Produce Marketing and Processing Corporation, was the Chief Guest of the function. He appreciated the efforts of the programme in inculcating among the participants entrepreneurial skills and knowledge about value addition of medicinal and aromatic plants for nutrition and health security, and raising start-ups. Twenty-five participants from the Department of Botany and School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu were the stakeholders. A total of 17 lectures and two field visits comprised the 7-day skill development programme. During this workshop, eminent resource persons from SKUAST-J, SKUAST-K, Central University of Jammu, Krishi Vigyan Kendra (Jammu and Reasi), Horticulture and Handicrafts Department (Kathua), Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (Jammu), CSIR-IIIM (Jammu), JK Entrepreneurship Development Institute and State/UT Medicinal Plants Board (Jammu) shared their expertise with the participants. The programme motivated stakeholders to work towards setting up small entrepreneurial set ups and become job providers rather than job seekers.

- 10. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized two- day workshop on "Data analysis with SPSS" for the scholars of Department of Home Science, University of Jammu; Department of Psychology, University of Jammu; Department of Commerce University of Jammu; Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, Central University of Jammu and Department of Social Science, IIT Jammu.
- 11. Department of Buddhist Studies in Collaboration with Ladakh Phandey Tsogspa organized a Guest Lecture on the topic of "Spirituality in Life" in which His eminence 8th Palga Rinpoche Ji was the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker. Palga Rinpoche Ji, in his Lecture, focused more on practices of modernity and spiritualism and highlighted that in this modern world, we need to focus more on the calmness of our mind and body through the practices of meditation. The lecture was attended by all the faculty, scholars and students of the department.
- 12. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Different Dimensions of Ongoing Israel-Hamas: Responses and Lessons Learnt". Sh. Pradeep Dutta, Senior Journalist who has recently visited Israel and covered the war related events in the war affected areas was the Keynote Speaker. Sh. Dutta talked about the cruelties committed by the Hamas against the innocent people and argued that both sides have faced huge causalities and destruction of the property. Sh. Dutta also discussed China's interests in the ongoing Israel-Hamas war.
- 13. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a Special Lecture, titled "The 1971 War: Re-examining the Largest Military Surrender after the World War-II" in memory of nation-builders who sacrificed their lives during the freedom movement of India. Major General (retd.) Goverdhan Singh Jamwal AVSM was the Chief Guest and Brigadier (Retd.) Vijay Sagar Dheman was the Guest of Honour. The lecture was attended by many academicians, journalists and members of the civil society. All the faculty members, scholars and students of department of Strategic and Regional Studies participated in the lecture.
- 14. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Art of Living organized a session on "Mind Matters". Mr. Rohit Ranjan from Art of Living was the Resource Person. Mr. Ranjan shared his experience of mindfulness that he learnt in his journey in the Art of Living. He inspired in students and scholars the values of compassion, empathy, kindness and calmness through the right form of meditation. During the session a small meditative practice to develop and understand the power of breathing was conducted under his instructions. The aim of the entire session was to promote both mental and physical well-being and a positive attitude towards life.

- 15. विश्व हिन्दी दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में हिंदी विभाग में चर्चा-परिचर्चा का आयोजन विभागाध्यक्ष प्रो.रजनी बाला के कुशल निर्देशन में किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में विभाग के विद्यार्थियों और शोधार्थियों ने बढ़-चढ़कर भाग लिया। विधार्थियों ने हिंदी भाषा के संवादात्मक रूप पर प्रकाश डालते हुए कहा कि राष्ट्रीय अस्मिता और राष्ट्रीय चरित्र का विकास भाषा के साथ अभिन्न रूप से जुड़ा है। भाषा को कोई गढ़ता नहीं है वह तो हवा और पानी की तरह सहज भाव से बहती है। विभाग के शोधार्थी ममता देवी, मोहम्मद सुलेमान, सपना सैनी ने इस अवसर पर आलेख पाठ किया। एम. ए की विद्यार्थी मिलन, अमरेश कुमार, रवि कुमार, सचिन ने हिंदी भाषा से संबंधित अपने व्यक्तिगत अनुभवों को साझा किया। इस आयोजन की अध्यक्षता डॉ. परषोतम कुमार ने की। उन्होंने कहा कि हिन्दी भारत की मौलिक भाषा है। यह प्यार, प्रार्थना एवं संस्कार की भाषा है। हिन्दी में भाव-जगत से जुड़े सूक्ष्म शब्द है, वह अंग्रेजी में मिल नहीं सकते। इसीलिए भारत के स्वाधीनता संग्राम की भाषा हिन्दी ही बनी। वैश्विक क्षितिज पर हिन्दी का प्रसार जारी है। दुनिया के अनेक देशों में अब हिन्दी बोली जा रही है।
- 16. Nature & Wildlife Club, University of Jammu in collaboration with NIKON INDIA organized two-day Wildlife & Bird photography workshop for students & scholars of University of Jammu. Mr. Rohit Gupta from Nikon India was the Resource Person.
- 17. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized an insightful field visit to Reliance Mart for the students of M. Com. (3rd Semester) with the aim to provide the practical understanding of the retail industry and its dynamics to the students. Reliance Mart, a leading retail giant, graciously hosted the students, offering them an immersive experience into the world of marketing strategies and HR practices within the retail sector. During the visit, students had the opportunity to interact with industry professionals, gaining valuable insights into the latest trends, challenges and innovative approaches adopted by the Reliance Mart. The hands-on experience allowed them to connect theoretical knowledge with real-world applications, enhancing their understanding of the subjects.
- 18. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu in collaboration with CHILDLINE India Foundation, J&K organized a Nukkad Natak to celebrate the National Girl Child Day at Platform No. 1 Railway Station, Jammu. Prof. Samridhi Arora, Head, Department of Home Science and Coordinator of the Programme highlighted the importance of the celebration of such day to increase the sensitization and awareness towards the issues related to the Girl Child. She also highlighted that such programmes enhance the understanding of the masses/community towards the injustice experienced by the girls in the society in their education, safety, security and survival.
- 19. UGC-Madanmohan Malvia Mission Teachers Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu organized 8-week long General Training course for Secretarial Staff of University sponsored by Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA). Prof. Umeh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu expressed happiness over the different aspects that were covered by eminent experts who delivered lectures in this course, wherein 18 secretarial cadre employees of the University

were exposed, trained and sensitized towards Service, Conduct, University Calendar and Financial rules including GFR-17, GEM portal etc.

- 20. UGC-Madanmohan Malvia Mission Teachers Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu organized two-week online Refresher Course in Environmental Sciences. Professor S. K. Pandita, Director, UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu was the Chief Guest. Prof. Piyush Malaviya, Course Coordinator and Head, Department of Environmental Sciences explained the overall structure of the refresher course and informed that due to the interdisciplinary nature of the course, experts from diverse educational and research institutions, PSUs and industries, and various geographical regions both from within and outside India, having expertise in diverse research fields were invited for knowledge sharing in this refresher course in Environmental Sciences. The course was attended by Assistant Professors from various institutions across the country.
- 21. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu in coordination with the Campus Cultural Committee and Students Cultural Council organized Lohri 2024 Celebrations to commemorate Swami Vivekananda Ji's Birth Anniversary as National Youth Day. Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. He appreciated the organizers for this thoughtful event which aimed at channelizing the energy of youth and connecting them to their traditions and culture.
- 22. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized a Dance Workshop for the students, staff and wards of University employees. Ms. Manju Wazir, eminent exponent of Kathak was the Resource Person. Ms. Manju Wazir is Visharad in Kathak from Gandharva Mahavidyalaya Mandal and has done Post Graduate-5 years Diploma Course in Kathak Dance from Kathak Kendra, New Delhi. She has been a troupe member of J&K Cultural Academy from 1985 to 1989 & has performed in stage programmes all over the Country. She has actively participated in ballets & compositions of the Great Maestro Pt. Birju Maharaj. She also participated in the Japan cultural exchange programme held by Naragukuen Tomigaoka School in Nara, Japan in Oct' 2019.
- 23. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu in collaboration with ELFA International organized a workshop on "Effective Communication and Leadership" with the aim to equip students with the essential skills to navigate the complex landscape of communication in both personal and professional spheres. Dr. Mehran Khan, CEO and founder of ELFA International was the key resource person of the workshop. He highlighted the paramount importance of effective communication in today's interconnected world. Participants were engaged in ice-breaking activities that not only fostered a sense of camaraderie but also set the stage for an interactive and participative learning environment. During the session, Dr. Khan shared valuable techniques for effective communication, emphasizing the significance of pausing before responding, building trust through honesty,

and avoiding rushed communication. More than 90 students and scholars from the different teaching departments of the University participated in the workshop.

- 24. Office of the Programme Coordinator, NSS and Coordinator Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Government College for Women, Parade Jammu organized a one-day workshop on Inclusivity for the students and NSS volunteers. Prof. Kusumlata Malik, President National Federation for Blind, India and Sh. Anil Joshi, Former member National Trust Act, GoI, Accessibility and Inclusivity Professional were the Resource Persons. More than 100 students and NSS volunteers from both the institutes participated in the day long workshop.
- 25. Centre for Women's Studies in collaboration with Office of Program Coordinator NSS, University of Jammu organized an Interactive Session/Public Lecture on the theme 'Rethinking Women Led Development on National Girl Child Day' for the students & scholars of University of Jammu. Dr. Nancy Mengi, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, Central University of Jammu was the Resource Person. A Large number of students from the various departments of University of Jammu actively participated in the lecture.
- 26. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized the 9th workshop under the ongoing series for the students and scholars of the Department of Statistics and Philosophy. Prof. Sarika Manhas, Faculty, Department of Home Science, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. Prof. Sarika Manhas in her keynote address spoke about the relevance of Gender sensitization workshops especially for the students and scholars and said that this lecture can be a helpful tool in creating sensitive and inclusive society. She gave insights on the concept of Sex vs. Gender, Masculinity and Femininity and with the help of video clippings; she explained how gender is a socially and culturally constructed concept. A large number of students and scholars from both the Department of Statistics and Philosophy, very enthusiastically participated in the workshop and shared their personal experiences and raised many queries which were answered to their satisfaction by the Resource Person.
- 27. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Expert Lecture on Empowering Viksit Bharat @2047: Unveiling the Significance of Artificial Intelligence. Er. Munish Kohli, Senior Manager at Tower Vision India Ltd. was the Resource Person. Er. Munish Kohli has been working in the ICT industry for 17 years and has been awarded with many prestigious national awards. In the lecture, he presented invaluable insights into the transformative potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) for the advancement of a thriving India. Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in his message emphasized the importance of embracing cutting-edge technologies like Artificial Intelligence. He highlighted that these initiatives contribute significantly to the knowledge enrichment of students and professionals.

- 28. Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Rector, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu inaugurated the Girl's Hostel of Kathua Campus. The Girls Hostel is equipped with modern infrastructure and topnotch facilities. It stands as a testament to the institution's commitment in providing a secure and comfortable living space for female students. The facilities include spacious rooms, modern amenities, dedicated study areas, and recreational spaces, ensuring a well-rounded living experience.
- 29. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Silk Technical Service Center, CSTRI, Central Silk Board, Miran Sahib Jammu and J&K Sericulture Development Department organized one-day Technical Up-gradation Program titled "Schemes for the Development of Silk Industry". Dr. Vikas Gupta, Director of Handicraft and Handloom, Jammu Division was the Chief Guest and Shri Ashwani Kumar Sharma, Additional Director, Sericulture Development Department (SDD) was the Guest of Honour. Mr. N. S. Gahlot, Scientist-D/Zonal Officer STSC, CSTRI Central Silk Board Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. The event showcased various aspects of silk production, from handloom weaving to the potential for profit through silk yarn blends like silk-wool and silk-cotton. Participants were encouraged to explore the available subsidies for machinery, emphasizing the opportunity to create value-added diversified products aligned with market demand. Over 100 entrepreneurs, reelers, weavers, artisans, and officials from both state and central offices participated in the event.
- 30. In a significant educational initiative under the aegis of the Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan scheme, students from Government Upper Primary School (GUPS) Cheera, Upper Primary School (UPS) Doki, UPS Zenhari, UPS Sipla, and Government Girls Middle School (GGMS) Bhella in Zone Thathri, District Doda, were welcomed at Bhaderwah Campus for a vocational exposure visit spanning from class 6th to 8th. Prof. J.P. Singh Joorel, Rector, Bhaderwah Campus in his address said that such initiatives underline the commitment of educational institutions to go beyond conventional teaching methods and actively contribute to the overall growth and wellbeing of students. The students actively engaged in interactive sessions, workshops, and practical demonstrations, gaining firsthand experiences that complemented their academic curriculum.
- 31. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu under the aegis of Skill Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship Development Centre and Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyaan (RUSA) organized seven days skill workshop on Mountaineering.
- 32. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education organized Hiking and Trekking Expedition at Mount Abu and Jaisalmer, Rajasthan in which 25 contingents and 7 staff members of University of Jammu participated. Various adventurous sports activities i.e. Rappelling, Tent pitching, desert track etc. were also organized during the Expedition.

- 33. Teams from Directorate of Sports and Physical Education participated in the following events:
 - North-Zone Inter-University Chess Competition 2023-24, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh.
 - North East -Zone Inter-University Taekwondo Competition 2023-24, Lovely Professional University Jalandhar, Punjab.
 - North East-Zone Inter-University Boxing Competition 2023-24, Lovely Professional University Jalandhar, Punjab.
 - North East-Zone Inter-University Pencak-silat Competition 2023-24, GNDU, Amritsar, Punjab.
 - North East-Zone Inter-University Weight Lifting Competition 2023-24, Chandigarh University, Mohali, Punjab.
 - North -Zone Inter-University Cricket Competition 2023-24, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.
- 34. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - a. Vimal Muni College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - b. Government Degree College, Thathri for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - c. Islimiya Faridya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - d. Government Degree College, Batote for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - e. Government Nursing College, Kishtwar for imparting instructions in B.Sc. course.
- 35. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.P.H.T (1st Prof.), B.Sc. Paramedical, UG Part (5th Semester-Non CBCS), BBA (HM) 1st Semester CBCS, BBA(HM) 1st Semester CBCS, B.P.ED (3rd Semester), BBA((HM) 3rd Semester (REG/PVT), BDS Final PROF. (Subsequent), UG 1st Semester (NEP) Regular, MDP Hindi (1st Semester) DDE/PVT, MDP Commerce (DDE/PVT), MDP Sanskrit (DDE/PVT), MDP Urdu (DDE/PVT), MDP Dogri (DDE/PVT), MDP Economics (DDE/PVT), MDP Sociology (DDE/PVT), MDP English (DDE/PVT) and MDP History (DDE/PVT) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for LLB 5 Year (6th Semester REG/PVT), PGDBM (2nd Semester REG/PVT), PG Diploma in Yoga (2nd Semester REG/PVT), BA/BED Integrated (4th Semester), BE (4th Semester), UG 4th Semester (CBCS), B.Tech (4th Semester), B.SC Nursing (2nd Year Regular), IT (4th Semester), MDP Urdu (2nd & 4th Semester), MDP Sanskrit (2nd & 4th Semester), MDP Chemistry (4th Semester), MDP Punjabi (4th Semester) MDP Math (2nd Semester), MDP Economics (2nd Semester), Music & Fine Arts (Final Year) etc.

FEBRUARY 2024

1. Honorable Lieutenant Governor J&K and Chancellor, University of Jammu Shri Manoj Sinha, inaugurated the JK Women Science Congress organized by the University of Jammu in collaboration with the J&K Science Technology and Innovation Council, Government of Jammu & Kashmir. The inaugural function was attended by Dr. Vibha Tandon, Director Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, Kolkata (IICB-CSIR) who was also Guest of Honor for the congress; Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu; Prof Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs & convener of the congress and Prof Jyoti Vakhlu, co-convenor of the congress along with full participation from the dignitaries from various spheres, former University faculty, current faculty, scholars and students of University of Jammu. Dr. Vibha Tandon, delivered a thought-provoking inaugural talk on "Women in Science: Past, Present, and Future" during the inaugural session. She focused on the impact of government policies on the improvement of the status of women in the field of science. Prof Tandon highlighted the societal influences on career choices, emphasizing that societal perceptions significantly shape a person's career path. Prof Vibha Tandon left the audience with a powerful message: "You never know how strong you are until being strong is your only choice".

A lecture series was organized in both offline and online mode by researchers of international repute like Prof. Riddhi Shah, Professor of Mathematics, School of Physical Sciences, Jawahar Lal Nehru University (JNU); Prof. Riddhi Shah, Professor of Mathematics, School of Physical Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU); Prof. Farooq A Masoodi, Professor of Food Science and Technology & Dean Academic Affairs, University of Kashmir; Dr. Kanchan Kour, Senior Director-Breast Surgery, Breast Cancer Breast Services, Cancer Institute Medanta-The Medicity, Gurugram; Prof. Bindu A. Bambah; Senior Professor, School of Physics, University of Hyderabad; Prof Gautam Menon, Dean, Research and Professor of Physics and Biology, Ashoka University, Sonipat; Prof Paramjeet Khurana; Senior Professor, Department of Plant Molecular Biology, University of Delhi; Prof. Karoline Faust, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, Belgium; Prof. Neelu Jain Gupta, Professor and Head, Department of Zoology and Ex-Head, Department of Hospital Administration, Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh; Prof. Paramjeet Khurana, senior professor, Department of plant molecular biology, University of Delhi; Dr. Vandana Singh; HEAD, WISE-KIRAN, Department of Science and technology, New Delhi and Prof Binta Phartiyal, Scientist-F, Birabal Sahni Institute of Palaeo-Sciences, Lucknow.

2. Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department and Financial Advisor Universities, Sh. Santosh D Vaidya, IAS, laid the foundation stone for the building block for Department of Journalism and Media Studies at the University of Jammu, marking a significant moment in the infrastructural enhancement of the University. Sh. Vaidya in his address assured full support of the Government for all these developmental initiatives, emphasizing the importance of providing comprehensive facilities to all the Universities. He underscored the need to equip educational institutions with the necessary resources for

nurturing young minds and empowering them to contribute significantly towards the nation's growth. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor expressed sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor Jammu and Kashmir UT and Chancellor, University of Jammu Shri Manoj Sinha for his unwavering support in realizing this crucial initiative.

- 3. International Centre for Cross-Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR & HRM) University of Jammu in collaboration with The University of the South Pacific, Fiji and Directorate of Distance & Online Education University of Jammu organized three day "International Conference on Innovation and Sustainability in Business Development". Prof. Gurmeet Singh, Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Vice-President, Research & Innovation, The University of the South Pacific, Fiji; Prof. Haywantee Ramikisson, University of South Australia; Ms. Namrata Modi, Executive Director, Prevest Denpro Pvt. Ltd; Prof. Ambika Zutshi, School of Business, University of Southern Queensland, Australia were the Keynote Speakers.
- 4. The Business School, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "From Idea to Impact: Boosting Startups through Stakeholder Intervention and Investor Sensitization" sponsored by The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). The purpose of the workshop was to deliberate on the findings and outcomes of the ICSSR Short Term Empirical Research project titled "A Study of Financial Sustainability and Investor Perception of Innovative Businesses in Jammu and Kashmir (UT) Supported by Atal Innovation Mission" awarded to Dr. Amisha Gupta, Associate Professor, The Business School, University of Jammu. Dr. Saurabh Saran, Principal Scientist, CSIR- Indian Institute for Integrative Medicine and Principal Investigator, IIIM TBI was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Supran Sharma, Chief Coordinator, EDC, SMVDU was the Chief Guest of the occasion.
- 5. The Business School, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "Start -Up Ecosystem in J&K: A Way Forward" sponsored by The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). The purpose of the workshop was to deliberate on the findings and outcomes of the ICSSR Short Term Empirical Collaborative Research project titled "Analyzing Impact of Indian Start-up Ecosystem in UT of J&K" awarded to Prof. Vinay Chauhan, Director, The Business School. Prof. Vinay Chauhan in his address assured that TBS, JU will leave no stone unturned and with the help of the Government, financial institutions and other stakeholders try to emulate good start-up models of states like Gujarat, Karnataka etc. in UT of J&K towards building and providing a sustainable successful Start-up ecosystem to budding entrepreneurs of UT of J&K. Shri Arun Kumar Manhas, Director, Industries & Commerce, Jammu was the Chief Guest of the occasion. The workshop was attended by Prof. Alka Sharma; Prof. Dipanker Sen Gupta; Officials from CII; Representatives from FICCI FLO; Key Stakeholders; Beneficiaries; Faculty members, Staff and Research Scholars of The Business School, University of Jammu.

- 6. Department of Remote Sensing & GIS, University of Jammu in a significant step towards strengthening the hydrological research and monitoring capabilities, successfully installed state-of-the-art instruments, including a radar sensor for continuous water level measurement, near Katal Batal Bridge to Baba Pehar Devta in the Tawi Catchment area of Nagrota. This initiative is a result of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) established in March 2022 between the University of Jammu and the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO (DoS), Dehradun. The collaborative three-year project titled "Monitoring and Assessment of Mountain Ecosystem and Services in North-West Himalaya (Phase-II): Monitoring and Modeling of Hydrological Processes in Glaciated and Unglaciated Watersheds of North-West Himalaya," awarded to Prof. A. S Jasrotia. The gathered sensor data will play a pivotal role in monitoring flood hazards and assessing the impact of climate variability on the hydrological regime of the Jammu region.
- 7. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI) in organized a poster making competition on the theme "Contribution of Microbiologists in Healthy Republic Indian" with the aim to drive young minds to highlight the often-unsung contributions of microbiology in shaping a healthier and more resilient nation. The students from the Faculty of Life Sciences embarked on a creative initiative to illuminate the invaluable "Contributions of Microbiologists in Promoting a Healthy Republic India." The posters made by the students showcased the significant impact of microbiologists in various domains, such as healthcare, agriculture, and environmental sustainability.
- 8. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized an insightful field visit to J&K Bank Ltd. (Town Hall Branch), exclusively for the students of M Com (4th semester). The visit aimed at providing the students with a practical understanding of financial operations and management. Under the guidance of Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Branch Head, J&K Bank, students had the opportunity to interact with industry professionals, which delve into various facets of banking & finance, gaining firsthand experience in areas such as investment banking, risk management, credit analysis and financial advisory services. The hands-on-experience provides a unique opportunity for the students to bridge the gap between theoretical class learning and real world applications in the dynamic field of finance enhancing their understanding of the subjects.
- 9. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized an insightful lecture on the theme "Research Publication in High Impact Journals" focusing on the intricacies of research publication for the scholars of the department. The lecture aimed to empower the scholars with insights about navigating the pathway to successful research publication. Prof. Gurmeet Singh, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Research and Innovation, University of the South Pacific, Fiji and Prof. Haywantee Ramikisson, University of South Australia were the Keynote Speakers. Dr. Gurmeet is a prestigious alumnus of the department and expert in research methodologies.

- 10. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized a one-day field trip to Gharana wetland Jammu. The purpose of the trip was to acquaint the students with different varieties of resident and migratory birds visiting the area during winter and to provide them with hands-on training on various monitoring techniques to study the water quality and biological aspects of the wetlands. Mr. Ashish Mahajan, Range Officer Wetlands, Department of Wildlife Protection, Government of J&K interacted with the students and briefed them about various conservation measures adopted by the Department of Wildlife for the management of Gharana wetland. A total of 25 students along with the faculty members, participated in this educational trip.
- 11. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu with the aim to enhance practical knowledge and industry exposure of its students, organized an insightful industrial visit to the printing press and office of the popular publication, the Daily State Samachar. Shri Shamsher Singh Charak, Director of Daily State Samachar while interacting with the students emphasized the importance of such initiatives in bridging the gap between theoretical learning and real-world application.
- 12. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu organized a lecture on Online tools for enhancement of Academia and Research with special focus on the formulation of a research proposal (synopsis). The lecture aimed to provide attendees with a comprehensive understanding of the various online tools available for academia and research, and their utilization to enhance the quality and efficiency of research endeavors. Prof. Sumeer Gul, Proffesor, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kashmir was the Resource Person.
- 13. Institute of Human Genetics, University of Jammu in collaboration with Science Club, Utsaah, organized an awareness program on "Rare Genetic Disorders" on National Science Day and Rare Disease Day under Mission Program on Pediatrics Rare Genetic Diseases, DBT, GoI, New Delhi funded research project. Prof. (Dr). Sanjeev Kumar Digra, Department of Pediatrics, SMGS, Hospital, GMC was the Chief Guest. Dr. Sudheendra Rao N R, Scientific Advisor, Organization of Rare Disease India was the Keynote Speaker.
- 14. Department of Computer Science & IT, University of Jammu in collaboration with M/s. Advance Tech India Pvt. Ltd organized two-day workshop on IoT and its Industrial Applications. The objective of the workshop is to provide hands on practical training to the students, scholars and faculty members in the domain of Internet of Things (IoT). Mr. Ankur Rawat and Mr. Gopal from M/s. Advance Tech India Pvt. Ltd were the Resource Persons. The workshop was attended by Students, Scholars and faculty of the Department of Computer Science & IT; Department of Electronics and Department of Computer Science, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu.

- 15. Department of Education, University of Jammu organized an engaging workshop titled "Hands-on Workshop on APA Style 7th Edition". The workshop comprised three technical sessions covering Academic Writing, the Basic Rules of APA 7th Edition, and the use of APA 7th Edition in referencing style. Eight research scholars from the Department of Education were the presenters. The key areas of the workshop were Academic Writing Rules, In-Text Citation, Appendix Style, Thematic Review, Style of Introductory Pages, and Referencing Style according to APA 7th Edition.
- 16. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized one-week workshop on "Communication & Personality Development. Ms. Neetu Dhar, Chief Coordinator and Master Trainer at Jammu and Kashmir Dairy Producers, Processors, and Marketing Cooperatives, Ltd. was the Resource Person. The main objective of the workshop was to enable the students to enhance their communication skills and improve their confidence levels. The workshop was attended by more than 60 students from University of Jammu and colleges affiliated to University of Jammu.
- 17. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized a 3-day workshop on Computer skills at Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Bazar Qasaban, Gujjar Nagar, Jammu for the students of the school. The theme of this three-day workshop is to provide computer-based knowledge to students, which will help them to become proficient in handling computer-based activities. Ms. Kamlesh Bhagat, Principal of the school, expressed in her welcome address the need for computer skill development programmes for the students of the school, as it helps to build a strong foundation for them. The Workshop was attended by more than 30 students of the school.
- 18. Department of Botany, University of Jammu in collaboration with Malaviya Mission Teacher Training (MMTT), University of Jammu organized Six day hands-on training cum workshop on Molecular Taxonomy. Sh. Suresh K. Gupta, IFS, Principal Secretary, Department of Culture, Jammu and Kashmir Government inaugurated the event as Chief Guest who shared the dias with Dr. J L Karihaloo, Former Director, NBPGR and Coordinator Asia Pacific Consortium on Agriculture Biotechnology as Guest of Honor. Participants from various institutes like University of Jammu; Central University of Jammu; SKUAST-Jammu; Cluster University, Jammu; Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University, Rajouri, and Akal University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda (Punjab) have joined the workshop. In the six days' event the participants subjected to rigorous hands on training with respect to different molecular approaches used in plant identification and resolving inaccuracies in Taxonomy.
- 19. UGC-Madanmohan Malvia Mission Teachers Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu in collaboration with department of Geology organized two-week online refresher course in Earth Sciences. Prof Hari B. Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, Siddhartha University, and famous

Structural Geologist was the Chief Guest. A total of 30 faculty members across the country participated in the course.

- 20. UGC-Madanmohan Malvia Mission Teachers Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu in collaboration with department of Sociology organized one-week online refresher course in Social Sciences. Prof Vishav Raksha, HoD, Department of Sociology was the Resource Person. The workshop was attended by participants across the nation.
- 21. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu in collaboration with Jammu Kashmir Study Centre (JKSC) organized a Public Lecture on "Gilgit-Baltistan: From Great Game to Great Uprising". Col. (Retd.) Ajay K. Raina was the Keynote Speaker.
- 22. The FICCI FLO Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh Chapter, a leading women's business organization, has taken a significant stride towards fostering health and social initiatives in the region. A delegation from FICCI FLO JKL held a meeting with Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of the University of Jammu for collaboration with the University of Jammu for their upcoming Marathon'24 RUN4HEALTH. The marathon aims to raise funds for addressing crucial health concerns in Jammu and Kashmir, particularly focusing on Tuberculosis care, nutrition, and eradication. The FLO JKL delegation also shared insights from their recent meeting with the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Shri Manoj Sinha Ji, who expressed his desire for FICCI FLO JKL to focus on Tuberculosis Eradication. His vision is to make Jammu and Kashmir Tuberculosis-free by 2025. In line with this directive, FLO JKL plans to conduct multiple health camps throughout the year in both rural and urban areas, targeting schools and colleges.
- 23. The Business School, University of Jammu has refurbished its existing website with the domain name www.tbs.jammuuniversity.ac.in. The upgraded website is mandated to strengthen its presence in the digital space. The website is loaded with highly interactive features to cater to the needs of students seeking admission to MBA and EMBA programme. Through the website, The Business School intends to provide clear and concise information to visitors regarding the admission process, Faculty Profile, Fee Details, Placements and all other department related information. The website also hosts a secure server and payment gateway to protect user's personal and financial information.
- 24. University Health Centre in collaboration of team SIBA organized one-day Free Multi specialty Medical Camp & Blood Donation Camp for students, employees and their dependents. Over 400 students and staff benefitted from the Multi specialty camp, and a substantial number of students also participated in blood donation.

- 25. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 6th hands-on training on Information Technology for students of Government Higher Secondary School Budhi, Kathua. The aim of the visit was to provide students with practical insights into the world of innovation and development. The students engaged in interactive sessions with faculty members of the Campus, where they had the opportunity to learn about various disciplines and career prospects in the field.
- 26. Department of English, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an expert lecture cum workshop titled "Understanding Poetry: The Genre and The Inspiration", for the students of the department with the aim to provide attendees with insights into the nuances of poetry, techniques for analyzing poetic works and strategies for enhancing their appreciation for this art form. Dr. Garima Gupta, Associate Professor in Department of English, University of Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 27. The Management School, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized the Industrial visit for the students of the department of Management to the Sun Pharmaceuticals Industries Limited with the aim to sensitize the students about the comprehensive working of the pharmaceutical firm in terms of production, processing and packaging.
- 28. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the JK Science, Technology and Innovation Council (JKSTIC), Department of Science and Technology, Udhampur organized a One Day Awareness-cum-Training Programme on "Aromatic Crops and importance of Biodiversity" on the eve of National Science Day 2024 with the aim to spread awareness and significance of science and its application in daily life and expose the stakeholders to new technologies. Dr. Suphla Gupta, Principal Scientist at CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM), Jammu & Nodal Scientist Aroma Mission III and Prof Susheel Verma, Head, Department of Botany, University of Jammu, Jammu were the Resource Persons. The mega event was attended by the JK STIC representative, the faculty and students of Bhaskar Degree College, Kalra College of Education, and the local schools in the village of Garnai-Lotta, as well as members of the civil society, members of the local bodies, and progressive women Agri-entrepreneurs.
- 29. Shri Ashwani Kumar Sharma, Additional Director of the State Sericulture Development Department visited the Poonch Campus, where he engaged with the students and teaching faculty of the Department of Sericulture. The visit aimed to assess the progress and initiatives taken by the campus in the field of sericulture, particularly the innovative Cocoon Art and Craft Initiative by Dr. Rubia Bukhari, the Campus Officer, and In-Charge of the Department of Sericulture. During the visit, Shri Ashwani Kumar Sharma expressed his profound satisfaction with the Cocoon Art and Craft Initiative, recognizing it as a commendable effort in utilizing defective cocoons to create unique crafts. He commended Dr. Rubia Bukhari for her leadership

and dedication to this initiative, highlighting the positive impact it has on promoting creativity within the sericulture sector.

