## CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

PO Box 21, Dharamshala, District Kangra (Himachal Pradesh) - 176215

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The Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP) with territorial jurisdiction throughout the state of Himachal Pradesh was established by the Central Universities Act (No. 25) 2009. The University became functional with effect from 20th January 2010, with the first Vice Chancellor assuming charge. During the year 2009-10, the progress and performance of the University was as follows:

#### 1. Commencement of Operation:

Appointment of the first Vice Chancellor: Professor Furqan Qamar, the then Vice Chancellor, University of Rajasthan, was appointed as the first Vice Chancellor of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh vide MHRD letter No. F.42-2/2009-Desk (U) dated 8th December 2009. The first Vice Chancellor assumed charge on 20th January 2010. The University, thus, became functional with effect from January 20, 2010.

#### 2. Initial Grant sanctioned in 2009-10:

UGC sanctioned and released the initial grant of Rs. 3 Crores as advance grant under Plan grant for the year 2009-10 to the Central University of Himachal Pradesh on 2nd February 2010.

The Bank Account of the University was opened on 8th February 2010 and that the sanction for the appointment of necessary support staff on deputation/short-term contract basis was received on 23rd March 2010.

Obviously, within the limited number of days available during the financial year 2009-10, very little fund could be utilised leaving the university with an unspent balance of Rs 2.93 Crores as on March 31, 2010.

#### 3. Progress with respect to Land/sites for Permanent Campus:

The University took on priority the issues concerning the identification of sites for the permanent campus. Accordingly, the Central Site Selection Committee visited the sites proposed by the State Government in Dharamshala and Dehra, both in the District Kangra on 20th & 21st February, 2010 to make recommendations about the suitability of location and land offered for the permanent campus of the University.

#### 4. Progress with respect to Temporary Campus:

University started search for suitable buildings and infrastructure for setting up its temporary offices and campus. The matter was taken up with the State Government and District Administration of Kangra to identify suitable facilities for the purpose.

5. Progress with respect to the constitution of the University Authorities University pursued the matter with the MHRD for the constitution of the first Executive Council, first Academic Council and first Court and also for the appointment of the Visitor's Nominee on the Finance Committee.

## 6. Design, Development and Maintenance of the University Website:

University took the initiative of developing the framework for designing and development of the University website based on which the request for quotation and identification of the web designer and developer was to be finalised.

## 7. Preparation of the Vision Document:

The University initiated the consultation process for evolving the Vision Document of the University and the first draft document was readied by 31st March.