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## Editor's Desk ....

Dear Reader,

The month of November brought hectic academic activities involving many lectures in different departments of eminent scholars besides a major workshop on research methodology sponsored by ICSSR which was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor of Central University of Punjab and the inaugural session was chaired by our own Vice Chancellor. It brought participant research scholars from far and wide across India and so were the resource persons sourced from all over. It was organized by the School of Edu-

cation.

The university was granted Chair on Tribal Studies.

Prof. H. R. Sharma bagged a major UGC Research Project. Yours truly delivered an invited lecture in an International Symposium of Judges and academicians in Brussels. Some schools organized brain teasing sessions of quiz. The third TREAT was also held to induct new research scholars. CUHP was proud to have conducted its very first Student Body Elections peacefully and democratically so much so some

Schools elected candidates unanimously. In the middle of the month meetings of AC, EC and Court were held. Members of these august bodies lauded the achievements of the university and its faculty. Most of the teachers recruited in 2012 were confirmed in the meeting of EC.

Thus the university is making its firm strides towards its coveted objectives.

On this happy note, I send you best wishes,

*arvind agrawal*

## UGC Approves Establishment of CHAIR in Tribal Studies

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The Statute 40 of the Central University of the Himachal Pradesh provides for the establishment of a **Centre for Rural and Tribal Studies** under the School of Social Sciences.

The UGC too, in principle, has approved the establishment of a **CHAIR IN TRIBAL STUDIES**. This Chair shall provide an excellent platform and forum to launch quality research and publications in this important field of study.

The University proposes to institute this CHAIR in ac-

cordance with the norms and procedures as set out for Chair Professor.

The Chair in Tribal Studies shall strive to pursue scientific and independent research for creation of database and evolving strategies for research, monitoring and evaluation of the development policies and programmes. It shall also train people for capacity building and human resource development and carry on action research with field outreach and extension ser-

vices for the overall social, economic, political & cultural development in the Scheduled Tribes Areas of Himachal Pradesh.

The major objective of this Chair would be to undertake and share original research on the tribal cultures & tribal languages; act as a think tank in the area of Tribal Studies; provide a forum for inter-university/inter-collegiate PG and research level dialogues,

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## CHAIR in Tribal Studies ...

discussion meetings, summer/winter institutes, involving other universities / autonomous institutions / research centres / PG centres; design and execute capacity-building programmes for teachers in higher education focused towards Tribal Studies; strengthen the role of Universities/Academics in Public Policy making in the area of Tribal Studies; conduct short-term courses; undertake publications related to tribal issues including the launch of a Journal on Tribal Studies that would focus on oral literature of the tribal languages and renew interest in lexicon projects, and educational en-

deavours that concentrate on multilingual education; and also involve in extension and networking activities in the area of Tribal Studies.

Some of the other concrete plans that the Chair has envisaged are identifying emerging issues in tribal development related to tribal rights over land, forests and their management, educational and health infra-structure development etc.; identifying and promoting avenues of employment and sustainable livelihoods; entering into partnerships with research and educational institutions for research, developmental

and consultative activities and the like.

The Chair also proposes to enroll students under its RD Programme for award of M.Phil. & Ph.D., and undertake sponsored research.

The Chair would be led by a Professor, assisted by one Post Doctoral Research Associate, 3 Junior Research Fellows, and 2 Technical Assistants.

On 28th November 2013, a presentation on behalf of CUHP was made for this Chair by the Hon'ble VC and Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, SoSS, in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GOI, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

## Invited Lecture on 'Creativity in Education' Organized

Dr. Samir Bhattacharya, Emeritus Professor at Vishwa Bharti, Shanti Niketan, West Bengal visited the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, TAB-Shahpur and delivered a talk on "Creativity in Educa-

tion" on 12th November 2013 .

Prof. Amrish Mahajan, Dean School of Earth and Environment Sciences welcomed the distinguished speaker and introduced him to the audience. Prof. Furqan

Qamar, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh presided over the function.

The students of School of Life Sciences and School of Earth and Environment Sciences attended the lecture. All the faculty members from both these schools were also present during the disclosure of talk and had an interactive session with Prof. Bhattacharya. Dr. Vikram Singh, Assistant Professor, School of Life Sciences proposed the vote of thanks.



## Lecture on Accessing Data & Information related to Science

The School of Physical & Material Sciences organised a Lecture on **Research and Science Direct** at TAB (CUHP) on 25th October 2013 which was delivered by Mr. Vishav Sharma, Development Manager from Elsevier Science & Technology, Gurgaon.