- 30. Dr. Rubia Bukhari, lecturer in the Department of Sericulture at Poonch Campus, University of Jammu, has brought honor to the University of Jammu by showcasing her remarkable Cocoon Artistry at the recently concluded International Conference of the "Essential Oil Association of India" in Chennai. Dr. Bukhari's innovative Cocoon Artistry initiative has not only captivated the audience but has also been hailed as a significant contribution to the field. Her expertise in sericulture has propelled her work to the forefront, turning heads at the prestigious international event. The initiative by Dr. Rubia Bukhari is not just a local triumph but a tale of "White Revolution" echoing from Poonch to Kanyakumari. Her dedication to advancing the artistry of sericulture promises to inspire a new wave of innovation in the industry. In addition to her exemplary contributions to sericulture, Dr. Rubia Bukhari expresses her ardent desire to serve as an ambassador for Prime Minister Narinder Modi's "Atmnirbhar Bhaarat" and "Nari-Shakti" initiatives.
- 31. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu conducted a comprehensive inspection of the newly constructed infrastructure at the Reasi Campus and discussed key issues for the seamless functioning of the campus. The Vice Chancellor was joined by Shri Vishesh Mahajan, DC Reasi, who assured full support from the District Administration, particularly in providing basic facilities like road connectivity, water, and electric supply to the campus. Shri Vishesh Mahajan also pledged support for short-term Skill Development programs at Reasi Campus, reinforcing the commitment to fostering a well-rounded educational environment. He further urged the University to organize training programmes for capacity building in collaboration with District Administration.
- 32. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu under the auspices of Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi organized All India Inter University Wushu (Men and Women) Championship 2023–24. More than 1500 players from 131 Universities across the nation participated in the championship. University of Jammu and Chandigarh University Mohali showed its supremacy by lifting Men & Women Championship Trophies in Sanda (Men) and Sanda (Women) respectively. Sh. Vijay Saraf (President Wushu Association of J&K) and Sh. Kuldeep Handoo (Dhronacharya Awardee and Chief Coach Wushu India) was the Guest of Honour.
- 33. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu under the aegis of Skill Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship development Centre (SIIEDC) and RUSA organized one week long Skill Development Workshop on Mountaineering. More than 300 participants including students, staff members of the different departments of JU and affiliated colleges of Jammu University participated in the workshop. Sh. Pranav Bandral, Director, Pir Panjal Adventures and his entire team delivered training lectures on different topics like hiking,

climbing, CPR, Rappelling, river crossing, food hunting skills, tent pitching and other mountaineering skills. During the Workshop two days field training on above mentions topic were also imparted.

- 34. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - i. Surya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - ii. Trikuta Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - iii. RS College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - iv. Trikuta College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - v. Rajiv Gandhi Memorial College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. / M.ED and 4-year integrated BA B.Ed. course.
 - vi. Thakur Dharam Singh College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - vii. Bhagat Kabir College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - viii. Trikuta College of Physical Education for imparting instructions in B.P.Ed. course.
 - ix. Rajiv Gandhi Degree College for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - x. Government Degree College, Bhaderwah to add new subject i.e EVS as core subject at UG level.
 - xi. Government Degree College, Kishtwar add new subject i.e EVS as core subject at UG level.
 - xii. Government Degree College, Thathri add new subject i.e EVS as core subject at UG
 - xiii. Government Degree College, Doda add new subject i.e EVS as core subject at UG level.
 - xiv. Chenab College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xv. Divya College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xvi. Sher-e-Kashmir College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xvii. Harvard College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xviii. B.N. College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xix. Galaxy College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xx. Lal Bahadur Shastri College of Education, Kathua for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xxi. Government B.Sc. Nursing College, Jammu for imparting instructions in B.Sc. Nursing course.
 - xxii. R.B College of Education, Kathua for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
 - xxiii. Guru Gang Dev College of Education, Kathua for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course.
- 35. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for PG Diploma in Human Rights & Duties Education; MBS (1st Semester-Special Mercy Chance); MCA (2nd

Semester-Non-CBCS); B.Sc. paramedical (Reg.); BAMS (4th Semester-Prof.); BPHT 3rd Semester Prof. (Subsequent); B. Pharmacy (1st Semester); M.Sc. Nursing (1 Year-Reg.); Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing (1st Year); B.Ed. 3rd Semester (Reg./Pvt.); BA LLB 5 years v(1st , 7th and 9th Semester); BDS 3rd Semester (Reg./Pvt.); UG 3rd Semester (Non-CBCS); B.Tech. (1st Semester); B. Architecture (1st , 3rd , 5th , 7th and 9th Semester); M.Tech. (1st Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing 2nd Year subsequent; UG 1st Semester (CBCS) Revaluation; NEP UG 1st Semester (Pvt.); UG Part-I and Part-II (Pvt.); B.Tech. (2nd and 4th Semester); B.Sc. Nursing 4th Year (Subsequent); UG 2nd Semester (CBCS); BA LLB 5 Years (4th Semester); BPHT 2nd Prof. (Subsequent); MBBS (1st Prof.); UG Part-III; BA LLB 5 Years (10th Semester); BAMS 3nd Prof. (Reg.); MDP Hindi (4th Semester); MDP Sociology (4th Semester); MDP English (2nd Semester); MDP Commerce (4th Semester); MDP Dogri (2nd and 4th Semester); MDP English (4th Semester); MDP Political Science (4th Semester); M.SC. Chemistry (3nd Semester); M.Com (3nd Semester); MA English (3nd Semester); MA Dogri (3nd Semester); M.Sc. Home Science (3nd Semester); MA History (3nd Semester); M.SC. Maths (3nd Semester); MBA H&T (3nd Semester); MBA IB (3nd Semester); M. Tech. (3nd Semester); MA Political Science (3nd Semester); MA Psychology (3nd Semester); MA Punjabi (3nd Semester); M.Sc. Remote Sensing (3nd Semester); MA Sociology (3nd Semester); M.SC. Statistics (3nd Semester); MA Urdu (3nd Semester); M.Sc. Electronics (3nd Semester); MA Journalism & Media Studies (3nd Semester); M.Sc. Botany (3nd Semester); MA Kashmiri (3nd Semester) etc.

MARCH 2024

1. The University of Jammu aligning with the forward-thinking Viksit Bharat initiative spearheaded by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Sh. Narendra Modi orgnazied Goonj-2024. The mega-festival was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Jammu and Kashmir (UT) and Chancellor, University of Jammu. Viksit Bharat initiative is geared towards propelling India into comprehensive development, nurturing progress across diverse domains. Inspired by the Prime Minister's vision, Goonj-2024 was dedicated to fostering the holistic development of the youth, providing them with a platform to exhibit their capabilities in culture, sports, and academia. Participants engaged in a diverse range of activities, from sports competitions to cultural performances, reflecting the rich cultural heritage and sporting prowess of the region. In the cultural category, a myriad of events, including photography, Indian group song, poster making, light vocal, and skit competitions captivated audiences. In sports category, Students participated in the competitive events of Volleyball (M), Handball (W), Kabaddi (M), Football (W), Kho-Kho (W), Kho-Kho (M) and Basketball (M). In addition to the competitions, the teaching departments of the University of Jammu, affiliated colleges and Cluster University of Jammu seized the opportunity to showcase their best practices. They presented their innovative approaches through poster presentations, PPTs, and banners, highlighting their contributions to academics and research. Based on the Best Practices, 10 departments were shortlisted to make presentation about their best practices in detail before the external team comprising of Professors from IIT, Jammu; Central University of Jammu etc. The external team then audited the 10 departments and as per the ranking given by the experts, The Business School was declared the Best Department of the University and won a cash award of Rs. 3.00 Lakh, whereas School of Hospitality and Tourism Management was declared as 2nd Best Department and awarded cash reward of Rs. 2.00 Lakh. Other highlights of the event include a documentary and an exhibition on "College on Wheels" JK-Gyanodaya Express. Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Jammu and Kashmir was the Chief Guest and Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairperson of the Higher Education Council, Government of Jammu and Kashmir and Chancellor of Kumara Mangalam University was the Guest of Honor at the Valedictory event. Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar expressed his delight at the success of the festival. He emphasized the importance of such events in nurturing creativity, talent, and cultural exchange among the youth. Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar highlighted the importance of best practices and cultural values in shaping individuals and communities. He emphasized the significance of finding solutions to challenges and fostering a culture of resilience and sportsmanship. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Dinesh Singh expressed his admiration for the event's success and highlighted the university's pivotal role in shaping the future of education.

2. University of Jammu, in collaboration with the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi organized a three-day workshop centered on "Capacity Building in Leadership Development of Academic Administrators and Principals for NEP-2020 Implementation". This workshop, with a special focus on internationalizing higher education, represented a significant leap towards aligning Indian higher education with global benchmarks. University of Jammu has been selected as the Nodal University for the Familiarization, Sensitization and Capacity building of academicians, administrators and other stakeholders for the effective implementation of the NEP 2020. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor JKUT and Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman Higher Education Council, Govt. of JK, UT and Chancellor, Kumara Mangalam University spoke at length about how NEP is going to create a Knowledge Economy that is indispensable for sustained high economic performance of any country. He further spoke of the need to connect the students with NEP and enable them to enjoy the freedom that it offers. Prof Umesh Rai , Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address stressed upon the critical importance of revisiting curriculum design in light of NEP-2020. He proudly announced that the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, led by the University of Jammu, is at the forefront of NEP-2020 implementation, showcasing the region's unwavering dedication to delivering quality education. The three day workshop had over 250 participants from University of Jammu, University of Kashmir, Cluster University of Kashmir, Cluster University of Jammu, members/speakers and participants from various colleges of Jammu and Kashmir region, Director Colleges and other important functionaries from the Higher Education Department JK (UT), Deans, Directors, Rectors, Heads of the teaching Departments of University of Jammu, and Officers of University of Jammu. Prof. Crig Jeffrey, from Monash University, Australia and Dr. Archana Thakur, Joint Secretary UGC were the Keynote Speakers. The workshop served as a platform for fruitful discussions and knowledge exchange, reinforcing the collective commitment to advancing education and leadership

development. Sh. Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary, UT of Jammu and Kashmir was the Chief Guest on the Valedictory Function. Shri Atal Dulloo in his address highlighted the significance of capacity building in leadership development, considering India's position as the world's second-largest education system. With a substantial portion of the youth pursuing higher education, he emphasized the government's commitment to providing the best educational opportunities to nurture future leaders equipped to compete on a global scale. Sh. Alok Kumar, Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, UT of J&K, and Guest of Honour for the event highlighted the significance of the workshop outcomes. He stressed the importance of enhancing our global presence and fostering cross-cultural exchange to create a vibrant educational environment. Emphasizing the role of education as a key driver for achieving our goals, he advocated for the development of an integrated, adaptable, and skilled-focused framework. This framework, he noted, should not only facilitate employment opportunities but also inspire innovation and entrepreneurship. Mr. Yashvardhan Kumar Sinha and Mr. Ashok Kumar Kanta, Ambassadors, Government of India were the Resource Persons.

- 3. The students of Design Your Degree (DYD), University of Jammu mesmerized the audience with a captivating performance of the play 'Kabira,' based on select excerpts from Bhisham Sahni's renowned work, 'Kabira Khada Bazar Main.' The production, brilliantly directed by Mr. Sumeet Sharma, Drama Instructor at the Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu, unfolded as a major project of the DYD curriculum. During the event, Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, Government of JKUT, praised the participants and the team for crafting a play that not only portrayed the life of Kabira but also incorporated a modern perspective, focusing on 'Viksit Bharat.' Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu commended the DYD team for their commitment to nurturing talent and providing a platform for students to showcase their creativity. He particularly praised the team's efforts in preparing the students for the spellbinding performance of 'Kabira,' a play that intricately portrayed the life, struggles, and contributions of Kabir Das.
- 4. Aligning its vision with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which underscores the importance of incorporating research and internships into undergraduate education to offer students hands-on experiential learning opportunities, The Law School, University of Jammu, entered into collaboration with the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Government of J&K (UT). The collaboration stipulates one-month long internship opportunities for the students, with a focus on improving service delivery, the rule of law, and knowledge regarding various anti-graft legislation and bodies. Shri Shakti Kumar Pathak, Director ACB, J&K, apprised the students and faculty members regarding the recent initiatives of ACB towards promoting good governance and rule of law in the region. He maintained that public participation and diverse social partnerships are vital for the protection of basic human rights, and strengthening the accountability of public officials is an important contributor to human rights protection.

- 5. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu organized a Public Lecture titled "Israel-Palestine Recent Crisis: Role of the UN and ICJ". Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Dean of the School of Social Sciences at Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU) Amritsar was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Rajesh Kumar delved into the historical roots of the conflict, emphasizing its significance during the Cold War and its evolution into the present crisis. The lecture was attended by all the students and faculty members of the department.
- 6. जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय के संस्कृत विभाग में संभाषण शिविर का समापन किया गया। यह शिविर संस्कृत भारती जम्मू-कश्मीर तथा संस्कृत विभाग के सहयोग से पंद्रह से उन्नतीस फरवरी तक आयोजित किया गया। शिविर में प्रत्येक दिन छात्रों को प्रारंभिक संस्कृत का ज्ञान करवाया गया, जिसमें संस्कृत वर्णमाला, संस्कृत वस्तुएं, संस्कृत गायन, संस्कृत नैतिक शिक्षा, श्लोक पाठ इत्यादि विषयों को छात्रों से अवगत करवाया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में संस्कृत विभाग की अध्यक्ष प्रो.सुषमा देवी ने सभी अतिथियों का स्वागत कर छात्रों को संस्कृत की आधुनिक समय में प्रासंगिकता से अवगत कराया। इसके साथ ही कार्यक्रम में उपस्थित संस्कृत भारती के संगठन मंत्री श्रीमान ऋषि कुमार ने कहा कि आधुनिक समाज में अनेक ऐसे लोग हैं जो केवल संस्कृत भाषा में ही दैनिक जीवन जी रहे हैं । उन्होंने कहा कि संस्कृत ही एक ऐसी भाषा है जो संपूर्ण विश्व को एक विचारधारा में लेकर चलने की क्षमता रखती है।कार्यक्रम की अध्यक्षाता प्रोफेसर सुचेता पठनिया जी ने की ,सारस्वत अतिथि प्रोफेसर अनुपमा वोहरा रहीं । कार्यक्रम के अंत में शिविर में उपस्थित सभी छात्रों को प्रमाण पत्र भी दिए गए।
- 7. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu; Department of Student's welfare and School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, University of Jammu in collaboration with Amar Mahal Museum and Library (AMML) organized one-day workshop on "Leave no trace: Sustainable Waste Management Practices' with special focus on the Himalayan Ecosystem in the University. Mr. Akshay Shah, Director Hanifl Centre for Outdoor Education and Environmental Study, Uttarakhand, India was the Keynote Speaker. Total 80 participants from the Department of Environmental Sciences and School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, University of Jammu participated in the workshop.
- 8. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu, organized an Interactive Session to commemorate International Women's Day on the theme "Menopause: Embrace the Change through Knowledge and Self-Care" for the faculty members, scholars, and students of the University of Jammu. Dr. Renu Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, AIIMS, Vijaypur, Jammu, was the Resource Person. A large number of faculty members, scholars, and students from various departments of the University participated in the program. They shared their personal experiences and raised many queries, which were answered to their satisfaction by the Resource Person.
- 9. Department of English, University of Jammu showcased a captivating and innovative site-specific performance of William Shakespeare's timeless classic, King Lear. This adaptation of King Lear into a site-specific performance offered a fresh perspective on Shakespeare's masterpiece, transporting audiences into the heart of the play where themes of power,

- betrayal, and familial strife unfolded dynamically. The event was attended by all the faculty members, students and scholars of the Department of English.
- 10. Department of Zoology organized one- week Hands-on training workshop in Advanced Bioinformatics Techniques in Molecular Biology. Dr. Ashutosh Gupta, Principal GMC Jammu was the Chief Guest. Dr. Harpreet Singh, Head of the PG Department of Bioinformatics at Hans Raj Mahila Maha Vidyalaya, Jalandhar and Dr. Prashanth N Suravajhala, Principal Scientist of Systems Genomics at Amrita School of Biotechnology, Amrita University were the Resource Persons. About 70 participants from ICMR, Delhi; ASCOMS, Jammu, ZSI, H.P.; Tezpur University; University of Kashmir; HMM, Ludhiana; PDSU, Sikar; Panjab University, Chandigarh; Delhi University; CSU, Meerut; Kashmir University; AU, Talwandi; GCW, Parade; Government Degree College, Doda; GGM Science College, Jammu; School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu; Institute of Human Genetics and Department of Zoology, University of Jammu attended the Programme.
- 11. Department of Chemistry in collaboration with Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu organized two-week Refresher Course in Chemistry, an intensive program designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of educators, researchers, and professionals in the field of chemistry. The course aimed to provide an in-depth review of key concepts, methodologies, and advancements in the ever-evolving realm of Chemistry. The participants from west, east, north east, south, central and north India participated in the Refresher Course.
- 12. Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu organized two-week refresher course in Earth Sciences. Prof N. V. Chalapathi Rao Director of the National Center for Earth Sciences Studies, Thiruvananthapuram was the Chief Guest. The course was attended by 28 Assistant Professors from colleges and universities from different states of India. Eminent academicians & researchers from the premier institutions of the country like IIT-ISM Dhanbad, IIT-Roorkee, IIT-Kharagpur, IIRS, Dehradun, Dr. HS University of Sagar, MS University of Baroda, HN Bahuguna University, Lucknow University, Himachal Pradesh University, University of Jammu, etc were the Resource Persons for the Refresher Course.
- 13. Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy in collaboration with North Western Regional Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh and Directorate of Distance and Online Education(DD&OE) organized two-day national seminar on "Social Exclusion/Inclusion in North West Region: Regional Transformation among Tribal and Dalit Groups" sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research. Prof. Balwinder Singh Tiwana, formerly HoD Economics, Punjabi University, Patiala was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Tiwana in his address emphasized to integrate the marginalized communities into the mainstream society for their cultural and economic empowerment and development, and the need for maintaining sociocultural-economic sustainability across the vulnerable communities of India. More than 200 participants across the states and union territories of India such as Punjab, Himachal Pradesh,

Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir, and Chandigarh participated in the seminar.

- 14. Department of Education organized a Panel Discussion on the theme "Skill of Reinforcement vis-à-vis NEP 2020: An experiential venture". The students across various disciplines of University of Jammu participated in the event. The objective of the panel discussion was to educate the students with the different recommendations given in the NEP 2020 document and implement the same in their courses of study. The students highlighted that the policy focused on development of critical and analytical thinking among students through joyful classrooms which is possible only through skill of reinforcement.
- 15. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu organized a two-day XXIII National conference of North West Indian Sociological Association on the theme "Marginalized Communities in North-West India: Emerging Trends and Challenges" in collaboration with Reasi and Ramnagar campus, University of Jammu with the aim to bring together scholars, researchers, and students from around the nation to engage in thought-provoking deliberations on the evolving landscape of Sociology and its impact on the society. Prof. Sukhdev Singh, President, North West Indian Sociological Association was the Keynote Speaker. The symposium session was chaired by Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, Former Professor, GNDU Amritsar and the speakers of the session were Prof Satish Sharma, Former Professor, HPU Shimla; Prof. Rekha Chowdhary, Former Professor, University of Jammu and Prof. Vijaylakshmi Brara, Royal Global University, Guwahati. Around 200 delegates and students from different states and various universities across India participated in the conference.
- 16. Skill Innovation Incubation Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC) in collaboration with the School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu and University Health Centre organized 21-day intensive training course on "Medical Laboratory Techniques".
- 17. Department of Botany in collaboration with AYUSH and J&K Medicinal Plants Board organized a one-day meet entitled "Developing opportunities in exploring entrepreneurship in medicinal plants sector" in the Seminar Hall of the Department of Botany. Dr. Mohan Singh, Director AYUSH J&K, CEO J&K Medicinal Plants Board was the Chief Guest and Dr. Wahid ul Hassan, Technical officer, J&K Medicinal Plant Board was the Keynote Speaker for the occasion.
- 18. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized an 'Interactive Session' on the theme "Leveraging Water for Peace" to mark the celebrations of World Water Day 2024. Dr. C.M Seth (IFS), Former Chief Wildlife Warden and former Chairman J&K Pollution Control Board and Prof. A.K. Raina, Former Head, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.

- 19. The Law School, University of Jammu organized a unique educational experience for its 3rd year students, providing them with hands-on exposure to legal procedures at the Gandhi Nagar Model Police Station, Jammu. The visit aimed to offer the students a comprehensive understanding of the day-to-day operations at a police station, enhancing their practical knowledge and application of legal concepts. During the visit, students had the opportunity to observe and engage with various facets of the functioning of the police station, including the case diary, FIR diary, and the Malkhana. Interaction with station officials, including Station House Officer Sudhir Sadhotra and investigation officers, allowed the students to gain insights into crime detection processes and the pivotal role of the police in the criminal justice system.
- 20. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:
 - a. A conversation with Ms. Manju Wazir, Kathak, Folk Dancer and Choreographer on the topic "Kathak" hosted by Ms. Shruti Arora, Programming Assistant, FM Dhwani.
 - b. A conversation with Sh. Shakti Kumar Pathak, IPS, Director, Anti Corruption Bureau, Jammu hosted by Dr. Nitan Sharma, Assistant Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu.
 - c. A conversation with Sh. Dinesh Gupta, Former Divisional Warden, Civil Defence, Jammu hosted by Dr. Nitan Sharma, Assistant Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu.
 - d. A Conversation with S. Rajinder Singh, Taekwondo Coach, National Refree, Department of Youth Services & Sport, District Poonch hosted by Dr. Nitan Sharma, Assistant Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu.
 - e. A Talk Show by Aryan Sharma and Arinut Sharma students of SHTM, University of Jammu on the topic "Envisioning India @ 2047".
 - f. Conversations with Mr. Vishwapreet Singh, Scholar, Department of Political Science on the topic "Voting Rights & its Responsibilities"; Mr. Mahir Hussain, Student, Department of English on the topic "National safety Day" and Ms. Amanpreet Kaur, Scholar, Department of Punjabi on the topic "Shoty Story in Punjabi" hosted by Aatiqa Malikm Student, Department of English, University of Jammu.
- 21. Students and Faculty Members of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Gharota visited Rinchin Bzangpo Art Gallery, University of Jammu. Aligned with the principles of NEP 2020, the visit aimed at fostering the holistic development of students, equipping them with knowledge and guidance to become productive and socially responsible citizens. Under the esteemed leadership of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, the University of Jammu has been proactive in promoting cultural values by organizing various educational and cultural events throughout the academic year. During the cultural visit to JU, students delved into the rich cultural heritage of Jammu and Kashmir, gaining insights into contemporary artworks by esteemed artists.
- 22. Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus in collaboration with Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), University of Jammu organized One week

National workshop cum Faculty Development Programme on "Techniques for Wildlife Monitoring in the Himalayas" with the aim to provide the participant trainees with an appreciation of range of methods, techniques, and tools available for the assessment and monitoring of wild mammals, birds, and butterflies. Dr. M.K. Kumar (IFS), Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. M.K. Kumar in his keynote address highlighted the importance of monitoring wildlife for conservation planning and management and emphasized that such workshops pave way for the researchers and conservationists to better understand the correct protocols and analytical methods. About 50 participants across different states and union territories of India participated in the week-long workshop.

- 23. Department of Computer Science & IT, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, in collaboration with iHUB Divya Sampark IIT Roorkee (A Joint venture of IIT Roorkee and DST Government of India) and technically supported by the "Jammu and Kashmir ACM Professional Chapter," organized two-day Workshop on "Drone Technology and its applications". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu, extended his commendations to the Bhaderwah Campus for organizing this workshop on a topic of significant importance. He expressed his hope that participants would actively engage, share knowledge, and utilize this platform to enhance their understanding of Drone Technology.
- 24. Department of English, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized industrial visit for its students to Doordarshan Kendra, Jammu with the aim to broaden students' horizons by offering them a firsthand glimpse into the dynamic realm of television broadcasting. The visit was not merely a trip but a gateway to exploring potential career paths in the dynamic field of media and broadcasting.
- 25. Department of Computer Science and IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an expert talk on "The Role of Technology in Fitness and Wellness" under the Expert Lecture Series. The lecture aimed to shed light on the transformative impact of technology in promoting healthier lifestyles. Prof. (Dr.) Ming-Kai Chin, Founder and President of The Foundation for Global Community Health (GCH) was the Resource Person. He is also the Co-Founder and Former President of Asian Council of Exercise and Sports Science (ACESS). He is also the recipient of the First Presidential Award from BRICSCESS. In his lecture, he delved into various aspects of how technology is revolutionizing fitness and wellness practices. The lecture concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where attendees had the opportunity to engage directly with the speakers and delve deeper into specific topics. The participants left the event feeling inspired and equipped with practical knowledge to incorporate technology into their fitness and wellness journeys.
- 26. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu felicitated Ms. Ifra Kak, Cultural Officer, University of Jammu for receiving the prestigious Sangeet Natak Akademi Yuva Ustad Bismillah Khan Award by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India in the field of Theatre Direction. This esteemed accolade recognizes Ifra's outstanding contributions and dedication

- in the field of theatre. Ifra Kak, with her remarkable achievement, has not only brought honor to herself but has brought laurels to the University of Jammu.
- 27. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu under the aegis of SIIDEC and RUSA organized a week-long Skill Development Workshop on Mountaineering wherein more than 300 participants including students, staff members of the different departments of JU and affiliated colleges of Jammu University participated. Sh. Pranav Bandral, Director Pir Panjal Adventures and his entire team delivered training lectures on different topics like hiking, climbing, CPR, Rappelling, river crossing, food hunting skills, tent pitching and other mountaineering skills etc.
- 28. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized All India Inter University Wushu (Men &Women) Championship 2023-24. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address, congratulated the organizers for organizing such type of Sports events, which provide an opportunity to the students of the various Universities to come closer to each other besides showing their Sports talent. He also appreciated the huge participation of the players and officials accompanying their teams from various Universities. He also unveiled the mascot of the Wushu Championship. More than 1400 Players from 127 Universities across the Nation participated in the event. University of Jammu and Chandigarh University, Mohali were declared the Winners of the Event.
- 29. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu under the aegis of SIIDEC and RUSA organized week-long Skill Development Workshop on "Boxing & Athletics" with the aim to familiarize the students with the concept of sports in and around the Jammu Province under the jurisdiction of University of Jammu. More than 400 participants including students, staff members of the different departments of JU and affiliated colleges of Jammu University participated in the workshop. Mr. Ravinder Singh, ITO & Vice-President of Amateur Athletic Association of J&K also lauded the efforts and initiatives of the Directorate of Sports & Physical Education for organizing these types of activities and involving the young minds towards the healthy life.
- 30. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized the 46th Annual Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet (M&W) Championship 2023-24. Prof. Bhasin, acting Vice-Chancellor, and Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu congratulated the organizers for organizing such type of Sports events, which provide an opportunity to the students of the various Colleges to come closer to each other besides showing their Sports talent. She also appreciated the huge participation of the players and officials accompanying their teams from various Affiliated Colleges of University of Jammu.
- 31. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized Inter-Collegiate Wrestling (Men & Women) Tournament. Around 200 students from all affiliated colleges of University of Jammu participated in the event.

- 32. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu organized Inter-Collegiate Judo (Men & Women) Tournament 2023-2024. Around 250 students from all affiliated colleges of University of Jammu participated in the event.
- 33. The Non-Teaching Employee Union of Jammu University marked another successful year with its Annual Day function held amidst esteemed dignitaries and a jubilant crowd. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu, graced the event as the Chief Guest. The event, filled with great pomp and show, witnessed the presence of eminent personalities including, Registrar, Prof. Rahul Gupta; Dean Research Studies, Prof. Neelu Rohmetra; Controller of Examination, Sh. Sanjeev Mahajan; Rectors of various campuses, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Prof. Yash Pal Sharma, Prof. Rakesh Vaid; Heads of Departments (HODs) and the Non-Teaching Employees and their families. Prof. Rai, commended the union for their impeccable organization and expressed his admiration for the seamless execution of the Annual Day function. He praised the participants for their outstanding performances, recognizing the vibrant community spirit that characterizes Jammu University.
- 34. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges for the academic session 2023-2024:
 - xxiv. Government Degree College, Jindrah for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - xxv. Government Degree College, Katra for imparting instructions in Degree course.
 - xxvi. Government Degree College, Pouni for imparting instructions in Degree course.
- 35. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for MBBS 1st Semester Prof. (Subsequent Session); BA/BED Integrated (1st and 3rd Semester-PVT); BA LLB 5 Year (3rd Semester); B.Sc. Paramedical(3rd Year); B.Sc. Nursing (2nd & 3rd Year); BTECH (6th Semester-Supply); BAMS (2nd Prof Subsequent); MDP Commerce (3rd Semester); MDP Urdu (3rd Semester); MDP English (3rd Semester); MDP Sanskrit (3rd Semester); MDP Sociology (3rd Semester); MDP Economics (3rd Semester); MDP History (3rd Semester); MDP Maths (3rd Semester); LLB 3 Year (5th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for MDP English (2nd Semester-Re-eval); MDP Sanskrit (1st Semester); MDP History (1st Semester); BA LLB 5 Year (6th Semester); MDP Political (2nd Semester-Re-Eval); MDP Economics (2nd Semester Re-Eval); MDP Geography (4th Semester Re-Eval); MA Urdu (2nd Semester RE-Eval); MDP Punjabi (2nd Semester-Re-Eval) etc.

APRIL 2024

- 1. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu addressed the participants from across the country alongside students and faculty of IIT Mumbai at e-Yantra Symposium hosted by IIT Mumbai. Prof. Rai's address was part of a Panel Discussion on the Implementation of the National Education Policy. The symposium served as a vibrant platform for robust discussions on pivotal aspects of educational policy with Prof. Rai shedding light on the University of Jammu's flagship four-year "Design Your Degree" program under NEP-2020 with the motto, "Teach to Transform, Educate to Empower and Learn to Lead". Prof. Rai underscored the program's focus on developing a comprehensive range of skills among students, encompassing vital competencies such as Life Skills, Soft Skills, Team Building Skills, Analytical Skills, Digital and Technical Skills, Problem-solving Skills, and Critical and Creative Thinking.
- 2. Department of Education, University of Jammu completed two years of Vidyanjali- a significant achievement in promoting educational excellence and holistic development in the region. Inspired by the guiding principles of the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020, Vidyanjali serves as an example of the department's steadfast commitment to these principles. Vidyanjali is an initiative of Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, for facilitating the community and volunteers to directly connect with the government and government-aided schools to contribute their services and/or assets/ materials/equipments through a dedicated portal. The department conducted a need assessment and feedback for initiating phase III in the 11 selected schools from Jammu, R.S. Pura, Samba, Hiranagar and Bhaderwah regions of Jammu province. The schools where the assessment was conducted include Govt. Middle School, Railway Colony, Jammu, Govt. High School, Channi Rama, Jammu, Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Satwari, Jammu, Govt. High School, Chak Largan, Bajalta, Jammu, Govt. Girls High School, Rangpur Mulania, R.S. Pura, Jammu, Govt. Middle School, Mill Area, R.S. Pura, Jammu, Govt. Model Higher Secondary School Boys, Samba, Govt. Middle School, Bhaiya, Hiranagar, Kathua, New Primary School, Upper Sungli, Bhaderwah, Doda, Govt. UPS, Haliyan, Bhaderwah, Doda, Govt. High School, Dhrewari, Gandoh Bhalessa, Doda.
- 3. Department of Philosophy, University of Jammu in collaboration with Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas organized a public lecture titled "Relevance of Integral Humanism of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya in the Contemporary World: An Indian Perspective." The lecture was delivered by Prof. Jasbir Singh, the Chair Professor, Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya UGC Chair, University of Jammu. Prof. Jasbir Singh threw light on the key aspects of the doctrine of Integral Humanism as propounded by Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. The Lecture was followed by a question answer session in which students and faculty showed keen interest. The lecture was attended by the students and faculty of the Department of Philosophy and the Department of Economics, University of Jammu.

