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"Literacy in itself is no education. Literacy is not the end of education or even the beginning.

By education, I mean an all-round drawing out of the best in the child and the man - body, mind and spirit."



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An Interview with Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, Vice Chancellor, JNU



JNU News: When and how did your association with JNU start?

VC: My association with JNU began in 1985 when I joined here for my M.Phil. course at CIPOD in

SIS. I did my M.Phil. and PhD [1985-1990]. I had JRF and SRF. My supervisor was Prof. K.P. Misra. I stayed in Jhelum hostel and was also elected its President.

JNU News: In what ways do you think JNU has changed from the time you were here as a student to the present day?

VC: We were just 3000 students and SIS and Languages school was in the Down Campus. The area was full of forests. We had a DTC bus 666 and a JNU bus that drive to libraries. Both of these services are no longer present.

The Left was nationalistic and this present blending of Left with religious groups were non-existence in our days.

The students had a very few limited facilities in regards to electronic gadgets and vehicles which seems to be more now.

JNU News: How has been your experience in JNU so far? Is there any memory that stands out?

VC: Very good so far. The faculty and student are vibrant community of any university. Have been meeting them all.

JNU News: According to you, what makes JNU different from the other University?

VC: This is an oasis of intellectual activity as well an arena of excellent academic and research development and along with it we celebrate diversity, democracy, differences and dissent altogether.

JNU News: What are some long-range objectives that you think for the full-fledged development of the University? What will you do to achieve them?

VC: At present there is a financial deficit of 110 crores. So, looking forward for an innovative way of raising a corpus of 1000 crores. In addition, working for infrastructure repairs and maintenance- Both Public and Private revenue generation. Faculty recruitment and promotion.

Non-Teaching recruitment- There are 700 vacancies and the recruitment process has begun.

JNU News: What do you think what are the core strength of the University?

VC: It's a combination of world class faculty and very intelligent student community coming from all over India.

JNU News: Vice-Chancellor, what do you consider to be the main challenges for JNU at present?

VC: Infrastructure repairs and up gradations and finding the funds for it.
Changing JNU's negative image.
Teaching and Non-Teaching promotions and recruitment.

JNU News: Describe an experience in which your ability to work well with others and reconcile differences helped university and employer.

VC: I treat all equally as JNU family.

JNU News: What kind of efforts will you make to stay in touch with your international alumni as and with your home students? Why is it important for alumni to be engaged in the University's work and what can the University offer them?

VC: Strengthening and refocusing our Alumni Association.

JNU News: What is your plan ahead for further expansion of the university?

VC: Retaining our core strengths and refocussing on the recently established Schools in terms of faculty, staff and infrastructure.

JNU News: What will be your approach in governance as a Vice Chancellor?

VC: My focus will be inclusivity, efficiency and cleanliness of the university. And zero tolerance to violence, corruption and inefficiency.

JNU News: What is your vision and ideas for research in the university?

VC: Digitalization of administration, teaching and research. It is an oasis of intellectual activity as well an arena where we celebrate academic and research development, diversity, democracy, difference and dissent.

JNU News: How would you like to see your Vice Chancellorship here in the coming years? How do you define success?

VC: Better infrastructure, financial efficiency and accountability of the university. Surplus with a robust corpus.

JNU News: How should JNU respond to the challenges posed by student on various issues every now and then?

VC: Respect to difference, diversity and dissent as we have a decentralized and democratic administration.

JNU News: What messages you would like to give to the JNU fraternity?

VC: All stakeholders must participate actively in solving issues of the university.

In Conversation with Prof. Arvind Kumar, Dean, Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship (ABVSM&E)



How were you introduced to JNU?

I taught at Lady Shri Ram College for Women (LSR), University of Delhi for almost two decades. However, I was always fascinated by the intellectual capital of JNU.

Luckily, Atal Bihari Vajpayee

School of Management & Entrepreneurship was established in the year 2018 and in the following year, the School advertised for faculty recruitment in 2019. I applied for the same, got selected and subsequently joined JNU in December 2020. I was even given the responsibility of the Dean of the School in May 2021.

What are some of the goals the school wants to accomplish in the coming few years?

Some goals that the School wishes to fulfill in the next few years are:

1. Establishing an Incubation Centre, promoting entrepreneurship & Section 8 Companies on campus.
2. Initiating Executive Education in Management
3. Initiating Management / Executive Development Program
4. Establishing and promoting new Centres in the School like-
 - (a) Centre for Social Entrepreneurship,
 - (b) Centre for Corporate Governance & Public Policy
 - (c) Centre for Agri Business & Rural Management

What is one message you would like to give to JNU Students?

JNU students are not only individuals with high intellectual acumen but also politically conscious responsible citizens. I wish to make an appeal to

them to contribute their best towards nation building in every capacity, be it as Corporate leaders, Entrepreneurs, Educators, Administrators, Policy makers etc. to carry forward the legacy of our great University.

How would you describe your experience here?

It's been a great experience to work as the Dean of ABVME especially when the school has been only recently established and is just three years old. The first batch of MBA graduated last year and I am happy to share that students from the batch were hired by and are working with prestigious corporate houses and PSUs. The School also offers MS programme in collaborative mode and Ph.D. in Business Administration. We are planning to start a Diploma programme in Entrepreneurship from 2022-23 onwards. It is quite challenging to establish a new business school in Delhi/ NCR, but we are committed to make ABVSME a premier business school of the country with the guidance and support of the University leadership.

How has the transition been from being a faculty member to being part of the administration?

Transitions are the part & parcel of life. We have all been witness to an almost enforced transition during the Covid-19 pandemic. In comparison from being a faculty member to being a part of the administration is not that difficult a transition. Within the ecosystem of the University we have to work with our own coworkers, colleagues and students. In this context, we are very privileged to have the support from colleagues, students as well as the university administration. I am very grateful to the University leadership for trusting me with the responsibility of the Convocation 2021.

In Conversation with Prof. Prakash Chand Kandpal, Chairperson, Centre for the Study of Law and Governance



How were you introduced to JNU?

JNU is one of the top academic and research institutions in India. I have always wanted to be a part of this academic fraternity. It is through its reputation in the academic circle, and in the national and international media that I came to know about JNU.

I joined JNU in December, 2020 as a Professor at Centre for the Study of Law and Governance.

How would you describe your experience here?

My personal experience in the last one year as a faculty member has been really good where I have had a chance to experience its academic excellence and eco-friendly environment first-hand.

The teachers and the research students in JNU are academically committed. The research quality of the faculty is at par with some of the best universities of the world.

I personally also appreciate JNU's green cover and the natural landscape. It gives a lot of mental peace. After entering JNU we forget the noisy and polluted environment, which is a permanent part of the urban life of Delhi. It is the perfect environment for academic and research activities.

How has the transition been from being a faculty member to being part of the administration?

As far as administrative assignment is concerned, it gave me an opportunity to understand and learn the academic life of JNU very closely. I got a chance to become a part of the decision-making process of the University system.

My experience has been good. At CSLG we have a disciplined academic life. Faculty members are academically engaged and encourage the students in their academic pursuits. Overall, at our center there is a vibrant academic environment.

There is also an active engagement with the JNU administration. This interaction has enriched my administrative knowledge.

As a part of administration, we become more engaged with the day-to-day life of the centre and also the important part of the University administration. One has to balance his academic life as well the make his/her contribution to enhance the prestige of the University. Administrative life makes us more responsible and accountable and gives us an opportunity to contribute to the progress of the University.

What are some of the goals for the Centre in the next few years?

We are planning to initiate more research collaborations with international academic institutions. The focus of our research would be to address the day-to-day issues and problems of society. Another goal is to involve our research students in socially relevant projects. The center is also planning to start an open access journal. The Centre will also be proposing an interdisciplinary PG course in Law and Governance.

What is one message you would like to give to JNU Students?

JNU is one of the best academic and research institutions in India. I would urge the students to utilize this opportunity to excel in their desired field and achieve the pinnacle of success.

In Conversation with Prof. Rajeev Sijariya, Chairperson, Special Centre for E-Learning



How were you introduced to JNU?

Jawaharlal Nehru University launched management programs a few years ago under the new school in the name of former Prime Minister Bharat Ratna late

Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji to promote entrepreneurship and produce entrepreneurial managers to serve the country. Entrepreneurs are the backbone to fulfil our dream of a self-reliant Bharat. I could not restrain myself from being associated with this premier University when destiny brought me here. I have been fortunate enough for getting an opportunity to interact and collaborate with several academicians from the University and in my past academic life.

How would you describe your experience here?

JNU has its own flavour when it comes to academics, research and socio-political awareness among the stakeholders. One should respect this uniqueness of the institution. I follow democratic and participative leadership traditions collating support of different office bearers and the student community. Faculty members play an essential role in the education process and I am happy to be a part of the responsible and professionally committed team here. JNU has greeted me warmly since the time I have joined the institution.

How has the transition been from being a faculty member to being part of the administration?

I have more than 24 years of experience in academia and industry, the maximum part of it at managerial and administrative positions. Having donned various hats including that of HOD, Dean, Chief Hostel Warden, Principal, Director among others, I enjoy my responsibilities towards the institution for the smooth conduction of its day-to-day functions and longer vision. Thus, the administrative role is not new to me but rather something that has been part and parcel of my career. Henceforth, the transition

has been smooth and reasonably natural. I feel fortunate to be a part of the decision-making team for the overall development of our university.

What are some of the goals for the school/centers in the next few years?

Online learning has become the new normal in education sector worldwide. The National Education Policy-2020 strongly advocates a judicious mix of traditional teachings with ICT and online education. The latest versions of online courses are need of the hour. IGNOU and IIMs are taking effective leadership in the same countrywide. JNU will be offering world-class education programs through Special Centre for E-Learnings for undergraduates, postgraduates, working professionals and also to all those senior secondary school students who are at the verge of entry points into higher education. All these may be in the form of certificate/ diploma/ degree courses that can enhance skill and improve capacity to become more productive through new cutting-edge technology, language, professional know-how, etc. This will break geographic and demographic barriers and remove time constraints, thereby benefiting the whole population interested in investing their human resource development with the quality education of JNU. Our courses will reach worldwide with the Special Centre for E-Learning (SCEL) initiatives. We are targeting content not just for an Indian audience but for a global reach as well.

What is one message you would like to give to JNU students?

JNU carries a very vast legacy in terms of education. Thousands of its alumni are serving not only at National but at the International forum too; hundreds of IAS, IPS, IFS, and IRS are in the bureaucracy, media, education, and almost in all walks of life. This beautiful tradition needs to be continued. Let top brass be attracted towards its various schools and we promise to serve them with more rigour. They should not only have the intentions to build their career but also the desire to contribute to a far bigger National reconstruction mission.

Movements & Appointments

New Appointments/ Deans/ Directors/ Chairpersons

March – December, 2021

- Prof. Aswini Kumar Mohapatra, Centre for West Asian Studies, re-appointed as Dean in the School of International Studies, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Sudhir Kumar as Dean, in the School of Sanskrit & Indic Studies, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Anamika, Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Science Policy, School of Social Sciences as Associate Dean of Students – I, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Binaya Ranjan Panda, School of Biotechnology as Director in International Collaboration for a period of two years.
- Prof. Sharad Kumar Soni, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies as Director in Human Rights Studies Programme, School of International Studies, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Brajesh Kumar Pandey, School of Sanskrit & Indic Studies as Director in Hindi Madhyam Karyanvayan Nideshalay.
- Dr. Malkhan Singh, Assistant Professor, Centre for Indian Language, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies as Assistant Director in Hindi Madhyam Karyanvayan Nideshalay.
- Prof. Sangeeta Thapliyal as Chairperson in the Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Mollica Dastidar Re-appointed as Chairperson in the Associate Professor, Centre for Comparative Politics and Political Theory, School of International Studies.
- Prof. Swaran Singh Jaswal, as Chairperson, Centre for International Politics Organization and Disarmament, School of International Studies.
- Prof. Indrani Mukherjee, as Chairperson, Centre of Spanish, Portuguese, Italian & Latin American Studies, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Sushant Kumar Mishra as Chairperson in the Centre for French and Francophone Studies, School of Language, Literature & Culture

Studies for administrative purposes until new Chairperson appointed.

