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Editor's Desk

Dear Reader,

Change is the law of nature.

The year 2013 is coming to an end and the new year 2014 will usher in new vistas of academic ambience in the university. December saw a variety of activities held in the university.

The third ICSSR sponsored event was held by the School of Business and Management Studies titled "Capacity Building Program for Faculty".

The School Board of the School of Social Sciences was held to approve the various academic initiatives passed by the Board

of Studies of the Dept. of Social Work and Dept. of Economics & Public Policy.

The End-Semester Examinations of the Monsoon Semester was held and feedback of students as regards teaching-learning aspects was collected.

The process of selection for the RD Programme for admission to various departments/centres was completed.

Besides academic activities competitions for various sports and games for stu-

dents, faculty and administrative staff were also held.

Winter has set in and the Dhauladhar Ranges have received fresh snow. This holds hopes for a happy new year that would follow and a new academic session when the university opens after the winter vacation on 6th January 2014.

On this happy note, I send you best wishes for a very happy and prosperous new year—2014.

arvind agrawal

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ICSSR Sponsored Capacity Building Program for Faculty (CBPF) Held

A 14-day Workshop titled Capacity Building Program for Faculty (CBPF) in Social Sciences was organised from 9th to 22nd Dec. 2013 in the Temporary Academic Block of Central University of Himachal Pradesh. This workshop was organised by Department of Marketing and Supply Chain of CUHP with the sponsorship of ICSSR, New Delhi.

The programme was inaugurated by Prof. Ravinder K. Jain, a Retd. Anthropologist from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU). In his welcome address to the participants he said that "these types of interactive programmes are very beneficial for newly recruited faculty

members as well as those having some experience in the field of academics. It will help in all round development and particularly in the realm of research methodology which is the main thrust of this workshop."

In the presidential speech, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Yoginder Singh Verma stressed on the need of 'capacity building' among the faculty members especially in this era of ICT where the role of teacher increases manifold in the creation and dissemination of knowledge. "If the teacher is updated with the current happenings then they can properly dis-

pense knowledge among their disciples," said Prof. Verma.

Guest of honour, Professor Shobhita Jain, former director of the School of Social Sciences of IGNOU, also addressed the participants in the inaugural session. She said, "there is no new knowledge, it is present from the centuries in one form or other. Just we have to share it with the future generation to achieve the holistic objective of development and well being of humanity."

Dean of School of Social

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Sciences (CUHP) Prof. Arvind Agrawal, and ICSSR observer said that the workshop is dedicated to 'research methodology' and the development of 'writing skills' necessary for publication of research work.

Dr. Bhagwan Singh, Head, Department of Marketing and Supply Chain Management under the School of Business and Management Studies acted as the Coordinator of the Programme. Dr. Manoj Saxena, Associate Professor in the School of Education acted as the Co-coordinator of the workshop.

Other luminaries who were present in the inaugural session of CBPF were — Prof. K. B. Joshi, Dean School of Physical & Material Science, Dr. Arvind Jha, Dean School of Education, Dr. Gautam Mukherjee, Registrar, CUHP, and faculty members of various departments, research scholars of CUHP.

Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Agrawal, ICSSR Observer, New Delhi and Dean School of Social Sciences, CUHP has been instrumental in inspiring the organizers for this program and helped in its successful conduct.

The leading newspapers like Tribune etc. gave the good coverage about this program.

Twenty Faculty members as participants from all over India took part in this workshop. They were from the

states of Odisha, Jharkhand, Bihar, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Delhi and Himachal Pradesh.

The major objective of the CBPF was to develop research capabilities among young faculty and to develop their research work into publishable form for publication in Journals/books. To achieve these objectives the program included apart from others the ability to conceptualize and develop research proposals, choose appropriate research design, conduct a critical overview of literature, formulation of research questions and hypotheses, designing of data collection tools, analysis of data, enhancement of skills for writing a research paper, nuances of developing grant applications and enhancement of book writing skills.

These areas were dealt by experienced academicians in 40 sessions during the two weeks period.

Twenty experts hailing from various subject areas in the social sciences delivered lectures and shared with participants theoretical and practical experiences on research. They were— Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Furqan Qamar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP); Pro-Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yoginder S. Verma; Prof. R. K. Jain, JNU, New Delhi; Prof.