- 4. Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS), University of Jammu, organized an engaging seminar on "Open Data Initiatives and Note of Librarians." Renowned expert Prof. Manoj Kumar Joshi, Head of the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kurukshetra, was the Resource Person. Prof. Joshi, acknowledged for his expertise, provided profound insights into the importance of open data activities and their direct influence on librarians. He dwelt on various aspects of open data, covering its definition, relevance, and contemporary applications in librarianship. The seminar underscored how open data endeavors are reshaping the accessibility and dissemination of information, with particular attention to the pivotal role of librarians in facilitating access to these resources for researchers, students, and the broader community.
- 5. Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS), University of Jammu, organized a lecture on "Total Quality Management in Libraries" by Dr. Mahendra Singh Rao, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Rajasthan. Dr. Rao in his keynote address shared invaluable insights into the principles and practices of Total Quality Management (TQM) specifically tailored for Libraries. The lecture was attended by all the faculty members, scholars and students of department of Library & Information Science.
- 6. Department of Strategic & Regional Studies, University of Jammu organized a public lecture on "Border Management during Cross-LoC Trade and Bus Service". Mr. Pramod Jain, former IAS was the Resource Person. Mr. Jain in his keynote address outlined the fundamental components of border management, encompassing security, peace, democracy, human rights, good governance, development and cultural factors.
- 7. Department of Punjabi, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Jammu Kashmir Punjabi Sahit Sabha, Srinagar, organized 'Rubroo,' an interaction meet with acclaimed author R. S. Rajan. During the event, a collection of Punjabi short stories of R. S. Rajan titled 'Parchawain Nhi Marde' was also released. Ajit Singh Mastana, Former President Jammu Kashmir Punjabi Sahit Sabha, Jammu, & a renowned Poet, presided over the function. The event was attended by a large number of intellectuals, writers, faculty members, and scholars from the department.
- 8. SC/ST Cell University of Jammu in collaboration with SC/ST Teachers Association University of Jammu organized a one day seminar entitled "Remembering Dr. Baba saheb Ambedkar the maker of modern India". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, the Chief Guest on the occasion, underscored the significant contributions of Babasaheb Ambedkar to modern India. In his address, Prof. Rai emphasized Dr. Ambedkar's pivotal role in shaping India's economic, constitutional, and educational policies, highlighting him as one of the foremost personalities of contemporary India. Prof Rai urged the audience to move beyond mere commemoration and actively incorporate the principles and values espoused by Dr. Ambedkar into their everyday actions.
- 9. Department of Psychology, University of organized an Extension Lecture titled "Clinical Psychology: Benefits of Therapy and Treatment" by Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Associate Professor, Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology, Hisar. Dr. Sanjay Kumar in his

address underscored the vital role of Clinical Psychologists in addressing mental health challenges. Highlighting tools like the Rorschach Inkblot Test, he demonstrated the practical aspects of the profession. Dr. Kumar stressed the value of field visits in honing skills and shaping career trajectories. Delving into the dynamics of therapeutic relationships, he outlined essential guidelines for aspiring clinical psychologists. Closing the lecture, he illuminated various career avenues within psychology, including roles as School Counselors, participants in District Mental Health Programs, and contributors to centers like Sukoon Kendras and Traumatic Kendras. Dr. Kumar's insights provided a comprehensive understanding of the field's nuances and opportunities. The session was attended by more than 40 Research Scholars and Students of Department of Psychology.

- 10. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized intensive course on Microsoft Excel for 2nd Semester students of M.Com offered by National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT), Jammu. During the two-week Course, students delved into various intricacies of Microsoft Excel, mastering formulas, data analysis techniques, and visualization techniques. The Department of Commerce expressed immense pride in students' accomplishments and expressed gratitude to the Institute. The Excel course serves as a catalyst for job placement success, providing students with a competitive edge in the job market.
- 11. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Anti-Corruption Bureau, J&K organized one-month internship programme for its students. This internship was specifically designed to focus on hands-on experiential learning regarding anti-corruption legislation and policies, aligning with the vision outlined in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The internship programme was meticulously structured to provide participants with practical knowledge, essential skills, and real-world experiences necessary for combating corruption effectively. Through a combination of intensive training sessions, hands-on projects, and collaborative discussions, interns gained valuable insights into the multifaceted nature of corruption and its adverse impact on society. The interns demonstrated remarkable dedication and innovation throughout the programme, highlighting their commitment to upholding integrity and ethical standards in the legal profession.
- 12. Department of Environmental Sciences and Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu organized the 'Save Tawi Campaign' to create awareness among the local community regarding the causes and consequences of immersion of plastic and other materials, along with the Khetri into the River. The campaign was organized during the last two days of Navratri festival on the banks of River Tawi. People were also sensitized about the importance of of keeping the water bodies clean. The students collected materials like chunri, coconuts, pots, plastic waste, etc., from the devotees at the entry point itself, segregated them, and allowed the immersion of Khetri into the river. The students and volunteers also engaged with the devotees directly, imparting knowledge about the adverse impacts of waste on river water quality and aquatic biota.
- 13. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu and INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art & Cultural Heritage) Jammu Chapter jointly organized a Presentation cum

interactive session on 'Traditional water bodies of Jammu Municipal Corporation Area'. The event was organized as part of the joint study carried out by the department in collaboration with INTACH on listing and mapping of the natural heritage of Jammu District. Ms. Mandeep Kour, Commission Secretary, Housing and Urban Development Department was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Deepika Slathia, Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences was the Keynote Speaker.

- 14. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized '1st Annual Prof. Shailendra Singh Jamwal Memorial Debate Competition' for the students of the colleges and University departments. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, the Chief Guest on the occasion in his address commended the Department of Students Welfare for organizing this Debate Competition in fond memory of Prof. Shailendra Singh Jamwal who was a distinguished academician and researcher and above all an ideal teacher which could be assessed from the testimonials shared by his colleagues and students during the event.
- 15. Department of Economics, University of Jammu celebrated World Earth Day with a spirited event aimed at promoting environmental consciousness and sustainability. In alignment with the theme of this year's Earth Day, "Planet versus Plastics," the department organized two engaging activities. The primary focus was on advocating for a reduction in plastic usage, particularly through a signature campaign titled "Say No to Polythene Bags." This initiative received overwhelming support from not only the faculty and students of the Department of Economics but also from members of various other departments. The collective effort resulted in a significant number of signatures, symbolizing a commitment to combating plastic pollution. In addition to the signature campaign, a competition themed 'Reuse and Recycle' showcased the innovative prowess of students enrolled in the Master Degree Programme. Participants exhibited their creativity by presenting innovative ways to repurpose and recycle materials. The winning teams were duly recognized and rewarded for their contributions towards promoting sustainability.
- 16. Literary Club under the aegis of Utsaah, the Clubs, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop on "Storytelling through Puppets". This event captivated participants, offering a journey into the enchanting world of puppetry, seamlessly blending artistry and imagination to illuminate the timeless craft of storytelling. Mr. Jaswinder Singh, art expert from Sangrur, Punjab was the Resource Person. Mr. Jaswinder Singh, in his address, highlighted puppetry as a powerful medium for communication, enabling individuals to share their stories and perspectives with confidence and creativity. The workshop commenced with an engaging delves into the art of narrative. Participants were introduced to the fundamentals of storytelling and were guided in crafting their own puppets from various materials, infusing each creation with personality and flair.
- 17. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:

- a. An awareness and interaction program on the theme 'Planet vs Plastics' organized by Science Club in collaboration with Nature and Wildlife Club to commemorate World Earth Day.
- b. A conversation with Ms. Manju Wazir, Kathak, Folk Dancer and Choreographer on the theme "Kathak as a Dance Form".
- c. Awareness Capsule on "Election 2024" by Mr. Pamdurang K Pole, Chief Electoral Officer, UT of J&K and Ms. Sapna Kotwal, KAS, Media Nodal Officer, SVEEP, UT of J&K.
- d. A conversation with Shri Subash Gupta, District & Session Judge (Retd.) and Former Member, Public Service Commission, J&K on the theme "Right to Information: Perspectives, Practice & Issues".
- e. A conversation with Smt. Asha Kesar, Dogri Pakh Singer on the theme "Dogri Folk Culture'.
- f. A Dogri Song recitation by Ravinder Rao, student of Department of English, University of Jammu.
- g. A Talk Show on the theme "The Unexplored destinations of Jammu" by Heemanshu Tickoo & Fahim Akhter, students from School of Hospitality & Tourism Management, University of Jammu.
- h. Awareness cum Interaction programme with youth on the theme "Planet vs Plastic".
- i. A conversation with Ms. Vironika Sharma, Founder of online education platform-PROXYGYAN on the theme "Empowering Students through EDTECH: Issues & Prospects".
- j. A conversation with Dr. Farhat Shamim, Assistant Professor, University of Jammu on the theme "Adab Aur Shayari".
- k. A conversation with Sh. N. S. Khera, Advocate, Supreme Court of India and Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court on the theme" Analyzing the Dynamics of Social Justice".
- 1. Voice of Students on the theme "Internet Gambling" by Rinku Parihar, Students of English and "Self Written Poetry inspired by Chatarpati Shivaji Maharaj" by Ms. Suhani Gupta, Student of Mass Communication & Journalism.
- m. Awareness Capsule on "Sustainable Tourism & Vocal for Local" presented by Dr. Nikita Dogra; Dr. Honeyka Mahajan and Dr. Aseesdeep Kour, Research Scholars, School of Hospitality & Tourism Management.
- n. Voice of voters by the students of The Law School, University of Jammu.
- 18. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu unveiled a pioneering QR Code System tailored for accessing the extensive database housed within the prestigious Dhanvantri Library. This innovation marks a significant milestone in the University's commitment to providing seamless and efficient services to its students, scholars and faculty members. Prof. Rai emphasized that the introduction of QR Code access represents a notable stride towards democratizing knowledge accessibility. This innovation empowers individuals from diverse backgrounds to conveniently and efficiently engage with scholarly resources. Furthermore, he

- underscored the Dhanvantri Library's reputation for its vast collection of literature and research materials, which is further enhanced by the convenience and accessibility offered through this initiative. With a simple QR Code scan, all the stakeholders and researchers gain instant access to the wealth of knowledge stored within the Library's archives.
- 19. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu released the maiden issue of University of Jammu Journal GYANANJALI, a multidisciplinary peer-reviewed journal aimed at fostering academic excellence. GYANANJALI is the first journal in the country giving languages scholars one platform for sharing their research and creativity, along with opening up new avenues for interdisciplinary research in the Faculty of Arts. The launch of GYANANJALI showcases the University of Jammu's commitment to academic excellence and innovation, aligning closely with the objectives outlined in the National Education Policy 2020.
- 20. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu organized an educational visit of the M.Sc students to Sri Raghunath Sanskrit Maha Vidyalaya in Birpur, Samba, as part of its outreach and practical program. The aim was to expose students to the management practices of this educational institution operated by the J&K Dharmarth Trust. The institution offers free educational and residential facilities to students from various remote areas of Jammu and Kashmir, providing them with modern education alongside instruction in religious rituals and traditional Vedic values, fostering their holistic development.
- 21. "Tasalsul"- the research journal of the Department of Urdu, University of Jammu, has achieved the remarkable distinction of being the first journal from the University to be included in the UGC-CARE list. This milestone reflects the journal's commitment to excellence and its significant contribution to the academic landscape. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu commended Professor Shohab Inayat Malik, Head of the Department of Urdu and Editor-in-Chief of "Tasalsul," for this achievement. He expressed optimism that the journal will continue to garner recognition and acclaim within the Urdu scholarly community worldwide. Started in 1998 by the then HoD Prof Zahur-ud-Din, "Tasalsul" has been publishing high-quality research papers biannually, earning admiration from students, scholars, and professors across Indian universities. The journal has produced several noteworthy special editions, including the Manuscript Number, Sir Sayeed Number, Rasa Javedani Number, Urdu in the 21st Century, Faiz Ahmed Faiz Number, and Sadat Hussain Mantoo Number.
- 22. University Health Centre, University of Jammu in collaboration with Dr. Mengi's Venture Sure Diagnostics Lab with the aim to promote community health and well being, organized a comprehensive diagnostic and screening medical camp for morning walkers, University residents, and security personnel. The camp prioritized the diagnosis of prevalent health concerns such as diabetes and cardiovascular diseases.
- 23. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu organized a one-day Orientation Programme on the National Service Scheme (NSS) with the aim to acquaint students with the duties and obligations that NSS leaders and volunteers have to the community. Dr. Hema Gandotra, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Programme Coordinator NSS, University of

Jammu was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Gandotra showcased the history of NSS along with its objectives, structure, various successful NSS projects, and initiatives taken during previous years to inspire participation and potential impact of NSS activities in various institutions. In order to increase the students' engagement in lowering carbon footprints to protect the environment, an interactive session including creative ways to reduce plastic use for the planet Earth's well-being was also held.

- 24. Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Department of Environmental Studies, PGDAV(M) College, and Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Mountain and Hill Environment, University of Delhi, New Delhi organized a Weeklong International Workshop on 'Himalaya in the Anthropocene: addressing the climate crisis'. The workshop was attended by participants from Higher School of Economics, Saint Petersburg, Russia; Department of Environmental Studies, PGDAV College, and the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Mountain and Hill Environment, University of Delhi, New Delhi.
- 25. University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an Expert Lecture on Stress Management for Younger Generation through Spirituality. Col. Manoj Sharma, commanding 126 TA Battalion, Madhopur was the Resource Person. Drawing from his extensive real-life experiences, Col. Manoj Sharma provided invaluable insights and practical guidance on navigating the challenges of stress in today's fast-paced world, particularly targeting the younger generation. He in his address emphasized the significance of integrating spirituality into one's daily life as a powerful tool for managing stress and maintaining mental equilibrium.
- 26. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu undertook a comprehensive evaluation of the Udhampur Campus. Accompanied by a delegation, Prof. Rai assessed the newly constructed infrastructure and ongoing developmental endeavors to foster academic brilliance within the campus premises. Prof. Yash Pal, Rector, Udhampur Campus provided an insightful overview of the campus's recent strides and emphasized pivotal initiatives and achievements. Prof. Yash Pal underscored infrastructural necessities essential for the seamless execution of academic programs and student accommodation. Engaging with the faculty, staff, and students, Prof. Rai stressed the imperative of identifying new skill development courses, particularly tailored to meet the needs of Udhampur District students. He also urged the establishment of Smart classrooms to facilitate dynamic interaction between Udhampur Campus students and senior faculty from the Main Campus and other premier institutes nationwide.
- 27. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education in collaboration with Wushu Association of J&K organized six day-long 23rd Sub Junior National Wushu Championship for Boys & Girls. More than 1500 Boys & Girls from across the country participated in the event.
- 28. Indian Deaf Cricket Association (IDCA) in association with University of Jammu organized 5th T20 Deaf IPL cricket tournament. The tournament featured about 150 hearing-impaired players from various regions of India.

- 29. FICCI FLO JKL Chapter in collaboration with University of Jammu and SMVD Narayana Hospital organized Marathon-24 under the theme "Run4Health" to raise funds for TB eradication in line with the PM's call for "TB Mukt Bharat". Over 850 runners from all walks of life participated in the half-marathon.
- 30. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges:
 - a. JK College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course for the academic session 2023-2024..
 - b. Stephens College of Pharmacy for imparting instructions in B. Pharmacy course for the academic session 2024-25.
 - c. Shaheed Ghanisham Government Degree College, Doongi for imparting instructions in degree course for academic sessions 2022-203 and 2023-24..
 - d. Government Degree College, Neeli Nallah to start new subject i.e. Physical Education at UG level from the academic session 2024-25.
 - e. Government Degree College, Kalakote for imparting instructions in degree course for the academic sessions 2022-23 and 2023-24.
 - f. Government Degree College, Darhal for imparting instructions in degree course for the academic sessions 2022-23 and 2023-24.
 - g. Government Degree College, Koteranka for imparting instructions in Degree course for the academic sessions 2022-23 and 2023-24.
- 31. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for PG Diploma in Yoga (1st Semester), BA/BED Integrated (7th Semester), Revised BA/BED Integrated (3rd Semester), MCA (5th Semester-NCBCS-PVT), Museology & Conservation (1st Semester), BPED (4th Semester); LLM (1st Semester); UG (5th Semester SUPLEE), UG (6th Semester-CBCS), BAMS (2nd Prof. Subsequent) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for LLB 3 Year (1st Semester), BDS (1st Prof.), BSC Nursing (1st Year); MDP Hindi (1st Semester), MDP English (1st Semester), MDP Urdu (1st Semester), MDP Dogri (1st Semester), B. Pharmacy (5th Semester), UG (5th Semester-Re-Evaluation), MDP Commerce (4th Semester-Re-Evaluation), B.Sc. Paramedical (1st Year), MDP Political Science (1st Semester), MDS Regular (1st Year), BBA-HM (1st Semester), MDP Commerce (1st Semester), LLB 3 years (6th Semester), MDP Math (1st Semester), MDP Computer Applications (2nd Semester), BBA-HM (3rd and 5th Semester), MDP Commerce (1st Semester), MDP Applied Geology (1st Semester), MDP Botany (1st Semester), MDP Chemistry (1st Semester), MDP Electronics (1st Semester), MDP English (1st Semester), MDP Home Science (1st Semester), MDP Mathematics (1st Semester), MDP Political Science (1st Semester), MDP Psychology (1st Semester), MDP Punjabi (1st Semester), MDP Sericulture (1st Semester), MDP Zoology (1st Semester), MDP Economics (3rd Semester), MBA (3rd Semester) etc.

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- 1. University of Jammu signed an MOU with the Airports Authority of India, under the aegis of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India. This partnership marks a significant step towards enriching educational experiences for students of the University of Jammu through an innovative Student Internship Program. The decision to formalize this collaboration was reached during a meeting between Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, and Sanjeev Kumar Garg, Airport Director of Jammu. Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu; Vivek Karata, Assistant General Manager, Airports Authority of India. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu emphasized that Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the University of Jammu and the Airports Authority of India aims to provide students with invaluable firsthand exposure to the intricacies of airport operations and the diverse facets of civil aviation. The primary aim of this collaboration is to ignite passion in civil aviation among students by supplementing theoretical knowledge with practical operational experience, providing exposure to both STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and non-STEM domains within civil aviation. Additionally, this MOU will offer students opportunities to work on short-duration projects related to civil aviation.
- 2. University of Jammu Amrit Kaal Lecture Series- 2024 under the theme "Dissolving Boundaries Evolving Education". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu delivered a welcome address. Speaking on the theme of the Lecture Series, "Dissolving Boundaries, Evolving Education," Prof. Rai, emphasized the importance of adopting a multidisciplinary approach in academia. By encouraging students to explore diverse fields of study, he advocated for breaking down traditional boundaries that confine learning within rigid disciplinary lines. Prof. Rai highlighted the necessity of creating flexible and adaptable educational programs that cater to the evolving needs of students and society. In doing so, he emphasized the role of education in dissolving boundaries between academic disciplines, thereby fostering innovation, collaboration, and holistic learning experiences. Padmashree Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, Government of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory was the Resource Person. Sh. Rajiv Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, JKUT, in his Presidential Address, commended Prof. Dinesh Singh for delivering a thought-provoking lecture and extended appreciation to the University of Jammu for organizing the Amrit Kaal lecture series. He emphasized the need for a holistic approach in finding solutions, reminiscing about India's illustrious past as a knowledge society and world leader. Recognizing the shift towards a knowledge- and technology-based society, he urged the audience to acknowledge India's abundant talent and heritage rather than constantly looking to the West. A highlight of the event was the felicitation of Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman of the Higher Education Council, UT of J&K, and Formerly Vice-Chancellor of the University of Delhi. Prof. Singh was honored with the prestigious "Bhartiya Pragya Bhushan Samman" in recognition of his exemplary contributions to the field of

- education. The citation was read by Prof. Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu, and Formerly Vice Chancellor of Cluster University of Jammu. Prof. Sudhish Pachauri, Formerly Pro Vice-Chancellor of Delhi University was the Guest of Honour.
- 3. Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, Government of Jammu and Kashmir highlighted the transformative potential of the Design your Degree program in reshaping educational paradigms, aligning seamlessly with the objectives of the National Education Policy. "This initiative marks a significant shift towards holistic learning and skill development", Prof Dinesh Singh said while chairing a meeting of the Vice-Chancellors of various universities of the Union Territory at the University of Jammu campus. Sh. Alok Kumar, IRS, Principal Secretary Higher Education Department; Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu; Prof Nilofer Khan, Vice Chancellor University of Kashmir; Prof. Shakil Ahmad Romshoo, VC IUST; Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice Chancellor, BGSBU; Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor SMVDU; Prof. Kavi Arya, IIT Mumbai; Prof. Revender Kumar Tickoo, Principal, Women Parade College, Jammu; Dr. Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges, J&K; Prof. Sheikh, Ajaz Bashir, Principal Amar Singh College, Srinagar; Prof. Naresh Padha, University of Jammu; Prof. Alka Sharma, Director, SIIEDC; Prof. Sadaf Shah, Prof. Jatinder Manhas, Prof. Azmat Alam Kahan, OSD to VC SKUAST -K; Prof. A. A. Shah, DAA BGSBU; Prof. Qayoom Ahmed, Coordinator DYD, Islamia College, Srinagar; Prof. Sachin Gupta, SKUAST Jammu; Dr. R. K. Srivastava, SKUAST Jammu; Prof. Vikas Tandon, Dean Horticulture, SKUAST Jammu; Prof. Anil Kumar, Dean Faculty of Agriculture; Sh. Guneet Singh Soodan, OSD to Vice Chairman Higher Education Council attended the meeting. The meeting assessed the preparedness for implementing the Design Your Degree program across universities in Jammu and Kashmir. Prof. Singh reiterated that the Design your Degree program acts as a catalyst for advancing academic programs by strategically implementing innovative approaches. The Vice Chancellors of the various Universities gave a detailed presentation and comments concerning the progress of the DYD in their respective institutions with special emphasis on pedagogy and faculty preparedness. Deliberations also included the requirements for revamping the program and capacity-building programs to create awareness.
- 4. University of Jammu has taken a unique step towards digitization of flora of the campus. This particular leap is a way forward to march with the Digital India Initiative. Under this digital drive QR codes are being installed on the plants growing in the campus. The QR codes, which are quick response codes that can be scanned with a Smartphone, provide information about the various aspects of plant species growing on the university campus. By scanning the codes, students, faculty members, and visitors can access important information about the plants including their scientific names, family, local names, and importance. The installation of QR codes on plants aligns with the university's commitment to sustainability and environmental conservation. By increasing awareness about the importance of plants and their role in maintaining a healthy ecosystem, the university hopes to inspire others to take action to protect the environment. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu while installing the first QR code to Ficus religiosa L. (Peepal) tree stressed on its religious and medicinal importance its role in reducing air pollution. Prof Rai in his address said that the Installation of QR codes on plants not only enhances the beauty of our campus but also

- provides valuable educational resource to our community. This initiative is just one of the many ways in which the university is leveraging technology to create a more engaging and interactive campus environment.
- 5. University of Jammu has taken a pioneering initiative aimed at extending saffron cultivation to non-traditional areas of Jammu and Kashmir, at present in Poonch. In this connection, an interactive session was held among the farmers, the University team, and Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. During the interaction, the Vice Chancellor echoed the vision of Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor JKUT and Chancellor, University of Jammu, Shri Manoj Sinha about the importance of translating scientific innovations from lab to land. Prof. Rai reiterated the University's commitment to serving society and assured continued support to farmers, aligning with their aspirations during the interaction. To extend the trials in Poonch, in the current project, the team received invaluable support from Dr. Zabeer Ahmed, Director CSIR IIIM, and Dr. Asha Chaubey, Senior Principal Scientist and Head of Fermentation and Microbial Biotechnology Division. Dr. Ravi Singh Manhas, Project Scientist, played a crucial role in facilitating the scaling-up process. The collaborative work with IIIM, Jammu in scaling up the biofertilizer production helped achieve one of the key objectives of the project.
- 6. University of Jammu launched a series of green initiatives aimed at promoting sustainability and environmental consciousness on the campus. The event organized by the Green Campus Task Force (GCTF) and the Department of Environmental Sciences, introduced several innovative projects, including the inauguration of e-vehicles, a stag sculpture made from waste materials, and vertical gardens constructed using waste plastic bottles. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Chief Guest on the occasion, released the Green Task Report prepared by GCTF-JU, the "Beyond the Campus and Within Campus Green Initiative Report," and a "Pictorial Guide to the Waterbirds of Gharana Wetland, Jammu. Highlighting the importance of sustainability and the university's commitment to environmental stewardship, Prof. Rai said that the launch of these initiatives marks a significant milestone in our journey to create a more sustainable and eco-friendly campus. These initiatives not only reduce our environmental footprint but also serve as educational tools, inspiring students and other stakeholders to adopt greener practices. The e-vehicles, waste material sculptures, and vertical gardens are practical examples of how we can creatively manage waste and promote green energy." Dr. P. K. Dhar, CEO of JKEDA, commended the University of Jammu for its commendable efforts and highlighted the broader impact of such initiatives. "The University of Jammu is setting a benchmark for institutions across the region. By adopting sustainability, it is promoting a culture of environmental responsibility that extends beyond the campus. The University of Jammu's green initiatives include the introduction of electric vehicles to reduce the carbon footprint, a sculpture made from waste materials to promote recycling, and vertical gardens constructed from waste plastic bottles to beautify the campus and promote up cycling. These initiatives underscore the university's commitment to sustainability and environmental conservation. Mr. Vikas Khajuria, Waste Sculpture Artist was felicitated by Hon'ble Vicechancellor for creating a beautiful sculpture of Stag out of the waste material lying in the University.

- 7. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized a special lecture on "Cyber Crime and Cyber Ethics" for the students and scholars of the department. The event aimed at enhancing students' understanding of cyber security and ethical digital practices. Er. Vikas Razdan, Cyber Forensic Analyst with SIA Jammu, an esteemed expert in the respective field was the Keynote speaker. With his deep understanding of cyber security issues, he provided invaluable insights into the evolving landscape of cyber threats and the importance of ethical conduct in the digital realm. The lecture delved into various aspects of cybercrime including types of cyber-attacks, common vulnerabilities and strategies for their prevention.
- 8. Department of Urdu, University of Jammu in collaboration Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages organized two day National Seminar on the topic "Contribution of Non-Muslim Short Story writers in the development of Urdu Literature". Various Research Papers on the Non-Muslim Short Story writer were presented by Prof. Sageer Afraheim, Aligarh Muslim University; Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik, University of Jammu; Prof. Abu Baker Abad, University of Delhi; Dr T.R. Raina; Dr. Kouser Rasool, University of Kasmir; Dr. Chaman Lal, University of Jammu; Dr. Farhat Shamim, University of Jammu; Dr. Shehnawaz Qadri, Government Degree College, Majalta); Prof. Mushtaq Alam Qadri, University of Delhi; Prof. Asdullah Wani; Dr. Altaf Hussain; Dr Asaf Malik, BGSBU and Dr Abdul Haque from Rajouri presented papers on the various aspects of the topic. The two day National seminar was attended by a large number of students, scholars, faculty members of department of Urdu and members of the civil society.
- 9. Department of Urdu, University of Jammu in collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages and Rasa Javedani Memorial Literary Society organized one-day National Seminar on "Contribution of Rasa Javedani in the development of Urdu and Kashmiri Language and literature". Dr. Shehnawaz Qadri; Jb Brij Nath Betab; Shamim Choudhary, Research Scholars, University of Chandigarh and Zubeda Choudhary, Research Scholar, University of Delhi were the Resource Persons.
- 10. In a major shift towards transparency, efficiency, and accountability, University of Jammu launched the E-Governance initiative with the implementation of Samarth ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system in sync with the Digital India initiative of the Government of India. This strategic move by the E-Governance Initiative Cell marks a pivotal moment in the University's pursuit of modern governance practices. Speaking at the launch of the Samarth ERP, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu complemented the E-Governance cell of the University. Prof Rai expressed optimism about the transformative impact of Samarth ERP, stating, "The implementation of Samarth ERP underscores our commitment to embracing technology for the betterment of governance practices. This initiative will enhance operational efficiency within the University system and empower stakeholders with greater access and transparency." This ERP system will streamline the operations, ensuring smoother day-to-day functioning by simplifying processes and workflows. With advanced data precision, SAMARTH guarantees accuracy in transactions and reports thereby enhancing the university's working. The University of Jammu's adoption of Samarth ERP, an initiative by the Ministry of Education, underscores its commitment to deploying a digital framework of good governance.

Samarth ERP offers over 40 software modules tailored to address the diverse needs of University operations and administration. Samarth ERP is an initiative by the Ministry of Education, Govt of India aimed at promoting good governance practices in educational institutions through the adoption of digital solutions. The platform offers a comprehensive suite of software modules designed to streamline administrative processes and enhance operational efficiency.

- 11. Gearing up for admission of the second batch of students under innovative Under Graduate 'Design Your Degree' programme, the University of Jammu has launched the schedule for generating awareness among prospective students and their parents in the Campus. During the first awareness cum interactive session with the students and the parents, Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu delved in detail on the significance of this UG programme and its alignment with the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), emphasizing its motto, "Teach to Transform, Educate to Empower and Learn to Lead." Explaining the key features of the programme, specifically designed for undergraduate students, Prof. Rai said it has been carefully structured to meet the needs of the market and offers a well-rounded and interdisciplinary learning experience. The "Design Your Degree" initiative is intentionally crafted to empower students to shift from seeking jobs to creating opportunities, granting them the freedom to choose subjects aligned with their passions and aspirations and encouraging them to march to the beat of their own drum.
- 12. University of Jammu organized an Interaction Programme with the students of Design Your Degree Program. Advocating hands-on experiential learning experience, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, (VC HEC) Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory Padma Shree Prof. Dinesh Singh urged the students to harness advanced Information Technology tools for immersive practical learning experiences. Prof. Singh during the interaction stressed on the importance of designing algorithms tailored to tackle societal challenges, thereby nurturing a culture of innovation and problem-solving among the youth. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, actively engaged with students and mentors from various institutions and stressed on collaborative real-world projects. This interactive session provided students and mentors with an opportunity to discover creative educational methods, fostering a collaborative atmosphere geared towards cultivating the future generation of leaders and innovators. Students were inspired to embrace interdisciplinary learning and apply their expertise in practical settings, leading them toward academic and professional success.
- 13. Directorate of Distance and Online Education (DDOE), University of Jammu organized three days workshop on Design and Development of Self-learning materials for distance and online programmes. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, delivered an insightful address as the Chief Guest at the event. Prof Rai visualised that youth will represent approximately 50 percent of the population within the next two decades. Acknowledging the challenge of addressing the educational needs of this rapidly expanding youth population, he stressed the importance of institutions offering distance and online learning methods to effectively engage with the young people. Prof. Rai underscored the imperative for university

departments to offer distance courses, citing research indicating that traditional blackboard learning only accounts for 10 percent of effective learning, with the remainder attributed to self-learning. He emphasized the significance of the workshops in providing participants with insight into self-learning methodologies and content creation, aligning with the evolving educational landscape. Prof. CRK Murthy, former director of the Staff Training and Research Institute of Distance Education (STRIDE) at IGNOU was the Keynote Speaker.

