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Dear Readers,
August saw the beginning of a new session and entry of a new batch of students. This time several new courses have also been started, such as M.Sc. (Mathematics), M.Sc. (Physics), M.Sc. (Computational Biology & Bioinformatics), M.Sc. (IT), M.Sc. (Environmental Science), M.A. (English), M.A. (JCW), and M.A. (New Media Communication). Orientation Programme for the new batch of students and Anti-

Ragging Orientation Programme were organized.

It was for the first time that the Independence Day was celebrated in the presence of the students, faculty and the non-teaching members of the CUHP family. Since the University came into being and students were admitted, this was the first Independence Day.

The University had many visitors from India and Abroad. Multifarious academic activities including an International Workshop and Lectures galvanized



Prof. Arvind Agrawal
Chief Editor

the University community. With best wishes for a new academic session.

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Workshop on Strategic Human Resource Management & Development

Central University of Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with the Society for Education and Economic Development, New Delhi organized a 3-day (4-8 August, 2011) Workshop on Strategic Human Resources Management and Development in a Globally Competitive World for participants from 18 nationalities undergoing Diploma programme in Human Resource Planning and Management at Institute of Applied Manpower Research, New Delhi – an autonomous organisation of

the Planning Commission of India. Prof. Furqan Qamar, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh delivered the valedictory address. Sh. R.S. Gupta, Deputy Commissioner, Kangra inaugurated the programme.

Prof. Yoginder Verma, OSD with the support of Ms. K. Vijaylakshmi from SEED conducted the programme and delivered lectures to participants. Dr. Arvind Agrawal, OSD (Academic) also delivered a lecture & interacted with the participants.

Independence Day Celebrated



Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor
hoisting the National Flag

The 65th Independence Day of the country was celebrated in CUHP on 15th August 2011. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Furqan Qamar hoisted the National Flag at the Camp Office of the university in Dharamshala.

In his speech, Prof. Qamar said that every Indian should be indebted to our national heroes for the supreme sacrifice they made

in bringing us freedom. On this occasion, Prof. Y.S. Verma, Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Prof. I.V. Malhan, Prof. H.R. Sharma, Dr. K.D. Lakhanpal, Sh. B.R. Dhiman and all the faculty members were present.

Students from different departments also joined the Independence Day Celebrations and were seen wearing Indian attire in order to observe Independence Day.

Literary scholars from various universities & the Sahitya Akademi Visited CUHP

"It was a great pleasure meeting the administrators, faculty and students of the new university. The innovative thinking and the energy is impressive. Thanks for the warm hospitality."

Prof. Malashri Lal
Dept. of English
University of Delhi
25-08-2011

"It was wonderful to come to this university and meet the faculty and students. It was a pleasure to interact with the students and faculty which proved also to be an education for me. Thanks for making this opportunity available."

Dr. Kavita Sharma
25-08-2011

On 25th August, 2011, a group of literary scholars from various universities & representing the Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi visited the University. They addressed the faculty members, research scholars and PG students of the university on 'Higher Education in India.' Prof. Alok Bhalla, in his speech, expressed his views on the shifting location of power in English as far as the tertiary education in India is concerned. Dr. Kavita Sharma emphasized upon the need for increase in the enrolment ratio in higher education in India. Prof. Malashri Lal, University of Delhi, talked about the present scenario and problems of higher education in the country. Prof. Venkat Rao, IFLU, Hyderabad, talked about the heterogeneity of the Indian classrooms where one can find a group of students having members from different castes, whereas each caste has a cultural history of a thousand years or more. This workshop was organized by the School of Humanities and Languages.

"It was delightful to be at the university. I hope that since the university is founding a new tradition of learning and research it will take some bold new decisions about the courses to be taught. The university is beautifully located and seems to have an excited faculty"

Prof. Alok Bhalla
Visiting Prof. Ambedkar University, Delhi

Guest Lecture on 'Emerging Economies of the World'

23rd August 2011:

School of Business and Management Sciences organized a guest lecture by Prof. Sunil Sangra, a renowned academician and a management consultant. The topic of his Lecture was 'Emerging Economies of the World.'

In his speech, Prof. Sangra observed that with the physical resources, technology, and skilled

manpower, India would emerge as one of the key economies of the world by the year 2020. He felt that it is the competent human resource that makes a country prosperous and India is fortunate to have a pool of immensely talented and capable manpower that has the capacity to transform India into an economic superpower.



Students in interaction with Prof. Sunil Sangra

Prof. I.V. Malhan invited by University of Jammu

12th August, 2011: Prof. I.V. Malhan, Dean, School of Mathematics, Computer and Information Science, was invited by the University of Jammu, to deliver a lecture on the Librarians' Day celebrated by the University of Jammu Library Staff.



Orientation Programme for the Fresh Batch of Students

The fresh batch of students admitted to the academic session 2011-12 attended an Orientation Programme, on 1st August 2011, to get acquainted with the various academic, curricular and co-curricular aspects, as also regarding the rules & regulations of the University. An **Orientation on Anti-Ragging** was also given so that students refrain from ragging on & off campus and also play a pro-active role in the prevention and reporting of incidents of ragging.

Guest Lecture by Mr. Robey Lal, on 'A Good Manager'

29 August, 2011, Mr. Robey Lal, an eminent expert in Aviation sector interacted with the students of the University. In his speech, Mr. Lal spoke that a good manager should have great number crunching ability and should be able to foresee future opportunities and tap them before their competitors do that. In an era of cut-throat competition, one should not forget the values like honesty, truthfulness and integrity because the lack of these has resulted in several big corporate frauds.

"The key to being a good manager is keeping the people who hate me away from those who are still undecided."

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Access and Excellence in
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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.

From the Visitors' Book

"Thank you very much for the interesting visit at CUHP, an amazing time in the field with our Indian students and last but not the least an interesting German talk. We as the students of university of St. Gallen really enjoyed it."

*Alexander Krey
12-08-2011*

"Thanks so much for your warm hospitality. Visiting you was one of the very highlights of our trip to India. Hopefully our universities will stay in contact. I wish you the best for your future."

*Pascal Dumont du Voitel
12-08-2011*

"I record with appreciation, the ambience, academic agendas, research projects of this university. The interaction with teachers and students was wonderful."

*A Raghuramraju
University of Hyderabad
Dept. of Philosophy
25-08-2011*

"It was unexpected but a very pleasant experience of visiting the great campus. The rain in the afternoon itself was enchanting. Meeting with the students is a memorable event."

*Dr. Venkat Rao
Dept. of English Literature, English and Foreign
Languages
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25-08-2011*