- Prof. Gulshan Sachdeva as Chairperson in the Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies for administrative purposes until new Chairperson appointed.
- Dr. Rashmini Anil Koparkar, Assistant Professor, Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies, School of International Studies as Proctor, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Ram Pravesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Environmental Sciences as Proctor, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Ruchir Gupta, School of Engineering as Coordinator, Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) Centre, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Binod Kumar Kanaujia, School of Computational & Integrative Sciences as Co-coordinator, Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) Centre, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Anshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, Centre for Canadian, US & Latin American Studies as Coordinator in the Media Relations, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Gaurav Kumar, Assistant Professor, Centre of Spanish, Portuguese, Italian & Latin American Studies as Co-coordinator in the Media Relations, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Saurabh K. Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of Computer and Systems Sciences as Co-coordinator in the Media Relations, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Rajeev Sijariya, Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship, as International Students Advisor for a period of two years.
- Dr. Vir Bahadur Singh as Professor in the School of Computer and System Sciences.
- Dr. Manju Khari as Associate Professor in the School of Computer and Systems Sciences.
- Dr. Shailendra Kumar as Associate Professor in the School of Biotechnology.

January – February 2022

- Prof. Mukesh Jain, as Dean in the School of Computational and Integrative Sciences, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Kaushal Kumar Sharma, Centre for the Study of Regional Development, School of Social Sciences, as Dean in the School of Social Sciences, for a period of two years.

- Prof. Srikanth Kondapalli, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, as Dean in the School of International Studies, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Paulraj Rajamani, as Dean in the School of Environmental Sciences, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Kedar Singh, re-appointed as Dean in the School of Physical Sciences for a period of two years.
- Prof. Atul Kumar, Energy Studies Programme, School of International Studies, as Director, in the Internal Quality Assurance Cell, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Sharad Kumar Soni, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies, as Director, Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Advanced Study, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Atul Kumar, as Director, Energy Studies Programme, School of International Studies, for a period of two years.
- Prof. Rajeev Sijariya, Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management & Entrepreneurship, as Chairperson in the Special Centre for E-Learning, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Radha Mohan Meena, Assistant Professor, Centre for Russian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, as Proctor, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Neerja Samajdar, Associate Professor, Centre for Korean Studies, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies as Chief Coordinator, Linguistic Empowerment Cell, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor, Centre for Chinese and South East Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies, as Coordinator Linguistic Empowerment Cell, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Manuradha Chaudhary, Assistant Professor, Centre of Russian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, as Coordinator, National Service Scheme, for a period of two years.
- Dr. Shuchi Yadav, Associate Professor, Centre for Media Studies, School of Social Sciences as coordinator, Media Relations for a period of two years.
- Dr. Saurabh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of Computer and Systems Sciences as Co-coordinator, Media Relations for a period of two years.

- Dr. Gayettri Dixit, Assistant Professor, Centre for African Studies, School of International Studies as Co-coordinator, Media Relations for a period of two years.

Administration

March – December, 2021

- Prof. Anirban Chakraborti, School of Computational & Integrative Sciences as Registrar.
- Dr. Abhijeet Dwivedi, Assistant Professor, Special Centre for Disaster Research, as Deputy Director (Legal Cell), for a period of two years.
- Prof. Ravikesh, Center for Korean Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies as Registrar.

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- Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit as Vice-Chancellor of the Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- Prof. Ajay Kumar Dubey, Centre for African Studies, School of International Studies, as Rector of the Jawaharlal Nehru University.

Retirements/ Resignations/ Voluntary Retirements/ Relieved

- Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, Centre for Persian and Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Prof. Ajay Kumar Patnaik, Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies, School of International Studies.
- Prof. Rajendra Denge, Centre for German Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Prof. B.N. Mallick, School of Life Sciences.
- Prof. Radhika Singha, Centre for Historical Studies, School of Social Sciences.
- Prof. P.S. Khillare, School of Environmental Sciences.
- Prof. Gurpreet Mahajan, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences.
- Prof. Balkrishna Champat Vaidya, Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, School of International Studies.
- Prof. Pius M.C. Malekandathil, Centre for Historical Studies, School of Social Sciences.
- Prof. Pralaya Ranjan Kanungo, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences.

- Prof. Aparna Dixit, School of Biotechnology.
- Prof. Maitrayee Chaudhuri, Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences.
- Prof. Avijit Pathak, Centre for Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences.
- Prof. Aftab Kamal Pasha, Centre for West Asian Studies, School of International Studies.
- Prof. Kumkum Roy, Centre for Historical Studies, School of Social Sciences.
- Dr. Tanweer Fazal, Associate Professor in the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences.
- Dr. Sharad Gupta, Associate Professor, School of Biotechnology.
- Dr. L. Lam Khan Piang, Assistant Professor in the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences.
- Smti Nandita Saikia, Assistant Professor, Centre for the Study of Regional Development, School of Social Sciences
- Prof. Aftab Kamal Pasha, Centre for West Asian Studies, School of International Studies.
- Shri Sameer Sharma, Finance Officer, JNU.
- Dr. Pramod Kumar, Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- Shri P. Ajai Babu, Deputy Registrar, Administration Branch.
- Sh. Satyam Bharti, Assistant Registrar, Salary & Project.
- Shri Sumer Singh, Assistant Director, Rajbhasha Cell.
- Mohd. Sabir Chauhan, Section Officer, Academic Branch – I.
- Shri Bharat Bhushan Singh Rawat, Private Secretary, University Science Instrumentation Centre.
- Shri K. Rajan, Private Secretary, School of Computer and Systems Sciences.
- Smt. Reena Nainwal, Personal Assistant, Director of Admissions.
- Shri Tej Pal, Senior Assistant, Koyna Hostel.
- Shri Shivanand Sirsiker, Senior Technical Assistant, Centre for Social Medicine & Community Health, School of Social Sciences.
- Shri Amar Singh Yadav, Professional Assistant, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Central Library.
- Smt. Shahnaz Praveen Naqvi, Assistant, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Central Library.
- Sh. Daya Nand, Assistant, Sports Office.
- Shri Jagdish Prasad, Junior Assistant – cum – Typist, Special Centre for Molecular Medicine.

- Smt. Bilochani Devi, MTS, Inter Hall Administration.
- Shri Ram Loli Shah, Office Attendant, Group of Adult Education, School of Social Sciences.
- Smt. Santosh, Office Attendant, Jawaharlal Nehru University Students' Union.
- Shri Puran Bahadur, Head Mess Helper, Jhelum Hostel.
- Shri Lalu Ram, Wireman, Engineering Branch.
- Shri Vijender Singh, Security Guard, Security Branch.
- Shri Inder Singh Balguher, Sanitary Guide, Jhelum Hostel.
- Smt. Kamla Devi-III, Sanitary Guide, School of Biotechnology.

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- Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- Prof. G. Mukhopadhyay, Special Centre for Molecular Medicine.
- Prof. Moinuddin A. Jinabade, Centre for Indian Languages, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Prof. Vyjayanti Raghavan, Centre for Korean Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Prof. Syed Ainal Hasan, Centre of Persian and Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Prof. Krishna Gopal Saxena, School of Environment Sciences.
- Prof. Sk. Ishtiaque Ahmed, Centre of Persian and Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies.
- Sh. Kh. Siile Anthony, Joint Registrar, Engineering Department/ OSD to Vice-Chancellor.
- Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Assistant Registrar, S&P, JNU.
- Sh. Om Prakash-II, Assistant, Centre for German Studies, School of Language and Literature and Culture Studies.
- Smt. Savita Chawla, Senior Assistant, Bill Section – I.
- Sh. Radha Madhab Bandyopadhyay, Section Officer, Evaluation – I.

Notifications

The Competent Authority of the University has constituted a Committee consisting of the following members for smoothly conducting nonteaching (JNU-Staff Association) elections as per Covid-19 guidelines.

1. Prof. R. Paul Raj, School of Environmental Sciences
2. Prof. Arun S. Kharat, School of Life Sciences
3. Shri P. Ajai Babu, Deputy Registrar, Administration

The Vice- Chancellor has Constituted University Safety Committee comprising of the following members to ensure compliance with the guidelines of IJGC on procurement, storage, usage and disposal of radioactive and other hazardous material/chemicals in the University:-

1. Prof. P. K. Joshi - Chairman
2. Dr. Gautam Patra, CMO (SAG) - Member
3. Sh. Gagandeep Singh, D. R. (Admn.) - Member
4. Sh. Naveen Yadav, CSO - Member
5. Sh. Ravinder Kumar, Fire Inspector - Member
6. Sh. S. K. Mishra, RSO, SLS - Member Secretary

The guidelines and nomination from Schools/Centres will remain same as mentioned in notification dated 6.11.2017

The Competent Authority has constituted a committee consisting of the following members in regards to preparing of the State to prevent ingress of Avian Influenza:

1. Prof. Ravikesh, Registrar - Chairperson
2. Prof. Deepak Sharma, SLS - Member
3. Prof. Sudheer Pratap Singh, DoS - Member
4. Dr. Gautam Patra, CMO (SAG), UHC - Member
5. Sh. M. K. Pachauri, JR (Estate) - Member
6. Dr. D. K. Yadav, Veterinary Officer, Animal House - Member
7. Sh. Gagandeep Singh, DR (Admn.) - Member

The following faculty members have been appointed as Wardens for the hostels for the period mentioned against each for a period of 2 years:

Sl. No.	Name of Warden	Name of the Hostel	Term extended
1.	Dr. Ranvijay Associate Professor CIPOD/SIS	Warden Flat No. 01 Mahi – Mandavi Hostel	Appointed for a period of 2 years from the date of joining
2.	Prof. Ananda Kumar Sarkar SLS	Warden Flat No. 02 Sutlej Hostel	Appointed for a period of 2 years from the date of joining
3.	Dr. Vijay Pal Singh Rawat Associate Professor SCMM	Warden Flat No. 02 Brahmaputra Hostel	Appointed for a period of 2 years from the date of joining He will perform his duties as Warden in Chandrabhaga Hostel and Subanshir Hostel
4.	Dr. Manju Khari Associate Professor CS&SS	Warden Flat No. 04 Lohit Hostel	Appointed for a period of 2 years from the date of joining

Achievements/Awards



Dr. Sheetal Sharma, Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, was nominated for the prestigious European Union Visitors Program 2020 (EUVP). As a platform for dialogue the

EUVP Program involves a study visit to Brussels, individually tailored to gain first-hand information on the EU's values, functioning, activities, policies and perspectives.

Dr. Sheetal Sharma from Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, was awarded Jean Monnet Module 2020-2023, and Jean Monnet Project 2020-2022, under the Framework of Erasmus+ Program - Jean Monnet Activities- 2019. The award includes a financial grant to promote European Studies in India.

Dr. Rakesh Arya, CSRD, SSS



received the “National Award for e-Governance 2020” for his work on ‘eForest Fire-Himalayan Forest Fire Prediction’, Arunachal Pradesh given by Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances (DARPG), Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Government of India and Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Government of India.

The work is an innovative combination of mobile, web GIS, administrative and people’s participation in real-time reporting and management of forest fires.