- 14. Centre for Studies in Museology and the Sheikh Noor Ud-Din Noorani Museum of Heritage, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Manuscript Conservation Centre and Shashvat Art Gallery and Museum, Jammu commemorated International Museum Day 2024. The focus of this observance was on the theme "Conservation of Manuscripts." The event featured exhibition and one-day workshop led by expert conservators from the Manuscript Conservation Centre, operating under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Dr. Suresh Abrol, Senior Conservator; Mr. Arvind, Junior Conservator; Sri Kewal Krishan Kotwal, Junior Conservator Mr. Kailash Kumar, Junior Conservator were the Resource Persons. Participants, comprising students, scholars, and faculty members from colleges across Jammu and Kashmir, engaged as trainees in the program.
- 15. Skill Incubation Innovation Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC), University of Jammu organized a four-day workshop on "3D Printing and Its Applications" for the students enrolled in the innovative Design Your Degree (DYD) program. The students were immersed in an intensive exploration of 3D printing technology and its diverse applications. Er. T.N. Siva Chary, an Associate Technical Engineer from Mekuva Technologies, Hyderabad was the Resource Person.
- 16. Department of Sanskrit, University of Jammu organized a Special lecture under Innovative Programme in the Phonetic lab of the Department on the topic "Science in Sanskrit literature". Prof. Daya Shankar Tiwary, Department of Sanskrit, University of Delhi was the Keynote Speaker. The lecture was attended by faculty members, research scholars, and alumni of the department, as well as faculty members from Buddhist Studies, Computer Science, Lifelong Learning, Dogri, and Mathematics, along with representatives from various degree colleges.
- 17. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu organized a series of insightful interactive sessions featuring prominent industry experts. The event aimed to bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world journalistic practices, offering students invaluable insights into the evolving field of journalism. Shri Brijesh Singh, the Resident Editor of Amar Ujala newspaper and Shri Tejinder Singh Sodhi, the Editorial Head of News 18 JKLH were Resource Persons. Students and faculty members actively participated in the sessions, posing questions and engaging in lively discussions with the experts.
- 18. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized one day workshop on "Basic Communication Skills" at Balgran, Channi Rama, Jammu with the aim to bring the student out of the class and impart project based learning. The main objective of the workshop was to enable the students to learn basic skills of communication so that they can communicate with

- precision and clarity. The main themes of the workshop were formal and informal communication Skills and conversation starters etc. Ms. Neetu Dhar, Chief Coordinator and Master Trainer JKDCUL (Jammu Kashmir Dairy Producers Processors and Marketing Cooperative Ltd), Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 19. Department of Botany, University of Jammu, under the aegis of the Botanical Club, celebrated International Day of Biodiversity. A drive entitled "To Know the Biodiversity of the Campus" was carried out by faculty members, research scholars, and students of the department. During the drive, all the plants in the "Cactus Garden" were labeled with QR codes in continuation of the ongoing initiative of the department to digitize the Flora of the University. Several new aromatic plant species, including Artemisia stelleriana, Salvia rosmarinus, Pimenta dioica etc. were planted in the "Touch and Smell Garden" of the department. These activities were undertaken in tandem with the theme of International Biodiversity Day 2024, "Be Part of the Plan." This theme emphasizes the importance of a collective and coordinated approach to address and reverse biodiversity loss, supporting the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.
- 20. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu in collaboration with District Employment and Counselling Centre organized comprehensive training programme on "Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence" (a digital skill initiative by Microsoft- DigiSaksham) designed specifically for the P.G. students. Mr. Manish Mishra, corporate trainer was the Resource Person for the training program. Interactive sessions and hands-on training programmes were conducted where the Students explored the growth of AI from early theoretical concepts to modern advancements and applications. The curriculum covered broad spectrum of AI fundamentals, including machine learning, AI models, AI project cycle, task environment, P.E.A.S (Performance Environment, Actuators, Sensors), S.M.A.R.T, Hill climbing Algorithm and Minimax Algorithm. Participants were also introduced to practical applications of AI in finance, marketing and supply chain management, bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world business scenarios. The Training Programme was attended by all the students and scholars of department of Commerce, University of Jammu.
- 21. Department of Chemistry, University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Redox Mediated Synthesis of Main-Group Based Open-Shell Compounds". Dr. Anukul Jana, Associate Professor-G, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Hyderabad was the Resource Person. The talk by Dr. Anukul Jana was focused on designing and developing convenient modular routes for synthesizing compounds as well as pivotal role of the spin-carriers and spin-couplers in the resulting electronic situation of the open-shell molecules. Research scholars and students of department of Chemistry enthusiastically participated in the interaction session.
- 22. Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with INTACH Jammu Chapter and Haloti Gompa Welfare Society, Kishtwar organised a one-day National Seminar on "Relevance of Buddhism in the modern world". Dr. Ajay Kumar Singh, Central University of Jammu; Sh. S. M. Sahani, Convenor of the INTACH; Venerable Lobzang Dechan, Co-

- Director of the Tibetan Nuns Project and Prof. Ram Nandan Singh, University of Jammu were the Keynote Speakers.
- 23. Faculty of Business Studies, in collaboration with the SIIEDC, University of Jammu, organized a one-week workshop on "Qualitative Research: Methods, Data Analysis, and Meta-Analysis" with the aim to enhance the understanding of qualitative research among faculty and scholars. Prof. Tejinder Pal Singh from University Business School, Panjab University, Chandigarh and Dr. Neeraj Kaushik from National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra, Haryana were the Resource Person. Prof. Singh took sessions on "Demystifying Qualitative Research: Understanding What, Why and How," "Qualitative Designs Narrative and Phenomenological Research," and "Qualitative Designs: Ethnography and Case Study Research." His interactive approach and practical examples allowed participants to gain a deeper understanding of applying these methods in real-world scenarios. A total of 55 research scholars and faculty from different departments and institutes, including Commerce, SHTM, TBS, Economics, Sociology, IIM Jammu, Udhampur campus, ICccR HRM, DD & OE and M.A.M College attended the workshop. This event fostered an environment of collaborative learning, with participants engaging in thought-provoking discussions and gaining hands-on experience.
- 24. The students of MBA (Tourism & Travel Management) of University of Jammu won accolades from the team of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce &Industry (FICCI), New Delhi for their active and exemplary contribution as volunteers at the 13th Great Indian Travel Bazaar (GITB), at Jaipur Exhibition & Convention Centre (JECC), Jaipur. The experiential based educational trip was organized by School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu. Prof Anil Gupta, Director, SHTM shared that during the event, the students were involved in all the pre-event activities, managed over 11000 pre-structured B2B meetings of more than 250 Foreign Tour Operators from over 50 countries and interacted with more than 200 leading domestic corporate houses who were the exhibitors. He further said that the trip provided students with invaluable real-world experience, allowing them to apply their academic knowledge in a dynamic and fast-paced environment. Serving as volunteers at one of India's largest travel and tourism events, they contributed to the seamless execution of GITB, showcasing their skills and passion for the industry.
- 25. Two students from the Department of Sculpture, Institute of Music and Fine Arts (IMFA), University of Jammu namely Zarina Parveen and Kundan Gyatso, have been chosen to participate in the International Art Residency program hosted by 'sa Ladakh' in the picturesque landscapes of Ladakh Valley. Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik, Principal of IMFA, complimented Zarina Parveen and Kundan Gyatso on their selection, expressing his confidence in their ability to create captivating artworks inspired by the Himalayan environment. Zarina Parveen and Kundan Gyatso have honed their skills in visual arts and sculpture under the guidance of mentors Sh. Sukhjeet Singh Kukkal, Jasleen Singh, and Trishla Kumari from the Department of Sculpture, IMFA, University of Jammu.
- 26. The team from The Law School, University of Jammu comprising of Pratham Thapa, Ishita Bandral and Arushi Mengi has emerged victorious at the prestigious VI Nirmala Devi Bam

International Moot Court Competition held at the Indore Institute of Law. The competition saw participation from 33 esteemed law schools, including National Law Universities (NLU) from Mumbai, Bhopal, and Lucknow, as well as O P Jindal University and several other recognized institutions.

- 27. In a unique initiative focused on sustainability and climate change, IIT Mumbai has launched an internship program specifically designed for students from Jammu and Kashmir's 'Design Your Degree' (DYD) program. Thirty undergraduate students from J&K will join 80 e-Yantra interns, working together in six collaborative groups of 20 to tackle critical global issues. This internship aims to introduce the J&K 'Design Your Degree' students to programming using Linux based operating system. The course covers BASH scripting, Python programming language, version control, and command-line usage. This course will provide a solid foundation in computer programming, which will be valuable for various academic tasks. At the end of the course, students will need to compete a challenge activity based on the course content.
- 28. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized three-day skill development workshop on the world famous Basohli painting popularized for its miniature art style. The three-day workshop on Basholi miniature painting not only provided a platform for artistic expression but also served as a testament to the rich cultural heritage of the region. The workshop commenced with an impressive turnout of students from the Institute of Music and Fine Arts and Kathua Campus. The participants were interested in learning miniature painting which is well-known for its evocative colors, vivid and deep-set patterns. Shri Soham Singh Billawaria, a Basohli miniature artist was the Resource Person. Prof. Umesh Rai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Prof. Rai in his address lauded the organizers for their initiative in promoting skill development and preserving cultural heritage. He congratulated all participants for their dedication and commitment to mastering the art of Basholi miniature painting, emphasizing its importance in preserving our cultural legacy. He also stressed upon the importance of skill development as it contributes to self-confidence, holistic growth and development, and entrepreneurship.
- 29. Institute of Mountain Environment (IME), Bhaderwah Campus in collaboration with Department of Environmental Studies, PGDAV(M) College, and Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Mountain and Hill Environment, University of Delhi organized a weeklong International Workshop on 'Himalaya in the Anthropocene: Addressing the Climate Crisis'. The distinguished participants include faculty and students from Higher School of Economics, Saint Petersburg, Russia, along withthe faculty members from the Department of Environmental Studies, PGDAV College, and the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Mountain and Hill Environment, University of Delhi, New Delhi. Prof.AlexandaNikolaevich Sorokin, Dean HSE Campus St. Petersburg, Russia highlighted the transboundary environmental issues and their implications for mountain ecosystems worldwide. The issues, such as air and water pollution, deforestation, and climate change, often transcend political boundaries, necessitating international cooperation for efficient management and mitigation, he said. He invited Institute of Mountain Environment to collaborate with HSE, Russiain

dealing with biodiversity monitoring viz-a-viz climate crisis. Prof. AlekseiBorisovich, a political scientist from HSE opined that climate change exacerbates existing inequalities and disproportionately affects the vulnerable communities. There is a need to jointly deal with the social, economic, and political dimensions of climate justice, advocating for policies that prioritize the needs of marginalized groups and ensure a just transition to a sustainable economy.

- 30. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI) organized an Entrepreneurship Programme under the theme "Entrepreneurship as a Career Option," with a special focus on the J&K Startup Policy (2024-2027). The event was aimed at inspiring and educating students and aspiring entrepreneurs about the various opportunities and support mechanisms available under the new policy. Shabir Hussain Shah, District Nodal Officer and faculty member of JKEDI and Mr. Mohsin Hamid, Assistant Faculty at JKEDI Poonch were the Keynote Speakers.
- 31. Jambu Lochan Boys Hostel, University of Jammu organized an informative and interactive session on heart diseases, their causes, prevention, and treatment by Dr. Nasir Choudhary, a renowned consultant cardiologist from GMC and SSH Jammu. The session aimed to educate the hostel boarders about the critical aspects of heart health, emphasizing the importance of understanding heart diseases, their risk factors, and the necessary steps to prevent and manage them effectively.
- 32. Campus Sports Committee, University of Jammu organized inter-departmental Volleyball (M) tournament. Department of Sports and Physical Education outplayed DD&OE department and clinched the title.
- 33. Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP), University of Jammu in collaboration with Yuva Hindi Lekhak Sang, Jammu organized a paper reading programme. Dr. Ashok Kumar presented a paper on the topic "Different Aspects of Women in Dogri Short Stories of Jagdeep Dubey". The event was organized to promote the critical evaluation of Dogri writings in the present context. Dr. Ashok Kumar made a critical analysis of the cultural restrictions and treatment given to the women by the royals which has adversely impacted the life of common women as well. Mr. Jagdeep Dubey also appreciated the evaluative analysis of his short stories and complemented Dr. Ashok for presenting the real context of his short stories.
- 34. University of Jammu has partnered with Delhi Metropolitan Education (DME) Law School, Noida, to organize an international conference titled "Championing Inclusivity: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Disability Rights and Social Justice" The event was supported by the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala, and the Rotaract Club of Delhi Metropolitan Education. The aim of the conference was to empower persons with disabilities by addressing the legal, social, and environmental factors required to create inclusive and equitable society. Prof. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, NETF; Chairman, Executive Committee NAAC & Chairman, NBA was the Chief Guest. Mr. Nipun Malhotra, (Co-founder and CEO, Nipman Foundation; & Founder, Wheels for Life) was the Guest of

Honour. Three faculty members of the University of Jammu were invited panelist for the prestigious conference and participated in deliberations to explore the intricate intersectionality of identities and achievement of disability rights. Prof. Sarika Manhas, Coordinator, Disability Initiatives, JU chaired the technical session on 'Charting paths: International perspectives on disability rights, future of Indian legislation in the UNCRPD era, and humanitarian principles'. Dr. Seema Rohmetra, Associate Professor, The Law School, JU chaired the technical session on 'Bridging the gap: Implementing legal frameworks for inclusive practices'. Dr. Hema Gandotra, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, JU chaired the technical session on 'Empowering inclusivity: Advocating for rights and dignity'. Around 80 technical papers were presented in the conference in hybrid mode (offline and online both). The conference was attended by more than 200 academicians, educators, activists, professionals and students. Awards for best papers were also given in different categories.

- 35. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges:
 - a. Shivalik College of Education for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course for the academic session 2023-24.
 - b. Kalra College of Education, Kud for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course for the academic sessions 2022-23 and 2023-24.
 - c. Government Degree College, Purmandal to start commerce stream at UG level from the academic session 2024-25.
- 36. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.Ed. 4th Semester (Reg./Pvt.); MBBS (3rd Prof.); BAMS (3rd Prof.); BDS ((2nd Prof.); M.Sc. Nursing (2nd Year); PG Diploma in Human Rights & Duties; LLB 5 Years (5th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for B. Tech. (8th Semester); BDS (2nd Semester); UG (NEP 3rd Semester); MDP Sanskrit (3rd Semester); MDP Commerce (3rd Semester); MDP Maths (3rd Semester); MDP History (3rd Semester); MDP Sociology (1st Semester); BA LLB 5 Year (9th Semester); LLB 3 Year (4th Semester); MBBS Final (Part 2nd); BPED (3rd Semester); B Pharmacy (4th Semester); BE (5th & 7th Semester-PVT); BDS Final (Subsequent); B.Arch (10th Semester); M.Sc. Chemistry (1st Semester); M.Sc. Commerce (1st Semester); MA Dogri (1st Semester); MA Economics (1st Semester); MA Education (1st Semester); MA English (1st Semester); M.Sc. EVS (1st Semester); M.Sc. Geography (1st Semester); MA History (1st Semester); M.Sc. Human Genetics (1st Semester); MPED (1st Semester); MA Sanskrit (1st Semester); MA Sociology (Ramnagar) (1st Semester); MA Urdu (1st Semester); MBA Kathua (1st Semester); MA Urdu Bhaderwah (1st Semester); etc.

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- 1. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu along with scholars, and students, participated in the "Sashakt Yuva Smridhh Jammu Kashmir" virtual conference, and listened with rapt attention the address of Prime Minister of India, Mr Narendra Modi to youth of the Universities and Colleges of Jammu and Kashmir. The scholars and students of the University of Jammu participated enthusiastically in the live streaming, listening to the Prime Minister with great eagerness. The address was live-streamed from SKICC Srinagar. Describing the Prime Minister's engagement with the youth as inspiring, the Vice Chancellor said that the young students and scholars got an opportunity to hear the vision of Mr Narendra Modi about transforming Jammu and Kashmir with focus on development and channelizing the energies of the young people towards productive pursuits.
- 2. Department of Botany, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Department of Ecology, Environment & Remote Sensing (DEERS) celebrated the World Environment Day 2024, on the International theme of "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience". Shri. Vasu Yadav, IFS, PCCF/Chairman Pollution Control Committee (J&K) was the Chief Guest on the occasion. The event featured a presentation on the theme of World Environment Day-2024 by Sh. Majid Farooq, the Coordinator-DEERS-EIACP J&K, covering topics of ecosystem degradation and global warming. He also elaborated the Catch the Rain Programme by Jal Shakti Department framed to understand rain analysis, the concept of LiFE which is a India led Global mass movement and many more such progressive initiatives of public interest to halt the detrimental effects of Climate Change.
- 3. The Law School, University of Jammu, organized an insightful interaction and lecture on the topic "Human Rights Jurisprudence and Domestic Violence Laws" for senior semester students of The Law School. Advocate Uma Kapahi, Panel Lawyer, DLSA, Jammu was the Resource Person. Advocate Kapahi in her lecture provided a comprehensive overview of the Domestic Violence Act, 2005. She elucidated the salient provisions of the Act, highlighting the various forms of abuse it addresses and the legal remedies available to victims. Advocate Kapahi also highlighted the availability of free legal aid for victims of domestic violence, emphasizing that the right to legal aid has brought significant relief to millions of women suffering violence in their households.
- 4. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with The Daffodils Project and supported by The Euphrates Institute, an educational and global grassroots peace building organization, has launched an initiative aimed at documenting and reviving indigenous peace leadership in India. This initiative is part of a broader effort to go beyond decolonizing peace by actively investing in and integrating indigenous peace building methods into the global discourse on peace and conflict management. Decolonizing peace involves understanding and promoting peace by removing colonial influences and embracing perspectives rooted in indigenous and local cultures. This approach acknowledges the plurality and diversity of peace paradigms around the world. The new initiative, led by Ms. Tamana Slathia, founder of

- The Daffodils Project, seeks to further this concept by focusing on the practical application of indigenous peace methods, particularly in postcolonial South Asian communities, starting with India.
- 5. International Centre for Cross-Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR & HRM), University of Jammu organized One-Week Capacity Building Programme (CBP) on "Innovative Pedagogical Approaches under National Education Policy - 2020" through online mode. The Capacity Building Programme aims towards the capacity building of academicians and research scholars in terms of knowledge enrichment, developing naive pedagogical competencies, creating learning resources, using digital technologies, etc. for improving teaching-learning effectiveness using various innovative pedagogical approaches. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 emphasizes the capacity building of teachers as the most important factor ensuring the quality and engagement of faculty at higher education institutions. This brings attention to the role the teachers' pedagogical knowledge, experiences, and professional identity have in shaping the learning outcomes of their students. The present CBP intends to impart pedagogy-related training and skill building of the participants in the core areas of Case Teaching, Case Writing, Artificial Intelligence, Gamification, and use of ICT in teaching. Prof. Rajat Sharma, Associate Professor of Marketing at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmadabad; Prof. Saravana Jaikumar, Associate Professor of Marketing at IIM Calcutta and Prof. K. Srinivas, Head of ICT & Project Management Unit of National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA), New Delhi were the Resource Persons. Over 30 participants from University of Delhi; Institute of Management Studies & Research, Mumbai; University of Lucknow; University of Jammu; Cluster University of Jammu; SKUAST, Main Campus Jammu and different colleges across the UT of Jammu & Kashmir etc. attended the programme.
- 6. The Community Radio Station of the University of Jammu, 91.2 FM Dhwani JU, organized a two-week Summer Internship Program for the students of Government College for Women, Parade Ground, Jammu. This program offers an unparalleled opportunity for budding media professionals to gain practical experience and invaluable insights by working closely with seasoned Radio Jockeys and industry experts. The program emphasizes practical learning through hands-on training. Interns will have the chance to work in a fully operational radio station environment, learning the intricacies of radio production, live broadcasting, and technical operations. This real-world experience will be invaluable for students looking to build a career in media. Another highlight of the Internship Program is a series of comprehensive workshops which will include voice modulation, scriptwriting, content creation, and on-air presentation skills. Conducted by experienced Radio Jockeys and media professionals, these sessions will equip students with the essential skills required to excel in the broadcasting field. The Community Radio Station of the University of Jammu is dedicated to cultivating future media professionals. This internship program demonstrates the commitment of JU to offering students an excellent beginning to their careers.
- 7. Department of Environmental Sciences, and Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu organized a Plantation Drive in the University Campus to celebrate "World

Environment Day 2024". The purpose of this event was to encourage students' participation in plantation activities in the campus to make them environmentally conscious and responsible. Prof. Anju Basin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu, and Chief Guest on the occasion inaugurated the drive by planting a Mango sapling (Mangifera indica) in the lawns of the Department.

- 8. In a landmark event for regional ornithology, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu released a full checklist of the birds of Jammu and Kashmir, meticulously compiled and produced by a team of researchers. Prof. Rai in his address lauded the dedication and hard work of the researchers, exhibiting one of the most significant ecological group, the birds of the entire UT of Jammu and Kashmir. He hoped that this checklist would be a valuable resource for scholars, ornithologists, conservationists, and nature enthusiasts, helping to promote the study and conservation of bird species across the region.
- 9. Dean Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized a Summer Camp for the children. During the camp, children were imparted training of Theatre & Dance by the experts. Prof. Meena Sharma, Dean Planning, University of Jammu, the Chief Guest at the occasion, lauded the endeavours of the Department of Students Welfare in shaping the personalities of children. She also appreciated the children and their trainers for presenting wonderful presentations. She also highlighted the importance of such activities which instill confidence and creativity in children and they may take advantage of this in shaping their personalities.
- 10. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu organized a lecture on "Development of Libraries since Ancient Times". Prof. M. P. Satija, DLIS, GNDU, Amritsar was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Satija highlighted how libraries have evolved through various phases, adapting to technological advancements and societal changes. The lecture was attended by faculty members, Scholars and students of the department.
- 11. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, in collaboration with NSS Unit-IV, organized an International Yoga Day event at the Gymnasium Hall. The event attracted students, faculty, and staff, all coming together to honor the ancient practice of yoga. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, delivered an inspiring address highlighting the vital role of yoga in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. He stressed that yoga should be practiced daily, not just on special occasions. "Yoga is not just for fitness. It is a way for our soul to interact with the divine," remarked Prof. Rai. Students from the Yoga Centre showcased advanced yoga sessions, demonstrating their skill and dedication.
- 12. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu organized 03-day Yoga workshop for students and faculty members. The Yoga sessions was conducted by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Pandey, Teaching Assistant, Directorate of Sports and Physical Education. Around 80 participants from University of Jammu participated in the Yoga Workshop.
- 13. Department of Education, University of Jammu organized an Interactive session on the 10th International Yoga day for the students of Department of Education. Prof. S. P. Suri, former Head & Dean, Department of Education, University of Jammu was the esource Person. Prof.

- Suri demonstrated Asanas like Tadasana , Gurmukhi , Bhujangasna and pranayamas for the well being of the participants and motivated the students to practice Yoga on daily basis to lead a healthy lifestyle.
- 14. Department of Urdu, University of Jammu organized one-day National Seminar on the theme "Contributions of Dogra Rulers in the Development of Urdu Languages in Jammu and Kashmir". Yuvraj Ajat Shatru Singh was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Yuvraj Ajat Shatru Singh expressed gratitude to the Urdu Department for honoring his ancestors through the seminar. He highlighted Maharaja Pratap Singh's decision to make Urdu the official language of Jammu and Kashmir in 1889 and discussed the broader vision of the Dogra rulers for promoting Urdu. He noted that Maharaja Ranbir Singh, a great admirer of Urdu, established a translation society, a library, and a press to publish Urdu books and newspapers. Urdu newspapers & Urdu books.
- 15. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu organized a 10-day internship program for the students of Cluster University, PSPS Women College, Gandhi Nagar Jammu. This initiative aims to provide practical exposure and hands-on experience to the students, enhancing their understanding of the media industry. "The 10-day program included workshops, field visits, and hands-on training sessions conducted by industry experts and faculty members of the department. An interactive session with the renowned journalist Pradeep Dutta, Bureau Chief of Times Now, Jammu was also organized. Pradeep Dutta shared his vast experience in the field of journalism, offering valuable insights and guidance to the students. His interaction was both inspiring and educational, motivating the students to pursue excellence in their journalistic endeavors.
- 16. Department of Dogri, University of Jammu in collaboration with Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi organized a symposium on "Trends in Dogri Free Verse Poetry". Sh. Prakash Premi, a distinguished Dogri writer and scholar was the Keynote Speaker. All scholars of the department discussed the evolving trends in Dogri free verse poetry in detail, and their papers were highly appreciated by the audience. The symposium highlighted the rising prominence of Dogri free verse poetry on both national and international stages.
- 17. Jambu Lochan Boys Hostel, University of Jammu organized an informative and interactive session on Drug Awareness and Control with the aim to arm students with the information and tools they need to resist peer pressure and make wise drug-related decisions. Shri Ajay Sharma, SP South, Jammu & Kashmir Police was the Keynote Speaker. A highlight of the event was a motivational interaction by Shri Ajay Sharma, who inspired the students to focus on their careers and personal goals, emphasizing the importance of making healthy choices that support long-term success. He opined that social change can only occur at the grassroots level when the youth of today are self-driven, focused, and balanced in their life pursuits.
- 18. Department of Geography, University of Jammu organised an awareness program on National-level Research Paper Writing competition of Bhartia Shiksha Mandal Yuva Ayam on the theme 'Vision for Viksit Bharat'. The main objective of this competition and three-day Convention is to enable and inspire the youth to make their valuable contribution related to

- every field of nation-building in this AMRITKAAL. After the research paper writing competition, a three-day Akhil Bharatiya Convention of selected researchers will be organized from 15th to 17thNovember 2024, at S.G.T. University, Gurugram, Haryana. The Programme was attended by all the faculty members, scholars and students of the department.
- 19. Department of Education, in collaboration with Comparative Education Society of India (CESI), Research Interest Group (RIG) 12: Comparative Education organized a Hands-On Workshop for research scholars of Department of Education. The main theme of the hands-on workshop was "Qualitative and Quantitative Research". The objective of the workshop was to enable the research scholars to share their knowledge and acquaint themselves with varied concepts of qualitative and quantitative research. Prof. Kulwinder Singh, Professor of Education, Department of Education, Panjabi University, Patiala was the Resource Person. The Workshop was attended by all the faculty members of department of Education.
- 20. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu organized a special lecture on 'Government Schemes for the Unemployed Youth in J&K' and 'J&K Startup Policy' for the scholars and students. The lecture aimed to provide valuable insights into the realm of entrepreneurship and to highlight the plethora of government schemes designed to support unemployed youth of Jammu and Kashmir. The initiative is a part of the department's ongoing efforts to foster a culture of innovation and self-reliance among the students. Dr. Vinod Kumar, Faculty member at J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute (EDI) was the Keynote Speaker.
- 21. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu released a book titled "ANUNAAD Sangeet Lekh Sangrah". The book was edited by distinguished faculty members Dr. Sumeet Madan (HOD, Violin Department, IMFA), Dr. Roshi Shaminotra (Vocal Department, IMFA), and Dr. Anjul Mittal (Sitar Department, IMFA), "ANUNAAD" is a collection of diverse articles that explore the multifaceted world of music.
- 22. Office of the Programme Coordinator NSS, University of Jammu organized a Two Day NSS Orientation workshop for the NSS Programme Officers of the NSS Campus units of University of Jammu and the affiliated colleges of the University of Jammu. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Hema Gandotra, Programme Coordinator, NSS, University of Jammu and Prof. Vishav Raksha, University of Jammu. Around 80 NSS Programme Officers participated in the workshop.
- 23. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized a one-day workshop on "Basic Communication Skills for the students of Ved Mandir, Amphala, Jammu. Ms. Swati Basotra, Motivational speaker and entrepreneur was the Resource Person. The main objective of the workshop was to enable the students to learn the basic skills of communication so that they can communicate well in their lives. About 32 students from Ved Mandir very enthusiastically participated in the workshop.
- 24. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:

- a. A Talk Show on "Eating your way to Health" by Ms. Shiena Singh, Student Department of English; Ms. Divya Anmol, Student, Department of English and Mr. Vishawpreet Singh, Student, Department of Political Science, University of Jammu.
- b. A Talk Show on "Basholi & its Heritage" presented by Vishal Singh & Vattan Singh, Research Scholars, School of Hospitality & Tourism Management, University of Jammu.
- c. A conversation with Ms. Pallavi Singh, Director, Programmes J&K Society for Promotion of Youth & Masses on the topic "Concerns and Challenges related to Drugs" hosted by Dr. Pallavi Sachdeva, Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu.
- d. A conversation with Prof. Madhurima Pradhan, Department of Psychology, University of Lucknow on the topic "Happiness & Wellbeing" hosted by Dr. Sarita Sood, Department of Psychology, University of Jammu.
- e. A conversation with Shri Iftikhar Ahmed Bazmi, Government Standing Counsel, UT of J&K on the topic "Law, Poverty & Access to Justice" hosted by Dr. Nitan Sharma, The Law School, University of Jammu.
- f. A conversation with Smt. Asha Kesar, Dogri Pakh Singer on the theme "Dogri Folk Culture".
- g. An interaction session "Ru Ba Ru" with MS. Deepinder, Punjabi Poet hosted by Amanpreet Kour, Research Scholar, Department of Punjabi, University of Jammu.
- 25. Aiming at providing invaluable insights and fostering a deeper understanding of the critical link between environmental sustainability and cultural heritage, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu partnered with the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) to celebrate World Environment Day, focusing on a series of expert lectures that highlighted the intersection of environmental sustainability and cultural heritage under the theme for 2024 "Our Land Our Future." The event was attended by various dignitaries including Sh. Hemant Sharma (IAS) Retd. and former Divisional Commissioner; Dr. C. M. Seth (IFS) Retd. A renowned Environmentalist and Former Chairperson (J&K) Pollution Control Board and Coconvener INTACH Jammu Chapter; Sh. S. M. Sahni Retd. Director Tourism, Convener INTACH Jammu Chapter; Dr. Mrinalini Atrey, Assistant Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu; Sh. Ankush Sharma, Head INTACH Sub Chapter Kathua; Sh. A. K. Kapoor, Retd. Suptd. Engineer INTACH member; Sh. Sohan Sing Billawria, Renowned Artist; and Sh. K.K. Sharma Former Director Floriculture.
- 26. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with Department of Student Welfare, University of Jammu under Training Outreach Programme to extend the benefit of professional training/orientation to the students of affiliated colleges situated outside Jammu organized three-day Theatre Workshop with the aim to enhance the foundational skills, techniques, and nuances of theatre arts. The workshop saw an enthusiastic turnout with a

large number of participants from Kathua Campus and GDCs of the area and their active participation underscored the vibrant interest in theatre arts within the community and the significance of such educational initiatives.

- 27. Department of Geography, Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus organized a Plantation Drive on the occasion of World Environment Day. Marking this special occasion, the department launched a new initiative wherein each first-semester student will plant a tree and commit to nurturing it throughout their two-year course. The event saw enthusiastic participation from both students and teachers who planted trees across the campus.
- 28. Department of Kathak, Institute of Music & Fine Arts (IMFA), University of Jammu organized ten-day workshop on the "Techniques of Kathak Used in Bollywood Choreography". Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu commended the Kathak Department for organizing a workshop on such a pertinent theme. He emphasized the significant place that Music & Fine Arts hold in the New Education Policy (NEP) and highlighted the importance of such workshops in educating students about the NEP. He further assured that IMFA, being an integral part of the University of Jammu, would receive all necessary support in the future. The workshop, attended by 32 participants from IMFA and different schools from the Jammu province.
- 29. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges:
 - a. Government Degree College Akhnoor to start new subject 1.e Environmental Science at UG level from Academic Session 2024-25.
 - b. CHM College of Legal Studies, Jammu for imparting instructions in LLB (3 Years) and BA LLB (5 Years) for academic session 2024-25.
- 30. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for MDP Hindi (2nd Semester); MDP Commerce (2nd Semester); MDP Sanskrit (2nd Semester); MDP Urdu (2nd Semester); MDP Dogri (2nd Semester); MDP Economics (2nd Semester); MDP Sociology (2nd Semester); MDP English (2nd Semester); MDP History (2nd Semester); MDP Math (2nd Semester); MDP Political Science (2nd Semester); MDP Punjabi (2nd Semester); B Arch CBCS (2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th and 10th Semester); LLB 3 Years (5th Semester); B.Ed. (1st Semester-REG./PVT.); B.Sc. Paramedical Science 1st Year (Batch 2022-23); MD/MS (AYD) Final Year (Subsequent); MD/MS (AYD) First Year (Reg.); BA LLB 5 Year (NCBCS) PVT.; LLB 3 Years (1st Semester-Pvt./Special) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for UG CBCS (5th & 6th Semester); UG 3rd Semester Re-Eval (NCBCS); Re-Eval CBCS UG (3rd Semester); Re-Eval B.Ed (3rd Semester); Re-Eval MDP Urdu (1st Semester); Re-Eval MDP Commerce (1st Semester); Re-Eval MDP English (1st Semester); Re-Eval MDP Hindi (1st Semester); Re-Eval MDP Political Science (1st Semester); Re-Eval Math (1st Semester); MDP Dogri (3rd Semester); MDP Urdu

(3rd Semester); MDP Punjabi (3rd Semester); MDP Hindi (3rd Semester); MDP Economics (3rd Semester); BA LLB 5 Years (1st & 7th Semester); B. Arch. (1st , 3rd , 5th , & 7th Semester); MBBS Final Prof. Part 2nd (Reg.); BAMS Final Prof. (Reg.); B. Tech 6th Semester (CBS Supply); MBBS 2nd Prof. (Reg.); Diploma in Museology & Conservation; PG 4th Semester (Bio-Technology, Microbiology, Biochemistry, Botany, Chemistry, Commerce, Dogri, English, History, Hindi, MBA (H&T), Political Science, Psychology, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Sociology, Statistics, Urdu, Zoology, Sericulture (Poonch), Strategic & Regional Studies and English (Udhampur) etc.

