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Editor's Desk

The University is in the process of a serious business of recruiting its Faculty Members for the posts of Assistant Professor in its various Departments and Schools. Appointment of the right faculty is critical to the academic growth and excellence that the university vision document speaks of. CUHP has been lucky enough to have received a large number of applications and deserving candidates to chose from. This will help the university to possess and develop the best of Human and Intellectual Capital.

After a marathon of Selection Committee meetings by the end of October in many Departments, the process of selections is complete and it awaits vetting by the

Executive Council for the final announcements. The 8th Meeting of the Executive Council was held to deliberate among other items relating to the University the approval of the final list of candidates who would be appointed as Assistant Professor. Group of Experts and eminent personalities from various disciplines have been visiting the university. This includes an international group of students and faculty from Afghanistan, Malaysia and Germany. This is an opportunity for the university to develop bridges of academic collaborations in future

The "School Board" of the School of Journalism, Mass Communication and New Media brought in external experts to give final shape,



Professor Arvind Agrawal
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to review and approve the proceedings of Board of Studies of "Journalism & Creative Writing" and "Mass Communication & Electronic Media"

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Professor Arunoday Saha Addresses the Faculty and Students on Tourism Week

Prof. Arunoday Saha, Vice Chancellor, Tripura University, on a visit to the University on confidential work addressed the faculty and students during the Valedictory Function held on the occasion of the Tourism Week Celebrations on 27th September 2012. Prof. Saha acted as Guest of Honour on the occasion and spoke at length on the meaning of Sustainable Development. He said that most often development is at the cost

of environment and the people. The challenge before us is to find ways and means as to how "development could be without destruction". Prof. Saha made an appeal to the students to work with passion and enjoy ones' work. He reiterated that the video presentations made by students participating in the Tourism Week proved the sincerity and dedication of CUHP students.



"Development without destruction is Sustainable Development"

- Prof. Saha



Cleanliness Drive on the occasion of Tourism Week



The Hon'ble VC Offering Bouquet to Prof. Dagmar Oberlies

"Its all about people. Its about networking and being nice to people and not burning any bridges."

- Mike Davidson

Tourism Week Celebrated

The Tourism Society of Central University of Himachal Pradesh under the Department of Tourism & Travel Management observed the Tourism Week from September 22-27, 2012 with the purpose of sensitizing students regarding the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value. The Theme for World Tourism Week Celebrations was 'Tourism & Sustainable Energy: Powering Sustainable Development'.

The Tourism Week Celebrations started with a Cleanliness Drive at Chamunda Temple Complex in association with the Temple authorities. Over 60 students volunteered for this social cause. The whole area along the Chamunda Devi was littered with plastic and other waste material. Awareness in the area to adopt measures for cleanliness was also generated. The students also took oath to create a sense of responsibility among people as regards the environmental concerns in the tourist destinations.

A number of Competitions were held based on the theme related to Photograph & Painting Caption writing, Painting, Essay, Collage, Waste Material Management, Quiz and Declamation contests and prizes were distributed to the winners.

The visit of Mr. Devinder Sharma. Senior Manager, Yatra.com. added value to the programme. He said that "The travel & tourism sector has got large employment opportunities & especially for the Tourism students of Himachal Pradesh...". The Tourism Week ended with the valedictory Function attended by the Vice-Chancellors of CUHP Prof. Furqan Qamar and Tripura University, Prof. Arunoday Saha.

Lecture by Professor Dagmar Oberlies & Visit of an International Team

The Dept. of Social Work organized a Lecture on October 10, 2012 on the theme "Diversity, Discrimination and Inclusion" delivered by Prof. Dagmar Oberlies, of the Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences, Germany. Prof. Dagmar said that social workers are expected to work in diverse settings and populations belonging to different

racial, ethnic, religious, cultural and linguistic categories for which one needs to have a thorough understanding of the diverse socio-cultural dimensions. Forms of discrimination faced by minority populations have to be understood through rigorous scientific research to counter the forces of social exclusion and creating an inclusive society.

Prof. Dagmar was accompanied by an International Team of faculty members and 6 students each from Germany, Malaysia and Afghanistan. Students interacted, asked questions and exchanged email & contact details. The VC welcomed the guests. Prof. Arvind Agrawal introduced the guests and Dr. Pradhan delivered a vote of thanks.



International Team's Visit to CUHP

Academic Council & Executive Council Meetings Held and University Court Constituted

Academic Council Meeting

The 6th Academic Council Meeting was held on 16th October 2012 in New Delhi.

Executive Council Meeting:

The 8th Meeting of the Executive Council was held in New Delhi on 17th October 2012. In this meeting the reports of various Selection Committees related to the appointment of

Assistant Professors for various departments were presented for its vetting and approval before the final declaration of the names of candidates who have been selected.

University Court Constituted

The University Court is one of the key regulating bodies responsible for the functioning of the University and deliberates upon its working with regard to the previous year's statement of receipts and expenditure, the balance sheet as audited and the budget for the next financial year. The Court is vested with the powers to review the acts of the Executive Council and Academic Council and to exercise the powers of the University not otherwise provided in the Act or the Statutes.