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ने किया सम्मानित

जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय के प्रो. रविकेश को कोरिया गणराज्य के उप प्रधानमंत्री व शिक्षा मंत्री ने प्रशस्ति पत्र देकर सम्मानित किया ।

प्रो. रविकेश को यह सम्मान भारत में कोरियन स्टडीज के क्षेत्र में अनुसंधान गतिविधियों और अकादमिक उत्कृष्टता को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए मिला है । कोरियन भाषा, साहित्य और संस्कृति को पढ़ाने के क्षेत्र में प्रो. रविकेश को 20 साल का अनुभव है । जेएनयू में वह मौजूदा समय में सेंटर फॉर कोरियन स्टडीज, स्कूल ऑफ लैंग्वेज लिटरेचर एंड कल्चर स्टडीज के चेयरपर्सन है । रविकेश ने जेएनयू में कोरियन भाषा की पढ़ाई की । यहां से उन्होंने 1995 में बी ए आनर्स व 1998 में एम ए किया । जेएनयू कुलपति एम जगदेश कुमार ने सोशल मीडिया साइट ट्विटर पर इस बारे में जानकारी दी है । उन्होंने कहा कि हमें आशा है कि प्रो. रविकेश के नेतृत्व में दो देशों के बीच सांस्कृतिक संबंध नई ऊंचाइयों का गवाह बनेंगे । इसके साथ ही देश में कोरियन स्टडीज़ के क्षेत्र में जेएनयू हब बनेगा ।



Dr. B. S. Balaji, Associate Professor, School of Biotechnology, selected as the recipient of Association of Chemistry Teachers – Prof. P R Singh Award for Outstanding Contribution to Chemistry Education for 2021.

Campus Activities

हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता

विश्वविद्यालय में मातृभाषा दिवस 2021 के अवसर पर जेएनयू छात्र/छात्राओं के लिए आयोजित हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता में निम्नलिखित प्रतिभागी विजेता रहे:-

क्र.सं.	छात्र/छात्रा का नाम एवं कोर्स (सर्वश्री/सुश्री)	स्कूल/ सेंटर का नाम	पुरस्कार	पुरस्कार राशि
1.	धीरज कुमार सिंह	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	पहला पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और तीन पुस्तक
2.	सौरभ सिंह	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	पहला पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और तीन पुस्तक
3.	दीपक सौलंकी	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	दूसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और दो पुस्तक
4.	अजीत डीडेल	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	दूसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और दो पुस्तक
5.	मो. नियाज अंसारी	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	तीसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और एक पुस्तक
6.	रिशु शर्मा	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	तीसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और एक पुस्तक
7.	अनिल श्रीवास	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो
8.	विमलेश सरोज	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो
9.	अंकेश भाटी	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो
10.	राहुल मीणा	भारतीय भाषा केंद्र/ (SLL&CS)	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो

राजभाषा एवं कार्यालयी ज्ञान प्रश्नोत्तरी प्रतियोगिता

विश्वविद्यालय में मातृभाषा दिवस 2021 के अवसर पर स्टाफ सदस्यों के लिए आयोजित राजभाषा एवं कार्यालयी ज्ञान प्रश्नोत्तरी प्रतियोगिता में निम्नलिखित कार्मिक विजेता रहे:-

प्रतियोगिता का नाम	नाम एवं पदनाम (सर्वश्री/सुश्री/डॉ.)	तैनाती स्थान	पुरस्कार की स्थिति	पुरस्कार
राजभाषा एवं कार्यालयी ज्ञान प्रश्नोत्तरी प्रतियोगिता	प्रशांत कुमार वरिष्ठ सहायक	शैक्षिक शाखा - I	पहला पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और तीन पुस्तक
	बांके लाल यादव वरिष्ठ सहायक	प्रशासन शाखा - I	दूसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और दो पुस्तक
	अजय राजन कनिष्ठ सहायक व टंकक	प्रशासन शाखा - I	तीसरा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और एक पुस्तक
	गणेश चंद जोशी सहायक	प्रशासन शाखा - I	चौथा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और एक पुस्तक
	अमिता कुमारी वरिष्ठ सहायक	शैक्षिक शाखा - I	पांचवा पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो और एक पुस्तक
	ईश्वर चंद प्रयोगशाला सहायक	पर्यावरण विज्ञान संस्थान	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो
	रश्मि गौड़ वरिष्ठ सहायक	प्रशासन शाखा - II	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो
	जगमोहन सिंह कार्यालय परिचर	प्रशासन शाखा - II	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	प्रमाणपत्र, जेएनयू मोमेंटो

Jawaharlal Nehru University, Comptroller and Auditor General of India today signed an MoU

Jawaharlal Nehru University, Comptroller and Auditor General of India Today signed an MoU to initiate their new association in an academic activity. JNU has recently given recognition to a new programme of MA in Audit and Accounts to be offered by CAG's premier training institute, National Academy for Audit and Accounts, Shimla (NAAA). The NAAA had last year applied to JNU for recognizing this course offered to CAG's newly inducted Officers during their mandatory two-year



training at NAAA, which the University examined

carefully and approved it through its statutory bodies, AC and EC.

On the occasion of the signing ceremony Vice-chancellor of JNU, Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, expressed his happiness for this new relationship and said that the officers of CAG will henceforth be the graduates of JNU and JNU will extend all administrative and academic assistance to NAAA in bringing richness and rigour to this new graduate programme. He highlighted the need for knowledge generation for the overall development of the country and suggested for incorporation of research component in the course curriculum of NAAA. Both current DG and earlier DG (NAAA) were present during the MoU signing function. They have expressed need for further collaboration with JNU and the faculty exchange. While speaking on the occasion, Dy. CAG of India said that NAAA and CAG were delighted with this association and congratulated the NAAA for its programme and getting recognition for it from one of the top universities in the country.

S C Garkoti
Rector – II

JNU has developed a state-of-the-art animal research facility



The newly developed state-of-the-art animal research facility laboratory was inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar in the presence of many JNU faculty members. The facility is supported by the National Facility project from the Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Research Programme (DPRP), DST. This facility has been developed by M/s Labinnovation in order to meet the requirement of advanced research utilizing athymic/ immune compromised mice and transgenic animals. This facility will be useful to serve the ongoing research projects involving pre-clinical animal models at JNU. Further, the collaborative research projects with JNU

will also get its benefit. The facility will meet all the regulatory requirements of CPCSEA (Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals), Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC), Good Laboratory Practices (GLP), Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC) International Guidelines.

On this occasion, the Vice-Chancellor said, “JNU has developed this state-of-the-art animal research facility which will enhance the quality and spectrum of investigations in the area of biomedical research at JNU. It will further provide training and exposure on how to handle and ethically use the valuable laboratory animals to research scholars and young scientists working in various areas of life sciences and systems medicine.”

Rana Pratap Singh
Rector – III

Jawaharlal Nehru University has achieved the status of Second Best University in India

It is a matter of great pride and satisfaction for the entire JNU Community that, for the fifth time in a row, Jawaharlal Nehru University has achieved the status of the Second Best University in India after Indian Institute of Science in the NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework) Ranking by the Ministry of Education. JNU continues to remain the number one Central University in the country.

The rankings of educational institutions are based on a highly credible set of parameters that include teaching, learning, research, outreach, among other parameters

Vice Chancellor Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar congratulated the students, faculty members, staff and officers of the University and said: “We feel really happy that despite the globally debilitating Covid-19 pandemic, JNU teachers and students have put in their entire effort and energy in continuing with their research and teaching in all sincerity. We draw immense satisfaction from the innovative research and teaching programmes JNU has launched over the past five years”. That JNU remains a No 1 University in India is a reason for celebration for all alumni.

S. C. Garkoti
Rector II

Fifth Convocation on 30 September, 2021

Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) conducted its fifth convocation, 30 September, 2021. Over 550 Ph.D degrees were conferred in the virtual event. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Honorable Minister of Education, Government of India, was the chief guest of the program.

During his address to JNU, he congratulated the scholars who achieved Ph.D degrees along with their supervisors and the University. He said, “Our educational institutions such as JNU have a fundamental role in disseminating quality education and to empower the masses and youth to contribute to the process of nation-building.” He also mentioned that, “After a gap of more than three decades, we now have the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 with us. Efforts have been made to provide holistic education to every child and youth in India. Based on the foundation of accessibility, affordability, equity and quality, this visionary document will assert to make the India that our ancestors and the great philosophers have dreamt of.”

Due to the pandemic, the function was organized in virtual mode. Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, Vice-chancellor, JNU said: “This year has unfolded a series of events that have made us grow even more resilient in our objective to pursue and achieve excellence. The fact that the University has been able to produce so many graduates at a time when not only India but the entire world is grappling with the ill effects and the aftermath of the Corona pandemic speaks volumes about the quality of effort that the research scholars and faculty members have put into their work. It is a matter of great pride for the entire JNU community that for the fifth consecutive year, our university has been ranked as number two among the universities in India in NIRF rankings.”

JNU is primarily a research-oriented university. In this year’s convocation, more than 550 Ph.D degrees were conferred to the research scholars who pursued research in 11 Schools, 03 special centres and Centre. With the establishment of new schools and centres during last couple of years, such as School of Engineering and Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management & Entrepreneurship, Special Centre of Disaster Studies, Special Centre for National Security Studies and Special Centre for Study of North East India, the number of Ph.D degrees will further increase in the coming years. This will further strengthen the research and innovation environment existing in the University.

JNU, which tops the universities in the country securing A++ grade (highest grade conferred by NAAC) and second in university ranking released by NIRF (MHRD), is known for its innovative and unorthodox high- quality research in the country. This convocation reflects the result of the hard works done by the research scholars and teachers in their respective disciplines.

S C Garkoti
Rector II

विश्वविद्यालय में हिन्दी पखवाड़ा २०२१ के दौरान स्टाफ के लिए ऑनलाइन आयोजित हिन्दी निबन्ध लिखन प्रतियोगिता में निम्नलिखित कार्मिक विजेता रहे:-

प्रतियोगिता का नाम	नाम एवं पदनाम (सर्वश्री/सुश्री)	तैनाती स्थान	पुरस्कार की स्थिति	पुरस्कार
हिन्दी निबन्ध लिखन प्रतियोगिता	श्री राम राज वर्मा, वरिष्ठ सहायक	प्रशासन शाखा - 3	पहला पुरस्कार	रु. 2500/-
	श्री दीपक कुमार, कंप्यूटर ओपरेटर	राजभाषा प्रकोष्ठ	दूसरा पुरस्कार	रु. 2000/- (प्रत्येक)
	श्री अमित कुमार, कंप्यूटर ओपरेटर	प्रशासन शाखा - 3		
	श्री गणेश चन्द जोशी, सहायक	प्रशासन शाखा - 1	तीसरा	रु. 1500/- (प्रत्येक)
	श्री अजय राजन, कनि. सहा. व टंकक	प्रशासन शाखा - 1	तीसरा	
	श्री ईश्वर चन्द, प्रयोगशाला परिचर	पर्यावरण विज्ञान संस्थान	तीसरा	
	सुश्री कुलविन्दर कौर, कनि. सहा. व टंकक	स्वास्थ्य केंद्र	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	रु. 1000/- (प्रत्येक)
	सुश्री नीलम सैन, कंप्यूटर ओपरेटर	भौतिक विज्ञान संस्थान	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	

जवाहरलाल नेहरु विश्वविद्यालय में हिन्दी पखवाड़ा २०२१ के दौरान (छात्र/छात्राओं के लिए) आयोजित हिन्दी प्रतियोगिताओं में निम्नलिखित छात्र/छात्रा विजेता रहे हैं:-

प्रतियोगिता का नाम	छात्र/छात्रा का नाम (श्री/सुश्री)	स्कूल/केन्द्र का नाम	पुरस्कार की स्थिति	पुरस्कार सामग्री
हिन्दी कहानी लेखन प्रतियोगिता	एजाजुल हक	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	पहला पुरस्कार	रु. 5000/-
	अजीत डिडेल	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	दूसरा पुरस्कार	रु. 3000/-
	अंकेश भाटी	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	तीसरा पुरस्कार	रु. 2000/-
	अभिषेक सौरभ	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	रु. 1000/-
	विदेक	जापानी अध्ययन केन्द्र		रु. 1000/-
हिन्दी कविता लेखन प्रयोगिता	आमिर हमजा	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	पहला पुरस्कार	रु. 5000/-
	आर्यन प्रताप	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	दूसरा पुरस्कार	रु. 3000/-
	गौरव सिंह	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	तीसरा पुरस्कार	रु. 2000/-
	विवेक*	जापानी अध्ययन केन्द्र		रु. 1000/-

	अमृता राव *	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र	प्रोत्साहन पुरस्कार	रु. 1000/-
	कुलदीप सिंह*	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र		रु. 1000/-
	विमलेश सरोज*	भारतीय भाषा केन्द्र		रु. 1000/-

नोट: *इन चारों प्रतिभागियों के बराबर अंक रहने के कारण चारों को संयुक्त पुरस्कार (अलग - अलग राशि) प्रदान किए जाते हैं .