Prof. K.B. Joshi, Dean School of Physical & Material Sciences and Chairman of the session introduced the speaker Mr. Vishav Sharma. The session was attended by M.Sc. students, Research Degree scholars, library staff, and faculty members, Heads of Departments and Deans of various Schools.

During the session Mr. Sharma elaborated on the software driven techniques available to segregate relevant and concrete information as well as data from the plethora of information available on various databases in general and on the ScienceDirect in particular. He gave a live demonstration on the techniques for searching e-books and allied literature of interest for M.Sc. students. Mr. Sharma asked RD scholars to choose a keyword and explained how the information is displayed on the ScienceDirect. He also showed the manner in which the searches could be further narrowed down as per the specific requirements of the learner.

Mr. Sharma also demonstrated how researchers and experts in up-coming fields and those of one's interest could be searched while looking into the recent publications and keyword clouds. A difference in collecting information from various search engines and the standard database was clearly pointed out.

The talk was widely appreciated by RD scholars as

the information given would be very helpful in choosing the topic of research, identifying research areas closely knitted or overlapping with the topic of other research fields, knowing about the experts working in their field of research and in emerging fields. The budding researchers also got an idea as to where they could publish their articles so that they can get maximum benefit in terms of academic achievement and recognition.

For advanced users the new features to explore scientific, technical and medical literature were introduced. In the upcoming electronic environment ScienceDirect is offering research journals, bibliographic databases and reference work for researchers. The audience was also made aware of the recent trends in publishing that uses video abstracting. This has been introduced by almost every publishing house in recent times. The idea of Open Access was presented before the audience emphasising the pros and cons of an open access publication of an article.

The session was conducted in the query-response mode by the speaker. Queries were raised by the speaker and the RD scholars giving right response were rewarded with a small token from Elsevier. The audience was of the view that similar lectures should be arranged for in the future too.

## Dept. of Economics & Public Policy organises Inter School/Department Quiz Competition

An Inter School/Department Quiz Competition was conducted by the Department of Economics & Public Policy under the aegis of **UDBHAVA**, the Cultural Society of CUHP on **11th November 2013**.

This Quiz was conducted in two rounds i.e. preliminary and main. The areas covered were General Science, Geography, History, Sports, Cinema, and Mythology. In

the Preliminary round, 25 teams from different Schools/ Departments namely Economics & Public Policy, Business & Management Studies, English & European Languages, Hindi & Indian Languages, Library & Information Science, Computers and Information Science, Social Work, Journalism and New Media participated, out of which four teams were chosen for

the main round.

Abhinav Kapoor and Kavita Negi (MBA III) won the first position and the second and third position went to Rahul Verma and Rajan Sharma (MBA III), and Dheeraj Parihar and Vivek Chauhan (MBA III) respectively. The prizes to these winners will be awarded on the Annual Day of CUHP to be held in 2014.

## Quiz & Extempore on Economics Organised

The Department of Economics under the aegis of '**UDBHAVA**' organised a Quiz competition and Extempore on Economics on 28th November 2013. The Theme of Quiz and Extempore was mainly economics and the areas covered were micro economics, macro economics, Indian economy, current issues and other areas related to economics and business.

For quiz the teams comprising of two students each were invited from different schools/ department. The quiz was conducted in 2 rounds preliminary and mains. In preliminary round teams were given multiple choice questions covering the areas of economics and business. Four teams out of 25 teams which participated in preliminary round were selected

and qualified for mains round. The main round consisted 5 rounds based on different aspects of theoretical and current economics including audio / visual round.

In Extempore single entry was invited from different schools/ department. The participants were to choose the slip from bowl and were to speak for 3-5 minutes on the topic. The judges for extempore and quiz were Dr. H. R. Sharma and Dr. Roshan Lal Sharma. The winners were selected on the basis of content, fluency, clarity of thoughts etc. The winners of the quiz were as follows:

### Event - Quiz:

First Prize - Shivam Verma & Vinod (MBS-III Sem.)

Second Prize - Akriti Sood & Shailja Sharma (MA Eco.-III Sem.)

Third Prize - Salman Habib & Sonu (MBA-III Sem)

### Event - Extempore:

First Prize - Richa (JCW-I Sem.)

Second Prize - Sameep Neema (MA Eco.-III Sem.)

