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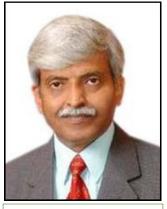
Editor's Desk

Dear Readers,

March 2012 was a critical month in the life-history of CUHP since it appointed its first group of senior regular faculty members-Professors and Associate Professors. A total of 2 Professors and 7 Associate Professors joined the university. These and many more would carry forward the baton to develop the university to new heights of academic excellence in the country with their diverse experience. The existing contractual faculty who did a marvelous job in laying the foundation of academic programmes in various departments were also relieved to have regular faculty.

The month also saw the planning & implementation of programmes for the promotion of Hindi under the charter of the Official Language Policy of the Govt. of India. Academic programmes included the delivery of special guest lectures in management and workshop on LINUX organized by the Dept. of Mathematics.

As part of Continuous and Comprehensive Internal Assessment students appeared for their midsemester examinations. The presence of an experienced faculty has



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raised the hopes of students and the management alike. arvind agrawal

Workshop on Official Language Policy

As per instructions of of India, Government CUHP is required to organize a quarterly workshop on a subject related to Official Language Policy of the Union. In this regard, a Hindi Workshop on various aspects of Official Language Policy was organized on 22nd March 2012 for all the employees of CUHP Camp Office. Participants attending the workshop were briefed about the background, purpose and aims of the Official Language Policy detailing the provisions on topics like Constitutional Provisions (Articles 120, 210, 343 to 351); Orders of the President; Provisions of Official Language Act, 1963; Official Language Resolution, 1968 and Three Language Policy of the Union; Official Language Annual Programmes/Targets; Provisions of Official Language Rules, 1976; Committee of Parliament on Official Language; Orders of President/s on the recommendations of Committee of Parliament on Official Language; Directions/ Instructions issued from time to time by Department of Official Language, GOI; Official Language Annual Programme 2011-12.

The workshop was conducted by Mr. Sanjay Singh, Hindi Officer, CUHP. The participating employees took a resolve to make notings & work more and more in Hindi to fulfill the statutory requirements of the Government of India.

Invited talk by Prof. S.L. Kaushal at SBMS



Students attending the Lecture of Prof. S.L. Kaushal Prof. Shyam Lal Kaushal, University Business School, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, delivered a talk on "Emerging issues Human Resource in Management" on 22nd March 2012. The talk was delivered to the MBA students at the School of Business and Management Sciences(SBMS), CUHP. Prof. S.L. Kaushal was welcomed by Prof.

With the joining of Regular

Faculty in the Department of

Y.S,Verma, Dean, SBMS. Prof. Kaushal talked about how globalization has affected the organisations in terms of cultural differences among the workforce. He drew attention to the growing ratio of female participation at various levels within an organization and its implications on the organization culture.

Prof. Kaushal also spoke on digitalization and swift com-

LINUX Workshop at the Dept. of Physics

munication owing to the advent of internet and how these can be harnessed to bring about changes in the human resource planning of an organization. He opined that the average age of employee in India is less as compared to the rest of the world. Later, Prof. Kaushal answered the queries of the students. The seminar ended with a vote of thanks by the Chair, Prof. Y.S.Verma.





Physical and Material Sciences, CUHP the pace of planning various activities, besides regular classroom teaching, hastened up.

> Dr. O.S.K.S. Sastri, School of Physical and Material Sciences, initiated LINUX Workshop for the students. LINUX is an open source software, free of cost, and provides a way to stop piracy. The workshop was

offered by Spoken Tutorial Project, IIT Bombay, funded by National Mission on Education through ICT, MHRD, Government of India. The workshop course material was provided by "Talk to the Teacher" project at IIT Bombay.

The duration of the workshop extended for a month. The workshop started with the installation of LINUX on each computer system at CUHP ICT Lab. The Spoken Tutorials, (audio lectures) provided by IIT Bombay were then listened to by the students to familiarize them with LUNIX. Passing an online exam, conducted remotely from IIT Bombay was a prerequisite for completing the workshop. The date of online Examination was fixed for April 12, 2012. The passing students will be awarded a certificate by IIT Bombay.

Students at LINUX Workshop



Mid-Semester Exams

Mid-Semester Examinations Held

The Mid-Semester Examinations of all the departments of CUHP started as per schedule on 13th March 2012 and ended on 19th March 2012, covering a period of 11 days.

The examinations were held in two shifts per day (i.e. from 10.00 A.M. to 12.00 Noon and from 2.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.). The convenience of examinees had also been given due consideration so that as far as possible, adequate gap between two examinations would be available for students to make necessary preparations. The midsemester examinations carry 25% weightage while preparing the final results of the students.

