



CUHP CHRONICLE

The Mirror and Voice of the

Central University of Himachal Pradesh

[Established under the Central Universities Act 2009]

CHIEF PATRON:

Prof. Furqan Qamar
Vice Chancellor

PATRON:

Prof. Yoginder S. Verma
PVC & Dean, SOBMS and SoTT&HM

CHIEF EDITOR:

Prof. Arvind Agrawal
Dean, SoSS & SoFA&AE

EDITORIAL ADVISORS:

Prof. H.R. Sharma
Dean Students' Welfare & Provost

Dr. I.V. Malhan

Dean, MC&IS

Dr. Gautam Mukherjee

Registrar

Mr. B.R. Dhiman

Finance Officer

EDITORS:

FACULTY

Dr. Asutosh Pradhan

Assoc. Professor, Social Work

Dr. M. Rabindranath

Dean, JMC&NM

Dr. Pradeep Kumar

Head, Dept. of MC&EM

Dr. Khem Raj

Asst. Professor, English

STAFF

Mr. Sanjay Singh

Hindi Officer

STUDENT

Ms. Aditi Sharma

Mr. Akash Aggarwal

Ms. Alka Lalhal

Mr. Ankit Mahajan

Ms. Isha Negi

Mr. Jomon P. V.

Mr. Md. Sajid

Ms. Parul Kaul

Mr. Raghav Manocha

Ms. Yangchan Dolma

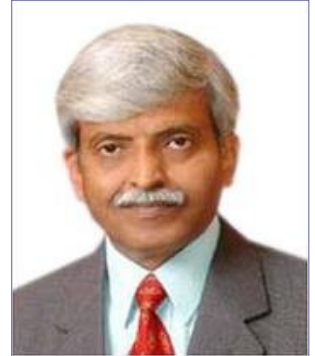
Editor's Desk

Dear Reader,

It was a proud moment for the university when its Vice Chancellor, Prof. Furqan Qamar, received the prestigious Shikshak Samman for his contribution to innovative practices in education. The month of July was exclusively dedicated to admissions to infuse fresh blood into the life stream of the university. FEAT results were announced and the admission process was in full

swing.

Moreover, the University after a hectic year of academic activities closed for summer vacations for the Faculty Members and students. Some of the departments send their students for Summer Placement or Block Placement Training. The central library received 35 new international journals catering to the need of various departments that would further the academic and



Prof. Arvind Agrawal
Chief Editor

research work in the university.

With best wishes,

arvind agrawal

Prestigious 'Shikshak Samman' Conferred on Prof. Furqan Qamar, Vice Chancellor

Prof. Furqan Qamar, Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, was honoured with the prestigious 'Shikshak Samman' by U.P. Rajarshi Tandon Open University, Allahabad, a State Open University of Uttar Pradesh, on the occasion of the tenth Rajarshi Tandon Memorial Lecture on 9th July 2013. The award was instituted by this university on 5th Sep 2010 to

recognise the efforts of distinguished academicians for their outstanding contribution and innovative practices in education. The past

recipients of this prestigious award are; Prof. D.P. Singh, (Emeritus Professor, BHU, former VC APS University, Rewa, Former VC, Lucknow University



Continued in Page-2

Inside this issue:

- | | |
|---|---|
| Prestigious 'Shikshak Samman' conferred on VC, Prof. Qamar | 2 |
| Admissions to PG Programmes | 2 |
| New Arrivals in Central Library of CUHP | 3 |
| Summer Internship of School of Journalism, Mass Communication and New Media | 4 |
| Block Placement of MSW students | 4 |
| Opening New Vistas of Academic Collaborations | 6 |

Prof. Furqan Qamar receives 'Shikshak Samman' Award

and Former VC UPRTOU, Allahabad), Prof. Mahendra Singh Sodha (Senior Scientist and Chief of Space Physics (1961-64) at Republic Aviation Co., New York, Former Vice Chancellor, Devi Ahilya University (1988-92), Lucknow University (1992-95) and Barkatulla University (1998-2000), Prof. Janak Pandey (Vice Chancellor, Central University of Bihar, Patna, Former Vice Chancellor, Allahabad University, Allahabad, Director, G. B. Pant Social Science ICSSR Institute, Allahabad). Prof. A.K. Bakhshi, Vice