Third Prize - Shivam Puri (MBA-III Sem)

Consolation Prize - Anita (MBA-III Sem)



## Dept. of Economics & Public Policy organises Lecture on Globalisation and Income Inequality

The Department of Economics and Public Policy organised a Lecture on 29th November 2013 on the theme titled **“Globalisation Aggravates Income Inequality Both in Developed and Developing Countries”** that was delivered by Prof. Gurmail Singh, Professor and Ex-Chairperson of Department of Economics, Panjab University.

While addressing the students and faculty Prof. Singh said that empirical evidence shows that while the absolute poverty has declined by varying degrees in almost all countries of the world, the relative income inequalities have started increasing both in developed and developing countries in the aftermath of Globalisation and Liberalisation. He was sharing the findings of his ongoing research project on Inequalities and Income Distribution in Asia being jointly carried out with Professor Ajit Singh of University of Cambridge for International Labour Organisation (ILO).

According to Prof. Singh, the empirical evidence shows that the income inequalities started rising in the Western English speaking countries in the mid-1970s and 1980s, in East Asian economies like South Korea and Taiwan in the late 1990s and in China and India in the first decade of 21st Century. For example, the income of top one percent population in UK declined from 20 percent in 1910 to 8 percent in 1970s but again increased to 14 percent in 2005. In fact, the income of household sector and corporate sector during 1975-1997 in South Korea was growing at almost the same rate (8.1 percent and 8.2 percent, respectively) but the growth rates diverged after the implementation of liberal policies in the late 1990s and between 2000 and 2006, the income of the two sectors grew at 2.8 percent and 15 percent, respectively. The growth rate of corporate income further increased to 18.6 percent, whereas household income declined to 1.7 percent after 2007. These findings are in-

consistent with the inverted ‘U’ Curve of Simon Kuznets, a Nobel laureate, which implies that income inequalities follow an inverted ‘U’ path, increasing with level of development in the beginning, remaining constant for a while followed by decline. The available empirical evidence on changing pattern of income inequalities is thus not explained by Kuznets inverted ‘U’ hypothesis which appears to be following ‘N’ shape path. Professor Singh attributed the merging patterns of widening income gap between the rich and poor to the ongoing process of globalisation, technology breakthroughs and the weakening of labour market institutions in terms of weakening of labour unions and their role in wage bargaining. Professor Singh also answered the queries of the students and faculty members.

Prof. H.R. Sharma, Head, Department of Economics and Public Policy while broadly agreeing with the findings of the research work opined that, the given process of technological diffusion, growing assertiveness of the weaker sections of the society in the democratic process, particularly, in the developing countries and the introduction of large number of pro-poor programmes by the ruling classes, would result in the pattern of income inequality to again follow an inverted ‘U’ path leading to a cyclical behaviour of income inequalities in the long run.



## ICSSR Sponsored 10-Days Research Methodology Course Held

The School of Education, Central University of Himachal Pradesh organised a 10-day ICSSR sponsored workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences from 12-21 November 2013. The major focus of the workshop was to understand Research Methodology and its applicability and suitability within the emerging paradigms of social sciences. The workshop also emphasised upon the limitations of positivist research methods and explored alternatives that are more adaptable to the emerging needs in the research of social sciences.

The workshop started on 12th November 2013 at the Temporary Academic Block (TAB) with an Inaugural Function. Prof. Jai Rup Singh, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda, was the Chief Guest. Prof. Furqan Qumar, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, presided over the function. ICSSR Observer Prof. Arvind Agrawal was also present. All the Deans and Heads of various departments graced the occasion.

For this research methodology workshop, about 400 research scholars applied from the different parts of the country but as per ICSSR guidelines only 30 participants could be selected for this workshop. Dr. Arbind K. Jha, Course Director, welcomed all the participants. ICSSR Observer Prof. Arvind Agrawal shared policy perspectives of ICSSR. Dr. Manoj Ku. Saxena proposed a vote of thanks.

In this workshop each day was divided into 4 sessions, 2 each in the pre-lunch and post-lunch sessions. The time duration for each session was 90 minutes. Total 40 sessions were taken by various resource persons from Delhi, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh. To name a few Prof. Girishwar Mishra, Prof. Anand Prakash, Prof. Sudhanshu Bhushan, Prof. Shyam Menon, Prof. Pulin B. Nayak, Prof. Ahluwalia, Dr. Suneet Verma and Dr. Kushwinder Kumar. Besides these external resource

persons, various faculty members of CUHP including Prof. Y.S. Verma and Prof. Arvind Agrawal also delivered lectures in the workshop. During this 10-day programme, the organisers tried their best to maintain a balance by integrating the conceptual overview of all fundamental concepts in research, qualitative and quantitative research methodology, grounded theory approach in social science research and software application in social science research including SPSS.