As per the UGC guidelines, all examinations have a

combination of 25 multiple choice questions, all of which are compulsory, five short-answer type questions, of which students have to attempt three, and three essay or long type questions all of which are compulsory but having internal choice. Guidelines are provided to the respective paper-setters to have a uniform spread of questions from all the units of the course.

Meeting of OLIC of CUHP

The meeting of Official Language Implementation Committee of CUHP was held on 27.03.2012 at TAB-Shahpur to review the progress of implementation of the Official Language - Hindi and to discuss measures to further implement the Official Language Policy of the Union in the University.

The meeting was presided by Dr. K.D. Lakhanpal, Registrar, CUHP. Other members present in the meeting were Prof. Yoginder S. Verma, Special Officer (Development) & Dean, School of Business and Management Studies; Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences; Prof. I. V. Malhan, Dean, School of Mathematics, Computer and Information Sciences; Prof. H. R. Sharma, Head, Department of Economics and Public Policy, Shri B. R. Dhiman, Finance Officer and Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Hindi Officer (Member Secretary).

The committee members reviewed and deliberated at length on following issues: Development of Bilingual Website of CUHP (i.e. in Hindi and English); Creation of Posts related to Hindi; Unicode Hindi Software for computers; Budget for development of Official Language Hindi; Organisation of competitions for members offices of TOLIC (Town Official Language Implementation Committee), Dharamshala; Organising Hindi Day and Hindi Fortnight in CUHP; Review of steps taken to promote Hindi in CUHP; Correspondence in Hindi; Notings in Hindi on files; Training on Hindi Typing, Hindi Stenography & Hindi Language; Purchase of Hindi books in Library; Display of Citizen Charter, Public Notice Boards etc. in bilingual; Official Language Inspection of Departments/ Sections; Hindi Translation of Codes, Manuals, Procedural Literature etc.; Review of CUHP's quarterly Hindi Progress Report of quarter ended on 31.12.2011.

The committee resolved to take every possible step and action to achieve the targets of Annual Programme 2011-12 issued by Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI so that various provisions of Official Language Policy of the Union may be implemented in the university at the earliest.

APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSORS & ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

The interviews for filling the posts of Professors and Associate Professors commenced in the month of January. Professors and Associate Professors were selected for various departments of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh in the month of March, 2012.

Prof. Y.S. Verma invited as Chief Guest

Prof. Yoginder S. Verma was invited as the Chief Guest and delivered the Inaugural Address in the National Seminar on "Teacher Education & Training: Concerns for HRD & Knowledge Society" organized by Govt. College for Teacher Education, Dharamshala, on March 16, 2012.

Valedictory Address by Prof. Arvind Agrawal

Prof. Arvind Agrawal delivered the Valedictory Address in the National Seminar on "Teacher Education & Training: Concerns for HRD & Knowledge Society" organized by Govt. College for Teacher Education, Dharamshala, on March 17, 2012 & delivered a Panel Lecture on Knowledge Society on March, 16, 2012.

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Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP) was established under the Central Universities Act 2009 enacted by the Parliament of India. The University became functional from 20th January 2010 with Professor Furqan Qamar assuming the charge as the first and founder Vice Chancellor of the University.

Standing for Inclusive Access and Excellence in Higher Education, it is a multidisciplinary university. The Vision document of the University provides for seventeen different schools with five to six Departments and two to three Centres in each school. Of these eleven Schools and eighteen Departments and two Centres have been made functional.

The University has adopted comprehensive choice based credit system which mandates students to accumulate at least 30 percent credits from departments other than those in which they major. This makes all programmes of studies inter-disciplinary and all students study in an interdisciplinary environment. All programmes of studies are based on semester system and the University follows comprehensive continuous internal assessment and Grading System.

The University is to have its headquarter in Dharamshala and two distinct campuses located in Dharamshala and Dehra, both in the picturesque Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh. The land for both the campuses have been identified and allotted to the University and proposal for FCA clearance is at the advanced stages of progress. Following which, the land is likely to be transferred to the University and construction of permanent campuses shall begin.

In the Interim, the university has commenced its academic activities from the Temporary Academic Block (TAB) located at Shahpur in the Kangra District. The Headquarter of the University is located at Camp Office at Dharamshala.

1st Batch of Regular Faculty Join CUHP



Prof. Yoginder S. Verma Professor & Dean School of Business & Management Science



Dr. Bhagwan Singh Associate Professor Marketing & Supply Chain Management



Dr. Deepak Pant Associate Professor Environmental Sciences



Prof. H.R. Sharma Professor Economics & Public Policy



Dr. O.S.K.S. Sastri Associate Professor Physics & Astronomical Science



Dr. Manukonda Rabindranath Associate Professor Journalism & Creative Writing



Dr. Roshan Lal Sharma Associate Professor English & European Languages



Dr. Asutosh Pradhan Associate Professor Social Work



Dr. Manoj Kumar Saxena Associate Professor Education