Declaration of the result of the JNUSA Election held on 11.11.2021

Mr. Krishan Dev	-	President
Mr. Vinod Singh	-	Vice – President – I
Mr. Naresh Chand	-	Vice – President – II
Mr. Surrender Kumar	-	General Secretary
Mr. Prem Singh Sahi	-	Joint Secretary – I
Mr. Kanhaiya Lal Bairwa	-	Joint Secretary – II
Mr. Vinod Kumar Chamoli	-	Treasurer

Executive Committee Members

Mr. Anil Kumar
Mr. Gulab Singh
Mr. Manish Gaur
Mr. Munni Lal
Mr. Om Prakash
Mr. Praveen Chander
Mr. Praveen Kumar
Mr. Rajendra Kumar Thapliyal
Mrs. Rashi Bankar
Mrs. Shashi Kala – I

JNUSA Sports and Culture Committee

Mr. Khusal Singh	-	President
Mr. Saurabh Singal	-	Vice – President
Mr. Kishan Juyal	-	General Secretary
Mr. Dinesh Kumar	-	Joint Secretary
Mr. Pradeep Sagwan	-	Treasurer

Mahaparinirvan Diwas of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar on 6 December, 2021

Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) commemorated the death anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar through a virtual program on 6 December, 2021. The program observed with august virtual presence of Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs & Culture, Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Rajya Sabha member, Shri Rakesh Sinha, President, National SC Committee, BJP, Shri Lal Singh Arya and President, Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DICCI), Padma Shri Ravi Kumar Narra.

The guests were welcomed by JNU Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar and Rector, Prof. Rana Pratap Singh. Chairperson, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Chair, JNU, Prof. Vivek Kumar delivered the inaugural address, Prof. Sudheer Kumar Arya moderated the program, and the vote of thanks was given by Shri Jagdish Kumar, Deputy Registrar, JNU.

On this occasion, Hon'ble Cultural Minister congratulated the University for organizing such a meaningful program and said that Dr. Ambedkar should be remembered for his comprehensive contribution to uplift the whole Indian society. He also mentioned Dr. Ambedkar's prolific contribution towards women empowerment through Indian constitution. "He should not be remembered as a Dalit leader only, instead he should be remembered as a national leader who worked day and night to make India progressive, free of biases and powerful." Prof. Sinha, Shri Arya and Shri Narra also expressed their respect for Dr. Ambedkar by recalling his contributions for Indian society. Prof. Jagadesh Kumar summed up the thoughts expressed by all the speakers and expressed his willingness to take up more such activities to uplift the downtrodden section of the society especially by promoting education and more research and development activities in the University.

The program received huge appreciation from the students and faculties of JNU who watched it virtually on the official Facebook page of JNU.

**R.P. Singh
Rector-III**

जेएनयू में कैसर पर अंतरराष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन का हुआ आयोजन

जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालयने कैसर के (जेएनयू) नए आयामों पर अंतरराष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन का हुआ आयोजन किया। 'इंटरनेशनल सिंपोजियम ओन रीसेंट ट्रेड्स इन कैसर प्रिवेंशन एंड इंटर्सेप्शन बेंच टू बेडसाइड : ' शीर्षक से आयोजित इस संगोष्ठी में देश - विदेशों के प्रख्यात वैज्ञानिकों और युवा शोधार्थियों ने शिरकत की। (संगोष्ठी के संयोजक राणा पी सिंह स्पेशल सेंटर फार सिस्टम्स) मेडिसिन और स्कूल आफ लाइफ साइंसेज, जेएनयू(के प्रमुख कैसर जीव विज्ञानी ने कहा कि कैसर से प्रभावी ढंग से लड़ने के लिए वैज्ञानिकों और चिकित्सकोंको मिल कर काम करने के जरूरत है। इसके नियंत्रण में स्वस्थ जीवन शैली और आहार संबंधी आदतों को नियंत्रण करना बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है।

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जेएनयू का जंगल



दिल्ली के पर्यावरण को हमेशा से अरावली पर्वत श्रेणी प्रभावित करती रही है। राजस्थान से शुरू होकर हरियाणा व दिल्ली तक आने वाली यह पर्वत श्रेणी धूल भरी आधियों से लोगों को बचाती रही है। इसके अलावा दिल्ली के मौसम पर भी अरावली का बहुत असर देखने को मिलता है। खासकर दिल्ली में होने वाली बारिश पर अरावली पर्वत श्रेणी का खास प्रभाव है। इसी अरावली के अंचल में जैविक संपदा से उन्नत जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय (जेएनयू) बसा है। विविधी जैव विविधता इसे बेहद

खूबसूरत बनाती है। यहां फैली हरियाली व वानस्पतिक विविधता हमेशा से हे पर्यावरणविदों को आकर्षित करती रही है। उसमें भी जब बसंत ऋतु हो तो जे एन यू कैम्पस की सुंदरता देखते ही बनती है। तो आइए हम आपको आज बसंत ऋतु में जे एन यू परिसर, उसकी हरियाली और सौंदर्य का दर्शन कराते हैं...

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पूरी दिल्ली में जहां तकरीबन प्रजातियों के पक्षी देखने 160 को मिलते हैं, वहीं इसकी जैविक संपदा का पता इस बात से भी चलता है कि जे एन यू कैम्पस के भीतर हे प्रकार के 135 चिड़ियाँ चहचहाती दिखती हैं। इसमें कॉमन रेड शैक, ब्लू



रेड स्टार्ट, ब्लू थोट, क्रस्टेड पाइड कुक्को, ब्लू टीक बी इटर, गोल्डन ओरियल, रेड थोटेट फ़लाइजर इत्यादि हैं। वहीं विभिन्न पक्षियों के साथ ही यहाँ सांपों की भी प्रजातियाँ 14 जे एन यू :पाई जाती हैं। घूमते दिख जाते हैं कई जंगली पशु कैम्पस में सिर्फ पक्षी ही नहीं बल्कि यहां अक्षर सड़कों पर नीलगाय को घूमते देखा जा सकता है। इसके अलावा यहां सियार, खरगोश, साही, आम पाम सिवेट, छोटा भारतीय सिवेट, लोमड़ी, जंगली कुत्तों समेत कई प्रकार के जानवरों को भी घूमते हुए आप देख सकते हैं। जे एन यू कैम्पस में विलुप्त प्राय छिपकली की एक प्रजाति भी देखने को मिलती है। के बाद जेएनयू में शुरू हुआ वनस्पति 1970 और जीवों के विकास का क्रम अब तक जारी है।

एक हजार एकड़ में फैली है जैव संपदा

जवाहरलाल नेहरू यूनिवर्सिटी का कैम्पस करीब एक हजार एकड़ में फैला हुआ है। हरेक मौसम में कुछ अलग सी दिखने वाली इस यूनिवर्सिटी का प्राकृतिक सौंदर्य बसंत में

उसी प्रकार बढ़ जाता है जैसे किसी युवा स्त्री का होता है। यहां उगने वाली वनस्पति और फूल अपने यौवन पर आजकल इठलाते दिखाई पड़ रहे हैं। यही नहीं यहां कई प्रकार के मौसमी पेड़पौधे भी हैं जो फूलों से लदे रहते हैं। - की बूंदें सूरज की रोशनी में सुनहरे मोतियों सी प्रतीत होती हैं। जो परिसर की बसंती छटा को एक कभी न भूलने वाला एहसास बना देती हैं। इन फूलों पर बैठी रंगबिरंगी - तितलियाँ दृश्य को ऐसा बना देती हैं जो किसी भी प्रकृति प्रेमी के स्मृति पटल पर हमेशा के लिए अंकित हो जाता है।

पेड़ों की कई किस्में प्रदान कर रही है हरियाली

जेएनयू कैम्पस में उध्यान विभाग समय समय पर पौधरोपण कार्यक्रम करवाता है। कोरोना काल में मेडिसिनल प्लांट भी काफी संख्या में यहां लगाए गए हैं। यही वजह है की यहां विभिन्न किस्मों के पेड़पौधे देखने - बांस :को मिलेंगे। इसमें मुख्यत, सतावर, छोटा बेर, सांगरी, नीम, अमलतास, गुलमोहर, कीकर, पलाश, बोगनबेलिया, सेमल, कचनार, केसिया फिस्टुला, नोडोसा, सामिया, गेंदा, बरगद, पीपल, जामुन, शीशम, इमली, आम, आंवला, कटहल आदि पेड़ों की बहुतायत है। यहां पर तुलसी, गिलोय, लेमन ग्रास, एलोवीरा, कालमेघ, काला बांसा, नीबू, पपीता, सहजन जैसे मेडिसिनल भी प्लांट्स हैं।

मिलती हैं से अधिक प्रजातियों की तितलियाँ 80

जेएनयू कैम्पस में सितंबर व अक्टूबर महीने में यदि आप आते हैं तो आपको यहां तकरीबन से अधिक प्रजातियों 80 की तितलियाँ देखने को मिलेंगी। हालांकि बसंत ऋतु में भी आप यहां फूलों पर तितलियों को उड़ते देख सकते हैं। यहां पाई जाने वाली अमूमन तितलियों की प्रजातियों में रेड पियरोट, ब्लू पेंसी, कॉमन सिल्वरलाइन, लाइम बटरफ्लाई इत्यादि देखने को मिलती हैं। यहां तक उड़ .किमी 500-400 सकने में सक्षम इंडियन कैबेज व्हाइट, पेंटेड लेडी, इंडियन फ्रिटिलियरी आदि माइग्रेटरी तितलियाँ भी देखी जा चुकी हैं।

Seminars/Conferences

Workshop on Scope and limitations of CAT tools in translating LSP texts

Computer aided Translation tools are fast becoming the need of the hour. In order to introduce the students of Translation to this important translation aid workshop on an indigenously developed CAT – tool RIAN was organised by Dr. Priyada Padhye, Assistant Professor, CGS. The workshop was open to the students of M.A.-I and M.A- II of the Translation stream of the Centre of German Studies. The workshop took place on the 5 January, 2021 followed by a Q &A session. The resource person Salil Vaidya, a successful translator walked the participants of the workshop through all the basic functions of the CAT tool while pointing out the scope as well as limitations of CAT tools in general and RIAN in particular. The participants were also introduced to the field of subtitling with the help of the CAT tool. The students were given hands on training and were also given certificates of participation in the workshop. Twenty students of M.A. – I and M.A. – II participated in the workshop.

Rosy Singh, Chairperson
Centre of German Studies/SLL&CS

Special Lecture on Einführung in die Berufswelt der Übersetzer

A special lecture on the topic “Einführung in die Berufswelt der Übersetzer” was organized on the 24 March, 2021 for the students of M.A. – II of the CGS by Dr. Priyada Padhye. The speaker was a world – renowned translator and interpreter, Ms. Anya Malhotra. Being equipped with a diploma in Translation from FASK Germersheim, Germany, and having been a successful translator interpreter for three decades, the speaker was able to guide the students on how to approach the profession of translation.