JULY 2024

- 1. Skill Incubation, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIDEC), University of Jammu in collaboration with the Institute of Human Genetics and University Health Centre launched a Skill Course on "Medical Laboratory Techniques". Prof. Alka Sharma, Director SIIEDC inaugurated the workshop and enlightened the participants about the importance of handson training in skill courses in the NEP 2020 curriculum that seek to emphasize experiential learning and generation of employment for the students. The course has been framed by Dr. Ankit Mahajan, Course Coordinator with the guidance of Prof. B.K Bajaj, Coordinator, Human Genetics and Dr. Bharat Bhushan, Chief Medical Officer, University of Jammu. During the course students will learn the basic biochemistry laboratory techniques including LFT, KFT, Electrolyte profiling, coagulation profile and DNA diagnostic tests etc for diagnosis of genetic diseases.
- 2. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Jammu Kashmir Study Centre (JKSC) Jammu Chapter, organized a talk on the '25th Anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas'. The event featured distinguished speakers, including Dr. Ajay Sharma, Assistant Professor at the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, and Dr. Jai Bhawani Singh, Assistant Professor at the Central University of Jammu. Col. (Retd.) Ajay Raina, a veteran of the Kargil War was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Col. Ajay Raina provided an in-depth account of the Kargil War's ground realities, detailing Pakistan's strategies and India's response. He recounted the contributions of various security agencies and underscored the crucial role of artillery and air force in the conflict.
- 3. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with Sher-i-Kashmir Police Academy (SKPA), Udhampur organized an online workshop focusing on the recent reforms in criminal laws. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Garib Dass, ADGP and Director, SKPA, Udhampur. Dr. Seema Rohmetra, Director of The Law School, emphasized the pivotal role of awareness in fostering societal change. She commended SKPA for spearheading an awareness campaign in this crucial domain. The workshop comprised of three informative sessions, each delving into the amendments introduced in prominent laws. Rajinder Kumar Gupta, IPS, SSP and Dy. Director SKPA, led the session on Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, highlighting philosophical basis behind recent reforms. The discussion notably focused on new offenses, punishments, and revised definitions, with specific attention to organized crime, mob lynching, and protections for women and children. Students actively engaged in discussions, highlighting emerging issues during interactive segments. Advocate Supriya Chouhan from the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir led the second session, focusing on reforms under Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita. She elaborated on significant amendments, including police powers, Zero FIR, E-FIR, trial procedures, bail provisions, and the victim-centric approach inherent in the reforms. The third

session, moderated by Riaz Ahmed, Senior Prosecution Officer, explored reforms related to electronic evidence, primary and secondary evidence, and the burden of proof in legal proceedings. The faculty and students of The Law School actively participated in all the sessions.

- 4. Department of Commerce in collaboration with Skill Incubation, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIDEC), University of Jammu organized One-week Faculty Development Program on Integrative Research Methods: Qualitative & Meta-Analysis and Experimental Methods. Prof Tejinder Pal Singh, University Business School, Punjab University, Chandigarh; Dr. Shardul Shankar, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Delhi-NCR Campus, Ghaziabad and Dr. Dinesh Chhabra, University of Delhi were the Keynote Speakers. The FDP covered an extensive range of topics, strategically structured to provide a holistic understanding of Integrative Research Methods. The Faculty members from Department of Commerce; The Business School; Department of Home Science; MAM College and Government Degree College Udhampur participated in the FDP.
- 5. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, e-released the documentary based on feedback from school principals, Vidyaniali teacher in-charges, teachers, and parents. In his address, Prof. Rai emphasized the urgent need for innovative teaching methods and called on educators to engage students more effectively, fostering a deep and lasting interest in their studies. He highlighted Vidyanjali as an exceptional platform for lifelong learning and stressed that education should be a dynamic and interactive process rather than a one-way transfer of knowledge. Prof. Rai also advocated for promoting theatre to enrich students' cultural and artistic experiences and to connect them with our rich literary heritage. Vidyanjali, a part of NEP 2020, is an initiative by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, aimed at supporting government schools through partnerships with universities, colleges, NGOs, individuals, industry, and other interested parties. It operates under mentorship and CSR domains, allowing volunteers to register on the Ministry's portal as mentors or CSR participants. Schools across the country can register on this portal to request specific assistance and support. Sh. Ajeet Sharma, CEO, SAMAGRA Shiksha Abhiyan, Jammu, praised the functioning of the Vidyanjali Cell at the University of Jammu and acknowledged Prof. Renu Nanda's leadership in conducting activities in the schools of Jammu, Samba, Kathua, and Doda districts. He also emphasized the importance of collaborating with the cell to bring qualitative changes to school education. On the occasion, certificates, medals, and cash rewards were distributed to students of Shantiniketan Bal Bhawan for their commendable performance in the "39th National Learn to Live Together Camp," held in Mohali, Punjab, from June 24 to 29, 2024. Certificates were also awarded to the rangers and rovers of the P.G. Department of Education, University of Jammu, for completing the basic training program 'PRATHAM SOPAN' organized by The J&K Bharat Scouts and Guides.
- 6. Skill Innovation Incubation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC) University of Jammu in collaboration with the Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu launched a new programme "Certificate Course in Theatre (Basic)". The Course is designed to aware students about their innate creative and aesthetic capabilities & provide an opportunity to get acquainted with the immense benefits of theatre for the overall Personality Development.
- 7. The Community Radio Station of the University of Jammu, 91.2 FM Dhwani JU, organized the second round of two-week Summer Internship Program, marking the end of an intensive and

enriching educational experience for all the interns. This Internship Program was thoughtfully designed to provide students with the best possible start in their careers. Students from different colleges namely, GGM Science College; Cluster University of Jammu; Government College for Women, Bhagwati Nagar; Government Degree College Nagrota and Dogra Degree College, Bari Brahamana, Jammu participated in the Internship Program, seizing the opportunity to engage in a comprehensive range of practical sessions. These included report writing, editing, recording, broadcasting, ethical considerations, etc. where interns mastered the technical and non-technical nuances of radio broadcasting. The Internship proved to be highly beneficial for the participants, providing them with practical skills and knowledge indispensable for a successful career in media and broadcasting.

- 8. The Community Radio Station of the University of Jammu, 91.2 FM Dhwani JU with the aim to nurture young talent and provide a platform for learning and growth conducted various exciting interactive sessions which provided aspiring radio professionals from GGM Science College, Cluster University of Jammu, GCW Bhagwati Nagar, GDC Nagrota and Dogra Degree College, Bari Brahamana, Jammu, with invaluable insights into the radio industry. The sessions were spearheaded by RJ Nitish Sharma from FM Tadka, who shared his extensive experience and expertise to guide the interns from various colleges of Jammu. The participants had the unique opportunity to learn about the intricacies of radio broadcasting, from content creation and voice modulation to audience engagement and technical operations. RJ Nitish provided practical training sessions that covered various aspects of radio production. His interactive workshops allowed interns to gain hands-on experience, enhancing their understanding of the behind-the-scenes processes that make a radio show successful.
- 9. Jambu Lochan Boys Hostel, University of Jammu organized an interactive session focusing on the role of education as a liberating force. Prof. (Dr.) Prasannanshu from National Law University, Delhi, delivered a keynote address, emphasizing the need to transcend parochial boundaries and adopt an interdisciplinary perspective as envisaged by the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The session emphasized the importance of interdisciplinary learning, as advocated by the NEP 2020. Prof. Prasannanshu explained that an interdisciplinary approach breaks down the silos of traditional education, encouraging students to integrate knowledge from different domains.
- 10. Department of Commerce, University of Jammu, in line with its commitment to community service, visited Government Middle School, Kotli, Birpur as part of its extension and outreach activities. The visit included distribution of scholarships to outstanding students of the school and providing them stationery items and refreshments to encourage their continued participation in education. The event also featured counselling sessions aimed at supporting both students and teachers, with faculty members from the Department of Commerce offering personalized counselling to address academic and emotional needs. Smt. Minakshi Gupta, Head Mistress, Government Middle School, Kotli, Birpur, expressed her gratitude to the Department of Commerce for its support. She highlighted the positive impact of the event on both students and staff.
- 11. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized a one-day workshop focusing on "Women Issues, Challenges, and Legal Rights" for members of the Self Help Group in Kherian Village, Ward No. 32, Gol Gujural, Jammu. Ms. Kunzang Angmo, lecturer at the Centre, discussed "Concept of Gender and Gender Issues." She explained how gender perceptions shape our daily lives, the impact of patriarchal ideologies on power dynamics, and the

construction of gender roles. Prof. Savita Nayyar, University of Jammu led the second session, covering "Legal Safeguards for Women." She provided insights into constitutional provisions and legal protections specifically for women. Dr. Saranjit Kaur, Lecturer, Centre for Women's Studies delivered the lecture on the theme: "Gender based violence with special focus on Domestic Violence and related PWDV Act". She spoke about the concept of domestic violence and its types. The workshop saw enthusiastic participation from the women, who shared their experiences and asked numerous questions, which were addressed to their satisfaction by the speakers.

- 12. Padam Shri S. P Verma, President, Gandhi Global Family (GGF) J&K called on Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and highlighted the need to collaborate for supporting youth belonging to underprivileged segments of the society. Sh. Verma provided an overview of the initiatives undertaken by GGF to uplift underprivileged communities. He also highlighted pressing issues affecting the socio-economic conditions of underprivileged population, especially the youth, in rural, urban, and far-flung regions of the Jammu & Kashmir. Prof. Rai and Sh. Verma discussed the possibilities of adoption of villages along the Line of Control (LoC) and International Borders for benefitting the students through various such initiatives and dedicated programs. The concept of "Lab to Land and Land to Lab" was also discussed, emphasizing the significance of applying academic research and innovations for community development, while using real-world challenges as a basis for academic research and addressing societal challenges. Sh. Verma also apprised the Vice Chancellor about the internship programs that are intended to attract many NRI students interested to visit Indian Universities, including the University of Jammu. This initiative aims to facilitate knowledge exchange and enrich the academic environment through global interactions. He underscored the importance of collaboration between technocrats, skilled professionals, and the faculty to encourage practical learning experiences and promote the application of advanced technologies and skills in both academic and community settings. The Vice Chancellor wished all the success to Gandhi Global Family in its endeavour for general good of the underprivileged segments of the society and gave an overview of the efforts being made by the University to promote academic excellence among the students of all segments of society.
- 13. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu organized a month-long festival "Rutt Raade", a festival of Dogra Tradition. The "Raade Visarjen" celebrations started with the gathering of ladies, men, and children from the surrounding villages of Udhampur Campus came together to bid adieu to fully grown Raade and immerse them in the local stream's flowing waters in line with all the customs. On the occasion a *Ficus religiosa* (Peepal tree) was also planted in the premises of the Udhampur campus.
- 14. The NCC cadets of Kathua Campus, University of Jammu showcased their exceptional skills and dedication at Common Annual Training Camp (CATC) organized by 3 J&K Battalion NCC Baramulla, Nagrota. This event saw participation from numerous students across the Jammu region, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and competition among young leaders. The camp featured a variety of competitions including drill displays, cultural performances, and sports events, allowing cadets to demonstrate their talents and abilities. The cadets from Kathua Campus excelled in multiple events, bringing home several prizes and accolades, which are a testament to their hard work and commitment. The team won first prize in the Volleyball competition and stood at second position in the game Tug of War.
- 15. Directorate of Distance & Online Education, University of Jammu organized a special Lecture on the theme "Internship for in-service teachers" and "Role of JKSCERT" for 2nd Semester B.Ed.

students and in- service teachers of DD&OE, University of Jammu. Prof C.L Shivgotra (Retd. Government College of Education, Jammu) and Dr. Rakesh Sharma (Principal, Kalra College of Education, Patnitop) were the Keynote Speakers. Dr. C.L Shivgotra highlighted the importance of Internship & Project Work activities in the B. Ed programme and discussed all the aspects of an internship, like Visit cum observation to High School, Higher Secondary Schools and Innovation Centre. Dr Rakesh Sharma provided the details regarding functioning of State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) and Role of JKSCERT to provide best training to in-service teachers of Jammu and Kashmir.

- 16. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges:
 - a. Data Ranpat Dev College of B.Sc. Nursing & Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing, Dhaloti, Kathua to start M.Sc. Nursing programmes from the academic session 2024-25.
 - b. Institute of Public Health and Hygiene College of Nursing & Allied Health Sciences, Kot Bhalwal to start B.Sc. courses for the academic session 2024-25.
 - c. Government Degree College, Nowshera to start new subjects i.e., Environmental Science, Agriculture Technology and Bio-technology at UG level from the academic session 2024-25.
 - d. Government Degree College, Ramban to start new subject i.e., Environmental Science at UG level from the academic session 2024-25.
 - e. Government Degree College, Kilhotran to start new subjects i.e., Environmental Science, Physics, Kashmiri, BCA at UG level from the academic session 2024-25.
- 17. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.Sc. Nursing (1st Semester, B.Sc. Nursing 2nd Year (Post Basic), BA LLB 5 Year (10th Semester), PGDBM (1st Semester), BAMS (1st Prof.), MBBS 3rd Prof. (Part II), Music & Fine Arts, B.Sc. paramedical (2nd Semester-reg.), UF (5th Semester NCBCS Supply), B. Ph. T (2nd Prof. Reg.), BDS (1st prof. Subsequent), BAMS (4th Prof. Subsequent), BA/B. Ed. Integrated (6th Semester), MDP Commerce (4th Semester), MDP English (4th Semester), MDP Urdu (4th Semester), MDP Sanskrit (4th Semester), MDP Sociology (4th Semester), MDP Economics (4th Semester), MDP History (4th Semester), MDP Math (4th Semester), MDP Hindi (4th Semester), MDP Political Science (4th Semester), MDP Punjabi (4th Semester), MDP Dogri (4th Semester), MDP Arabic (4th Semester), M.Sc. Chemistry (4th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for MBBS (3rd Prof. Part-I), M.Tech (3rd Semester CBS), B.E. 1st Semester (NCBS), B. Tech. (5th & 7th Semester), PG Diploma in Yoga (1st Semester), MLIBISC (1st Semester), Music & Fine Arts (Final Year), B.Ed. (4th Semester), BA/BED Integrated (5th semester), B. Pharmacy (2nd Semester), MBBS 1st Prof. (Subsequent), MCA (5th Semester), MDP Dogri (1st Semester), BBA-HM (6th Semester), B.Sc. Nursing (3rd Year Subsequent), M.SC. IT (1st & 3rd Semester), MBA –IB (4th Semester), MA Rural Development (4th Semester), M.Sc. EVS (4th Semester), MA Economics (4th Semester) etc.

AUGUST 2024

- 1. University of Jammu crossed yet another significant milestone by achieving the distinction of bagging 50th rank among the best universities of India. This marks a significant improvement for the University by moving ahead 13 steps and touching 50th mark from the previous rank of 63. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address said that the earning a place in the top 50 is not just an honour but also opens up new opportunities for the university through special privileges under various governmental and UGC schemes. This recognition underscores the commitment of the University to provide top-quality education and establish a culture of academic excellence. Prof Rai expressed his joy over this achievement, attributing it to the leadership, vision, and support of the Hon'ble Chancellor, University of Jammu and Lieutenant Governor of JKUT Shri Manoj Sinha. Prof. Rai also extended his gratitude to the Higher Education Department and Finance Department of the Government of JK UT for their relentless support, which has been crucial to the university's success. Prof. Rai also appreciated the entire University fraternity for their relentless dedication, emphasizing, "This historic achievement was made possible by the joint efforts of each stakeholder of the University. It stands as a testament to our collective dedication and hard work."
- 2. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, JKUT and Chancellor, University of Jammu inaugurated new building of Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre. Hon'ble Governor in his address said that the facility will enhance the capacity and training of teachers and provide help in developing innovative teaching methods with an aim to realize the goals of National Education Policy. Shri Sinha also said that in the dynamic environment of Higher Education, capacity building of faculty members is essential. The leadership skills, continuous professional development will be the key for holistic and multidisciplinary education integrated with Indian knowledge system. Shri Sinha called upon the higher educational institutions to improve the quality of education by infusing quality and excellence in teaching methods and also commended the University of Jammu for initiating innovative educational programmes and giving dedicated focus on important aspects like critical thinking, creativity, innovation and collaboration with focus on Lifelong Learning and 21st Century Skills Framework in accordance with the recommendations of National Education Policy 2020.
- 3. In a significant stride to enhance electoral awareness and participation, the University of Jammu has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), J&K. This collaboration aims to strengthen the visibility, outreach, and effectiveness of SVEEP activities. This partnership will utilize the University's Community Radio Station, Dhwani JU 91.2 FM, and also offer students from various departments of the University valuable internship opportunities. These internships will involve tasks such as data collation, research, and supporting the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) program, with the aim of increasing voter knowledge and turnout. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu highlighted the significance of this new partnership as a major step towards enhancing democratic engagement. He highlighted the role of Community Radio Station Dhwani JU 91.2 FM in reaching diverse audiences and the importance of involving students in creating educational content.
- 4. University of Jammu and with FICCI Ladies Organization Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh (FLO JKL) Chapter inked a Memorandum of Understanding MoU with the aim to promote women empowerment focusing especially improving their health and wellness besides encouraging entrepreneurship. This collaboration marks the establishment of the Young Women Affinity Group (YWAG) at the University of Jammu, a key initiative under FICCI FLO JKL's broader efforts to empower women students in institutions of higher education. The key point of the MoU is to promote social and economic growth in Jammu, Kashmir, and Ladakh with special reference

to building a brighter future for women. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu highlighted the importance of this partnership in the University's mission to support students, particularly females, and contribute to the region's development. He exuded confidence that this collaboration with FLO JKL will help create a more inclusive and supportive environment, promoting innovation, health, and entrepreneurship, besides bringing positive changes to the lives of women and students.

- 5. University of Jammu launched 3-day induction programme for 2nd batch of innovative four year undergraduate programme "Design-Your-Degree". Prof. Dinesh Singh, a renowned academician and former Vice-Chancellor of Delhi University, currently serving as the Vice-Chairman of the Jammu and Kashmir Higher Education Council, was the Chief Guest. Citing a profound quote from the Samveda, "We have to light the lamp of knowledge," Prof. Singh stressed the need for open-mindedness in education, advocating for moving beyond traditional textbooks to embrace practical, hands-on learning experiences. He urged students to go beyond conventional textbook education and become self-motivated learners. Prof. Singh also encouraged the students to explore the extensive possibilities offered by the "Design-Your-Degree" program. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu, greeted the incoming students with valuable perspectives on the program's multidisciplinary approach. Referring to the teachings of influential Indian philosophers like Sri Aurobindo Ghosh and Vinoba Bhave, Prof. Rai emphasized the value of hands-on learning and active engagement for effective knowledge acquisition. Prof. Rai pointed out that this innovative program aims to depart from traditional education methods, allowing students to customize their academic journeys based on their individual interests and strengths. He encouraged the students to seize this opportunity to explore various disciplines, collaborate across different fields, and develop a comprehensive understanding that will equip them to navigate the complexities of the real world. In his address, Prof. Rai emphasized the university's commitment to cultivating a vibrant and inclusive learning atmosphere that encourages both creativity and critical thinking. Prof. Shobha Bagai, Director of the Cluster Innovation Centre, Delhi University inspired the students with her insights. She underscored the importance of interdisciplinary thinking, a core component of their educational experience. Prof. Bagai engaged the students in various activities designed to enhance their listening skills, concentration, and reasoning.
- 6. The Business School, University of Jammu organized a felicitation ceremony for the students who got selected through the Campus Placement Drive. Shri Ramesh Kumar, IAS Divisional Commissioner Jammu was the Chief Guest of the occasion. The Business School, University of Jammu has always been proactive in innovative practices of teaching learning, industrial connect and quality placements. Every year various companies visit and select MBA students for the placements and internship. This year placement season began with High rank placement of ten MBA 3rd semester students through campus placement drive by ICICI Bank on August 20, 2024. Prof. Rai, congratulated the students who have secured placements, acknowledging their hard work and determination. He underscored the significance of sincere and dedicated efforts, urging the students to approach their duties with honesty and integrity, without being overly concerned about immediate outcomes. Prof. Rai extended his compliments to the entire Placement Cell of TBS for their commendable efforts in achieving this milestone. He expressed his confidence that with the collective dedication of the faculty and students, the University of Jammu is well on its way to surpassing even the most prestigious institutions in the near future.
- 7. In a remarkable step toward promoting scientific awareness, University of Jammu has unveiled a unique initiative on campus by planting topiaries that vividly depict the milestones of vertebrate evolution, symbolizing the incredible journey of vertebrate life on Earth. These topiaries, representing key stages of evolution from fish to humans, are not just a visual treat but also serve as an educational resource for students and visitors. The topiaries were planted by

Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. The topiary garden is open to the public, complete with informative plaques and guided tours to enhance the learning experience. The University also plans to expand this initiative by offering workshops, lectures, and research programs focusing on the horticultural importance of plants, evolutionary biology, and environmental science.

- 8. Department of Economics organized an interactive session on collaborative research skills. Prof. Pardeep S. Chauhan, Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delh was the Resource Person. Prof. Chauhan guided the Ph.D. research scholars on enhancing collaborative research skills, focusing on communication, teamwork, techno-economic proficiency, adaptability, and the use of interdisciplinary ICT tools. Prof. Chauhan highlighted the importance of these skills for forming research groups on themes relevant to the economy of Jammu and Kashmir, aligning with the New Education Policy of the Government of India. The interactive session was attended by all the Scholars and faculty of the department.
- 9. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with the National Institute of Social Defence, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, organized a one-day workshop on the "Transgender Persons Act, 2019, and its Rules, 2020" with the aim to showcase intersectionality of issues linked with Transgender rights and their solution via interdisciplinary understanding. Ms. Harvinder Kour, Mission Director ICPS, Department of Social Welfare, J&K was the Chief Guest and Advocate Pragya Aggarwal from the Supreme Court of India was the Guest of Honour. A major highlight of the session was the release of two important publications: Dr. Monika Narang's book on research designs and methodology, and Dr. Nitan Sharma's edited volume, A World of Rights: Navigating the Global Landscape of Human Rights. A poignant address was delivered by Arnavi Sharma, the University of Jammu's first transgender artist and activist.
- 10. The Law School, University of Jammu organized an enlightening expert lecture on "Drug and Substance Abuse: Issues and Preventive Strategies" with the aim to address the multifaceted problem of drug abuse and explore effective preventive strategies. Advocate Uma Kapahi from the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Jammu was the Resource Person.
- 11. The Law School, University of Jammu organized a distinguished lecture by Dr. Adish Aggarwala, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India, and President, International Council of Jurists, London, on the topic "How to become a Successful Lawyer: Insights, Strategies & Career Paths". Dr. Aggarwala shared his expertise and insights on the qualities and strategies that define success in the legal field, emphasizing that a successful lawyer must possess integrity, intellectual rigor, and a commitment to justice. The lecture was followed by an engaging interactive session, where students sought guidance on various aspects of legal research, internship opportunities, and the qualities of a good lawyer. The lecture was attended by notable legal luminaries, including Subash Gupta, Former District and Sessions Judge and PSC Member, Jayesh K Unnikrishnan, Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India, Advocate Bharat Singh Jamwal, and Advocate Neeta Verma, along with the faculty and students of The Law School.
- 12. The Law School, University of Jammu, organized a guest lecture titled "Mediation Act, 2023: A Paradigm Shift in Dispute Resolution" as part of its ongoing efforts to enhance legal knowledge and understanding of current legal trends. Justice Rajesh Tandon (Retd.), a Senior Advocate of the Supreme Court of India, delivered a lecture that provided in-depth exploration of Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR). The event included a notable role-playing exercise led by a team of students namely Sushant Sharma, Anshika Gandhi, Hemanya Puri, Suhasini Sharma, Kasak Gupta, Parth. This exercise vividly illustrated the practical benefits of mediation, such as enhanced communication, relationship preservation, and efficient dispute resolution. The

- students' performance provided a hands-on demonstration of mediation's potential, complementing Justice Tandon's insights.
- 13. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized three days Pre Immersion/ Induction Workshop for the students of Masters of Rural Studies with the aim to familiarize the students with Departmental activities and to explain the importance of immersion programme. Dr. Sandeep Singh, Department of Life LonglLearning and Mr. Naniesh Tickoo, Director, Strategic Partnerships Reach to Teach, One horizon centre, Gurgaon were the Resource Persons.
- 14. Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu in observance of 'Anti Ragging Day' organized a lecture on the theme "Breaking the menace of Ragging: Provisions and Regulations in the National Perspective" by Dr. Monica Narang, Associate Professor, The Law School, University of Jammu. The lecture was attended by students, members of anti ragging squad and members of Campus Cultural Committee, University of Jammu.
- 15. Department of History at the University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) Regional Centre, Jammu, organized a significant one-day workshop titled "A Journey through Cultural Traditions of the Jammu Region." Ms. Shruti Awasthi, Regional Director, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Jammu provided a clear and insightful distinction between tangible and intangible heritage. Her meticulous explanation illuminated how these two categories of heritage, while distinct, are interrelated in their contributions to cultural identity. Ms. Awasthi showcased a range of significant temples from the Jammu and Kashmir region, emphasizing their importance as tangible cultural assets.
- 16. On the momentous occasion of Independence Day, which coincides with the birth anniversary of Maharishi Aurobindo Ghosh, the Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu Prof. Umesh Rai announced the establishment of Maharishi Aurobindo Gyan Kendra within the Dhanvantari Library. The announcement assumes significance as it not only honors India's hard-won freedom but also celebrates the life and teachings of one of the nation's most profound thinkers and freedom fighters. The Maharishi Aurobindo Gyan Kendra will be dedicated to exploring the life, philosophy, and teachings of Maharishi Aurobindo, a revered philosopher and a national leader, who was instrumental in India's strugale for freedom. The great philosopher significantly influenced the independence movement through his writings in newspapers such as 'Vande Mataram' and 'Karmayogin', where he advocated for selfgovernance and inspired a generation of revolutionaries. The Gyan Kendra will serve as a beacon for holistic education, embodying Maharishi Aurobindo's belief in integral education that encompasses intellectual, moral, and spiritual growth. The Kendra will house a vast collection of literature on Aurobindo's thoughts, as well as the works of other prominent India's iconic thinkers, leaders and visionaries offering students and scholars a deep well of knowledge to draw from.
- 17. University of Jammu celebrated the 78th Independence Day with patriotic fervour and enthusiasm. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu hoisted the Tricolour at a spirited and patriotic ceremony held in the University Campus. Extending warm greetings to the University fraternity, Prof Rai recalled with sense of pride and gratitude to the valour, bravery, foresight, and unwavering dedication of the freedom fighters towards the motherland, whose sacrifices bestowed the cherished gift of freedom. Prof. Umesh Rai also paid homage to Maharishi Aurobindo Ghosh on his birth anniversary, which coincides with Independence Day, and highlighted his significant impact on India's spiritual, cultural, and political evolution. He underscored the need for drawing inspiration from Maharishi Aurobindo's teachings to strengthen the nation. Prof. Rai expressed sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Chancellor and Lieutenant Governor JKUT Sh. Manoj Sinha for his visionary guidance and support, which have

been instrumental in the University's achievements. He referred to the Chancellor's description of the University as a "happening place," acknowledging how these observations have come true to represent the vibrant academic and cultural atmosphere that has flourished under his leadership. The 78th Independence Day was also celebrated at all the offsite campuses of the University.

- 18. The Girls' Hostels at the University of Jammu celebrated Independence Week with great enthusiasm, culminating in a vibrant and spirited Tiranga Yatra on the 78th year of Independence. The event was aimed to foster a deep sense of patriotism among the boarders, staff, and university officials, providing a platform for everyone to come together and celebrate India's 78th Independence Day with the pledge for a Viksit Bharat. The highlight of the celebrations was a 'Tiranga Yatra' in which hundreds of boarders from Girls Hostels participated which was followed by a Pledge for a Viksit Bharat and many activities were organized where boarders and staff of Girls' Hostels showcased their patriotic fervor through performances of patriotic songs, street plays (Nukkad Nataks), folk songs, spirited slogans and activities.
- 19. NSS campus Units, the Office of the Programme Co-ordinator, NSS in collaboration with and the Office of the Dean Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized the pledge ceremony Programme under "Nasha Mukht Abhiyaan" in which more than 150 NSS volunteers of the University of Jammu, along with the NSS Programme Officers, participated. The flagship mass awareness campaign against drugs "Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan" was launched on 15th August, 2020. Since then NMBA has expanded to all districts of the country. This campaign has been able to sensitise and educate many people including youth, women and volunteers. This year NMBA has entered its 5th year on 5th August, 2024 and is being celebrated under the theme "Viksit Bharat Ka mantra, Bharat ho Nashe se Swatantra".
- 20. Department of Home Science (Human Development), University of Jammu organized a parent enrichment program on the theme 'Health lifestyle for optimal child development' for the parents of children in early childhood years. The department of home science runs a laboratory nursery school, which provides quality early childhood care and education to the children in the foundational age of 6 months to 6 years. Prof. Rajni Dhingra, former Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu; Dr. Archana Bhat, Nutritionist and Assistant Professor, GCW Gandhi Nagar, and Ms. Lily Bhan, Parental Coach and Center Head Brainpreneurs were the Resource Persons. The program saw the active participation of the parents, with the experts adeptly answering the queries raised by them.
- 21. Surbhi Nursery School and Day Care Centre, Department of Home Science in collaboration with University Health Centre and Acharya Shri Chander College of Medical Sciences (ASCOMS) organized General Health Check-up Medical Camp for children of the school. The camp was conducted under a dedicated team of doctors including Dr. Shivam Parihar and Dr. Sharvil Dhar from the Department of Pediatrics, ASCOMS. The primary objective of the health check-up camp was to monitor growth and development, screen for congenital diseases, assess emotional and mental health, and provide guidance on nutrition to prevent obesity and other health issues.
- 22. Department of History, University of Jammu in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Regional centre Jammu and POJK Visthapit Sewa Samiti organized Partition Horror's Remembrance Day. POJK Displaced Persons namely Sh. Triloki Nath Kapoor, Sh. Lalmani Sharma, Dr. Deepak Kapoor, Dr. Shreeya Bakshi were the keynote Speakers.
- 23. University of Jammu commemorated India's maiden National Space Day with a one-day workshop titled "Advances in Space Technology India's Success." This workshop celebrated

India's historic achievement of becoming the fourth nation to land on the moon and the first to reach the lunar south pole on August 23, 2023. In recognition of this momentous event, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi declared August 23 as "National Space Day." Dr. Jagannath Das, Deputy Director of the Safety, Reliability, and Quality Area at U. R. Rao Satellite Centre, ISRO Bangalore, was the Chief Guest and Dr. Anshuman Sharma, Manager of D 32/IDSN at ISTRAC-ISRO, Bangalore, was the Keynote speaker. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of jammu in his presidential address, underscored the significance of National Space Day as a moment of immense pride for every Indian. He highlighted the critical role of such workshops in sparking curiosity and passion in young minds. Prof. Rai urged the teachers to break down traditional disciplinary boundaries and promote a more integrated approach to education. He also stressed the importance of aligning curricula with industry and societal needs, advocating for long-term collaborations with institutions of national significance. The workshop included several technical sessions, featuring invited talks by the ISRO guests who shared their expertise on various aspects of space technology. In addition, a student session was held where students from different departments presented posters and delivered speeches on topics related to space exploration. The workshop witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, faculty, and space enthusiasts, who engaged in thought-provoking discussions on the future of India's space endeavours.

- 24. University of Jammu organized an induction programme for newly inducted students of the University of Jammu. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address underscored the pivotal role of skill and knowledge in shaping the destiny of youth not only for their career advancement but also to achieve the national agenda of growth and productivity. Prof. Rai also highlighted the value of education beyond traditional classrooms and called for experiential learning that combines theoretical knowledge with practical application. The event was graced by distinguished guests, Padma Shri Balwant Thakur and Ms. Indu Kanwal Chib, JKAS, Mission Director, JK Rural Livelihood Mission, both distinguished alumni of the University.
- 25. University Health Centre in collaboration with Indian Red Cross Society, Jammu organized free eye check-up camp for students, employees and their dependants. A dedicated team from the Red Cross Society, under the guidance of Mr Rohit Khajuria, General Secretary, IRCS JK UT consisting of Dr. Manpreet Kour, Medical Officer, Sh Kuldeep Bhat, Sr. Ophthalmic Technician and Ms Vironica Marwah, Field Officer conducted comprehensive eye examinations and provided valuable advice on eye care.
- 26. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:
 - a. A talk show on "Stress Check & Management" by Dr. Pallavi Sachdeva, Department of Lifelong Learning.
 - b. A talk show on "Ragging Ki Rokhtaam: Disha Nirdesh" by Dr. Bhagwati Devi, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, University of Jammu.
 - c. Conversation with Prof. Madhurmi Pradhan, Department of Psychology, University of Lucknow on the theme "Happiness & Well-being".
 - d. Conversation with Advocate Jyoti Sharma, The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir on the theme" Ragging: Gambhir Samajik Samasya Aur Kanooni Pravadhan".
 - e. Voice of Students on "A Stand against Ragging: Ensuring Justice and Protection for Students" by Mr. Harsh Manhas and Mr. Danish Mohd., students of department of English, University of Jammu.
- 27. Skill Incubation Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC) in collaboration with the Department of Students Welfare, University of Jammu organized short term certificate

course in Theatre. Prof. Umesh Rai, esteemed Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest and Padmashri Balwant Thakur, eminent theatre personality was the Guest of Honour. Prof. Rai expressed his admiration for the commitment and dedication of the course team, acknowledging their efforts in nurturing the artistic talents of the participants. He also congratulated the participants on their impressive personal growth throughout the program, noting how their journey exemplifies the transformative power of experiential learning.