Chancellor of U.P. Rajarshi Tandon Open University has presented this award. Prof. Qamar was also the chief speaker of Tenth Rajarshi Tandon Memorial Lecture. In his speech, Prof. Qamar elucidated the present scenario of Higher Education in India and explained at length the plight and challenges of Higher Education and various efforts made from time to time by the Government of India to mitigate the problems. The key points of his deliberation were: Recent Reforms in Higher Education

in India; Review of newly established educational institutions; Future reforms in view of bills pending before the Parliament and an analysis on functional areas of proposed Authorities / Bodies and related issues; History of educational reforms in India and critical analysis of past reforms; Multiplicity of regulatory authorities/bodies and related complexities; Small sized educational institutions, its distribution, problems and urgency of its rejuvenation; Ris-

ing cost of Higher Education and burden on / expectations of parents; Inclusiveness of Higher Education encompassing minorities and weaker sections of the society; Ambiguity in regard to aims, goals and purposes of Higher Education; Reasons and factors of success and failure of any educational model/institutions; Approach towards policies related to Higher Education in India; and suggestions to improve the overall conditions and quality of HE in India.

Admission to Post Graduate Programmes commences

After the holding of the Common Entrance Examination (FEAT-2013) for admission to various Post Graduate Programmes on 29th June 2013. the results of FEAT-2013 were declared on 16th July 2013 as per schedule and the first list of candidates se-

lected to various departments were published online in the university's website including wait-listed candidates. Since the seats to various courses were not filled up by the due dates two more successive lists were published on 27th and 31st July respec-

tively.

In pursuance of Clause No. 10(c) of the Ordinance Vol-II various Admission Committees were constituted for the conduct of admissions to various Programmes of Study for the academic session 2013 - 2014.

Each of the Admission

Committees of various Schools constituted of a Chairman represented by the respective Dean, the concerned HoD of the department under each School, and two to three VC Nominees from the concerned departments.

Summer Internship of Department of Library and Information Science

The 2nd Semester Master of Library Science students of the Department of Library and Information Science have undergone a 30-days Summer Internship from June 24, 2013 to July 23, 2013 in various libraries and knowledge centres of reputed educational institutions and which are as follows: Bhai Gurdas Li-

brary, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar; Indian School of Business, Mohali, Punjab; Maulana Azad Library, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh; Mohinder Singh Randhawa Library, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana; A. C. Joshi Library, Panjab University, Chandigarh; besides those who did their in-

ternship in the Central Library of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh. A total of 12 students of M. Lib. Semester-II were sent for their internship.

Student got an opportunity to learn in an on-the-job environment in large libraries and under the guidance and mentorship of experienced librarians and library

staff. The internship provided students to develop practical skills related to in-house operations of all the sections in the Library including Acquisition, Classification and Cataloguing, Reference, Circulation and Serial Control Section, Digitization, Conservation and Preservation of Manuscripts etc.

New Arrivals at the Central Library of CUHP: Referred Journals

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh is in the quest of achieving academic excellence through its faculty and students. To promote research activities in the university CUHP has subscribed to some important international journals besides those already provided by INFLIBNET.

The faculty of the respective departments selected journals of their choice which were related to their area of expertise. The following are the journals subscribed in both hard and online soft copies:

Dept. of Economics

1. Journal of Corporate Finance

2. Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics
3. Textile Outlook International
4. World Development
5. Journal of Development Economics
6. Food Policy
7. Journal of South Asian Development

Dept. of Teacher Education

1. Constructivist Foundations
2. Learning and Instruction
3. Review of Educational Research

Dept. of Library and Information Science

1. LIBRI
2. Library & Information Science Research

3. IFLA Journal

Dept. of Mass Communication

1. European Journal of Communication
2. New Media & Society
3. Journalism & Communication Monographs
4. Journalism
5. The International Communication Gazette
6. Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly
7. Journal of Visual Culture
8. Convergence

Dept. of Social Work

1. Research on Social Work Practice
2. International Social Work

3. Journal of Social Work
4. Contributions to Indian Sociology
5. Sociology of Education
6. Non-Profit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Dept. of Management

1. Asian Journal of Management Cases
2. The Journal of Entrepreneurship
3. International Journal of Cross Cultural Management
4. Journal of Human Values
5. Global Business Review

Dept. of Environment

1. Journal of Indian Geological Congress

Summer Internship of the School of Journalism, Mass Communication and New Media

Students of the School of Journalism, Mass Communication and New Media attended a thirty-day internship training at various reputed media institutions during the summer vacations between June–July 2013, as a part of their curriculum in consonance with the University's vision of

establishing a connect between the world of knowledge and the world of work.