The workshop culminated on 21st November 2013 with the Valedictory Function. Dr. Arbind K. Jha, Course Director, welcomed the Chief Guest and all the participants. Prof. Furqan Qumar, Vice Chancellor, CUHP, was the Chief Guest. Prof. Arvind Agrawal, ICSSR Observer evaluated the workshop and appreciated the quality of the workshop. Participants shared their feedback on the lectures delivered in the workshop. The Vice Chancellor distributed certificates to all the 30 participants including the in-house Resource Persons. The 10 day programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Manoj Ku. Saxena, Associate Professor, School of Education, CUHP.



**ICSSR WORKSHOP  
Inaugural Session**

## Elections to the First Students' Council of CUHP Held

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP) strives for 'Inclusive Access and Excellence in Higher Education and Research' to emerge as a premier university of the country on a par with the best universities of the world in terms of programmes offerings, curricular framework, pedagogy, research publication and integration with the world of work. The University follows a student-centric approach to accomplish its Vision.

The Central University Act 2009 and Statute 36 of the Act provides for the constitution of a **Students Council** in the University for every academic session consisting of (i) DSW, as Chairperson; (ii) Twenty students to be nominated by the Academic Council on the basis of merit of studies in academics, sports, extra-curricular activities; and (iii) Twenty students to be elected by the students from different schools as their representatives.

The University framed its Ordinance for the formation of Students Council in consonance with the provisions in the Act, Statute and the Lyngdoh Committee Report whose recommendations have been accepted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to involve students in different activities of the University and make it truly student-centric.

Accordingly, the Central University of Himachal Pradesh held the elections to the Students Council on **22nd November 2013**. The election process started with Issue of Notification by the Dean, Students Welfare, on 13th of November. In response to the issuing of notification to elections, 37 candidates filed their nomination papers from different Schools for 20 seats. Out of these, 8 candidates withdrew their nominations and the nomination papers of 2 students were rejected as they did not fulfill the minimum eligibility conditions for contesting elections. Out of these 20 seats, 7 candidates (5 from the

School of Business & Management Studies and 2 from the School of Physical and Material Sciences) were declared elected unopposed.

Polling for the First Students Council was held for 13 seats on 22nd November 2013 from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. Counting of votes was held on the same day from 2 P.M. to 4.30 P.M. and the results were declared at 5 P.M. With an overall voting standing at 87.77 percent, the entire election process was completed successfully. The entire voting was undertaken in full secrecy and complete discipline. The whole process of election to the Students Council was held under the overall supervision of Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Yoginder S. Verma and Dean, Students Welfare, Prof. H. R. Sharma.

The following students from different Schools have been elected to the Students Council 2013-14.

NAME OF THE SCHOOL	ELECTED CANDIDATES	
	NAME OF THE CANDIDATE	Roll No.
School of Business & Management Studies	Arvinder Kumar Mohammed Atif Sahil Dhawan Shivam Verma Sudhir Gulia	CUHP12MBA35 CUHP13MBA46 CUHP13MBA67 CUHP12MBA54 CUHP12MBA56
School of Earth & Environmental Sciences	Arundhati Balouria Poonam Sharma	CUHP13ENV02 CUHP12ENV16
School of Humanities & Languages + School of Education	Manjeet Singh Bansal	CUHP12MAENG05
School of Journalism, Mass Communication & New Media	Rajesh Badhawan	CUHP12NMC10
School of Life Sciences	Ashish	CUHP12RDCBB02
School of Mathematics, Computers & Information Sciences	Ankit Chauhan Deepali Choudhary Deepak Dipesh Bhardwaj	CUHP12IAM06 CUHP13IAM03 CUHP12MLIB05 CUHP12IT03
School of Physical & Material Sciences	Abhinav Nag Nitin Rathi	CUHP12PAS01 CUHP13PAS14
School of Social Sciences	Ariz Ahmad Swarit Sekhri	CUHP12MSW05 CUHP13MSW23
School of Tourism, Travel & Hospitality Management	Nishant Thakur Surbhi Soni	CUHP12MBATT10 CUHP13MBAT&T20

## TREAT Entrance Examination for Admission to Research Degree Programme Held

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh had notified for admission to the Research Degree (RD) Programmes in 15 Departments / Centres under 10 Schools of Studies for specific research area and discipline. These programmes are Management, Environmental Sciences, Education, Humanities & Languages, Journalism, Mass Communication & New Media, Life Sciences, Mathematics, Computers & Information Science, Physical and Material Sciences, Social Sciences, and Tourism, Travel & Hospitality Management.