Shobhita Jain; Prof. Arvind Agrawal, ICSSR Observer, New Delhi; Prof. I. V. Malhan, Dean School of Mathematics, Computers & Information Science; Prof. H. R. Sharma, Dean, Students Welfare & Provost CUHP; Prof. Nawal Kishore, IGNOU, New Delhi; Prof. R. K. Mahajan, USOL, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Prof. Kalpana Mahajan, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Dr. Kulwinder Singh, Punjabi University, Patiala; Dr. Arvind Jha, Dean, Education, CUHP; Dr. Asutosh Pradhan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Social Work, CUHP; Dr. Ashish Pareek, Deputy Director, MDS University Ajmer, Rajasthan and Dr. N. N. Sharma, Course Director, GPGC, Dharmshala, H. P.

Some practical sessions were also conducted in the form of Paper Clinic by Dr Bhagwan Singh, CBPF Course Director and Dr Manoj Saxena, CBPF Co-Course Director.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Furqan Qamar was the Chief Guest in the valedictory session. Other dignitaries present on this occasion were—Dr. Roshan Lal Sharma, Proctor, & Dean, School of Humanities and Languages; Dr. Gautam Mukherjee, Registrar, CUHP; Shri B. R. Dhiman, Finance Officer, CUHP; Dr. Arvind Jha, Dean Education, faculty members of various departments and research scholars of CUHP including the participants of the programme.

In the session valuable feedback from Faculty participants also reflected the quality of CBPF. The Chief Guest distributed Certificate of Participation to all the faculty participants. The Course Director, Dr Bhagwan Singh delivered welcome address & Co-Course Director, Dr Manoj Saxena proposed a vote of thanks to all luminaries, participants and Research Scholars present on the occasion.



Inaugural Function in Progress

1st School Board Meeting of School of Social Sciences

The School of Social Sciences held its 1st School Board Meeting on Dec. 13, 2013 in the Committee Room at TAB, Shahpur, CUHP. The agenda of the School Board was to approve the:

- (a) Regulation for the conduct of the business of the School Board;
- (b) minutes of the First & Second Meetings of Board of Studies of the Department of Economics and Public Policy,
- (c) minutes of the First & Second Meetings of Board of Studies of the Department of Social Work,
- (d) appointment of supervisors to guide research scholars admitted to the RD (Ph.D.) Programme as recommended by the BoS of (i) Economics & Public Policy and (ii) Social Work,
- (e) synopses of Ph.D. Research Scholars recommended by the Board of Studies,
- (f) inclusion of names of Experts for conducting Viva-Voce Exams as External Examiners as decided by the Vice Chancellor.

Supervisors of 2 Ph.D. Scholars of Economics and 3 Ph.D. Scholars of Social Work were approved. Approvals for four synopses for Ph.D. were also accorded:

- (1) **Mr. Ajay Kumar**, Dept. of Economics and Public Policy; Topic: *"India's Trade with SAARC Countries – A Study of Trade in Textile and Clothing"*; Supervisor: Prof. Hans Raj Sharma.
- (2) **Ms. Bindu Rani**, Dept. of Social Work; Topic: *"A Study of Domestic Violence Against Married Women in Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh"*; Supervisor: Prof. Arvind Agrawal.
- (3) **Mr. Javaid Ahmad Mir**, Dept. of Social Work; Topic: *"Deprivation, Social Exclusion and Human Rights of Differently Abled Children: A Study of Kulgam District, Jammu & Kashmir."*; Supervisor: Prof. Arvind Agrawal.
- (4) **Mr. Jomon P.V.**, Dept. of Social Work; Topic: *"Education and Human Capital Formation in Kerala*

from the Bourdieuan Capital Triad Perspective: A Mixed Method Study"; Supervisor: Dr. Asutosh Pradhan.

The External Subject Experts discussed on matters relating to the course contents of various courses and also made suggestions for improvement in some of the synopsis of the Research Scholars.