- 28. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu organized an induction programme for newly admitted students of the department on the theme "Future of Librarianship". Prof. Aditya Tripathi, Head Department of Library and Information Science, Banaras Hindu University was the Chief Guest.
- 29. The School of Management Studies Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, organized a Management Club Activity. The event featured several student presentations, showcasing their talents and insights which include Sania Imtiyaz Malik (MBA 3rd year) presented the latest business news, Madhu Mahima delivered a motivational speech, Mahrukh Aslam shared basic ideas for achieving success, Aruna conducted a session on interview skills, Neha Raina delivered a talk on the concept of success, and Umar Thukar shared his personal experiences and insights. The event witnessed the participation of around 50 students from the department.
- 30. Kathua Campus in collaboration with department of Social Welfare organized an awareness talk on the importance of voting with the aim to inform and engage students about their role in the democratic process and the significance of their voting power. Ms. Jyoti Gupta and Ms. Muskan Kesar, Account Assistant Specialists in Financial Literacy were the Keynote Speakers.
- 31. Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu celebrated National Sports Day 2024 at the University Campus. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, was the Chief Guest. Prominent personalities in Sports, coaches and managers of the medalist teams, players, office bearers of different games and sports were special invitees. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu on his address emphasized that embracing sports not only encourages sportsmanship but also recognizes the dedication of athletes and the achievements they bring to their nations. He added that National Sports Day serves as a reminder to motivate and support athletes, acknowledging their hard work and the teamwork they display. The impressive demonstrations of Yoga, Fencing, Wrestling, Gatka, Wushu, were performed during the function. The Budding players of the various sports academics also demonstrated skills of their respective games during the occasion.
- 32. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended/granted temporary/Permanent affiliations of following colleges:
 - a. Government Degree College, Surankote for permanent affiliation from the academic session 2024-2025.
 - b. DRD College of B.Sc. Nursing & Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing, Kathua to start B.Sc. Paramedical programme for the academic session 2024-2025.
 - c. CHM College of Legal Studies for enhancement of seats from 60 to 120 in BALLB from the academic session 202-2025.
- 33. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examinations for B.Tech. (6th Semester); PG Diploma in Museology and Conservation (2nd Semester); B.Sc. Nursing (4th Year); B.Sc. Nursing (1 Year- SUBSE.); B.Ed. (2nd Semester); MBBS (2nd Prof. SUBSE.); LLB 3 Years (2nd &

Semester); PG Diploma in Bioinformatics (1st Semester); BPEd. (2nd Semester); BPHT (1st Semester); BA/B.ED. Integrated (2nd & 8th Semester); MBBS (1st Prof. Regular); BAMS 3rd Semester Prof. (Regular); B.Ed. (2nd Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for UG 6th Semester (NCBCS); B.Ed. (1st Semester); B.Tech. (3rd Semester); MDP History (2nd Semester); MDP Urdu (2nd Semester); MDP Arabic (4th Semester); MDP Economics (2nd Semester); MDP Hindi (2nd Semester); M.Sc. Chemistry (4th Semester); MDP Commerce 3rd Semester (Re-eval); MDP Economics 3rd Semester (Re-eval.); MDP Sociology 3rd Semester (Re-eval.); LLM (1st Semester); BBHM (2nd & 4th Semester); B.Tech. (8th Semester); LLB 5 Years (10th Semester); MMBS 3rd Prof. (Part-II); UG 2nd Semester (CBS); BAMS 2nd PROF. (SUBSE.); B.Arch. (9th Semester); LLB 3 years (2nd Semester); M.tech (1st Semester); B.tech (8th Semester); B.E. (5th & 7th Semester); M.Sc. Applied Geology (2nd Semester); MBA (2nd & 4th Semester) etc.

SEPTEMBER 2024

1. University of Jammu celebrated its Foundation Day on 5th September 2024. Padma Shri Prof. Dinesh Singh, former Vice Chancellor of Delhi University and Vice Chairman, J&K Higher Education Council was the Chief Guest, whereas Prof. Manoj Singh Gaur, Director of IIT Jammu, Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice Chancellor of Cluster University of Jammu, and Prof. Pragiti Kumar, Vice Chancellor of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University were the Guests of Honour.

Prof. Dinesh Singh in his address reflected on the significance of such celebrations, emphasizing the need for introspection and continual improvement. "JU is in my DNA," he remarked, describing the deep connection he feels with the university. He urged the audience to consider the purpose of Foundation Day, suggesting it offers a moment to pledge renewed dedication to the institution, state, and nation. He lauded the leadership of JU's Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umesh Rai, for steering the University to new heights calling JU 'the new rising sun', particularly through initiatives like the "Design Your Degree" program, which he described as a pioneering effort for student empowerment.

Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu highlighted JU's remarkable achievements, including its rise in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF-2024), where it secured the 50th rank in the University Category and 23rd rank in the State University Category. He shared that the University's Business School earned recognition, ranking 18th in The Week's Government B-School category.

Prof. Rai introduced "Jammuriyat," a new term aimed at foregrounding the rich cultural diversity of the Jammu region. He asserted that the pluralistic nature of this region should necessarily be developed, fore-grounded, preserved and celebrated to ensure its addition to the national pluralism. He announced that the club consortium 'UTSAH' shall organize a series of activities around it.

The inaugural issue of the 'Jammu University Times', a monthly e-newsletter published by the Media Cell of the University was also released on the occasion. Prof. Rai shared that it will serve as an invaluable resource for JU fraternity and public about the University and provide internship opportunities to the students.

- 2. University of Jammu collaborated on New International Project to Address Landslide Risks in the Himalayas. The project, led by the University of Aberdeen (UK), seeks to enhance understanding of these catastrophic events, which have become more frequent due to climate change. The collaboration brings together experts from India and the UK, with more than £1 million in combined funding from the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC), UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), and India's Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES). The research will focus on the Central Himalayan region, an area increasingly vulnerable to landslides due to rapid infrastructure development, population growth, and the rising frequency of extreme weather events. Prof. Kavita Suri from the University of Jammu who has a background in social sciences and community engagement, is a part of this team which includes geoscientists, remote sensing specialists, and experts in geotechnical analysis from prominent Indian institutions such as the Birbal Sahni Institute of Paleosciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, University of Jammu, GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, and the Borehole Geophysics Research Laboratory. In fact, University of Jammu is one of the only two Universities in India which are part of this prestigious international project. Prof. Suri's involvement in this project follows earlier studies conducted by the University of Jammu on landslide hazards and cascading glacial events in the Himalayan region.
- 3. Department of Mathematics, University of Jammu, organized three-day National Seminar on 'Recent Trends in Analysis and Allied Areas" and the 31st Annual Conference of Jammu Mathematical Society (JMS). Padamshri Prof. Dinesh Singh, Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council, J&K UT was the Chief Guest of the seminar. Prof Dinesh Singh, in his address emphasized the importance of making mathematics relevant to real-world applications and societal benefits. He urged teachers to help students recognize the value of the subject in addressing societal challenges and to bridge the gap between mathematical theory and its practical uses. Highlighting the evolving technological landscape, Prof. Singh encouraged educators to adapt their teaching methods to make mathematics more accessible and understandable for students. Prof. Singh also highlighted the responsibility of educators in empowering students by strengthening their foundational knowledge. He called on teachers to ensure that students become more capable, equipping them with the skills and confidence needed to navigate a rapidly changing world. By connecting students with the core principles of mathematics, he said, teachers can help them harness the power of the subject to thrive in a technology-driven future.
- 4. Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR), New Delhi organized a week long exhibition on 'Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh Through the Ages: A visual Narrative of continuities and linkages' in collaboration with Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu; Kala Kendra Society Jammu and Jammu Kashmir Study Centre, Delhi. The exhibition was inaugurated by Shri. Atal Dulloo, IAS, Hon'ble Chief Secretary of J&K UT, in the presence of several eminent dignitaries which also included Shri. Suresh Kumar Gupta, IFS, Principal Secretary Culture, J&K UT. Prof. Lalit Gupta, a renowned art historian, gave a brief introduction to the exhibition and provided his valuable insights, which included information regarding Saptsindhu Valley Civilization, rise of Buddhism, cultural literacy and about the oldest scripts of Jammu and Kashmir. Prof. Shonaleeka Kaul, Centre for Historical Studies, JNU, was the Keynote Speaker of the event. She highlighted the concept of Bharatvarsha and elaborated upon the historic, organic, Indic and sanskritic character of Kashmir.

- 5. The Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) in collaboration with Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu, organized an interactive lecture entitled "Empowering India's Net Zero Goals: Innovative Climate Actions". Dr. Sanjeev Anand, Assistant Professor, School of Energy Management and Innovation Ambassador, IIC, SMVDU, Katra was the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Sanjeev delivered an insightful address, emphasizing the critical role of innovation in achieving India's ambitious climate goals. Dr. Sanjeev Anand, in his lecture, expounded India's commitment to achieving net-zero carbon emissions by 2070, as pledged at the COP26 Climate Summit. He discussed various innovative strategies, including the adoption of renewable energy, sustainable agriculture; electric mobility and carbon capture technologies, which are essential to drive the nation towards its net-zero targets.
- 6. Departments of Dogri and English, in collaboration with the Kunwer Viyogi Trust, hosted the 5th Kunwer Viyogi Memorial Lecture. The theme of the lecture, "Naya Jammu Preserving Legacy, Language, Culture, and Education," sparked insightful discussions around pivotal questions: When will Jammu take true ownership of Dogri? When will 'Jammuriyat' (the spirit of Jammu) take precedence? Addressing the concern that Dogri might face extinction without active citizen involvement. Kunwerrani Dr. Ritu Singh, Founder of Delhi Public Schools Jammu, Katra, Nagbani, and Leh was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, the Chief Guest on the occasion underscored the deep connection between patriotism and cultural identity. Drawing from Kunwerrani Ritu Singh's insights, he reflected on the idea that a heart without love for one's homeland is like stone, emphasizing that true patriotism transcends geographical boundaries and is rooted in a region's values, culture, language, and traditions.
- 7. Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu, in collaboration with INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, Gujarat organized one-day awareness programme on ORCID and INFLIBNET services for scholarly communities. The programme was attended by about 135 participants viz Faculty Members, Research Scholars, and Library Professionals from various Universities, Colleges and Research Institutions of J&K.
- 8. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu organized LibSys-10 Modules Training Program with the aim to enhance the technical and operational skills of Library Professionals. LibSys-10 Modules Training Program is a comprehensive initiative aimed at empowering participants with advanced knowledge of the LibSys Software, covering various aspects of Library Management, including cataloging, circulation, acquisition and the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC). This program is part of the Dhanvantri Library's ongoing efforts to stay at the forefront of Library Automation and digitalization, ensuring efficient management and access to resources. The training programme was attended by 10 officers and 36 library professionals of the University of Jammu.
- 9. हिन्दी निदेशालय, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, जम्मू और दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के संयुक्त तत्वावधान से हिन्दी पखवाड़ा समापन समारोह के अंतर्गत काव्य गोष्ठी का सफल आयोजन किया गया। काव्य गोष्ठी का शुभारम्भ द्वीप प्रज्वलन से हुआ। तत्पश्चात कार्यक्रम में उपस्थित विशिष्ट अतिथि, मुख्य अतिथि, निर्णायक मंडल, कवियों और हिन्दी प्रेमियों का विधिवत स्वागत जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय के हिन्दी निदेशालय की निदेशक प्रो. अंजु शर्मा द्वारा किया गया। काव्य गोष्ठी में मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय के दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के निदेशक प्रो. पंकज कुमार श्रीवास्तव और विशिष्ट अतिथि के रूप में हिन्दी विभाग, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय की विभाध्यक्ष प्रो. रजनी बाला ने अपनी उपस्थिति से कार्यक्रम को ऊर्जावान बनाया। निर्णायक की भूमिका में जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय के डॉ. विक्रम साही और दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के डॉ. जसपाल सिंह व डॉ. नीलम चौधरी ने विद्यार्थियों की स्वरचित कविताओं का निष्पक्ष मूल्यांकन कर निर्णायक मंडल की गरिमा को बनाये रखा। इस कार्यक्रम में 50 से अधिक विद्यार्थियों ने भाग लिया और उनमें से 20 से अधिक विद्यार्थियों ने स्वरचित कविताओं का पाठ कर हिन्दी के प्रचार-प्रसार में अपनी महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई। मुख्य अतिथि प्रो. पंकज कुमार श्रीवास्तव ने उभरते हए युवा

किवयों को अपने बहुमूल्य सुझावों से लाभान्वित करते हुए हिन्दी की प्रासंगिकता पर अपने विचार साझा किये। काव्य पाठ करने वाले विद्यार्थियों के उत्साहवर्धन के लिए विशिष्ट अतिथियों द्वारा पहला, दूसरा और तीसरा स्थान प्राप्त करने वाले विद्यार्थियों को पुरस्कार से सम्मानित भी किया गया। पहला स्थान स्नातकोत्तर हिन्दी विभाग के विद्यार्थी विवेक शर्मा, दूसरा स्थान दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के शिक्षा स्नातक के विद्यार्थी दीपक कुमार, तीसरा स्थान दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के डोगरी विभाग की विद्यार्थी प्रियंका और सांत्वना पुरस्कार स्नातकोत्तर हिन्दी विभाग की विद्यार्थी काजल कोतवाल को देकर प्रोत्साहित किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय के कर्मचारी श्री मदन को भी उनकी स्वरचित कविता पाठ के लिया सम्मानित किया गया। मंच संचालन डॉ. पूजा शर्मा द्वारा किया गया और धन्यवाद ज्ञापन डॉ. कोशिका शर्मा की ओर से हुआ। कार्यक्रम का सफल आयोजन हिन्दी निदेशालय की निदेशक प्रो. अंजू शर्मा के कुशल निर्देशन में संपन्न हुआ। इस दौरान विरेष्ट प्रो. अनुपमा वोहरा, प्रो. संदीप टंडन और अन्य अध्यापक भी उपस्थित थे। इस हिन्दी पखवाड़ा के अंतर्गत दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र के विद्यार्थियों ने प्रतिदिन देश की महान विभूतियों के हिन्दी प्रेम को उजागर करने वाली उनकी पंक्तियों को वाइट बोर्ड पर प्रदर्शित कर हिन्दी का प्रचार-प्रसार किया।

- 10. जम्म विश्वविद्यालय के हिन्दी विभाग द्वारा हिन्दी दिवस के अवसर पर एक अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर विशिष्ट व्याख्यान का आयोजन किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम के मुख्य वक्ता डॉ. विवेक मणि त्रिपाठी , उपाचार्य (हिन्दी) , क्रान्तोंग भाषा विश्वविद्यालय , चीन रहे। सर्वप्रथम विभागाध्यक्ष प्रो. रजनी बाला, हिन्दी विभाग, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, जम्मू ने मुख्य वक्ता का विधिवत स्वागत करते हुए चीन में हिन्दी भाषा एवम् भारतीय संस्कृति के प्रति उनके अतुलनीय योगदान की प्रशंसा की। मुख्य वक्ता ने "भारत चीन सांस्कृतिक संबंध में हिन्दी की भूमिका " विषय पर अपने विशिष्ट व्याख्यान में चीन में हिन्दी के स्वरूप और उसकी प्रासंगिकता पर प्रकाश डाला। उन्होंने कहा कि भारत-चीन सांस्कृतिक संबंधों में हिंदी की भिमका अत्यधिक महत्वपूर्ण है। हिंदी भाषा न केवल दोनों देशों के बीच संवाद का माध्यम बन रही है, बल्कि सांस्कृतिक, साहित्यिक और बौद्धिक आदान-प्रदान को भी सशक्त कर रही है। हिंदी के माध्यम से भारत और चीन के बीच भविष्य में और भी गहरे संबंध स्थापित होने की संभावना है. जिससे दोनों देशों की सभ्यताओं के बीच समझ और सहयोग का विस्तार होगा। चीन में हिन्दी अनुवाद का विशेष महत्त्व है, जो विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में सांस्कृतिक, शैक्षणिक और आर्थिक संबंधों करता सुदृढ़ हिन्दी अनुवाद चीन में केवल भाषा के रूप में नहीं बल्कि सांस्कृतिक और व्यावसायिक पूल के रूप में कार्य करता है, जो दोनों देशों के बीच संबंधों को सुदृढ़ करने में महत्वपूर्ण है। भारत और चीन की संस्कृति विश्व प्राचीनतम सभ्याताओं में स्थान रखती है। यह दोनों देश सुखद उदहारण के रूप में प्रस्तुत किए जा सकते हैं क्योंकि इनके सांस्कृतिक आदान -प्रदान तीन हज़ार वर्ष पुराने है। इस व्याख्यान की महत्वपूर्ण उपलब्धि यह रही कि विभाग के शोधार्थियों व विद्यार्थियों ने अपनी जिज्ञासाएँ डॉ. मणि के समक्ष रखीं। उनके उत्तर देते हुए विशिष्ट वक्ता ने हिन्दी विद्यार्थियों के लिए रोजगार के अवसर अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर सुझाए।
- 11. To raise electoral awareness and voter participation, the students of The Law School, University of Jammu, organized the following events:
 - a. Nukkad Natak titled "Samvidhan Ka Samman, Matdaan Ka Adhikaar." This event was a part of the Third Prof. V.S. Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, 2024, organized by NLSIU, Bengaluru, and Symbiosis Law School, Pune, in collaboration with the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India. The program attracted an audience from various departments, including notable faculty members, the NSS Unit, and the District SVEEP Team.
 - b. An engaging event focused on electoral awareness and participation in view of ongoing assembly elections in J&K. Through dynamic role-playing and short skits, participants effectively conveyed the importance of civic participation and the transformative power of voting in a democratic society. Dr. Ranjeet Kalra, UT Level Election Icon, commended the initiative, noting the critical role youth play in guiding others especially the elderly, differently-abled, and marginalized through the voting process. He encouraged students to be proactive in sharing information about the Chief Electoral Office's initiatives and resources available at polling booths
- 12. Centre for Women's Studies organized Gender Sensitization workshop for Students and scholars of the School of Bio-Technology on the theme "Gender Sensitization & Prevention of Violence".

Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies and Ms. Kunzang Angmo, faculty from the Centre were the Resource Persons. The workshop was attended by all the students and scholars of the School of Biotechnology.

- 13. Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU) and the Department of Environmental Sciences, in collaboration with the Arboriculture and Landscaping Unit, University of Jammu organized a Plantation Drive in the University Campus as part of a one-day special Plantation Drive called by the University Grants Commission under the "एक पेड़ मां के नाम / Plant4Mother" campaign initiated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on World Environment Day 2024.
- 14. Department of Students Welfare in collaboration with the Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu hosted an outstanding performance of Natrang's hard-hitting play 'Naye Yug Ki Naari'. Prof. Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest on the occasion who appreciated the performance for its content, form and amazing vibrant energy of the performers. The play 'Naye Yug Ki Naari' was produced by Natrang under an initiative aimed at popularising and propagating the art of theatre amongst youth. In this process, Natrang offered an intense theatre training programme to both the women colleges of the city and selected 30 girls were exposed to the various elementary aspects of theatre. Followed by the elementary training they were introduced to the production process of theatre in which the play 'Naye Yug Ki Naari' was produced under the direction and mentorship of Shri Balwant Thakur.
- 15. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani during the period organized the following events:
 - a. A talk on the book "Affly Yours" by author Prof. Rajindra Mishra, The Business School, University of Jammu.
 - b. Hindi Pahkwara by Prof. Rajni Bala hosted by Dr. Bhagwati Devi, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi.
 - c. A conversation with Dr. Nirupa Rai, Special Secretary, Election Department, UT of J&K on Election Ethics: A discussion on Model Code of Conduct.
 - d. A conversation with Mr. Akhtar Hussain Qazi, JKAS, Nodal Officer SVEEP, UT of J&K on the theme "Election Officials on the Frontline: Ensuring Access & Inclusion".
 - e. A short play on "Lets Vote, Respect the Constitution of India" by the students of the Law School.
- 16. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu organized a field visit for its students to Boria Basti, Bahu Fort, Jammu which provides shelter for the homeless and helps them to reunite with their families. The primary objective of the visit was to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-life applications of psychology in community settings. The students made observations to gain a deeper understanding of the mental health issues that often accompany homelessness and their existential crisis. The field visit provided the students an opportunity to interact with the residents and staff. Students participated in discussions about the psychological impact of homelessness in present situations that includes mental health challenges such as stress, depression, anxiety, and psychological ailments. This visit to the shelter has inspired the students to provide psychological aid and services to the inmates of the shelter home. They expressed interest in volunteering at the shelter in the near future, furthering their contribution to society while gaining valuable experience in the field.

- 17. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, University of Jammu organized a unique and impactful visit to the Suchetgarh Border, focusing on this year's theme of 'Tourism and Peace" to celebrate World Tourism Day. The visit aimed to foster community outreach and raise awareness about the significance of tourism in promoting peace. The students of the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management also performed a Nukkad Natak (street play) and a cultural program with the aim to create awareness among the local community about the role of tourism in fostering peace and unity. The event attracted a large gathering of locals, who actively engaged with the students' message. Sh. Pradeep Sharma, company commandant, BSF in his address, praised the students and the faculty for their efforts in promoting peace through tourism. He acknowledged the significance of such initiatives in strengthening the bond between the local community and the BSF.
- 18. The Law School, University of Jammu organized a court visit for its 6th semester students with an aim to supplement theoretical knowledge with real-world insights. This experiential endeavor aimed at prioritizing practical experience and fostering a deeper understanding of the legal landscape. Students engaged in an immersive observation of civil and criminal proceedings, witnessing first-hand dynamics of courtroom interactions, judicial decision-making, and legal advocacy. They also interacted with practicing lawyers, gaining practical tips and invaluable advice on navigating the legal profession. Furthermore, students attended High Court proceedings, specifically in the courts presided over by Justice Sanjeev Kumar and Justice Sindhu Sharma, providing a unique opportunity to observe experienced judges in action.
- 19. Department of Journalism and Media Studies, Dhanvantri Library, and Translation Club, University of Jammu, under the auspices of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) Jammu, celebrated Hindi Diwas with literary discussions and symposium. The celebration featured a panel discussion that brought together eminent scholars and faculty members, including Prof. Sham Narayan Lal from the History Department, Prof. Dushyant Kumar Rai from the Department of Journalism and Media Studies, Dr. Shruti Awasti, Regional Director of IGNCA, and Dr. Vikram Sahi, Incharge Librarian at the University of Jammu. The panelists engaged in an in-depth discussions on the literary contributions of renowned Hindi authors such as Bhartendu Harishchandra, Jaishankar Prasad, Mahadevi Verma, Ramdhari Singh Dinkar, and HSV Agyeya.
- 20. Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL) organized one-month long coaching classes for the upcoming JKSET Examination 2024. The primary objective of this initiative was to equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary to successfully clear the JKSET exam, thereby increasing the pool of qualified candidates eligible for Assistant Professor positions in the higher education sector.
- 21. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu celebrated International Literacy Day. Prof. Prakash Narayan, Head, Department of Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Prakash in his address discussed about Corporate Social Responsibility and the role of educators in the globalized world. He focused on the role of educators in shaping social responsibility: bridging academia, community and industry gaps. Prof. Narayan reflected on International CSR Education model and suggested strategies for effective collaboration in interdisciplinary research and incentivizing industry participation.
- 22. Department of Botany commemorated Himalaya Divas with an educational visit to the Department of Geology. The students had the opportunity to interact with the faculty of the

Geology Department and explore the remarkable collection of fossils, encompassing a wide range of specimens from algae and plants to animals. These fossils, carefully preserved and studied by the department, provided a fascinating glimpse into the Earth's ancient past. The students were introduced to notable fossils including *Lepidodendron*, *Calamites*, *Glossopteris*, *Cassia*, petrified wood, fossilized spores of *Chara*, molars of Rhinoceros, and fossil teeth of rodents, most of which were collected from different parts of Jammu and Kashmir.

- 23. Jammu University Internal Complaints Committee against Sexual Harassment (JUICCASH) initiated a series of Awareness Programmes on "Prevention of Sexual Harassment in Educational Institutions" for newly admitted students. The first lecture in this series was organized for 1st semester students of Department of Botany. Ms Sheetal Nanda, IAS, Commissioner Secretary, Social Welfare, Government of Jammu and Kashmir was Chief Guest on the occasion and Ms Pooja Uppal, Advocate, High Court was the Resource Person.
- 24. Department of Home Science (Human Development), University of Jammu, organized a vibrant and thought-provoking Poster Making Competition to celebrate the International Week for the Deaf. The event, themed "Vistas of Creativity", aimed to raise awareness about the Deaf community and their contributions to society, while also providing a platform for students with special needs to express their ingenuity and creativity. Around 50 Children of the J&K Samaj Kalyan School for hearing impaired, Shaheedi Chowk, Jammu showcased their artistic talents through posters that vividly captured the essence of their Deaf experience.
- 25. Department of Law, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the National Institute of Social Defence, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, successfully organized a one-day workshop titled "Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019: Genesis and Future Prospects". The workshop aimed to delve into the legislative framework for the protection of transgender rights and explore the future prospects of this landmark law. Mr. Dhananjay Chauhan, President of the Saksham Prakriti Welfare Society, Chandigarh, and a prominent transgender rights activist was the Keynote Speaker.
- 26. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized hands-on training on Information Technology under dynamic education series. The initiative aimed to provide real-world exposure to students from Government Girls High School Nagri (Kathua), who visited the Kathua Campus as part of their industrial visit. The students engaged with faculty members andgained insights into the latest trends and technologies in Information Technology. The sessions provided the students with hands-on exposure to real-time applications and learning, giving them a glimpse into the workings of the IT industry. From laboratories equipped with cutting-edge technology to research centers fostering innovation, the students witnessed firsthand conducive learning environments provided by the institution. The establishment of various laboratories and infrastructure showcased the campus's high-tech technological resources, enabling the students to witness the integration of academic learning with modern technological advancements. The exchange of ideas and experiences served to inspire and motivate the students, encouraging them to explore their interests and pursue academic excellence.
- 27. Two cadets from the Kathua Campus of the University of Jammu namely Cadet Nishant Manhas and Cadet Vikrant Singh took part in the esteemed Thal Sainik Camp 2024 in New Delhi, a significant achievement for each of them. These cadets achieved a significant milestone by being selected from numerous Pre-TSC camps and ultimately joining the JK&L Directorate TSC 2024 contingent.

- 28. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu in a move to enhance teaching methodologies and embrace technology-driven education organized a comprehensive workshop on Learning Management System (LMS). The participants, comprising students and faculty members, gained valuable insights into the implementation of LMS to create engaging and interactive online learning environment.
- 29. School of Management Studies, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, organized a vibrant Management Club Activity. The event aimed to enhance student engagement, creativity, and innovation in management practices. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students across various programs, including BBA, B.Com., and MBA, with Ms. Tanvi Choudhary serving as the Master of Ceremonies. The program featured a series of insightful presentations delivered by students on a wide range of contemporary topics.
- 30. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu, organized a comprehensive awareness program under the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) initiative. The program aimed at educating students and faculty about the significance of electoral participation. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, teaching faculty, and staff from all departments of the Bhaderwah Campus. Mr. Vinod Sharma (JKPS), Superintendent of Police, Bhaderwah graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Mr. Vinod in his address, emphasized the pivotal role that students can play as ambassadors of the SVEEP initiative. He urged the students to actively spread awareness among their families and communities about the importance of voting, especially in light of the upcoming Assembly Elections in Jammu and Kashmir.
- 31. Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu in collaboration with District Jail, Bhaderwah organized a one-day workshop on the Swachh Bharat Mission in order to promote cleanliness and environmental awareness. The event brought together inmates of District Jail Bhaderwah, students of Bhaderwah Campus, and officials from both institutions, aiming to inspire a collective commitment towards the goals of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Mr. Hamidullah Naik, Superintendent of Police, District Jail Bhaderwah in his address underlined the significance of the Swachh Bharat Mission, initiated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on Gandhi Jayanti (October 2nd) each year, as a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi's vision of a clean and self-reliant India. Mr. Naik urged the jail inmates and students to become ambassadors of the mission, encouraging them to take the message of cleanliness beyond the confines of the event and integrate it into their daily lives.
- 32. Directorate of Distance and Online Learning (DD&OE), University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Council for Teacher Education Foundation (CTEF) Jammu & Kashmir Chapter and Kalra College of Education, Kud (Patnitop), organized an insightful talk on "Positivism and Mental Health". Prof. Nilima Bhagwati, International Secretary General, Gauhati University, Assam, was the keynote speaker. Prof. Bhagwati highlighted the importance of positivism as a key approach to promoting mental well-being and sustainability. She emphasized how maintaining a positive mindset plays a crucial role in promoting both physical and mental health, particularly in today's increasingly competitive world. Prof. Bhagwati expressed concern over the growing risk of mental health issues among young people, from childhood through adolescence and into adulthood, noting that academic, work, and career pressures have intensified these challenges.

- 33. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended temporary affiliation to Jammu College of Nursing & Paramedical Sciences to start B.Sc. Nursing Programme for the Academic Year 2024-25.
- 34. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examination for BA LLB 5 Years (2nd, 4th and 8th Semester).

University of Jammu also declared results for UG 5th Semester-Supple. (Non-CBCS), UG 4th Semester (CBS), B.Tech. (3rd Semester), B.Sc. Paramedical (2nd Year), MDP Mathematics (2nd and 4th Semester), MDP Economics (4th Semester), MDP Sociology (2nd Semester), MDP English (2nd Semester), MDP English (2nd Semester), MDP Dogri (2nd Semester), MDP Commerce (2nd Semester), MDP Sanskrit (4th Semester), MDP History (4th Semester), Information Technology (4th Semester), MDP Political Science (2nd Semester), BPHT (Final), BALLB 5 Years (3rd, 5th and 9th Semester), MCA Ramnagar (1st Semester), MDP Chemistry (2nd Semester), MDP Dogri (2nd Semester), MDP Electronics (2nd Semester), MDP EVS (2nd Semester), MDP Hindi (2nd Semester), MDP Human Genetics (2nd Semester), MPED (2nd Semester), MBA-TTM (2nd Semester), MDP Political Science (2nd Semester), MDP Statistics (2nd Semester), MDP Philosophy (2nd Semester), MDP Philosophy (2nd Semester), MDP Philosophy (2nd Semester) etc.