Rosy Singh, Chairperson
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“Global Dynamics and Emerging Trends: India and Europe”

Jean Monnet Module, Centre for European Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University in collaboration with International Affairs, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, New Delhi organized Young

Researchers’ Conference (YRC, 2021) on the theme “Global Dynamics and Emerging Trends: India and Europe”, 4 – 5 March, 2021.



Jean Monnet Module titled as 'Institutions, Program, Jean Monnet Activities Diversity and Change in the European Union', under the Framework of Erasmus+ -2020, is a project awarded to Dr. Sheetal Sharma, faculty at Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, JNU. The genesis of the conference originated from the idea of innovative vision and spectrum of global events occurring through the world with special emphasis on Europe and India. India and Europe are expected to play a significant role in imparting direction to a new world order brought out in the post-pandemic era. Since young researchers and scholars shall play a significant role in building and structuring the new philosophies and ideas, it was imperative to understand and evaluate these new strategies through a fresh perspective.



The conference delved into the new understanding of various issues ranging from politics, society, culture, environment and management while merging it with the basic principles inherited. The Young Researchers’ Conference aimed at redefining the perspectives with which we look at international relations in European studies. The Young

Researchers' conference deliberated upon many issues pertaining to emerging trends and global dynamics in the relationship between Europe and the developing world in three broad areas 1) Society, politics, culture in contemporary Europe; 2) Management practices, Institutions and policy; 3) Europe as a normative actor.

The conference had an overwhelming response with over 300 participants attending various technical sessions in two days. H.E. Mr. Ugo Astuto, Ambassador of the European Union to India delivered the Keynote Address in the Inaugural session. The guest of honour of the inaugural session was Shri Dinesh K. Patnaik, Director General, ICCR while the Chief patrons were Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, Vice Chancellor, JNU and Padma Shri, Prof. Mahesh Verma, Vice Chancellor, G.G.S.I.P University. Other key speakers included Sh. Anurag Punetha (LSTV), Sh. Harsh. V. Pant (King's College, London), Ms. Tania Friederichs (Head of Research and Innovation, European Delegation to India) and H.E. Ashok Sajjanhar, (Former Ambassador). The experts and practitioners shared their experience and ideas regarding the theme of the conference with the young scholars and encouraged them to maintain high standards and quality in research. Dr Sheetal Sharma (PI, Jean Monnet Module, CES, SIS, JNU) and Prof Vijita S. Aggarwal (Director, International Affairs, GGSIPU) were conference chair. The program was convened by Dr. Deeksha Katyal, USEM, GGSIPU and Dr. Divya Verma, USMS, GGSIPU. A total number of 38 papers were presented in various technical sessions. Three papers were awarded cash prize as best papers of the conference. The abstracts received and the full papers submitted by the participants have been published in the e-proceedings of the conference. A memento to mark the event was also gifted to the speakers, and the guests.

**Sheetal Sharma, Assistant Professor
Centre for European Studies, SIS**

14th International Symposium on cancer prevention and therapeutics

The 14th international symposium on cancer prevention and therapeutics was organised on 16 – 17 March, 2021 in virtual mode. This series of cancer symposium is being organized since 2008. It is a forum that brings together renowned scientists and researchers to discuss the recent advances in all the major areas of cancer prevention and therapeutics. This symposium was attended by hundreds of

participants, distinguished speakers, oral and poster presenters.

The symposium was organized jointly by the School of Life Sciences and Special Centre for Systems Medicine, JNU, New Delhi, India in association with Cancer Research and Care Academy, University of Colorado, Denver, University of Pittsburgh Cancer Center, University of Oklahoma Health Science Center, and South Dakota State University, USA. This symposium highlighted the current knowledge and future perspectives in the field of cancer prevention and therapeutics through specific sessions, panel discussions, oral and poster presentations.



The symposium was inaugurated by the hon'ble JNU Vice Chancellor, Prof. M Jagadesh Kumar in presence of Prof. Shweta Saran, Dean SLS, Prof. Rajesh Agarwal, Vice-Chairman, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Colorado and Dr. Komal Raina, USA. Prof. Rana P. Singh, organising secretary, welcomed all the speakers and participants and highlighted the major themes of the symposium that included the natural molecules and herbals in chemoprevention and chemotherapeutics, targeting key signaling pathways in cancer cells, emerging technologies in basic and translational cancer research, drivers of cancer-genetics and epigenetics, cancer stemness and resistance, novel approaches for radiation and immunotherapy, omics technologies, metastatic complexity and hypoxia.

The symposium provided an encouraging environment for the Ph.D and Post-Doctoral researchers to share ideas and talk about their research. Symposium provided an interactive platform for international discussion and exchange of knowledge with the most prestigious researchers in cancer field. This scientific program included talks by various elite speakers, 14 oral presentations for the

young scientists award session, 27 poster presentation session and 3 breakout sessions on various recent advances in cancer prevention and treatment.



The speakers including Dr. Paul Maroni, Clinical Director of Urologic Oncology, School of Medicine, University of Colorado, Prof. C. V. Rao, Director, Center for Cancer Prevention and Drug Development, Medical Oncology, University of Oklahoma, Prof. Xiaolin Zi, University of California, Irvine Chao Cancer Center, Prof. Shivendra V. Singh, UPMC Chair in Cancer Prevention Research, University of Pittsburgh, and Prof. Rajesh Agarwal, Vice Chairman, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Colorado-Anschutz Medical Campus, USA, presented their latest research findings addressing several key questions relevant to the cancer prevention and therapeutics.

Dr. Gagan Deep from Wake Forest School of Medicine, Dr. Dhyana Chandra from Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center, Prof. Sanjay Malhotra, Director, Center for Experimental Therapeutics, Oregon Health & Science University, Dr. Dhanya Nambiar, Radiation Oncologist from Stanford University and Dr. Dhananjay Tiwari, Scientific Attaché at Indian Missions, Washington presented new insights on various aspects of cancer intervention, and way forward to take up challenging



research on how to control and manage cancer. Breakout sessions were conducted with the focus on bio entrepreneurship beyond academia and industry,

a path less travelled, and academic as well as research prospects for students.

The Prof. A. R. Rao Young Scientist Award, a competitive award, is given to young researchers to recognise their novel and relevant research work in the area of cancer biology. It was given to Dr. Robin Kumar, South Dakota University, Dr. Kushal Kandhari, University of Colorado Denver, USA in post-doc category and Mohit Rajput, SLS, JNU in PhD Scholar category for their novel cancer research work in a valedictory ceremony by Prof. K Sudha Rao. The symposium ended with the thank you note by Prof. R.K. Kale to all and especially the presenters for their excellent research work.

Rana P. Singh
Organiser of the Symposium

International online conference on “Reflection of India in the works of Amir Khusrau”

The Centre of Persian and Central Asian Studies (CP&CAS), School of Language Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi organized a one day online international conference on “Reflection of India in the works of Amir Khusrau”, 22 March, 2020.

This is for the first time an international conference on this theme has been organized by the Persian Centre. Prof. Mazhar Asif is the Director and Dr. Shahbaz Amil is the coordinator of this International conference. This Conference was funded by the National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), New Delhi. The technical and logistical supports are provided by Jawaharlal Nehru University. There are 3 academic sessions, in addition to the inaugural and valedictory sessions, which deliberated upon related topics with Amir Khusrau such as; a) Amir Khusrau and nationalism b) Amir Khusrau and composite culture of India; c) Amir Khusrau and Indian culture and civilization; d) Amir Khusrau and Hindavi literature; and e) Amir Khusrau and Sufi traditions. 36 academics from foreign countries like, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Iran and Afghanistan, and scholars from Indian universities presented their papers in this conference.

The inaugural session started at 10 am with the welcome address and introductory remarks by Prof. Mazhar Asif, Chairperson, Associate Dean and Director of the conference. Prof. Asif welcomed all the participants and highlighted the importance of

this conference. He added Khusrau was a pioneer in cementing the composite culture or Mushtarka Ganga-Jamuni Tahzeeb of India. He added, Khusrau appreciated the multi-religious, multi-lingual and multi-racial character of the Indian society and always worked for the people of his motherland and says country comes before your religion. Prof. A.K. Rashid, Pashto Chair, JNU, in his Keynote address, emphasized that Khusrau beside India, is also very famous in Afghanistan, Iran, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. His writings have the flavours of Indianness. He called Khusrau a poet of beauty and perfection. The Chief Guest, Prof. S.M. Pasha, Centre of Indian Languages, JNU, explained that Khusrau is considered as the founder of Urdu language and he is a poet of Urdu and Hindi languages also. He enlightened the whole humanity and spread the message of brotherhood and love. Prof. Ishtiaque Ahmed, CP&CAS, JNU was the moderator of the inaugural session and the session ended at 11 am with a vote of thanks extended by Dr. Allauddin Shah, Associate Professor, CP&CAS, JNU.

The first academic session began at 11 am and was chaired by Prof. A.K. Rashid, Pashto Chair, CP&CAS, JNU. In the first session ten scholars presented papers. These include Prof. Ahmad Ghani Khusrawi, Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Literature Herat University (Afghanistan), Prof. Vosieva Rukhshona Kurbanovna, Dean, Faculty of Tajik Philology, Tajik State Pedagogical University (Tajikistan), Prof Akhlaque Ahmad Ahan(JNU), Prof. Farhad Rozikov, Tajik National University (Tajikistan), Prof. Anwar Khairee, visiting Prof. of Pashto Language (JNU), Dr. Neelofar (AU, UP), Dr. Atiqurrahman (Shantiniketan), Mohammad Shahnawaz Alam (JNU), Ali Ashgar (JNU) and Ghazala Hafeez (JNU).

The second academic session started at 1 pm and was chaired by Prof. Akhlaque Ahmad Ahan, CP&CAS, JNU. During this session thirteen papers were presented. The papers were delivered by Prof. A.K. Rashid, Pashto Chair, JNU, Prof. Aleem Ashraf Khan, (DU), Dr. Abdul Wasay (Rekhta Foundation), Pradeep Sharma Khusro (Delhi), Dr. Md. Mazharul Haque, (JNU), Dr. Shahnawaz Shah (University of Kashmir), Dr. Zohra Khatoon (JMI), Dr. Fauzan Abrar, (JNU), Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sinha (JNU) , Dr. Md. Irfan, MJP Rohilkhand University, Dr. Moogesh Ahmad (BHU), Dr. Arihant Kumar Vardhan (JNU), and Dr. Quratul Ain (JMI).

The third academic session was started at 3.30 pm and chaired by Prof. Anwar Khairee, CP & CAS, JNU. In the third session thirteen papers were

presented by the several scholars like Dr. Allauddin Shah (JNU), Dr. Mohsin Ali (JMI), Dr. Zulfikar Ali Ansari (Delhi), Dr. Md. Baharul Ali & Dr. Begum Ayesha Sultana Laskar (Assam), Dr. Md. Sarwar Ali



(Jharkhand), Md. Asif Ansar (Patna), Dr. Md. AbulKalam Azad (NTRO), Seema Bharti (JMI), Mohammad Usman (JNU), Mr. Prabhat Chandra Jha (Delhi), Dr. Md. Mahmood Alam (JNU), Dr. Zeenat Kaifi (Delhi), and Dr. Md. Azimudeen (Delhi). Dr. Shahbaz Amil, Assistant Professor, CP&CAS, JNU, was the coordinator of this online conference. He put a lot of energy into making this webinar a success. This conference ended at 5.30 pm with the concluding remarks delivered by Prof. Mazhar Asif.

Shahbaz Amil, Assistant Professor
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SLL&CS

International online conference on “Socio-Cultural Relations between India and Afghanistan in Pre- Islamic Era”

The Centre of Persian and Central Asian Studies (CP&CAS), School of Language Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi organized a one-day online international conference on the theme “Socio-Cultural Relations between India and Afghanistan in Pre- Islamic Era” on 23 March, 2021. Dr. Shahbaz Amil, Assistant Professor, CP&CAS, JNU was the director of this conference. This conference was funded by the National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), New Delhi. Technical and logistical

support was provided by the Jawaharlal Nehru University.