Some of the institutions where our students honed their skills to become future communication professionals as interns are Zee Media, IBN7, Doordarshan Shimla, India News, TBWA Advertising, Daily

Post, A1 Tehelka, Ru-Bru, and TV 100 Himachal Pradesh.

During this one-month training the student trainees got accustomed to the working style of different media institutions and were able to practically fathom the importance of theory that they have learned

as a part of their chosen course.

Students were also exposed to intricacies of the media world and acquired practical knowledge about broadcast and print journalism, production techniques for different media and nuances of practical advertising.

Block Placement of MSW Students

The 3rd Semester students of the Department of Social Work undertook a 45-days Block Placement Training in various NGOs, and Industrial Establishments as part of the requirement of their MSW course curriculum. This Block Placement Training is held during the summer vacations and would be evaluated for 4 Credits in the 3rd Semester. The students were deputed to the following organisations/institutions namely— Jagori Grameen, Dharam-

shala; Society for the Advancement of Village Economy, Gaya (Bihar); Vatsalya, Lucknow; Young Women's IDEA, Dharamshala; Maa Saraswati Society (MASS), Palampur, H.P.; Society for Promotion of Youth and Masses (SPYM), Delhi; UDAAN Society, Aligarh; Himalaya Cultural Heritage Foundation, Leh Ladakh; Gramin Sewa Ashram; V.P.O- Bhawarna, Teh-Palampur, Dist-Kangra, H.P.; and NTPC Auraiya Gas Power Station, P.O.

Dibiyapur, Dist. Auraiya, Uttar Pradesh.

The purpose of placing students in institutional settings is to provide them with on-the-job experience and also to expose them to various broad areas of social work and social development, social welfare, work with various disadvantaged and vulnerable populations etc.

Issues and concerns which students had an opportunity to work on were in the field of do-

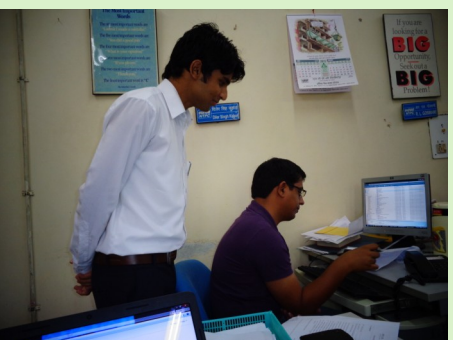
mestic violence, youth development, gender discrimination, micro-credit, women & child welfare, health, skill training & livelihoods development, substance abuse, drug de-addiction, counselling & rehabilitation, watershed management, rural development, etc.

Students are required to submit a report of the work done and make a presentation of the same before the class before final evaluation.

PHOTO ESSAY



MSW Students undergoing their Block Field Work Placement



PO Box 21,
Dharamshala
District Kangra
Himachal Pradesh - 176215

Phone: +91(1892) 229330
Fax: +91(1892) 229331
E-mail: vc.cuhimachal@gmail.com



CUHP

**Committed to Inclusive
Access and Excellence in
Higher Education**

www.cuhimachal.ac.in

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.

OPENING NEW VISTAS IN ACADEMIC COLLABORATIONS

University of Applied Sciences, Frankfurt (Germany) Fachhochschule, Frankfurt am Main, invited Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Dean, School of Social Sciences as a visiting faculty and also to work on the LOIC signed by the Registrar, CUHP as well as the Dean, Faculty of Social Work and Health, FH-FFM. Prof. Agrawal reached there on 21.07.2013 and lectured and participated in the Summer Programme International Encounters on Social Justice. Simultaneously, he worked on developing a draft for the MOU for future partnership agreement to be signed between CUHP and FH-FFM. This preliminary draft of MOU has been sent to the International Division of FH-FFM which was in turn sent to the Vice Chancellor, CUHP by e-mail on 01.08.2013. This draft has been sent by CUHP to FH-FFM after incorporating necessary amendments. Hopefully soon an MoU would be signed.