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- 1. The Business School (TBS), University of Jammu, has once again demonstrated its excellence in Management Education by securing 8th position in Return on Investment (ROI) and 28th position in the Government B-School category in the highly acclaimed BT-MDRA Best B-School Survey Silver Jubilee Edition, published in October 2024. This recognition places TBS as the only B-school from Jammu & Kashmir to be ranked among the top management institutions in the country. This year's ranking reflects a notable improvement compared to the previous year, where TBS was ranked 11th in ROI and 33rd among top Government B-Schools of India, published in BT-MDRA Best B-School ranking (July 08, 2023) and 9th position in prestigious India Today Best B-Schools Ranking for Value for Money (November 13, 2023). The consistent upward trajectory highlights the institution's dedication to provide quality education, strengthening corporate linkages, and enhancing the employability and success of its students. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, expressed his appreciation and congratulated the entire TBS team, including faculty members, students, alumni, and other stakeholders of the department and the University, for their outstanding efforts that led to this achievement. He stressed upon the significance of participating in such rankings as they provide an opportunity to showcase the institution's strengths on a national platform and encouraged further initiatives by the department to enhance institutional excellence. The Business School, University of Jammu, is proud to set benchmarks, achieve milestones and contribute to the growth and development of Management Education in India.
- 2. University of Jammu has achieved yet another significant milestone with the sanctioning of 19 new faculty positions in various departments in Phase-I to continue its journey towards achieving academic excellence. In the year 2022, the Higher Education Department had sanctioned 17 positions in various teaching departments, including Journalism & Media Studies, Philosophy and Directorate of Hindi besides sanctioning 68 positions including teaching and non-teaching for University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus. Under the stewardship of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and

Kashmir Union Territory, Shri Manoj Sinha, the University of Jammu has made significant strides in both academic and infrastructural development. The sustained support of the Hon'ble Chancellor has played a pivotal role in positioning the University on the international map, showcasing its potential as a global institution of higher learning. The sanctioning of these new positions marks yet another milestone in the University's journey of growth. It highlights the commitment of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Higher Education Department and Government of J&K UT to promote quality education and research. These positions will enable the University to expand its academic offerings, enhance research capabilities, and contribute to the holistic development of students, in line with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

- 3. Department of Zoology, University of Jammu in collaboration with Executive Council of the Indian Society for Comparative Endocrinology organized 04-day International Conference on Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Reproduction: Exploring New Frontiers. The conference was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and Chancellor, University of Jammu. Shri Manoj Sinha Ji lauded the University of Jammu for its visionary leadership and innovative programs aimed at setting new benchmarks for academic institutions across the Union Territory. He appreciated the initiatives 'Design Your Degree' program, 'College on Wheels', and the Skill innovation Incubation Entrepreneurship Development Center (SIIEDC) Project, expressing the hope that these will immensely contribute towards a dynamic and interdisciplinary educational experience that promotes inclusivity, creativity, and social responsibility. He also exuded confidence that these innovative programs will continue to shape the educational landscape of the region. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address expressed immense satisfaction with the successful organization of the 4-day International Conference on Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Reproduction. The event saw the presence of esteemed guests, including Chief Guest Prof. C. M. Chaturvedi, Professor Emeritus from Banaras Hindu University, and Guest of Honour Prof. Vinod Kumar, INSA Senior Scientist. The event attracted around 150 researchers from across India and abroad.
- 4. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies (DSRS), University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS) organized International Conference on 'India and Central Asia: Renewing Historical Relationships'. The conference aimed to promote dialogue and renew the centuries-old historical, cultural, and strategic ties between India and Central Asia. Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and Chancellor of the University of Jammu, in his message expressed his support for the conference in highlighting the significance of India's ties with Central Asia. Padma Shree Prof. K.N. Pandita, a renowned scholar was the Keynote Speaker for the conference. Eminent scholars who shared their views in the conference were Prof. Javed Khatov, Penjikent Pedagogical College, Tajikistan; Ms. Sharofat Arabova, Film-Maker, Tajikistan; Prof. K. Warikoo, JNU, New Delhi; Prof. Maheshwar Singh, NLU, New Delhi; Prof. Ramakrishana Pradhan, GGU, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh; Prof. Nasir Rza Khan, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi; Prof. Nalin Mahapatra, JNU, New Delhi; Prof. Ramakant Dwivedi, ICAF, New Delhi; Dr. Anurag Tripathi, Christ University, New Delhi, Dr. Punit Gaur, Indian Council of World Affairs; Dr. Anjali Sehrawat, University of Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh. More than 30 research papers were presented in this conference by the scholars in different sessions of the conference and shared their knowledge with regard to India and Central Asia Relations in the historical and contemporary context to give a new dimension to India-Central Asia relationship. Scholars from different Indian academic institutions and Central Asian countries

participated in the different academic sessions and presented their papers while giving suggestions for more vigorous relations of India with Central Asia countries.

- 5. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu inaugurated the "Scanning and Photographic Facility for Herbarium Digitization" alongside the Virtual Herbarium at the Department of Botany funded by the Department of Science and Technology (DST) under the FIST program. Prof. Rai emphasized the importance of digitizing botanical resources, noting that this advancement enhances the University of Jammu's reputation at the global level. He highlighted that the Virtual Herbarium is a significant step forward in preserving and sharing plant knowledge, particularly in light of the earlier digitization of campus flora through QR codes.
- 6. The Law School, University of Jammu organized an engaging expert lecture and interactive session titled "Role of Youth in Nation Building." The session featured Mr. Nitin Hangloo, District Youth Officer for District Jammu, representing the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. Mr. Hangloo provided an in-depth overview of the Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) initiative, which aims to foster experiential learning, volunteerism, and community transformation among young people. Mr. Hangloo stressed upon the critical role of law students as "Social Engineers" in promoting constitutional values and encouraging their peers to participate in nation-building efforts. He called for an increased focus on fundamental duties and the need for youth to become informed and responsible citizens.
- 7. The Law School, University of Jammu organized a visit to District Jail Ambphalla, Jammu for its students with the aim to provide budding lawyers with an authentic understanding of the criminal justice system. The students had a unique opportunity to gain first-hand experience of prison administration and issues surrounding crime, punishment and rehabilitation. The contingent, comprising eighty-two eager participants, was accompanied by faculty members Dr. Monica Narang (Coordinator), Dr. Renu Jamwal, Dr. Upasana Sharma, and Dr. Vandita Sharma. The visit proved to be an invaluable educational experience, igniting the spirits of the students as they recognized the challenges faced by both officers and inmates. A memorable aspect of the day was a recreational program conducted by under trial prisoners, showcasing the prison's rehabilitative approach.
- 8. The Law School NSS Unit-III, in collaboration with the Coordinator NSS Office, organized an impactful organ donation pledge event aimed at raising awareness about the critical need for organ donation to save lives and improve the quality of life for those suffering from life-threatening illnesses. The sensitization program featured key speakers, including RJ Juhee from BIG FM and Ms. Anshu Sharma from the State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO). Anshu Sharma, Consultant (IEC/Media) of SOTTO in J&K, shared valuable insights about the National Organ Transplant Programme under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. She encouraged attendees to actively participate in the organ donation pledge as part of the Ayushman Bhav initiative. The program saw enthusiastic participation from over 150 students from The Law School and the Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu.
- 9. Department of Punjabi, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Punjabi Lekhak Sabha, Jammu, hosted "Rubroo," a special literary event to honor the acclaimed Punjabi poet, fiction

writer, and filmmaker, Dr. Baljit Singh Raina. The event also marked the release of his latest novel, "Muhabbat." Prof. Rahul Gupta, Registrar, University of Jammu was the Chief Guest and Dr. Manmohan, an IPS Officer, Poet & Professor at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar and S. Sawarnjeet Singh Savi, Chairman Punjab Art Council were the Guest of Honour.

- 10. Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), University of Jammu in collaboration with various Departments, Centres, and Schools of University of Jammu organized a series of interactive sessions, reaching over 1000 students. These sessions, which began on August 12, 2024, and concluded on October 07, 2024, broke through departmental boundaries, engaging a diverse range of students. As outlined by the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, the role of IICs is to involve a large number of students and faculty in innovation-related activities, with the goal of promoting the creation of incubators, start-ups, and entrepreneurship units in colleges and universities nationwide. The primary objective was to encourage students to share their innovative ideas, especially those addressing societal challenges, and to harness their creative potential. The initiative proved successful, as students engaged openly with IIC members, offering novel ideas, and the council assured them of full support in turning their ideas into reality.
- 11. Department of Psychology, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Tiger Gunners, organized a Nukkad Natak (street play) as part of the World Mental Health Day celebrations. Titled 'Jawaan', the play, written by Ms. Sanampreet, gave the troops and their families an insightful glimpse into the life of a soldier, addressing the psychological challenges often faced by them. Through their moving performance, the students of the Department of Psychology brought attention to everyday mental health struggles and highlighted the importance of timely support to build mental resilience. The play also tackled the societal stigma surrounding psychological counselling, encouraging openness and understanding.
- 12. Department of Psychology organized an interactive session on "Mental Wellbeing". Ms. Keshav Sharma, a renowned Psycho-oncologist, Grief Therapist and Lead Counselling Services was the Resource Person. Ms. Keshav Sharma, in her keynote address shared insights on maintaining a healthy work-life balance, managing stress, and creating mental health awareness in the workplace. She encouraged participants to recognize the signs of mental health issues and adopt coping strategies that could help an individual thrive both personally and professionally. A Nukkad Natak (street play) to raise awareness about the importance of mental well-being was also organized near the Central Library University of Jammu by the students of department of Psychology.
- 13. Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu organized a special lecture on "Indus Water Treaty: Emerging India's Concerns." Former Director General of Police, Jammu and Kashmir Dr S P Vaid (IPS) was the Chief Guest on the occasion while eminent journalist Mr. Sant Kumar Sharma was the Keynote Speaker. Mr. Sharma gave a detailed presentation on the Indus Water Treaty. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Dr. S.P. Vaid stressed on the challenges, India faces due to Pakistan's actions, including terrorism, counterfeit currency, and narco-terrorism, alongside hindrances in modifying the Indus Water Treaty. The event was attended by faculty members, scholars and students of the department.
- 14. Department of Environmental Sciences and Green Campus Task Force (GCTF-JU), University of Jammu organized the Save Tawi Campaign on the banks of River Tawi on the last day of the Navratri festival in Jammu to raise awareness about the detrimental impacts of waste disposal,

particularly non-biodegradable waste, in the river. Over 50 students, faculty members, and volunteers participated in this initiative and educated the public and the devotees especially those engaging in the immersion of Khetri/Sakh and other religious items emphasizing the negative environmental consequences of immersing materials other than the sacred "Khetri" into the river and highlighting the important role of river conservation in sustaining life. The students collected the religious materials from the devotees at various entry points near the old Tawi Bridge and segregated them into chunaris, garlands, diyas, polythene bags, earthen pots, etc. The devotees were encouraged to take away Chunaris and earthen pots for reuse and offer water to birds in their houses. The students of the department also conducted a study to assess the impact and effectiveness of the "Save Tawi Campaign". Feedback was gathered from the devotees to evaluate their awareness level and the campaign's success in promoting responsible behaviour towards the conservation of River Tawi.

- 15. Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Jammu, in collaboration with Government Degree College, Sidhra, organized a one-day workshop on Entrepreneurship, Self-Employment, and Communication Skills. Mr. Zahid Ali Dar, Incharge CIIBM, Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Jammu and Ms. Neetu Dhar, Chief Coordinator and Master Trainer JKDCUL, Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 16. Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu organized an interactive session on Personality Development and Leadership Skills for the students of Masters of Rural Studies. Dr. Rashmi Singh Roy, Associate Professor, Atria Institute of Technology, Bangalore was the Resource Person. Dr. Roy is a certified Service Culture Trainer having around 15 years of cross-functional experience in the field of Academics, Human Resource Management, Learning and Development and General Administration.
- 17. Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), in collaboration with the Block Development Office (BDO) Nagrota, has launched a month-long field immersion programme for first-semester students of the Masters in Rural Studies at Panchayat Dhok Wazeera, Block Nagrota. This initiative, a key part of the rural studies curriculum, aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the dynamics of rural life by bridging the gap between classroom instruction and practical, on-the-ground experiences. The field immersion programme enables students to integrate theoretical knowledge with the realities of rural settings, offering a holistic learning experience.
- 18. Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Jammu, organized a career counselling workshop titled "Entrepreneurship Development and Career Opportunities after Graduation" for the students of Government Degree College, Kunjwani. Dr. Zahid Ali Dar, Project Manager, JKEDI, and Dr. Harleen Kour, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 19. Department of History, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Maharaja Gulab Singh Research Centre, Jammu organized a prestigious two-day national seminar focusing on the life and legacy of Maharaja Pratap Singh. Dr. Karan Singh, Former Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Karan Singh shredded light on the remarkable legacy of the Dogra rulers, particularly Maharaja Pratap Singh, whose contributions to the socio-economic transformation of Jammu and Kashmir were both significant and far-reaching. Prof Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address emphasized the

importance of revisiting history to reclaim the cultural heritage and identity of the Jammu region. Prof Rai also stressed the need to restructure the academic curriculum to reflect this renewed focus.

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- 21. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized a Gender Sensitization workshop on the theme: "Gender Sensitization and Gender Equality: An overview" for the Students and Scholars of the Department of Botany. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, was the Resource Person.
- 22. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized a Gender Sensitization workshop for the Students and scholars of the Department of Dogri, University of Jammu. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies was the Resource Person. She spoke on the theme: "Gender Sensitization and development of youth for an equitable society". In her presentation, she elaborated on the importance of Gender Sensitization and highlighted that these workshops will nurture the culture of respect and equality which is prerequisite for just and equitable society. Large number of students, scholars and faculty members from the Department of Dogri very enthusiastically participated in the workshop.
- 23. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu launched the first edition of its annual newsletter TRAVANAMA. The newsletter was released by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. Prof Umesh Rai lauded the efforts put in by the faculty and students of the SHTM in creating a comprehensive and informative newsletter that highlights the significant achievements, novel initiatives, and various academic activities conducted by the department. He further encouraged the team to explore various entrepreneurial and industry oriented initiatives which will benefit the students as tourism sector has immense national and regional opportunities.
- 24. The team of School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu represented by Bhavna Gupta, Tanishka Singh Kotwal and Arinut Sharma, MBA (TTM) 3rd semester students bagged the first prize in the prestigious National Level Event 'Venture Voice Tourism Entrepreneurship Development' competition held at Chandigarh University. A total of 93 teams from across the country participated in the event. The team showcased 'Duggar

Darshan" with a business proposition to empower local women, use sustainable infrastructure and processes, promote local culture, cuisine, art & craft and music. Their idea was highly appreciated by the judges and organizers of the event. In recognition of their outstanding efforts and innovation, they were awarded a cash prize of INR 25,000.

- 25. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (SHTM), University of Jammu organized a heartwarming outreach programme, "Ek Pyari Mulakat Baachon Ke Saath," at Ved Mandir Bal Niketan, Amphalla. Inspired by the theme "Together, Let's Make Every Heart Glow," the event, organized by SHTM's MBA (TTM) 3rd semester students, aimed to bring joy and learning to young minds. The event saw the active participation of Ved Mandir children in a series of interactive games designed to inspire creativity and foster joy, facilitated by the MBA (TTM) students. These engaging activities infused the day with vibrant energy, as young participants showcased their talents.
- 26. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu in collaboration with the Arboriculture and Landscaping Unit, University of Jammu organized a unique plantation drive, "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam", alongside the inauguration of "Maa Prithvi Ka Sneh Udyan" on campus. The event symbolizes a shared dedication to environmental preservation, enhances campus beauty, and creates a tranquil green space for students and faculty to experience peace, inspiration, and the wonders of nature. The Udyan inauguration ceremony was marked by plantation of saplings by the faculty, scholars, students, and young children and mothers of the Surabhi Nursery School and Day Care Centre, who came together to dedicate this green space as a tribute to the compassion and selflessness symbolized by both mothers and Mother Earth.
- 27. हिन्दी निदेशालय, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, ने ऑनलाइन व्याख्यान श्रृंखला का शुभारम्भ किया। इसके अंतर्गत व्याख्यान श्रृंखला -1 में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर ऑनलाइन विशिष्ट व्याख्यान का सफल आयोजन किया गया। विशिष्ट वक्ता के रूप में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय लेखिका सम्माननीय सुश्री दिव्या माथुर उपस्थित थीं। व्याख्यान की शुरुआत हिन्दी निदेशालय की निदेशक, प्रो. अंजु शर्मा द्वारा विशिष्ट वक्ता के विधिवत स्वागत और परिचय से हुई। सुश्री दिव्या माथुर ने यूके में भारतीय साहित्य और संस्कृति विषय पर विस्तृत व्याख्यान दिया। अपने व्याख्यान में यूके प्रवासी साहित्य में विदेशों में बसे भारतीयों की अपनी मिट्टी से बिछुड़ने की टूटन और वहां की संस्कृति से प्रभावित भारतीयों के जीवन पर प्रकाश डाला। उन्होंने साहित्य को खेमों में बांटने की मानसिकता की अवहेलना करने के साथ विद्यार्थियों को प्रवासी साहित्य से सम्बंधित पुस्तकों और वेबसाइट की जानकारी भी दी। इसके अतिरिक्त ज्ञान के विस्तार हेतु उन्होंने विद्यार्थियों और शोधार्थियों को अधिक से अधिक पुस्तकों के अध्ययन का सुझाव दिया। मुख्य वक्ता ने ऑनलाइन जुड़े अध्यापकों, विद्यार्थियों और शोधार्थियों को जाशार्थियों को जिज्ञासाओं का शमन संतोषजनक उत्तर देकर किया। इस कार्यक्रम में दूरस्थ एवं ऑनलाइन शिक्षा केंद्र, अंग्रेजी, की विरष्ट प्रो. अनुपमा वोहरा, गुरु नानक देव विश्वविद्यालय से डॉ. सुनीता शर्मा, हिन्दी विभाग, जम्मू विश्वविद्यालय, की सेवानिवृत प्रो. नीलम सराफ, अन्य अध्यापकों के अतिरिक्त विद्यार्थियों और शोधार्थियों ने अपनी उपस्थिति दर्ज करवाकर कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने में अपनी महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई। मंच संचालन और धन्यवाद ज्ञापन सहायक आचार्य डॉ. कोशिका शर्मा की ओर से हुआ। कार्यक्रम का सफल आयोजन हिन्दी निदेशालय द्वारा संपन्न हुआ।
- 28. Jammu University Community Radio 91.2 FM Dhwani JU organized following events:
 - a. Voice of Students on the topic "From Stress to Strength: Empowering Mental Wellness" by Ms. Kitan Salaan and Ms. Nidhi Vij, Scholars, Department of Psychology, University of Jammu.
 - b. Voice of Students on the topic "United Nation Day" by Mohd. Sohail; Ritesh Singh; Nitasha Rana; Awaika Sharma, students of The Law School, University of Jammu.

- c. Voice of Students on the topic "Breaking Barriers: Navigating Challenges Faced by Persons with Disabilities" by Ms. Vinish Malik; Ms. Meghna Sharma; Ms. Purvi, Research Scholars, Department of Home Science, University of Jammu.
- d. A conversation with Ms. Aditi Pangotra, Clinical Psychologist, Military Hospital, Jammu on the topic "An overview of Mental Health".
- e. A conversation with Ms. Juhi Singh, Renowned Singer on the topic "Jammu Ke Kalakaar".
- f. Talk Show on "Basholi & Its Heritage" presented by Mr. Vishal Singh and Mr. Vattan Singh, Research Scholars, School of Hospitality & Tourism management, University of Jammu.
- g. A conversation with Mr. Tushar Bhardwaj, Programming Assistant, 91.2 FM on the topic "Jammu Darshan".
- h. A conversation with Sh. Romalo Ram, Renowned Dogri Folk Singer & Dancer and Ms. Sars Bharti, Dogri Folk Singer & Dancer on the theme "Rhythms of Tradition: A Journey into Dogri Art". 20 0
- A conversation with Prof. Sarika Manhas, Coordinator, Disability Initiatives JU & Head, Department of Home Science, University of Jammu on the topic "Empowering Inclusion: Disability Initiatives at University of Jammu".
- A conversation with Dr. Rajinder Kumar, Psychiatrist, Pulse Hospital, Jammu on the topic "Psychologically Healthy Workplaces".
- 29. The Science Club, UTSAAH in collaboration with the Skill Innovation Incubation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC), University of Jammu with the aim to spread awareness about Mental Health at the Workplace and to commemorate World Mental Health Day organized an event on "Mental Health at the Workplace". Prof. Alka Sharma, Dean of Business Studies and Director of SIIEDC, congratulated and encouraged such programs and its need in today's fast-paced work environments. She also highlighted that the need to address mental health is more critical than ever.
- 30. Dhanvantri Library, University of Jammu, successfully concluded a month-long internship program designed for Master of Library and Information Science (MLIB) students from the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Jammu. This intensive program aimed to provide participants with hands-on experience in key areas of Library Operations, Periodical Module, Database Creation and Weeding Process. - WIL

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- 31. University of Jammu organized "Diwali Milan". The event, celebrated as a part of the University's Cultural Initiative" Jamburiyat" brought together students, scholars, faculty and staff in an atmosphere of joy and unity. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu wished the participants a peaceful and prosperous Diwali while expressing happiness over the strong sense of community and spirit of togetherness, the hallmark of the region's composite culture. The celebration was marked by the lightening of 2100 Diyas, a symbol of triumph of light over darkness, and by soulful musical performances by talented students.
- 32. Non-Gazetted Employees Union, University of Jammu, organized a felicitation function to encourage the wards of the Non Gazetted Employees who have secured 90% and above marks in 10th and 12th class. The wards of the employees were felicitated by Prof. Prakash Antahal, Dean Students Welfare, University of Jammu. Prof. Antahal appreciated this noble initiative of the union which will provide a significant encouragement to the children to achieve more in life.

- 33. University Health Centre, University of Jammu in collaboration with SMVD Narayana organized Free Medical Health Check-up Camp for the University Students, Staff and their dependants. Dr. Vishav Dev Singh Dadwal (MBBS, MD Medicine, DNB Gastroenterology) and his dedicated team offered their services in the camp. More than 80 individuals participated in the camp. The camp also offered free fibro scan services, which were highly beneficial for those seeking advanced liver assessment.
- 34. The Management School of Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an expert lecture on the topic "Export-Import Market and Business Development Strategies" with the aim to provide students with practical insights into formation of a company, getting legal and regulatory frameworks, global trade dynamics, export-import procedures, attracting the clients and strategies for developing sustainable business models in competitive international markets Mr. Shubam Bassan, CEO at Maya Health sciences and Senior Consultant at Panicle Worldwide Private Limited was the Resource Person. Mr. Bassan shared his rich industry experience, focusing on real-world challenges faced by businesses in cross-border transactions and elaborated upon the tactics to overcome them effectively. The session concluded with an engaging Q&A segment wherein students actively interacted with Mr. Bassan and seeking advice on establishing businesses in the export-import domain and identifying novel growth opportunities.
- 35. Poonch Campus, University of Jammu, organized a one-day awareness program on sericulture, highlighting new and upgraded techniques for local farmers at village Gulpur Poonch. The event aimed at empowering farmers with advanced knowledge and practices to enhance productivity and sustainability in sericulture. The program saw enthusiastic participation from farmers across Poonch and neighboring areas. The program concluded with a Q&A session, providing an interactive platform for farmers to discuss their concerns and seek expert advice on sericulture practices.
- 36. Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu organized a one-day workshop titled "Gomaya Creation: A Vedic Fusion of Tradition and Innovation," promoting sustainable practices by blending traditional wisdom with modern innovation. The workshop was organized under the concept of 'Indigenous Products" envisaged by Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Jammu. The workshop aligned with the Viksit Bharat Abhiyan 2047 and the Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE) initiative, encouraged participants to adopt plastic-free lifestyles and incorporate eco-conscious practices rooted in Indian traditions and values. Sh. Manohar Lal Sharma, a Master Trainer in low-cost indigenous technologies and Pandit Vijay Raina, Incharge Go Sewa Trust for Jammu, Kashmir, and Ladakh, were the resource persons. During the workshop, the resource persons shared profound insights into the benefits of Indian cows highlighting Panchtantra qualities of their milk, ghee, curd, urine, and dung collectively serving multiple purposes for health, agriculture, and sustainability. During the hands-on training session, Sh. Sharma provided training to the students and faculty members of Udhampur Campus to craft various items such as Diyas, Key chains, Decorative objects, Dhoop sticks, Incense holders, clock and mirror frames, Shree Chakra designs, door hangings, etc. out of the dough mixture containing cow dung, multani mitti (Fuller's earth), and a binder, enabling them to create various unique and artistic products.
- 37. Colleges Development Council, University of Jammu during the period extended temporary affiliation to the following:

- a. Government Degree College, Chenani to start degree course for the academic session 2024-25.
- b. Government Degree College, Neeli Nalah to start degree course for the academic session 2024-25.
- c. Kalra College of Education, Kud for imparting instructions in B.Ed. course for the academic session 2024-25.
- 38. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examination for UG part 1st & 2nd (PVT.), BE/NTECH 8th Semester (Supple.) & UIET; BAMS (2nd Prof.); Post Basic B.SC. Nursing 1st Year (SUBSE.); BVA & BPA Semester 2nd (Regular); Post basic B.Sc. Nursing 2nd Year (Mercy); MDS 3-Year (Regular); B.Tech. 5th & 7th Semester (CBS UIET Supple.); LLB 5 year (6th Semester) and PG Diploma in Yoga 2nd Semester (Regular) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for MDP Sociology (4th Semester); MDP Political Science (4th Semester); MDP Dogri (4th Semester); MDP Urdu (4th Semester); MDP Commerce (4th Semester); MDP English (4th Semester); MDP Hindi (4th Semester); MDP Museology & Conservation (2nd Semester); LLB 3 year (1st, 5th Semester and 6th Semester Supple.); UG NEP (2nd Semester); UG part 1st (Pvt.); BE 2nd Semester (Pvt.); B.Sc. Nursing 2nd Year; BDS Prof. (3rd Reg.); MD/MS Ayd 1st Year (Reg.); PG Diploma in Human Rights & Duties Education (2nd Semester); IG 5th Semester (Non-CBCS); LLB 3 years (5th Semester Pvt.); MBBS 2nd Prof. (Subsequent); MDP Geography (2nd Semester); MCA Ramnagar and Bhaderwah (2nd Semester); M.Sc. Chemistry 2nd Semester (Udhampur and Rajouri) etc.

NOVEMBER 2024

- 1. University of Jammu organized Academic Council under the chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. The meeting witnessed deliberations on significant academic initiatives and policy matters aimed at enhancing the quality of education and academic matters. Prof. Rai expressed profound gratitude to the Hon'ble Chancellor, University of Jammu Shri Manoj Sinha, and Hon'ble Pro-Chancellor, University of Jammu Jb. Omar Abdullah for their visionary guidance, which have been instrumental in steering the University towards excellence. He acknowledged their support to promoting innovation, academic growth, and infrastructural development, which has significantly enhanced the University's reputation on national and international platforms. The Vice Chancellor emphasized that their continuous encouragement inspires the entire University fraternity to achieve new milestones in education and research. The following decisions were endorsed by the
- 2. Academic Council:
 - I. Introduction of Four Year Undergraduate Programmes (FYUGP) in BCA and BBA with Data Science as Major subject in BCA at Kathua Campus, University of Jammu under NEP-2020 from the Academic Session 2025-26.
 - II. Ph. D. in Journalism and Mass Communication in the Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu.

- III. Introduction of one year PG Diploma in Museology and Conservation in accordance with National Higher Education Qualifications Framework (NHEQF) level 6, 40 credits in the Centre for Studies in Museology.
- IV. Introduction of two new PG Diploma Programmes in the Department of Sanskrit from Academic Session 2025-26.
- V. Introduction of 5-year Integrated M.Sc. Electronics Programme in the Department of Electronics, University of Jammu under NEP-2020.

The Council also agreed in principle with the proposal for granting of one-time special chance for Reappear/Failure candidates in University of Jammu and also for division improvement in various programs.

- 3. Vice Chancellor University of Jammu, Prof. Umesh Rai, extended his heartfelt gratitude to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor Jammu and Kashmir UT and Chancellor of the University, Shri Manoj Sinha, for his vision to strengthen the University through the permanent appointments of its three key administrative positions of Registrar, Controller of Examinations, and Finance Officer. These appointments mark a significant milestone after years of these positions being temporarily filled through internal adjustments within the University. University has been recently sanctioned 19 new faculty positions in various departments in Phase-I to continue its journey towards achieving academic excellence. In the year 2022, the Higher Education Department had sanctioned 17 positions in various teaching departments, including Journalism & Media Studies, Philosophy and Directorate of Hindi besides sanctioning 68 teaching and non-teaching positions for University Institute of Engineering and Technology (UIET), Kathua Campus.
- 4. The Business School (TBS), University of Jammu, continues with its legacy of excellence in management education as it makes an impressive ascend in the highly acclaimed India Today 2024 Rankings of country's best B-Schools, published in November 2024. With this ranking, TBS is continuing its stride for setting the benchmarks, achieving the milestones and contributing to the growth and development of management education in India. TBS has secured 5th position in Value for Money and 28th in the overall Government B-School category in the India Today 2024 rankings of India's Best B-Schools. TBS has jumped four places to move from previous year's 9th rank to the current position. It is pertinent to mention that TBS is the only B-school from Jammu & Kashmir to be ranked among the top quality management institutions in the country. The ranking of BT-MDRA Best B-School Survey Silver Jubilee Edition, published in October 2024, placed TBS at 8th position in Return on Investment (ROI) and 28th in the Government B-School category. These rankings show a remarkable growth trajectory and are the testament of TBS's legacy of its brilliance in terms of providing quality education, strengthening corporate linkages, and enhancing the employability and success of its students.
- 5. Dr. Skarma Nonzom, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, University of Jammu was honoured with the prestigious "Young Scientist Award" by the Society of Plant Research Vegetos: An International Journal of Plant Research and a felicitation prize of 300 euros by the "Springer Nature" in the National Conference on "Good Agricultural Practices of selected Medicinal Plants" & SPR-Mini Symposium on "Biotechnological & Genomic tools to combat climate change" held at the Department of Botany, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, India. Dr. Nonzom and her research team have seamlessly integrated traditional methodologies with modern advancements in mycology, leading to the discovery of three

novel fungal species. Additionally, they have reported seven fungal species as new records for the Indian subcontinent, significantly enriching the nation's mycoflora.

- 6. The Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh Chapter of Society of Ethnobotanists, Department of Botany, University of Jammu organized three-day National Workshop on Ethnobotany titled "Exploring the Cultural Connections to Plant Life" with the aim to bring together academicians, researchers, and students from various institutes to delve into the profound connections between traditional knowledge systems and plant resources. Dr. Anil K. Goel, Vice President, Society of Ethnobotanists and Dr. Wagh and Dr. Arvind Saklani were the Resource Persons.
- 7. School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu in collaboration with J&K Science Technology and Innovation Council, Department of Science and Technology, UT of J&K organized one day awareness program on the "Implementation of Biotechnology-Park, Kathua". Prof. Manoj Kumar Dhar, Director AcSIR and former Vice Chancellor University of Jammu who was the chief guest for occasion highlighted about the priority being given to the Science and Technology in the last ten years under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble Minister of Science and Technology Dr. Jatinder Singh. He also emphasized the need to quickly adapt and evolve according to the new challenges in order to be worthwhile for the future job market. Biotech parks play a crucial role in fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic growth in the biotechnology sector. He underscored that Biotechnology-park will generate employment opportunities in research, development, and manufacturing, attract investments, create new businesses, and stimulate local economies. They can contribute to national GDP through research, development, and commercialization of biotechnology products. Biotech parks provide state-of-the-art infrastructure for cutting-edge research, foster collaboration among academia, industry, and government.
- 8. Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) in collaboration with the Department of Botany, University of Jammu organized an engaging lecture on "Cyber Security". Sh. Mohd Yassen Kichloo, Senior Superintendent of Police (Crime) and CICE, Jammu and Kashmir was the Keynote Speaker. The lecture aimed to raise awareness about the growing challenges of cybercrime and its far-reaching implications in the digital era. Sh. Kichloo delved into various dimensions of cyber security, including emerging trends in cybercrimes, safeguarding sensitive data, and the ethical use of digital platforms.
- 9. The Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) in collaboration with Department of Botany, University of Jammu organized an interactive session-cum-awareness program with the locals of village Sohanjana. Experts from plant sciences interacted with the locals and addressed their problems related to their livelihoods in general and agriculture in particular. The session emphasized on the critical role of innovation in achieving maximum agricultural productivity in current scenario of changes in land use patterns and climate. President, IIC, University of Jammu, highlighted the importance of local populace and academicians in identifying problems and seeking solutions to them. The role of young fertile minds in providing innovative ideas to tackle climate crisis and reduce its possible negative impacts on agricultural produce was emphasized. The students and research scholars actively participated in the program and became aware of the problems faced by the local farmers at the grass roots level. They also realized the significance of local innovative solutions to their problems. Many issues of the rural women and farmers were also addressed and remedial measures suggested.