Keeping in view the importance of the centuries old Indo-Afghan relations in its socio-cultural milieu, the Centre organized a conference on this theme. The Conference organizing committee had received a number of abstracts, in addition to over half a dozen full draft papers. The organizing committee, through a rigorous process, reviewed and selected the abstracts for paper presentation during the online conference. There were 3 technical sessions, in addition to the inaugural session and concluding remarks, during which 34 scholars deliberated their speech on different issues like; a) Historical contact between India and Afghanistan; b) Indo-Afghan linguistics contacts; c) Hinduism and Buddhism in Afghanistan; d) Taksasila: an important Cultural Centre; e) Indo- Afghan relations and Silk route; f) Gandhara in Indian mythology & Literature; and g) Gandhara an important Centre for Art and Culture.

The inaugural session began at 10am with the welcome address by Professor Mazhar Asif, Chairperson and Associate Dean of School of Language Literature and Culture Studies. Prof. Asif welcomed all the participants and said how both India and Afghanistan have been lovers of knowledge, language, literature, human beings and philanthropy. The two countries have been eyewitnesses of Chanakya's politics, Panini's wisdom and Buddhist Nirvana. The Persian poets such as; Rumi Balkhi, Ferdowsi Tusi, Omar Khayyam and Attar Neshapuri have said almost the same things that are in the Vedas. Dr. Shahbaz Amil, Assistant Professor, and director of the conference, highlighted the aims and objectives of the seminar. Guest of Honour, Prof. Syed Ainul Hassan, Dean, SLL&CS, posited how the concept of Afghanistan is incomplete without India and added, India has been instrumental in strengthening the language, culture and military system of Afghanistan. Prof. A.K. Rashid, Pashto Chair, JNU, delivered Key note address. Chief Guest, Dr. Mahesh Chandra Sharma (Ex-MP) emphasized the cultural overlaps through the example of Gandhara in Afghanistan which has been the Centre of personalities like Buddha, Mahavira, and Ashoka. Prof. Anwar Khairee, visiting Professor, JNU was the moderator of this inaugural session and the session ended at 11am with a vote of thanks extended by Dr. Mazharul Haque, Associate Professor, CP &CAS, JNU.

The first academic session began at 11 am and was chaired by Prof. A.K. Rashid, Pashto Chair, CP &CAS, JNU. In the first session eleven scholars

presented their erudite papers. The presenters included Prof. Qayum Qayeem (Afghanistan), Prof. Ahmad Ghani Khusrawi, Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Literature Herat University (Afghanistan), Prof Akhlaque Ahmad Ahan(JNU), Prof. Mehrovar Khojaev, Tajik National University (Tajikistan), Prof. Anwar Khairee, visiting Prof. of Pashto Language (JNU), Abdur Rahman Oman Niyazayi (Afghanistan), Dr. Mahmood Mehroon (Afghanistan), Dr. Allauddin Shah (JNU), Dr. Md. Mazharul Haque (JNU), Dr. M N Rajesh (Hyderabad), and Dr. Akhlaque Azad (JNU)

The second academic session started at 1 pm and was chaired by Dr. Mahesh Ranjan Debata, CIAS (JNU). Ten papers were presented in this session. The papers were presented by Dr. Debasish Nandy (West Bengal), Sunita Dwivedi (Delhi), Purnima Sharma (JNU), Dr. Sailendra Kumar Swain(New Delhi), Dr. Pravesh Kumar Gupta (Vivekananda International Foundation, Delhi), Dr. Abul Kalam Azad (NTRO, Delhi), Dr. Mohsin Ali (JMI), Dr. Alka (JNU), Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sinha (JNU) and Arshpreet Kaur (Delhi)



The third academic session started at 3.30 pm and was chaired by Prof. Anwar Khairee, CP &CAS, JNU and Dr. Allauddin Shah (JNU). In the third session thirteen papers were presented by scholars including Dr. Mohammad Ajmal (JNU), Dr. Zulfikar Ali Ansari (Delhi), Dr. Md. Sarwar Ali (Jharkhand), Dr. Nand Kishor (DU), Dr. Abdul Wasay (Rekhta Foundation, Delhi), Seema Bharti (JMI), Dr. Md. Irfan (UP), Dr. Qurratul Ain (JMI), Dr. Md.

Azeemuddin (Delhi), Dr. Arihand Kumar Vardhan (JNU), Mr. Prabhat Chandra Jha (Delhi), Mr. Mohammad Shah Nawaz Alam (JNU), and Mr. Sunil Kumar (JNU). This conference ended at 5.30 pm with the vote of thanks and remarks made by the director of the conference, Dr. Shahbaz Amil.

Shahbaz Amil
**Centre of Persian and Central Asian Studies/
SLL& CS**

Emerging Socio-Cultural and Political Issues: India and Europe

JNU Jean Monnet Module, project awarded to Dr. Sheetal Sharma from Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University in collaboration with Amity Institute of Social Sciences, Amity University, NOIDA, UP, organised a 2 day International Conference on the theme 'Emerging Socio-Cultural and Political Issues: India and Europe', 24 – 25 May, 2021. The Conference discussed the emerging socio-cultural political issues raised in post-Covid global scenario in India and Europe. The Inaugural session was graced by H.E. Ugo Astuto, Hon' Ambassador of the European Union to India, Shri Harivansh, Deputy Chairman Rajya Sabha and Ms. Namrata, Indian ambassador to Slovenia. The dignitaries and specialists shared their expertise in and experience with the participants. More than four hundred participants attended the conference over 2 days and spread in to six technical sessions. A total number of thirty six papers were presented by the speakers from India and abroad. The conference registered an overwhelming response and participation from Punjab University, Himachal University and Uttarakhand and Haryana. Universities from the South were Karnataka University, Bengaluru University, Kolkata University, Central University Bihar, and Gorakhpur University, Gujarat University, JNU and University of Delhi, to name a few.

The deliberations at the conference aimed at: a) developing new understanding of various issues ranging from society, culture, politics and environment between India and Europe; and b) examining new areas for cooperation and development specially in the post- pandemic era in the area of Social Sciences. The best 3 papers in the conference were awarded cash prizes and the conference proceedings are published in the form of a book. In the inaugural session, Dr. Sheetal Sharma - Conference convener brought the three C's in context of the Conference i.e. cooperation, collaboration and

coordination, and highlighted how especially in the pandemic era such events and discussions are relevant. Special Address by Guest of Honour Hon'ble Shri Harivansh, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, highlighted the bilateral and multilateral relationship between India and Europe, and also looked at the commonalities between India and the EU which has led to a strong relationship between the two. The Keynote Address was delivered by H.E. Ugo Astuto, Ambassador of the European Union to India. H.E. Astuto expressed his pleasure to be part of academic events funded by the Erasmus Program of the European Union. He primarily focused upon the outcomes of the EU-India Summit that took place on the 8 May, 2021 and the success of the summit in terms of political atmosphere, engagement and in terms of concrete action. He termed it as a historic meeting, and emphasized the strong message of solidarity that emerged from the meeting especially with the background of Covid. Special Address was delivered by Guest of Honour Hon'ble H.E. Namrata Kumar, Indian Ambassador to Slovenia. H.E. Namrata Kumar discussed the happenings on the social and cultural scale in India and Europe in terms of demographics and relations between European nations, and India and Europe. She also talked specifically in terms of the pandemic and the assistance and relations as seen during it.

The 2 day event successfully concluded with the Valedictory address delivered by Ambassador Manjeev Singh Puri, Former Ambassador of India to the European Union. Speaking like a practitioner, he shared with the audience his experiences while working as an Indian ambassador. Further he managed to beautifully discuss his interactions and the situation in both the embassies during his active service years. Prof (Dr) S.S Chaulia, Dean Jindal School of International Affairs, was special invitee to the Valedictory session. Prof. Chaulia discussed the purpose of the conference/webinar is to provide a platform to bring in academicians and students to a common place to share ideas. Further he also expressed his thoughts on converting papers into high quality publication to boost India's reputation in Higher education circa.

Sheetal Sharma, Assistant Professor
Centre for European Studies/SIS

Emerging Trends in Neuroscience

Dr. Amal Chandra Mondal organized a virtual mini-symposium on "Emerging Trends in Neuroscience" on 31 July, 2021 coinciding the superannuation of Prof. B. N. Mallick from the School of Life Sciences,

JNU. The welcome address and introduction were given by Prof. Shweta Saran, Dean SLS and Prof.



Rana Pratap Singh, Rector-III, JNU. Distinguished scientist Prof. Sumantra Chattarji (NCBS, Bangalore) talked on the “Reciprocal regulation of spontaneous synaptic vesicle fusion by Fragile X mental retardation protein and group I metabotropic glutamate receptors”. Dr. Tapan K. Nayak (IIT Delhi) gave a lecture on “How do Acetylcholine receptor ion channels open?” Dr. Anirban Basu (NBRC, Gurugram) gave a lecture on “Innate Immunity in the central nervous system: Redefining the relationship between “Immune system” and “Nervous system”. Prof. Birendra Nath Mallick talked on My Obeisance to SLS, JNU. The Ph.D. student Mr. Surendra K. Anand (SLS) talked on Modulation of neural cell proliferation in the brain of adult Zebrafish after injury and paraquat intoxication. Another student Ph.D. student Ms. Jharana Das (SLS) talked on how Fisetin attenuates epileptogenesis and cognitive impairment in iron-induced experimental epilepsy. Former and present faculty members of SLS took part in the reminiscence session and the symposium ended with the vote of thanks.

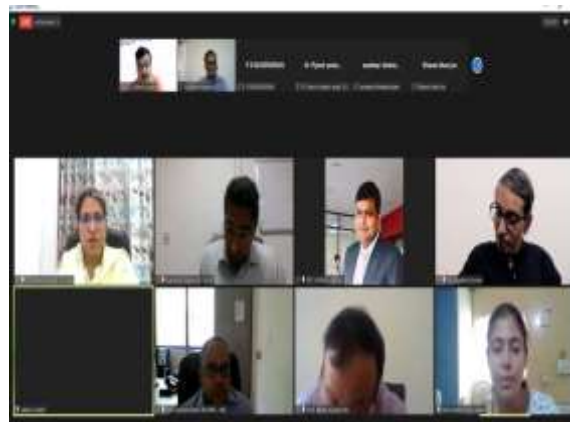
**Amal Chandra Mondal, Associate Professor
School of Life Sciences**

“Entrepreneurship for USD 5 Trillion Economy by 2024-25”

The Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship (ABVSME, JNU) organized a webinar on “Entrepreneurship for USD 5 Trillion Economy by 2024-25,” in collaboration with AIC-JNUFI and IIC 3.0, JNU, 11 August, 2021.

ABVSME welcomed Keynote Speaker Mr. James Joseph, CEO, Jackfruit 365, and TEDx Speaker. Speaking on occasion, Mr. James Joseph, took reference to his entrepreneurial journey and discussed India’s goal of USD 5 trillion. He emphasized how

we still have a significant way to go, but we are already at USD 3 trillion, which is short by only USD 2 trillion. He encouraged the audience to consider the same problem from a different perspective saying how in other terms, we need 2000 billion more. This translates to 40 ideas of USD 50 billion each. So the objective is to create \$50 Billion views, and the way forward is entrepreneurship.



The event was chaired by Prof. M Jagadesh Kumar, Honorable Vice-Chancellor, JNU, who pointed out that USD 5 trillion sounds like a huge mountain to climb because of the period for the fulfillment of the target is short, so we need to look at the first steps that we need to take to reach at the top of the mountain.

Dean, ABVSME Prof. Arvind Kumar welcomed to Keynote speaker, Vice Chancellor and participants of the international webinar.