There were two categories of applicants for admission—those exempted from entrance exam since they had cleared JRF and NET/SLET or had a teaching experience of 10 years in a State or Central university or Govt. or

Govt.-aided Colleges/Institutions, and non-exempted.

In total 1033 applications were received (347 exempted and 686 non-exempted) against 64 seats in all Programmes of Studies. Suitability of non-exempted applicants for admission in various RD Programmes was judged using aptitude-based common entrance examination (TREAT) which was conducted on 24th November 2013 at three examination centres namely Shahpur (HP), Chandigarh, and Delhi.

TREAT was conducted successfully at all the three centres with a turn-out of a total of 484 (75%). The result of TREAT was declared on 29th November 2013 as per schedule and interviews would be held on 5th & 6th December 2013.

## Professor Arvind Agrawal Invited to Deliver Talk at an International Symposium at Brussels, Belgium

Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences, was invited to the International Symposium on “The Judge is a Woman” (November 7-8, 2013) organized by the Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium to be main speaker. This symposium was attended by Judges from Supreme Courts of UK, Germany, Belgium, European Court and academicians. Prof. Agrawal delivered his lecture on “**Women in Judiciary in India: A Sociological Analysis**”.

## Prof. Hans Raj Sharma Receives UGC Major Research Project

Prof. Hans Raj Sharma, Head, Department of Economics and Public Policy has received sanction for undertaking a UGC sponsored Major Research Project (MRP) on the topic titled “Micro-Enterprises in Rural Non-Farm Sector in Himachal Pradesh: An Empirical Study in Production, Technology and Marketing”. The area of specialisation under which this study would be undertaken is Agricultural Economics and Rural Development.

This MRP proposes to study and document (a) the type of agricultural commodities produced, (b) production technologies adopted, (c) marketing strategies adopted, (d) challenges of economic liberalisation &

globalisation, (e) role of institutional frameworks in nurturing these enterprises and (f) constraints faced.

The study would be undertaken in 3 out of 12 districts of H.P. that have the highest concentration of micro-enterprises. One block each would then be selected from each of these districts that has the highest concentration of micro-enterprises. Random sampling method would be adopted for selecting the household/enterprises at the village level. Descriptive statistical analysis and regression analysis would be used for drawing conclusions.

This research would be accomplished within a period of 2 years with a sanctioned budget of Rs.7.33 Lakhs.



## 10th Academic Council Meeting Held

The 10th Academic Council Meeting was held on November 15, 2013 at TAB, Shahpur. This AC Meeting is significant because this is the re-constituted subsequent Academic Council which comprises a dominant number of members drawn from within the University and only ten members drawn from outside. The first Academic Council in contrast had comprised all external members. Some of the major points that were deliberated were admission for RD programme, eligibility of supervisors for Ph.D. guidance and allotted strength for supervision; declaration of Assets and Liabilities by the University Employees; adoption of various regulations formulated by the UGC for the transparent and efficient governance of educational institutions viz. (i) UGC (Promotion of Equity in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2012. (ii) UGC (Mandatory Assessment and Accreditation of Institutions) Regulations, 2012. (iii) UGC (Grievance Redressal) Regulations, 2012; holding of the 2nd Convocation of the University and to recommend the name(s) of eminent person(s) for conferring Honorary Degree; establishment of Chair

for Tribal Studies; ratification of Ordinance No. 45 dealing with the formation of the Students' Council; recommendations of the School Boards for consideration and approval; to place before the AC the implementation of Research Projects sanctioned by different funding agencies during the financial year 2013-14; approval for the launch of B.Ed. and M.Ed. integrated courses under the School of Education with the adoption of lateral entry & exit option in the programme; regulation relating to the procedure for the Award of Freeships to regular students at PG level; procedures relating to the maintenance of Annual Performance Appraisal Report in respect of Non-teaching employees; amendment in the Ordinance 24 dealing with the Cadre Recruitment Rules including Manner of Appointment and Emoluments of Employees other than Teacher and Other Academic Staff and entrusting the VC the power to nominate 20 students to the First Students Council on the basis of merit in the field of studies, sports and extra-curricular activities.