Selections for Faculty Positions in Final Leg

After various rigorous rounds of Selection Committee meetings for the post of Assistant Professors in various disciplines the university reached its final leg in the process of selecting its Faculty. This exercise had commenced from August 2012 and continued through September and October 2012.

As planned the University held Selection Committee Meetings for the Departments of IT & Computer Science, Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, Tourism & Travel Management, Business & Management Studies (Accounting & Finance, Marketing & Supply Chain Management, Human Resource Management & Organisational Behavior and Entrepreneurship), English, Mathematics, Library & Information Sciences, Economics and Public Policy, Social Work, Environment Science, Hindi, and Physics.

The officials who handled these interviews did a commendable job to arrange for the dates and timings of the interviews, as also for doing all the paper work and scrutiny of the applications of candidates. Screening of the applications which was received in large numbers was a herculean task. Hopefully the best available intellectual resources would be joining the university and take it to new heights in terms of academic growth and research.



Participants of the **Tourism Week Celebrations**

Human development if not engendered, stands to be endangered

- UN, HDI Report

Revision & Postponement of Selection Committee Meetings

Selection Committee meeting for the posts of Assistant Professors in the **Department of** Education was postponed to a future date till further notice. This was scheduled to be held on 3rd & 4th November 2012. Postponement of interviews was done because of unavoidable administrative reasons. Fresh date and time of interviews shall be announced to the candidates in due course of time.

Similarly the Selection Committee meetings for appointments to the posts of Assistant Professors in the **Department** of Journalism & Creative Writing and the Department of Mass Communication & Electronic Media has been rescheduled. The provisional dates of interviews for both these departments will now be

30th & 31st October 2012 for the Department of Journalism & Creative Writing and 1st and 2nd November 2012 for the Department of Mass Communication & Electronic Media.

The appointment of faculty in both the departments that fall under School of Journalism, Mass Communication & New Media will give additional impetus to the functioning of the School.



Vice Chancellors of CUHP & Tripura University Attending the Valedictory Function on Tourism Week

CUHP Students' Achievement in UGC-NET Examinations

The results of the UGC-NET Examinations for Lectureship & JRF held in June 2012 brought cheers among the faculty & student community. Sixteen PG students belonging to the first batch and Research Scholars have done extremely well to clear the UGC-NET for JRF/Lectureship. One MBA student cleared JRF; 03 RD

Scholars and 12 students cleared NET for Lectureship as under:

UGC-JRF:

1. Atul Sharma (MBA-IFS)

UGC-NET for Lectureship:

- 2. Gaurav Katoch (RD Mgt.)
- 3. Puneet Sood (RD Mgt.)
- 4. Yash Pal (RD English)
- 5. Shisir Sharma (MSW)

- 6. Suneet (MBA ED)
- 7. Sreenu Telu (MBA)
- 8. Dhiraj Kumar (MBA)
- 9. Rakesh Nehria (MBA)
- 10. Shailja (MBA IFS)
- 11. Pankaj Kumar (MBA IFS)
- 12. Shubangi (MBA IFS)
- 13.Gurmukh Singh (MBA IFS)
- 14. Sanal Gupta (MBA ED)
- 15. Kiran Lata (MBA IFS)
- 16. Swati (MBA IFS)



The Visitors handing over Gifts to students of CUHP

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Committed to Inclusive Access and Excellence in Higher Education



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.

Prof. Dagmar Oberlies, Professor of Social Work — A Brief Profile

Prof. Dagmar Oberlies, a renowned Professor of Social Work, in the Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences, Germany, visited CUHP on **October 10, 2012**. Prof. Dagmar is one of the Programme Directors and manages the Social Work programme in the department. A Professor of Law of Social Work her current focus of work is on social exclusion and integration.

Prof. Dagmar' career is wide-ranging. She was a Lawyer in Saarbrücken (1984-1991); Academic staff member at the Hamburg Institute for Social Research (1984-1989); Section head at the Saarland Ministry for Women, Labour, Health, and Social Affairs (1991-1995); Academic staff member in the Working Group on Legal Policy of the SPD Group in the Bundestag (1995-1996); Professor at Frankfurt Polytechnic, Department of Social Work (as of 1996), Her general focus of interest are: criminal law, criminal procedural law, aliens law; co-editor of the feminist legal journal STREIT (as of 1983); member of the Criminal Law Commission of the German Women Lawyers Federation (Chairwomen as of 1997).



Professor Dagmar Oberlies

Some of her publications are: Offences involving homicide in relations between men and women, Reform of civil action incidental to criminal proceedings and other rights of aggrieved parties, Advisory manual on the law, etc.

She has published numerous articles in legal journals, particularly on Offences involving Homicide, Sexual and physical violence against women and children, Involvement of aggrieved parties and civil action incidental to criminal proceedings.