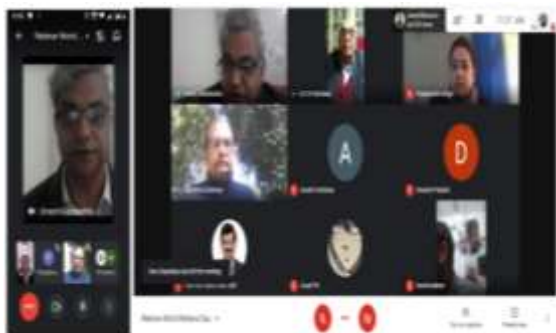
The event was moderated by Dr. Vaniki Joshi Lohani and Coordination by Dr. Lokesh Jindal and Dr. Vikram Bansal. Prof. Rajiv Sijariya offered a vote of thanks. Around 300 participants from across the world participated in this webinar on Zoom with live telecast on official Facebook page of JNU.

**Arvind Kumar, Dean
Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of
Management and Entrepreneurship**

School of Environmental Sciences, Compiled Seminar/Conference Report, January – September, 2021

**World Wetland Day 2021, 2 February, 2021-
‘Wetlands and Water’-** The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated the World Wetland Day on 2 February, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme ‘Wetlands and

Water, in collaboration with the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included eminent national and international researchers such as Prof. C. K. Varshney (Emeritus Professor, JNU), Prof. Saumitra Mukherjee (SES, JNU) Dr. Priyadarshini Singh (Lecturer, Maitreyi College, DU) & Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator) The Young Holistic Member Ms. Komal Choudhary represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme. Professor U.C. Kulshrestha, moderated the panel discussion. The event was attended by more than 830 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally.



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National Science Day, 28 February, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated National Science Day on 28 February, 2021. On this occasion, an Extempore Competition was organized in collaboration with the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. This Programme was moderated by Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES &



JNU ENVIS Coordinator). The jury members were Prof. Neelam Siddiah (SES, JNU), Dr. Usha Mina, (Associate Professor & ENVIS Co-coordinator, SES, JNU), and Dr. Ranjana Arya, (Assistant Professor, SBT, JNU). The Young Holistic leader Ms. Ankita Katoch represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme. It was attended by more than 50 participants, through Google-Meet. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and others.

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International Women’s Day, 8 March, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated International Women’s Day, on 8 March, 2021. A webinar was organized on the theme ‘Women and Environment’ in collaboration with the JNU-ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, SES, JNU, New Delhi. The panel included eminent Women researchers in the field of Environment, such as Dr. Arti Bhatia (Principal Scientist IARI, New Delhi), Dr. Gouri Joshi (Associate Professor & Enviro - Legal Consultant), Prof. Kasturi Mukhopadhyay (SES, JNU), Dr. Usha Mina (Associate Professor & ENVIS Co-coordinator, SES JNU), The Young Holistic leader Ms. Akanksha Roy (YoHo lead SES, JNU) and Ms. Swati Singh Programme Officer ENVIS, SES executed the management of the programme. Dr. Usha Mina, moderated the panel discussion. It was attended by more than 350 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and common citizens from different parts of the country.

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World Meteorology Day, 23 March, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated World Meteorology Day on 23 March, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized in collaboration with the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of

Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent national and International researchers viz. Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra (DG, India Meteorology Dept., New Delhi), Prof. A.P. Dimri (SES, JNU), Dr. Dilip Ganguly (CAS, IIT Delhi), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator) and the Young Holistic leader Ms. Mudita Chaturvedi represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the Programme. Prof. Umesh Kulshrestha also moderated the panel discussion. It was attended by more than 130 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally.

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World Environment Day, 5 June, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated the World Environment Day on 5 June, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme 'Ecosystem Restoration, by the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner in collaboration with ENVIS RP on Ecotourism, S C S&T, Sikkim and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent International and National researchers such as Prof. R. P. Singh (Chapman University, USA), Prof. T. K. Adhya (FNA, Dir & Prof., KIT, India), Dr. A. K. Malhotra, (IFS, Ex. PCCF Jharkhand and Member EAC, MoEF&CC India) Dr. Khem Raj Dahal (Tribhuvan University, Nepal), D. T. Bhutia (Director & ENVIS Coordinator, Dept. of SCS&T, Sikkim, India), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator) and Dr. Usha Mina, (Associate Professor & ENVIS Co-coordinator, SES, JNU). Young panelists Ms. Sneha Aggarwal (Research Scholar, Stockholm University, Sweden) and Mr. Meshak Moranga (Young Holistic leader) also addressed the meeting. Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme.

Professor Umesh Kulshrestha, moderated the panel discussion. The event was attended by more than 450 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally.

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International Yoga Day, 21 June, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated International Yoga Day, on 21 June, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme 'Yoga for Wellness' in collaboration with the JNU-ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, SES, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included eminent Yoga Guru Dr. Pooran Chand, Founder Director, Sivananda Yoga International School, New Delhi, Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator), Dr. Usha Mina, (Associate Professor & ENVIS Co-coordinator, SES, JNU), Ms. Ankita Katoch, YoHo lead SES, JNU, Ms. Shipra Lakshmi, YoHo lead SES, JNU and Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer ENVIS, SES executed the programme. It was attended by more than 60 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and common citizens from different parts of the country.



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International Day of the Tropics, 29 June, 2021-

The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated the International Day of the Tropics on 29 June, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme 'The Digital Divide in the Tropics, by the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner in collaboration with ENVIS RP on Ecotourism, SCS&T, Sikkim and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent International and National academicians and scientists viz. Prof. C K Varshney (Emeritus Professor, JNU, India), Prof. Marta L Fischer (University of Parana, Brazil), Dr. Wilkister N Moturi, (Egerton University, Kenya), Dr. E Makaya (Hanell International London, UK), Dr. R Balasubramanian (Singapore University, Singapore), Dr. Manish Dabhade, (School of International Studies, JNU, India), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator), Prof. P K Joshi, (School of Environmental Sciences, JNU, India). Mr. Manjul Panwar represented budding researchers as a Young Holistic leader, and Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, JNU ENVIS RP, SES, India executed the programme. Prof. Umesh Kulshrestha, moderated the panel discussion. The event was attended by more than 123 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally.

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Lecture on Issues and Challenges in Information Security, 16 July, 2021 –

The School of Environmental Sciences organized a lecture on Issues and Challenges in Information Security, on 16 July, 2021. Collaboration with the JNU-ENVIS Resource Partner, Urgent Erasmus+, School of Computer & System Sciences (SCSS), Special Centre for Disaster Research (SCDR) and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, SES, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. This Programme was initiated by Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator) and Prof. P. K. Joshi (Professor, SES, JNU). Dr. Manju Khari (Associate Professor, School of Computer & System Sciences (SCSS), JNU, New Delhi), delivered the lecture. The Young Holistic leader Ms. Komal Choudhary represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, represented JNU ENVIS. It was attended by more than 45 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and common citizens from different parts of the country.

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World Nature Conservation Day 28 July, 2021-

The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated the World Nature Conservation Day on 28 July, 2021.



On the occasion, an International webinar was organized on the theme 'Nature Conservation Approach for Sustainable Future' in collaboration with the JNU-ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, SES, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent national and International researchers such as Prof. Himanshu Pathak (Director, ICAR, NIASM, Pune, India), Dr. Beachley Gregory (Co-chair TDep - NADP USEPA, USA), Prof. Govind Chakrapani (VC, Berhampur University, Odisha, India), Prof. Narpat Singh Shekhawat (Retd. JNVU, Jodhpur, India), Dr. Neha Sinha (Bombay Natural History Society, India), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha, Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator, Dr. Usha Mina (ENVIS Co-coordinator SES/JNU), Ms. Shipra Lakshmi, YoHo lead SES, JNU, The Young Holistic leader YoHo Ms. Saham Ansari represented the student group, Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer ENVIS, SES executed the management of the programme. Prof. Umesh Kulshrestha, moderated the panel discussion. It was attended by more than 153 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university

students, researchers, faculty members and common citizens from different parts of the country.

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International Youth Day 12 August, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated the International Youth Day on 12 August, 2021. On the occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme 'Transforming Food System: Youth Innovation for Human and Planetary Health' in collaboration with the JNU-ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, SES, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very active young researchers such as Dr. Usha Singh Gaharwar (Assistant Professor, Swami Shradhanand College, Delhi University), Mr. Yogendra Singh (PhD Student, SES, JNU), Ms. Swati Pandey (BA LLB, Ram Manohar Lohia Awadh University, UP), Mr. Rafi Ahmed (PhD Student, SES, JNU), Ms. Shruti (PhD Student, SCIS, JNU), Ms. Sandhya Singh (PhD Student, SES, JNU), Ms. Shruti Pandey (YoHo lead & M.Sc student, SES, JNU), Mr. Manjul Panwar, YoHo lead SES, JNU, Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer ENVIS, SES executed the management of the programme. Ms. Swati Singh, moderated the panel discussion. It was attended by more than 60 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, young researchers, faculty members and youth from different parts of the country.

<http://jnuenvvis.nic.in/documents/YouthDay2021Report.pdf>



Himalaya Diwas on 9 September, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated Himalaya Diwas on 9 September, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized in collaboration with the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner, SUNRAISE Project, and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent researchers such as Prof. K.S. Rao (Department of Botany University of Delhi), Dr. Kala Chand Sain (Director, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator), Prof. A.P. Dimri, (Professor, SES, JNU) and Prof. P.K. Joshi, (Professor, SES, JNU) The Young Holistic leader Ms. Komal choudhary represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme. Prof. Umesh Kulshrestha, moderated the panel discussion. It was attended by more than 100 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally.

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World Ozone Day, on 16 September, 2021- The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated World Ozone Day, on 16 September, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized on the theme 'Montreal Protocol – Keeping Us, Our Food & Vaccines Cool' in collaboration with the JNU ENVIS Resource Partner and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent national and International researchers such as Dr. A. Jayaraman (Former Director ISRO - NARL), Dr. A.N. Singh, (Addtl. Director, Ozone Cell, MoEF&CC), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator), Dr. Manisha Mishra, (CSIR-NEERI, New Delhi). The Young Holistic leader Ms. Saham Ansari represented the student

YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme. The panel discussion was attended by more than 150 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and common citizens from different parts of the country. Prof Kulshrestha moderated the panel discussion.

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Lecture on Cyber Security, 23 September, 2021-

The School of Environmental Sciences organised a lecture on Cyber Security on 23 September, 2021. The lecture was organized in collaboration with JNU ENVIS Resource Partner, Urgent, Erasmus + & Special Centre for Disaster Research (SCDR), and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. This Programme was initiated by Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator) and Prof. P. K. Joshi (Professor, SES, JNU). Dr. Indrajit Bhattacharya, Director National Accreditation Board for Education and Training (NABET), New Delhi, delivered the lecture. The Young Holistic leader Ms. Komal Choudhary represented the student YoHo group, while Ms. Swati Singh, Programme Officer, represented JNU ENVIS. It was attended by more than 200 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included university students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders.

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**Umesh Kulshrestha, Dean
School of Environmental Sciences**

CSLG Seminar Series on the Anthropocene

**“Below the tip of the iceberg: Structural and procedural flaws in environmental governance in India” – 19 February, 2021
Dr. Sharadchandra Lele**

Abstract: The Draft EIA Notification 2020 attracted much adverse criticism for the way it sought to further dilute environmental regulations in India. While the criticisms were justified, what went unnoticed in the heat is that these changes were largely making official the laxity that is currently hidden in the functioning and structures of environmental governance at central and state levels. Drawing upon my experience with the Expert Appraisal Committee on Coal Mining & Thermal Power, with two NGT Expert Committees, and an analysis of the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, I argue that scholars of environmental governance need to pay more attention to the relatively 'mundane' processes of committee formation and functioning, notions of 'expert' fact-finding and appraisal, and structures of the pollution regulators, beyond just the act, rules and notifications. I suggest that we need to question the specific personnel, the procedures and the very mindsets through which they approach the tasks of environmental regulation.