## 12th Executive Council Meeting Held

The 12th Executive Council Meeting of CUHP was held on 15th November 2013 at the Temporary Academic Block, Shahpur (H.P.). Prof. Furqan Qamar, Vice-Chancellor, CUHP, extended a warm welcome and thanked all the members for attending this meeting. He apprised the members that this meeting assumes significance in the sense that it is the maiden meeting of the subsequent Executive Council constituted by the University in accordance with the amended Statute No. 11, as approved by the Honourable Visitor vide MHRD letter No. 54-4/2012-Desk (U) dated 11th March, 2013.

Besides approving the minutes of the 11th EC meeting, other business undertaken & important resolutions

passed were the confirmation of service of Teaching and Non-teaching staff on successful completion of probation, empowering the VC to nominate EC Members/Nominees on the Finance Committee, approval of the minutes of the 10th Academic Council held on 15th Dec. 2013, approval of the minutes of the Finance Committee, approval in principle the provision of laptops/ipad/notebook/tablet to the faculty but in accordance with the rules/regulations/guidelines issued by the MHRD/UGC/GOI from time to time, etc.

[The complete Minutes of the EC may be accessed on the university's website at: [www.cuhimachal.ac.in](http://www.cuhimachal.ac.in)]

## 3rd Meeting of the Court Held

The 3rd Meeting of the Court was held on November 16, 2013 at TAB, Shahpur. Hon'ble Chancellor, Shri Arun Maira, extended a warm welcome to all the members. Shri Maira expressed his appreciation about the progress made by the University on the academic front despite the constraint of physical facilities due to non-transfer of land to the University.

Emphasising on the role and importance of the University Court, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Furqan Qamar, apprised the members that the University Court normally meets once a year to consider the annual report, audited annual accounts and budget estimates, and in the processes it reviews the progress of the university to advise on policies, strategies, vision and plans of the University. The Vice Chancellor also presented a synopsis view of the activities and progress of the University.

Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences, made a brief presentation highlighting the programmes, activities and progress of the University during the year 2012-13. Prof. Yoginder S. Verma, the Pro Vice Chancellor, was also requested to fill in further details and respond to the queries/clarifications sought

by the members.

The Court considered the Annual Report for the year 2012-13 and appreciated the efforts made by the University, its students, and faculty and non-teaching members of the University.

Next, the Audited Annual Accounts of the university together with Audit Report for the financial year 2012-13 were placed before the Court. This was presented by Shri B.R. Dhiman, Finance Officer. The Court considered and perused the Audited Annual Accounts of the University and accorded its satisfaction with the maintenance of accounts. The Court considered the Budget Estimates for the year 2013-14 and Revised Estimates for the year 2012-13.

After the meeting of the Court the members relished the natural beauty of the surrounding and the mesmerizing aura created by the setting sun over the Dhauladhar Mountain Range.

[The complete Minutes of the Court may be accessed on the university's website at: [www.cuhimachal.ac.in](http://www.cuhimachal.ac.in)]

## Photographs of the EC and Court



Academic Council Meeting



Meeting of the Court



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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 seventeen 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.*

## Members of the 2nd Executive Council of CUHP

Sl.	Name & Designation	STATUS
1.	<b>Prof. Furqan Qamar</b> , Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, H.P	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
2.	<b>Prof. Yoginder Verma</b> , Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh	<b>Member</b>
3.	<b>Shri Ashok Thakur</b> (IAS), Secretary, Department of Higher Education, MHRD, New Delhi	<b>Member</b>
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5.	<b>Shri R. D. Dhiman</b> , Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla	<b>Member</b>
6.	<b>Shri Romesh Sharma</b> , National / International Film Maker, Gurgaon	<b>Member</b>
7.	<b>Prof. Manmohan Gupta</b> , Department of Physics, Panjab University, Chandigarh	<b>Member</b>
8.	<b>Dr. D.S. Rathore</b> , Former Vice-Chancellor, CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Palampur (H.P.)	<b>Member</b>
9.	<b>Prof. Veena Chowdhury</b> , Director, Dept. of Radio-diagnosis, Maulana Azad Medical College, N. Delhi	<b>Member</b>
10.	<b>Shri Sayed Shahid Mahdi</b> , Former Vice Chancellor, JMI, New Delhi	<b>Member</b>
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