- 10. Department of Punjabi organized an Inter-Collegiate Poetry Recitation Competition to commemorate Guru Nanak Dev Ji Jayanti. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students across various colleges, namely SPMR College of Commerce, G.D.C R.S Pura, G.D.C.W Kathua, G.D.C Hiranagar, G.D.C Bishnah. The competition aimed to encourage students to express their thoughts and creativity through poetry, reflecting on the teachings of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, which emphasize equality, unity, compassion, and devotion to humanity. Participants showcased their talent by reciting poems in Punjabi drawing inspiration from Guru Nanak's profound messages of love, peace, and harmony.
- 11. Department of Urdu, University of Jammu, in collaboration with Himalayan Education Mission, Rajouri organized two-day International Seminar on the theme "Jagan Nath Azad Ki Iqbal Shanasi". Shri Surinder Choudhary, Deputy Chief Minister, Jammu and Kashmir UT graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Prof. Khawaja Ekram Ud Din from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi was the Guest of Honour. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu commended the Department of Urdu for organizing the conference and highlighted its potential to generate valuable insights and enrich the participants. He urged the faculty to design innovative language courses that enhance employability, equipping students with skills to advance their career prospects. Prof. Rai also lauded the department's initiatives, particularly its scholarly contributions, and commended the inclusion of its journal Tasalsul in the UGC-CARE list, calling it a significant milestone in advancing academic excellence. Dr. Taqi Abedi, a renowned Urdu poet, critic, and researcher from Canada, delivered the keynote address, underscoring Prof. Jagan Nath Azad's pivotal role in introducing the works of Allama Iqbal to audiences in India and beyond after Independence.
- 12. To enhance inter-university collaboration, the University of Jammu hosted students and faculty from the Design Your Degree (DYD) program of the University of Kashmir (KU) for a two-day knowledge exchange program. The visit provided a unique platform for KU students to immerse themselves in the academic environment of the University of Jammu and explore opportunities within the DYD initiatives. collaborative Prof. Umesh Rai, Chancellor, University of Jammu interacted with the students from KU. In his session, Prof. Rai highlighted the transformative approach of the DYD program at the University of Jammu and encouraged the visiting students to fully benefit from this academic exchange. His interactive discussion allowed students to ask questions, gain insights, and explore new academic pathways and opportunities available under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. KU students also attended DYD classes at the University of Jammu, gaining firsthand insight into the unique academic methodologies practiced there. The two-day visit successfully facilitated knowledge exchange and strengthened the academic ties between the University of Jammu and the University of Kashmir, emphasizing a mutual dedication to collaborative growth and educational excellence.
- 13. Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu in collaboration with UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) organized two-week online Refresher Course in Environmental Sciences (interdisciplinary). Mr. Arun Kansal, Director (ICWMR), TERI School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi and Dr. S.P.S. Kushwaha, Former Group Director and Dean of Academics at the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, ISRO, Dehradun were the Resource Persons.
- 14. To commemorate "Samvidhan Divas 2024" the following events were organized by University of Jammu:

- a. The Law School, University of Jammu organzed a series of engaging activities, including a symposium on the Interface between Fundamental Rights and Duties, an interactive session, and a Constitutional Pledge. The symposium saw 30 participants who delved into the complex relationship between fundamental rights and duties as enshrined in the Constitution. In this context, participants explored not only the legal aspects but also the socio-political implications of this relationship.
- b. Department of Law at Jammu University celebrated Constitution Day with an insightful session led by guest speaker, Justice Subhash Gupta (Retd.), former District and Sessions Judge. The event was held in the presence of distinguished faculty members and students, marking a significant occasion in the academic calendar.
- c. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized Constitution Pledge Ceremony wherein students and faculty members reaffirmed their commitment to uphold the ideals of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity that form the foundation of the nation. The pledge symbolized the collective determination of the academic community to contribute to the nation's progress while adhering to constitutional values.
- 15. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu celebrated Children's Day with a spirited gathering that embodied the theme, "Nurturing Childhood, Empowering Futures." The event aimed to highlight the critical role of early nurturing in shaping confident, resilient, and empowered future generations. Children from Surabhi Nursery School and day care centre, accompanied by students and scholars from the department, participated in the day's festivities, creating a lively and joyous environment that resonated with the importance of celebrating and supporting childhood development.
- 16. Employment Information-cum-Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Jammu, organized a career counselling workshop for Class 11th and 12th students at Government Boys Higher Secondary School (GBHSS), Bakshi Nagar, Jammu. Dr. Rockey Gupta, Associate Professor, Department of Electronics, University of Jammu and Dr. Shubhra Jamwal, Assistant Professor, Government College of Education, Jammu were the Resource Persons. More than 70 students Government Boys Higher Secondary School participated in the workshop.
- 17. Department of Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized Display Your Talent-2024-Tawi Zone hosted by MIER College of Education, Jammu. More than 300 students from various colleges and departments of the University of Jammu participated enthusiastically in the 'Display Your Talent' competition, making it a truly dynamic and inclusive platform. Prof. Suman Gupta, Principal, MIER College of Education complimented Dean Students Welfare, University of Jammu and his entire team as well as MIER College for the successful organization of 'Display Your Talent', a mega cultural festival of music, dance, theatre, fine arts, and literary activities.
- 18. Department of Student Welfare, University of Jammu organized Display Your Talent-2024-Devika Zone hosted by Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu. This two-day cultural event celebrated student creativity across 25 competitions, including music, dance, literary arts, fine

- arts, quiz and debate. More than 150 students from various affiliated colleges of the University participated in the event.
- 19. University of Jammu in collaboration with Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized Display Your Talent-2024- Ravi Zone. students from ten Colleges of Ravi Zone showcased their creativity through 23 competitions across 27 categories, including music, dance, literary arts, fine arts, and theatre.
- 20. International Centre for Cross Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR& HRM), University of Jammu organized expert talk on the theme, "National Income: The Backbone of Economic Analysis and Business Strategy" for the students of MBA (IB) semester I and semester III. The objective of the talk was to educate, inform, and inspire both current and future economic thinkers, providing them with the necessary tools to understand economic realities and make informed decisions. Prof. Meenakshi Rajeev, Professor of Economics and Dean (DI), Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Jammu was the Resource Person and expert for the session. Speaking on the occasion Prof. Meenakshi provided a comprehensive overview of the vital role national income plays in shaping both economic policy and business strategy.
- 21. International Centre for Cross Cultural Research and Human Resource Management (ICccR & HRM), University of Jammu with the aim to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world business practices, providing students with valuable insights into the working of top-tier organizations organized an industrial visit to Chandigarh for the students of MBA (IB) semester I and semester III. The students visited corporate offices and manufacturing units of leading companies namely:
 - SML Isuzu Ltd., Ropar, Chandigarh
 - Verka Chandigarh Dairy, Industrial Area-1, Chandigarh
 - Knitwell India Pvt. Ltd., Derabassi
 - Bubber Industries Pvt. Ltd. Panchkula
- 22. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized Gender Sensitization workshop on the theme: "Gender Sensitization and Gender Justice: Legal perspective" for the Students and scholars of the Department of Physics, University of Jammu. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies was the Resource Person. Large number of students, scholars and faculty members from the Department of Physics very keenly participated in the workshop.
- 23. Centre for Women's Studies (CWS), University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS), New Delhi, organized an online session to observe the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The session was based on the UN's theme for this year: "Every 10 Minutes, a Woman is Killed. #NoExcuse. Unite to End Violence Against Women." This initiative was part of a nationwide campaign involving 16 universities across India to mark the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. Prof. Abha Chauhan, Director, Centre for Kashmir Studies, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, and Former Head, Department of Sociology, University of Jammu, and Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu were the Resource Persons.
- 24. The Literary Club, University of Jammu organized "Fact Frenzy: Quiz Competition" at the University's Open-Air-Theatre (Amphitheatre). The event brought together enthusiastic

participants and a lively audience to celebrate knowledge and awareness in honour of Constitution Day, National Education Day, and National Integration Day. The competition featured three challenging rounds of questions that tested the participants' understanding of these significant themes. It was an engaging intellectual challenge for the contestants and an enlightening experience for the spectators.

- 25. The Jammu Chapter of the National Academy of Sciences India (NASI), Prayagraj, in collaboration with the Department of Botany, University of Jammu, and the Directorate of Health Services, Jammu, organized a one-day Awareness Program on Health Issues for Rural Women in Jammu. The event was organized at the Community Health Centre, Sohanjana, Jammu. The program aimed to raise awareness among rural women about essential health issues such as nutrition, safe drinking water, hygiene, and pollution abatement. Under the "Science and Society" initiative, NASI organized this program specifically to empower women in rural areas of Sohanjana, helping them understand the basics of personal hygiene and address health concerns. The event addressed the challenges many women face in openly discussing health issues due to societal taboos and lack of awareness. Approximately 150 participants, including local rural women, ASHA workers, M.Sc. students, research scholars, faculty members from the Department of Botany, and staff from CHC Sohanjana, attended the program. The event featured expert insights from prominent specialists, including Dr. Vijay Sharma, Block Medical Officer; Dr. Suman, Gynecologist; Dr. Amandeep Kaur Anand, Dental Surgeon; Dr. Deepak Khullar and Dr. Anuradha, Ophthalmologists; Dr. Navdeep Kaur and Dr. Jyoti Katoch, Child specialists; Dr. Sandeep Raina, Surgeon specialist; Dr. Abhineet Suri, and Ms. Bhanu Priya, Counselor. They addressed a variety of health issues affecting rural women, such as malnutrition, anemia, anxiety, osteoporosis, PCOS, oral health, cancers, and eye-related problems. The specialists provided personalized guidance and prescribed medications where necessary. Additionally, kits containing basic medicines were distributed to participants.
- 26. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu in association with Association of Indian Universities organized All India Inter University Fencing (Men & Women) Championship 2024-25. Team of University of Jammu lifted Sabre Men Gold Medal in All India Inter University Fencing (Men & Women) Championship, wheras, The Overall Championship trophy in Fencing (Men &Women) was clinched by G.N.D.U Amritsar. Prof. Umesh Rai congratulated the organizers for hosting this sports event, which offers students from various universities a platform not only to showcase their sports talent but also to foster camaraderie and connection among themselves. Prof. Rai conveyed a message from Sh. Satish Sharma, Hon'ble Minister for Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Transport, Science & Technology, Information Technology, Youth Services & Sports, ARI & Training, Government of J&K. Hon'ble Minister expressed his regrets for not being able to attend the function due to a flight cancellation. He announced that free assistance would be provided to players and officials from various universities to experience "Jammu and Kashmir Darshan." Additionally, a bus would be handed over to the Directorate for smooth assistance of players in future. He also discussed with the Vice Chancellor that Ministry of IT will provide all out support in making University of Jammu a world class IT hub. He also promised that the Ministry of Youth Services and Sports, Government of J&K, will provide financial assistance to renovate and make the State of the Art multipurpose Gymnasium Hall of the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education which will cater the needs of the sports fraternity. The aim is to upgrade it to meet international standards, making it suitable for hosting competitions and events at both the national and international levels.

- 27. Directorate of Sports & Physical Education, University of Jammu during the period organized the following events:
 - a. Inter-Collegiate Kho-Kho (Women) Tournament 2024-25.
 - b. Inter-Collegiate Judo (Men & Women) Tournament 2024-25.
- 28. The Team of University of Jammu won fifteen (15) individual medals at the National Yoga Sports Foundation (M&W) Championship 2024-25, organized by the Yoga Sports Foundation at Monad University, Hapur, Ghaziabad (U.P) w.e.f. 9th -10th November 2024. University of Jammu Team achieved an impressive victory at the National Yoga Sports Foundation (NYSF) Championship 2024-25, showcasing outstanding performances in both men's and women's categories. The athletes displayed remarkable skills and resilience in various yogasana categories. In addition to their success at the championship, Jammu University's Nitika Sharma was awarded the prestigious "Miss Charming Girl" title at the Miss Yoga India Competition.
- 29. Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized 15-day internship programme for BCA and B.Sc. Computer Science students of Government Degree College (GDC) Kathua. The internship programme aimed to equip students with essential skills and practical experience in Computer Science, fostering their knowledge in key technical areas and enhancing their readiness for industry roles. The programme, as a whole, demonstrated Kathua Campus's commitment for bridging the gap between academic learning and practical application, preparing students for the evolving demands of the technology sector. The valedictory ceremony marked the event's successful completion, celebrating the students' commitment and achievements throughout the intensive programme.
- 30. The Management School of Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an industrial visit for the MBA I & III semester students to Chenab Textile Mills. The visit aimed at providing students with practical exposure of textile manufacturing processes and industry operations. The management of Chenab Textile Mills extended a warm welcome to the students and faculty, provided detailed overview of their operations and innovations in textile manufacturing. Mr. S.K. Jena, DGM-HR/Training & Development, CTM provided comprehensive overview of the organization, including its history, operations, workforce, HR strategies, and contributions to the global textile market. Mr. Jena stated that blend of skillbuilding with self-awareness and mindfulness cultivates well-rounded individuals who are not only successful but also resilient and focused. Ms. Kanika Samyal, HR at Chenab Textile Mills, emphasized on the adoption of sustainable practices to enhance efficiency and reduce environmental impact. She encouraged students to explore vast opportunities in the textile industry, emphasizing the sector's vital contribution to global trade and economic growth. Furthermore, the staff of Quality and Assurance elaborated on the usage of USTERISED Trade Mark by Uster Technologies AG, Switzerland. As this trademark signifies excellent quality management systems followed by the Mills.
- 31. Department of Civil Engineering, UIET, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized an enriching educational field visit to Megha Engineering Infrastructure Ltd (MEIL), Chadwal for the students of B.Tech (Civil) with the aim to provide hands-on learning experienceand practical exposure to modern construction techniques and real-world civil engineering practices. During the visit, students had the opportunity to observe the ongoing construction

work on the prestigious Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway. They were also introduced to innovative construction methodologies and techniques that play a pivotal role in large-scale infrastructure projects. The professionals at MEIL provided students with an in-depth overview of the company's infrastructure, operations, and ongoing projects and also conducted an interactive Q&A session. The students were enabled to connect theoretical knowledge to on-ground realities. This industrial visit also served as a great insightful experience for students as they learned about teamwork, project timelines, and resource management.

- 32. Institute of Mountain Environment, Bhaderwah Campus, University of Jammu hosted lecture on the importance of Remote Sensing, GIS, and Population Geography. Prof. Gaurav Kalotra, Department of Geography, Punjab University was the Keynote Speaker. Prof. Gaurav Kalotra delivered a thought-provoking lecture, sharing his expertise with faculty members, scholars, and students. He discussed the growing significance of Geography, particularly Population Geography, and the transformative role of Remote Sensing and GIS technologies in advancing research methodologies. He also emphasized the potential of these technologies in shaping the future of geographical studies.
- 33. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, commenced a three-day visit to Bhaderwah Campus to review preparations for the upcoming National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) team visit. Accompanied by senior university officials, the Vice Chancellor evaluated the campus's alignment with NAAC standards and progress on essential improvements. Prof. Rai emphasized the importance of meeting NAAC's rigorous standards and underscored the need for the timely and thorough completion of all preparations. He expressed confidence in the collaborative efforts of the campus administration, faculty, and staff, encouraging a sustained commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and community engagement. Prof. Rai also reviewed the campus's progress on key performance areas aligned with NAAC's seven assessment criteria, which include Curriculum Aspects, Teaching-Learning and Evaluation, Research, Innovation, and Extension, Infrastructure and Learning Resources, Student Support and Progression, Governance, Leadership and Management, and Institutional Values and Best Practices.
- 34. Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE), University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Centre for Women's Studies, organized a Guest Lecture to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The lecture, titled "From Awareness to Action: Combating Violence against Women", addressed the pressing issue of violence against women, which remains a significant human rights violation and public health challenge. The session emphasized the grave consequences of violence against women on their lives, health, and overall well-being. It explored the root causes, including gender inequality, power imbalances, poverty, conflict, and climate change, while also advocating for accountability, increased support for women's rights movements, and the transformation of harmful societal beliefs. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu was the Keynote Speaker.
- 35. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examination for MD (Ayurveda) Final Year; MDS (1st Semester); BBA HM (3rd & 5th Semester); B.Sc. Paramedical (Subsequent); MS (Special Exam); BPHT (1st Prof. Reg.); LLB 5 Year (1oth Semester Supple.) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for B.Tech. (2nd Semester-CBS); B. Pharmacy (2nd Semester); B.Arch. (4th Semester); M.Tech. (2nd Semester); BPHT (1st & 2nd Semester); BAMS (3rd Semester); BE (7th Semester); BA/BED Integrated (6th Semester); BE (2nd Semester); MDP Dogri)2nd Semester); MDP Commerce (2nd Semester); MDP Journalism & Mass Media(2nd Semester); MS Sociology (Ramanagar 2nd Semester) etc.



DECEMBER 2024

- 1. University of Jammu has scripted history by achieving the coveted A++ grade in the NAAC accreditation (Cycle IV) with an outstanding CGPA score of 3.72 on a 4-point scale. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu expressed his profound pride on this achievement and attributed this success to the collective efforts of the entire University fraternity. Prof. Rai in his address said that the A++ grade reflects the unwavering commitment of our faculty, officers, staff, scholars, students, and alumni. Prof. Rai acknowledged the support of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Chancellor, Sh. Manoj Sinha; Chief Minister and Pro Vice Chancellor, Jenab Omar Abdullah; Higher Education Minister, Madam Sakina Itoo; and Vice Chairman, Higher Education Council Prof. Dinesh Singh for their visionary guidance that has been instrumental in enabling the University to achieve this remarkable feat. The seven-member NAAC Peer Team evaluated the University across various Key Performance Areas i.e Curricular Aspects, Teaching-Learning & Evaluation, Research, Innovations & Extension, Infrastructure & Learning Resources, Student Support & Progression, Governance, Leadership & Management and Institutional Values & Best Practices. With this accreditation, the University joins the elite group of A++ institutions in the country (in the fourth Cycle). This A++ grade shall remain valid for a period of seven years.
- 2. In a significant step towards promoting environmental sustainability, the University of Jammu has restricted the entry of four-wheelers into its campus. The restriction on four-wheelers reflects the University's commitment to reducing carbon emissions, improving air quality, and fostering a pedestrian-friendly campus. The University has made provisions for a smooth transition to this new system. Two-wheelers are allowed in campus, with dedicated parking spaces allocated in departmental areas. Additionally, alternative transportation modes such as e-vehicles and bicycles are being provided at designated placed to ensure convenience and accessibility for the campus community.
- 3. University of Jammu released the first ever 'Research Manual' published by the Office of Dean Research Studies, University of Jammu. The Manual presents the Research Policy and the details of research promotion initiatives of the University during 2018-2024. The volume showcases the research profile and achievements of the departments under the Faculty of Life Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Sciences, Law, Education, Business Studies, Social Sciences and Arts. Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu in his address complimented the Faculty Members for their invaluable research contributions in uplifting the University's research profile as per both national and international standards.
- 4. Department of Library & Information Science, University of Jammu organized an awareness lecture on "RFID Technology in Libraries" by Dr. Jivesh Bansal from Panjab University, Chandigarh. Dr. Jivesh made students aware of the functions and functionality of RFID Technology and how this technology is improving the efficiency of library professionals with library operations. The lecture was attended by Faculty Members, Scholars and Students of the department.
- 5. Skill, Innovation, Incubation, Entrepreneurship & Development Centre (SIIEDC) in collaboration with the Literary Club, University of Jammu organized one-day workshop titled "Booked & Hooked". The workshop attracted enthusiastic participation from students and faculty, fostering a culture of literary exploration and peer learning. The workshop's key feature was its student-led

- approach. Students from the "Design Your Degree" program conducted interactive sessions, guiding their peers through the process of writing and presenting book reviews.
- 6. Department of Zoology in collaboration with Science Club, University of Jammu organized 1582th Tree Talk, Vidyarthi of Woods lecture to spread awareness on diverse life forms. Shri Om Prakash Sharma, fondly called as Vidyarthi of Woods is a former senior Indian Forest Officer and Sahitya Akademy award winner for his creative writings who shared a glimpse of his vast knowledge on the eve of the anniversary of his 14-year long journey of biodiversity awareness that started in 2010. Apart from spreading awareness on diverse forms specifically in J&K, he shared nomenclature origins of many of life forms in English-Hindi-Dogri. He shared the traditional knowledge with ease and zeal to farmer community and to the professionals. The talk was attended by Faculty members, Scholars and students of Department of Zoology, University and Jammu and Cluster University of Jammu.
- 7. The Law School, University of Jammu organized an expert lecture on "Consumer Rights" to discuss the theoretical legislative frameworks concerning the protection of consumer rights and their practical implementation in real-world scenarios. Shri Pawan Dev Kotwal, President of the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Jammu, and Former Principal District & Sessions Judge was the Resource Person. Shri Kotwal emphasized the transformative changes introduced by the Consumer Protection Act, 2019, marking a new era in consumer protection laws. Shri Kotwal also underscored the importance of ethical conduct and vigilance in preventing consumer frauds, urging students to become proactive advocates for consumer rights and social justice. The lecture was attended by around 70 students of The Law School.
- 8. The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with Maximum Clinics, a unit of Maximum Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. organized a comprehensive workshop on Basic Life Support (BLS) and Lifestyle Awareness. Dr. Manish Manocha, a renowned Consultant Orthopedic, Trauma, and Joint Replacement Surgeon from the Ortho and Spine Centre was the Resource Person. The session aimed to accomplish several critical objectives: to highlight the benefits of obtaining first aid and CPR, to familiarize participants with the proper procedures for managing various medical emergencies, to empower individuals to assist in administering first aid when a co-worker is injured, and to emphasize the importance of ensuring no harm is caused to the patient during emergency situations. The workshop also addressed specialized topics, such as digital micro vascular re-plantation for amputations, the basic management of heart attacks, brain hemorrhages, electrical shocks, heat exhaustion, and epileptic seizures. Participants were guided through preventive measures and basic life-saving techniques for these medical conditions. In addition to emergency care, the session emphasized the importance of lifestyle modifications in the prevention of common lifestyle diseases. Regular exercise and healthier living practices were strongly advocated as preventive measures.
- 9. Department of Sociology, University of Jammu, under the aegis of Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) organized two-week national-level online Refresher Course in Social Sciences, titled "Themes and Perspectives in Social Sciences". The program aimed to explore contemporary trends and critical developments in the field of social sciences, offering participants a platform for growth, collaboration, and engagement with emerging paradigms. Prof. Rajesh, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Prof. Ritu Dewan, former Director of the Mumbai School of Economics & Public Policy; Prof. Anil Kumar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh; Prof. Rekha Chaudhary, former Dean of Research, University of Jammu; Prof. Prashant Bansode, The Gokhale Institute of Politics & Economics; Prof. Maitreyee Chaudhari, JNU; Dr. Nancy Mengi,

Central University of Jammu; Prof. Jagan Karade, Kolhapur University; Prof. S.L. Sharma, Panjab University; Prof. Rajiv Gupta, Former Prof. & Head, Department of Sociology, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur; Prof. Arvinder Ansari, Department of Sociology, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi; Prof. Vibhuti Patel, Former Professor, TISS, Mumbai; Prof. Shadab Bano, Professor in History, Women's College, Aligarh Muslim University; Prof. R. Indira, former Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Mysore were the Resource Persons. The course was attended by 23 participants from various academic institutions and disciplines across India, reflecting the University of Jammu's dedication to advancing education in social sciences. This comprehensive course combined theoretical insights with practical applications, ensuring a holistic learning experience and contributing significantly to the participants' academic growth.

- 10. UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) in collaboration with the Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu organized two-week Online Refresher Course in Environmental Sciences (interdisciplinary). In total, 37 internationally acclaimed Resource Persons were invited from some of the premier institutes like Tata Energy Research Institute (TERI, New Delhi), Indian Institute of Remote Sensing(IIRS), Dehradun, Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL), Mumbai, National Institute of Hydrology (NIH), Roorkee, GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Almora, Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), New Delhi, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi University, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Central University of Punjab, Aligarh Muslim University, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Dr. YSP University of Horticulture & Forestry Nauni Solan HP, Patna University, Amity University, SKAUST, Jammu, Central University of Jammu, University of Jammu and Ministry of New Zealand. A total of 57 participants from various parts of the country, including Nagaland, Mizoram, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Gujrat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, West Bengal and Jammu and Kasmir, participated in the Refresher Course.
- 11. UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre in collaboration with Department of Urdu, University of Jammu organized one-week workshop on "Research Methodology". Around 65 research scholars and faculty members from various university departments and colleges participated in the workshop. Prof. Abu Kalam from MANUU, Hyderabad; Prof. Mazher Mehdi from JNU, New Delhi; Prof. Suchetana Pathania, Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Jammu; Prof. Jigar Mohammad, former Dean, Research Studies, University of Jammu; Prof. Anupama Vohra; Prof. Mohammad Reyaz Ahmad and Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik were the Resource Persons.
- 12. Disability Initiatives, University of Jammu and Department of Home Science in collaboration with JIGER NGO organized a vibrant event to mark the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) 2024. The celebration, guided by this year's theme, "Amplifying the Leadership of Persons with Disabilities for an Inclusive and Sustainable Future," highlighted the crucial role of empowering persons with disabilities and fostering their leadership potential. Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional Commissioner Jammu was the Chief Guest and Sh. Arvind Karwani, Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner (Migrant) was the Special Guest on the occasion.
- 13. An Awareness-cum-activity program on Nasha Mukt Bharat was conducted by Utsaah-The Club Cluster where Science Club and Music Club, came together to help youth understand about addiction and create awareness in society regarding substance abuse. The special highlights of the program were recitation and singing by students of various departments like Dogri, Journalism, The Law School and DSRS, University of Jammu. Another main attraction was slogan writing about Nasha Mukti and poster making, which saw enthusiastic participation by students of

Zoology, The Law School, Design Your Degree, Geography departments of University of Jammu. The program was aimed at spreading awareness and to bring a sense of responsibility among youth and in community building for a Nasha Mukt Bharat contributing towards a Viksit Bharat.

- 14. The boarders and management of the Girls' Hostels, University of Jammu came together to participate in the Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan, a flagship campaign aimed at raising awareness and addressing the serious issue of substance abuse. The initiative focused on engaging youth and uniting efforts across stakeholders to work towards the shared goal of a drug-free India. The program featured slogan writing, poster making, and an engaging Nukkad Natak performed by the boarders, which vividly illustrated the impact of substance abuse. The creative works were displayed, showcasing the students' talents and their commitment to the cause. The event not only enhanced awareness among the young boarders and staff but also fostered a sense of collective responsibility among all stakeholders. The involvement of families and staff underscored the need for a united front to achieve the vision of a Nasha Mukt Bharat.
- 15. The Community Service and Social Justice Club of Utsaah- The Club Cluster, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the students of The Law School, organized a stage play on "Anti-Ragging with Special Reference to Protecting Divyangjan" with the aim to raise awareness about the harmful effects of ragging, its legal implications, and the importance of ensuring a safe and inclusive environment, particularly for Divyangjan students. The program witnessed enthusiastic participation from teachers, students, and staff, further promoting the ideals of student-driven initiatives.
- 16. Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized the following events:
 - a. Gender Sensitization workshop for the Students and Scholars of the Department of History, University of Jammu. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu was the Resource Person. A large number of Students, Scholars and Faculty Members from the Department of History very enthusiastically participated in the workshop.
 - b. Gender Sensitization workshop for Students of Government Degree College, Bhagwati Nagar, Canal Road, Jammu. Prof. Meeru Abrol, Principal of the College welcomed all the participants and emphasized the importance of such workshops and thanked the Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu for collaborating with their College. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies was the Resource Person.
 - c. A one-day Awareness Workshop on the theme: 'Educate Girls, End Child Marriage: A Path of Equality' under Bal Vivah Mukt Bharat Campaign initiated by Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi for the Anganwadi Workers and Supervisor at CDPO Office, Bishnah, Jammu. Prof. Savita Nayyar, Director, Centre for Women's Studies and Dr. Saranjit Kaur, faculty, Centre for Women's Studies were the Keynote Speakers.
- 17. Department of Home Science, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the University Health Centre and the Indian Dental Association (IDA), Jammu Chapter organized a special Dental Camp on the occasion of Indian Dentist Day. The event was dedicated to promote oral health among young children and witnessed enthusiastic participation from the children of Surabhi Nursery School and Day Care Centre. The camp aimed to create awareness about dental hygiene and the

importance of maintaining oral health from an early age. A team of skilled dentists led by Dr. Gautam Sharma (President IDA), Dr. Vibha Raina (Secretary), Dr. Payal, Dr. Hemani and Dr. Anshu Gupta conducted dental check-ups and provided valuable tips to the children and their parents. Interactive sessions and engaging activities were designed to make learning about dental health enjoyable for the little ones.

- 18. Vidyanjali Cell, University of Jammu, a dedicated advocate for handholding of school education, conducted an engaging initiative combining impactful data collection activities with a vibrant Nukkad Natak (street play) to create awareness about importance of education among the villagers, community members, parents and other stakeholders. The event was conducted in the vicinity of 11 adopted schools of 04 districts of Jammu province namely Doda, Jammu, Samba and Kathua. The 12 schools comprised of Government Girls High School, Rangpur Maulanian, R.S. Pura, Jammu; Government Middle School, Railway Colony, Jammu; Government Middle School, Mill Area, R.S. Pura, Jammu; Government High School, Channi Rama, Jammu; Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Satwari, Jammu; Government High School, Chak Largan, Bajalta, Jammu; Government Model Higher Secondary School Boys, Samba; Government Middle School, Bhaiya, Hiranagar, Kathua; New Primary School, Upper Sungli, Bhaderwah, Doda; Government UPS, Haliyan, Bhaderwah, Doda and Government Girls High School, Surinsar, Jammu. The data collection drive aimed to gather crucial insights of the stakeholders to identify the gaps between Government of India policies and programmes regarding school children for promoting accessible school education and learner friendly school education system as emphasized by NEP 2020. The data will serve as a foundation for planning evidence-based interventions and advocacy efforts that align with the needs of the people.
- 19. Prof. Yash Pal Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences and Rector, Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu, delivered a keynote lecture on "Insights into the Edible Mushrooms of the Cold Desert of Ladakh, India" at the International Conference on "Plant Science: Today and Tomorrow," which was organized by the Department of Botany, University of Calcutta, on the occasion of the Birth Centenary Celebration of Padam Bhushan Prof. A.K. Sharma, a globally renowned scientist known as the Father of Indian Cytology.
- 20. Department of Computer Science & IT, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu organized eleventh Hands-on Training on Information Technology for the students of Government High School, Dewal, Billawar, Kathua. More than 30 students along with faculty members of the School visited the Campus and hands-on training on Information Technology was imparted to them. During the visit, the students interacted with faculty members and explored the entire campus, including state-of-the-art laboratories, workshops, and other facilities. The visit was designed to offer the students an opportunity to understand the practical aspects of education and its application in real-world scenarios. The students were highly enthusiastic throughout the visit and actively engaged in discussions with the faculty and students of the Kathua Campus.
- 21. Department of Sericulture, Poonch Campus organized a 15-day Educational Tour for the students of Sericulture to South India. The journey offered a unique opportunity to explore and understand the sericulture industry across India's southern states. The students visited leading Sericulture Research Institutes, Silk Reeling Factories, and Silk Markets, where students interacted with professionals and observed the latest innovations in the field. By engaging directly with industry leaders, the students gained practical insights into the techniques and challenges of the sericulture sector.

- 22. A troop from Tamil Nadu visited the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, as part of the Government of India's initiative "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat." The event was organized to foster a sense of unity, cultural exchange, and national integration among students and faculty members of the university. The troop presented a vibrant showcase of Tamil Nadu's rich cultural heritage, which provided a unique insight into the traditions of South India. They highlighted that the initiative aims to promote while offering a platform for students to experience different regional cultures. The exchange program was an enriching experience for all those involved and it reflected the true spirit of "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat," fostering unity and inclusivity through cultural awareness and engagement.
- 23. College Development Council, University of Jammu during the period granted temporary affiliation to Government Homeopathic Medical College and Hospital, Kathua to start BHMS course with 63 seats (including EWS seats) from the academic session 2024-25.
- 24. University of Jammu during the period conducted/started examination for B.P.ED. 1st Semester (NCBCS) Practical; B.LIS (1st Semester); B.P.Ed. (1st & 3rd Semester); B. Pharmacy (3rd , 5th & 7th Semester); BAMS (4th Prof.); MD/MS Ayurveda (1st Year-Preliminary); B.ED. (3rd Semester); M.L.I.Sc. (1st Semester); LLB 3 Years (2nd & 6th Semester); LLM (2nd & 3rd Semester); MDS (1st Year) and LLB 3 Years (4th Semester) etc.

University of Jammu also declared results for BA/B.ED. (Integrated Course); B.A. LLB 5 years (8th Semester); UG 6th Semester (NCBCS Supple.); B.Tech (4th Semester); UG (1st Semester Pvt.); BAMS 3rd Prof. (Subsequent); MCA (4th Semester); LLB 3 Years (3rd Semester); PGDBM (1st Semester); UG Part II (Annual); MIT Kishtwar (2nd Semester); MA Sociology (Reasi 2nd Semester) and MCA Ramnagar (4th Semester) etc.