The following members were present in the Meeting of the first School Board:

- (1) Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences (**Chairman**)
- (2) Prof. Anjali Gandhi, Professor of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia, N. Delhi (**External Expert**)
- (3) Prof. Ravi Srivastava, Professor of Economics, Centre for Study of Regional Development (CSR), JNU, N. Delhi (**External Expert**)
- (4) Prof. Hans Raj Sharma, Head, Dept. of Economics and Public Policy (**Ex-officio Member**)
- (5) Dr. Asutosh Pradhan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Social Work (**Member**).
- (6) Mr. Indervir Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics and Public Policy (**Member**)
- (7) Ms. Ambreen Jamali, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Work (**Member**)

Prof. Hans Raj Sharma and Prof. Arvind Agrawal presented the agenda points and matters for discussion for the Department of Economics and Public Policy and Department of Social Work respectively.

The External Experts appreciated the steady progress made by both the departments under the School of Social Sciences and assured all assistance and support if required to improve the academic architecture of the School.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Chair.

END-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR MONSOON SEMESTER HELD

The End-Semester Examinations for the Monsoon Semester 2013 was held in the Temporary Academic Block, CUHP, at Shahpur, from 9th to 22nd Dec. 2013.

For the smooth conduct of the End-Semester Examination, a Flying Squad was constituted for the smooth conduct of the examination and to ensure a mal-practice free examination. The members of the squad were required to ensure zero-tolerance to copying or any type of irregularity in the examination.

The following were the members of flying committee:

1. Prof. K B Joshi, Chairman
2. Dr. Manoj Saxena
3. Dr. Manpreet Arora

All the persons deputed on examination duty as Invigilators were instructed to bring to the notice of Flying Committee any type act of indiscipline and copying.

The examinations were conducted in a smooth manner and the results are expected to be published by the end of January 2014.

Along with the end-semester examinations the University as a regular practice collects the

feedback of students across all departments/centres regarding the teaching-learning experiences they had in each semester and assess the teaching under various courses taught by the respective teachers in the department. The data collected is then collated, processed and consolidated.

Results of feedback are ultimately provided to the respective teachers for their reflection and further improvement. Such feedback from students were collected by the representatives of the Office of Controller of Examinations.

Prof. Arvind Agrawal Appointed by GOI as Member, Indian Historical Records Committee

Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences, has been appointed by the Government of India as a Member of the Standing Committee of the Indian Historical Records Committee for the period up to 03.07.2016.

Selection of RD Students for the Year 2013-14 Announced

The provisional first selection list of candidates for the Research Degree Programmes of CUHP was announced on 10.12.2014 as per schedule. A total of 61 candidates were selected for 10 Schools of the university that included 14 Departments and one Centers of Studies. This selection list also included a total of 30 wait-listed candi-

dates. The detailed distribution of candidates selected to various Schools/Departments/Centres has been provided in page-5.

In the final tally, a total of 55 candidates took admission in the RD Programme in the University.

Provisional First Selection List for Research Degree Programmes (2013-14)

<i>Sl.</i>	<i>School / Department / Centre</i>	<i>No. of Selected Candidates</i>	<i>No. of Wait-listed Candidates</i>
(I)	School of Business and Management Studies	16	9
1.	Dept. of Accounting and Finance	7	3
2.	Dept. of Marketing and Supply Chain Management	3	3
3.	Dept. of Human Resource Management and OB	6	3
(II)	School of Earth and Environmental Sciences	11	4
(III)	School of Education	5	1
(IV)	School of Humanities and Languages	2	0
1.	Dept. of English & European Languages	2	0
(V)	School of Journalism, Mass Communication and New Media	6	5
1.	Dept. Journalism and Creative Writing	3	2
2.	Dept. of Mass Communication and Electronic Media	3	3
(VI)	School of Life Science	3	4
1.	Centre for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics	3	4
(VII)	School of Mathematics, Computers and Information Science	4	1
1.	Dept. of Mathematics	2	0
2.	Dept. of Library Science	2	1
(VIII)	School of Physical and Material Sciences	6	2
1.	Dept. of Physics and Astronomical Science	6	2
(IX)	School of Social Sciences	5	2
1.	Dept. of Social Work	4	2
2.	Dept. of Economics and Public Policy	1	0
(X)	School of Tourism, Travel and Hospitality Management	3	2
1.	Dept. of Tourism and Travel Management	3	2

राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति का विस्तार

हिमाचल प्रदेश केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय में सभी स्तरों पर राजभाषा हिंदी में प्रगति और दैनिक कामकाज में बढ़ावा देने तथा प्रगति की नियमित समीक्षा के उद्देश्य से हिमाचल प्रदेश केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय की राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक दिनांक 26.08.2013 के निर्णय के अनुसार विश्वविद्यालय की राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति के विस्तार के दूसरे चरण में हिमाचल प्रदेश केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय के सभी शैक्षणिक विभागों के अध्यक्षों को समिति में सदस्य के रूप में शामिल किया गया है। वर्तमान पुनर्गठन के उपरांत राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति में निम्नलिखित सदस्य होंगे :-

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वित्त अधिकारी	सदस्य
हिमाचल प्रदेश केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय के सभी सत्रह (17) विभागों के विभागाध्यक्षगण	सदस्य
हिंदी अधिकारी	सदस्य सचिव

Sports Competitions for Faculty & Staff Held

All the faculty and staff members of CUHP participated in the **Intra-University Faculty-Staff Sports Events** during the month of December 2013. Interested participants registered themselves for different sports events with the faculty member in-charge of the respective events as outlined below:

Sl.	Sport Event	Faculty Members
1.	Badminton	Dr. Rabindranath Manukonda Mr. Shabab Ahmad
2.	Table Tennis	Dr. P. Aparoy Dr. S. Chatterjee
3.	Volley Ball	Dr. Ashish Nag Dr. Suman Sharma



Dr. Anupam Sharma, Associate Professor, Dept. of Environment Science acted as the Sports Convener of CUHP

Sports Competitions for Students Held

The Organizing Committee for Sports of Central University of Himachal Pradesh organized various Intra-University Sports activities in the month of November-December 2013 for students & Staff. The results of those events which have been completed upto the end of December 2013 are given below.

It is encouraging that with limited resources and different kinds of constraints the Committee had successfully organized games like Football, Badminton, Table Tennis and Volleyball for students as well as for the staff.

Results of various events held:

1. Badminton Girls Doubles:

Winner - Shainy Sood & Sakshi

Runner-up - Shagun Sood and Geetanjali Roy

2. Badminton Mixed Doubles:

Winner - Nishant Dhiman & Jyoti Guleria

Runner-up - Anshul Pathania & Babita Kumari

3. Table Tennis:

Winner - Nishant Thakur

Runner-up - Rattan Gulshan

4. Football:

WinnerTeam - Shivam Puri, Vivek Chauhan, Abhinav Kapoor, Nishant Thakur, Amit Kumar, Rattan Gulshan, Akshay Patial, Ankur Chadiar, Dheeraj Parihar, Antariksh Sharma, Shubham Sharma, Anshul Pathania

Runner-up - Gaurav Sharma, Gaurav Verma, Rohit

Sharma, Rohit Kumar, Kumar Sahil, Amit Rana, Abhinav Kamal, Anmol, Ritesh Pandey, Sagar Sharma, Anit Dhiman and Saurav Rana

5. Volleyball:

WinnerTeam - Neeraj Dhiman, Nishant Thakur, Amit Kumar, Ankit Jamwal, Arpit Sidhu, Oneil Sharma, Rahul Verma and Nishant Dhiman

Runner-up - Kuldeep, Kashish Sood, Vikash Kumar, Amit, Manish, Ranveer, Ashutosh and Rattan Gulshan

6. Volleyball (Mixed):

WinnerTeam - Kuldeep, Umesh, Kashish Sood, Neha Nag, Arundhati, and Priya.

Runner-up - Nishant, Amit, Ratan Gulshan, Bindia Mishra, Neha, Sonia, Tanya and Kanika.

The organisers expressed their gratefulness to the staff and students for extending full cooperation.



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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 interdisciplinary 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.

VALEDICTORY FUNCTION OF THE ICSSR SPONSORED CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME FOR FACULTY



**Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
Prof. Furqan Qamar
Releasing the
Memorabilia in the
Valedictory Function**



VC distributing Certificate to a Participant



**Feedback Being Given
by a Participant in the
Valedictory Function**



Dr. Manoj Saxena Delivering the Vote of Thanks