Speaker Bio: Dr. Sharadchandra Lele is Distinguished Fellow in Environmental Policy & Governance, Centre for Environment & Development, Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore, India

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“Hacking the Law to Open Up Zones for Commoning”, 5 March, 2021– Mr. David Bollier

Abstract: Commoning of farmland, water, urban spaces, digital code and information, and much else is an everyday practice that functions as a kind of law. It a means for organizing people into orderly, productive communities of shared purpose guided by consensual practices and ethical norms. Yet these social processes for stewarding shared wealth, though ubiquitous and powerful, are largely ignored by state law and jurisprudence, which privilege individual property rights, individual contract freedom, and market capitalism. What accounts for the market/state's disdain for commoning? American commons scholar and activist David Bollier argues that answering this question requires us to interrogate the character of state power, market capitalism, modernity, western law, bureaucracy, and modern presumptions of human identity and purpose. At a more practical level, various commons movements around the world are already answering this question by devising creative legal hacks on state law, or workarounds, to attempt to legally authorize commoning and achieve social and political empowerment.

Speaker Bio: David Bollier is Director of the Reinventing the Commons Program at the Schumacher Center for a New Economics. [www.centerforneweconomics.org] He is the author of more than ten books on the commons, most recently of 'Free, Fair and Alive: The Insurgent Power of the Commons' [www.freefairandalive.org] (2019), with coauthor Silke Helfrich; The Great Awakening: New Modes of Life Amidst Capitalist

Ruins (2020), with co-editor Anna Grear; and 'Think Like a Commoner: A Short Introduction to the Commons' (2014). He blogs at Bollier.org and lives in Amherst, Massachusetts, USA.

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“International Environmental Law and its Structural Complicity in the Anthropocene’s Climate Injustices”, 12 March, 2021– Prof. Louis Kotze

Abstract: We have possibly entered the Anthropocene; the most recent geological epoch where humans are thought to have become an Earth system altering geological force. A defining feature of the Anthropocene is climate change and its complexly entwined patterns of injustice. Climate injustice broadly embraces all those climate related impacts on present and future generations of vulnerable humans and non-human beings (i.e., inter and intra-species injustice) that affect them in a substantive sense (i.e., unequal entitlement and access to and enjoyment of socio-ecological benefits and unequal distribution of adverse socio-ecological impacts in ways that disregard the well-being and equal moral worth and dignity of all), as well as in a procedural sense (i.e., unfairly excluding some from participating or being represented in the processes that affect their livelihoods to the benefit of others). Having since become an integral part of the discourse, “One of the key intellectual challenges of the Anthropocene epoch is to reimagine how humans make connections between planetary and everyday life in ethical, sustainable, and ecologically just ways”, as Houston says; while a reflection on the justice-related implications of the Anthropocene has now become “a diverse political project that is firmly embedded in the choices and consequences of the Anthropocene.”

This lecture examines the myriad considerations of climate injustice that have become part of our efforts to understand and to respond to the socio-ecological

implications and challenges of the Anthropocene. Often neglected, but deeply implicated in the factors that play a role in the Anthropocene's crisis of climate injustice, is international environmental law (IEL). IEL is the principal collection of protective norms states use to promote global environmental protection, including measures to respond to climate change impacts. The achievements and prospects of IEL in this respect have been thoroughly canvassed in the literature, and these seem on balance to be a mixed bag.

In this paper I do not focus on the issue of effectiveness or the reasons why IEL is deemed to be ineffective in confronting climate change. I instead take a few steps back and focus specifically on the (often unintentional) structural complicity of IEL in causing and exacerbating climate injustices. I aim to show that while the intentions behind IEL may be well-meaning, this body of law has often inadvertently, although also at times deliberately, been playing a role in creating, emboldening and exacerbating the many paradigms that drive climate injustice in the Anthropocene. The climate crisis is essentially as Grear says, “a crisis of human hierarchy” and one of “global unevenness” characterized by many (often hidden) “dynamics of privilege and oppression”. I will specifically show how IEL has been complicit in preserving this sacred hierarchy, its well-documented unevenness, and its embedded and veiled privileges and oppressions.

Speaker Bio: Louis Kotzé is Research Professor of Law at the Faculty of Law, North-West University, South Africa where he teaches International and African Regional Environmental Law in the structured LLM programme. He is also Senior Professorial Fellow in Earth System Law at the University of Lincoln, United Kingdom. His research broadly encompasses three interrelated themes that he approaches from a transnational perspective: human rights, socio-ecological justice and environmental constitutionalism; law and the Anthropocene; and Earth system law. He has over 150 publications on these themes. Recent books include: *Research Handbook on Human Rights and the Environment* (with Anna Grear-Edward Elgar, 2015); *Global Environmental Constitutionalism in the Anthropocene* (Hart, 2016); *Environmental Law and Governance for the Anthropocene* (Hart, 2017); *Sustainable Development Goals: Law, Theory and Implementation* (with Duncan French-Edward Elgar, 2018); *Research Handbook on Law, Governance and Planetary Boundaries* (with Duncan French-Edward Elgar, 2021). He is assistant editor of *Earth System Governance*. In 2016 he obtained a second Ph.D at

Tilburg University, Netherlands, and has been awarded a European Commission Horizon 2020 Marie Curie Fellowship to lead a research project during 2018-2019 at the University of Lincoln titled: *Global Ecological Custodianship-Innovative International Environmental Law for the Anthropocene (GLEC-LAW)*.

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“Law in the Anthropocene Era”, 26 March, 2021 – Prof. Eric Biber

Abstract: Humans and the effects of their activities now substantially influence the entire planet, including its oceans, climate, atmosphere, and lands. Human influence has become so large that earth scientists have debated whether to identify a new geologic time period: the Anthropocene. The Anthropocene will surely have substantial effects on society and economies, and law will be no exception. The Anthropocene is the product of the aggregation of billions of individual human actions, the impact of which is exponentially increasing because of growing technological advances and population. Humans will inevitably respond to the Anthropocene, if only to adapt to the significant changes in oceans, climate, biodiversity, and other critical functions upon which society depends. These responses will ineluctably lead to greater government involvement in a wide range of human activities and the constant updating of government laws and regulations to respond to new challenges. The result will put pressure on a wide range of legal doctrines in public and private law, including torts, property, constitutional, administrative, and criminal law. These changes will parallel similar revolutionary legal changes associated with industrialization and the development of a national economy in the United States in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Just as with those legal changes, the legal changes of the Anthropocene will put pressure on normative commitments at the heart of American law, including the classical liberal paradigm that government intrusion into individual action should be the exception, rather than the norm. Managing the impacts of these legal changes will be a key challenge for the legal system in the next century.

Speaker Bio: Eric Biber is Edward C. Halbach Jr. Professor of Law, Berkeley Law, University of California. His teaching and research interests are environmental law, natural resources law, energy law, land-use law, federal Indian law, administrative law, and property. At Berkeley, Biber teaches courses in Property, Public Lands and Natural

Resources Law, Biodiversity Law, Federal Indian Law, Energy Law, Land-Use Law, and Environmental Law and Policy. He also helps lead the Environmental Law Writing Seminar. He is the Director of the Environmental and Energy Law Programs at Berkeley.

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**Prakash Chand Kandpal, Chairperson
Centre for the Study of Law and Governance**

Following are the activities (seminar/conference/workshop) of the Centre for Philosophy:

On 31 March, 2021, Centre for Philosophy organized a talk delivered by Ms. Sunaina Arya, research scholar at the Centre. The topic of the talk was "A Philosophical Evaluation of the category 'Dalit Patriarchy'." The talk highlighted the fact that contemporary usage of terms like 'dalit' patriarchy results from a misunderstanding of the brahmanical patriarchy. She critiqued the mainstream feminists of India for perceiving alit men as part of the exploitative 'upper' caste hierarchy, where the year seen as unable to face taunts on their masculinity resulting in aggressive behavior towards their own women. Ms. Arya argued that conceptualization of such notions yields no advancement in our endeavors toward a gender-just society. Rather the effort should

be to think through how such conceptualizations are going to affect the overall feminist struggle.

On 7 April, 2021, International Philosophy Day was organized by the Centre for Philosophy. A colloquium was organized participated by eminent philosophers, scientists, and scholars. Prof. Bal Ram Singh, an eminent scientist, spoke on "Interfacing Scientific Methods," while Prof. A. Raghuramaraju of IIT Tirupati spoke on "Responsibility, Emotion and Cognitive Competence." The other speakers, Prof. Alex Hankey spoke on "Yoga and Human Emanecipation," and Prof. H.S. Prasad spoke on "Parmitas and Human Life." The colloquium was coordinated by Prof. R.P. Singh of the Centre for Philosophy.

On 23 April, 2021, Centre for philosophy organized a seminar delivered by Prof. Pankaj Jain of the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Flame University. The theme of the lecture was "Jain Dharma as a Virtue Ethics for Sustainability." Professor Jain engaged with Christopher Chapple's edited book (2002), *Jainism and Ecology: Nonviolence in the Web of Life*, stating it as the first significant attempt in the Western hemisphere to study Jainism from an environmental perspective. He further argued that Western categories must be broadened by incorporating Indic terms in the English language. Nonviolence-based inspiration from Mahavir Swami to Mahatma Gandhi have continued to influence leaders like Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, Sunderlal Bahuguna and several others. Professor Jain felt that it is high time that scholars of religion and ecology embrace this Ahimsak Ecology and not just Deep Ecology.

On 28 July, 2021 Centre organized a seminar on the topic "Epistemological underpinning on Evo-Devo Approach to morphogenesis and Metamorphosis," delivered by Dr. Lalit Saraswat, Assistant Professor, IIT Kanpur. The seminar was chaired by Dr. Ajay Kumar Verma.

**Bhagat Oinam, Chairperson
Centre for Philosophy/SSS**

"Social Movements, Performance and Democratic Practices (An Indo Canadian dialogue)"

Ameet Parameswaran coordinated the interdisciplinary online conference titled, "Social Movements, Performance and Democratic Practices (An Indo Canadian dialogue)" funded by Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (SICI). The Shastri Indo-

Canadian Institute (SICI), is funded by and partners closely with government bodies both in India and Canada aims to further bi-national ethos through facilitating scholarly exchange between the Indian and Canadian Universities. The three-day conference held between 25 – 27 March, 2021 organised by the School of Arts and Aesthetics (SAA) was in collaboration with the Department of Theatre, University of Ottawa, Canada and the dept. of Theatre and Performance studies, University of Warwick, UK, with Prof. Bishnupriya Dutt, Prof. Yana Meezon and Prof. Silvija Jestrovic as the co-PIs. The conference involved 15 speakers and 6 scholars as respondents from India, Canada, UK, Denmark, and the United States. It was open to the public and engaged in a scholarly dialogue on performance and theatrical exchanges and collaborations both historical and in the contemporary, especially in relation to Indo-Canadian exchanges and was geared towards opening out new frameworks for understanding the aesthetics, politics and potentialities of theatre and performance. The first day covered the issue of theatre/performance exchanges and the possibilities of democratic models of collaboration. While the first session was the keynote by Prof. Esleben on Germany and India, the second session with three papers explored alternative routes of performance exchanges, especially Silk Route. The two sessions on the second day and the first session of the third day involving nine academic papers explored the varied intertwining relationship between performance, social movements and democratic practices under the thematic, “Politics & Poetics of Everyday Life: Biography, Gender, Political Engagement,” “Theatre/Performance and the Affective Registers of the Political,” and “Theatre/Performance and the Space(s) of Resistance.”

Two special sessions at the conference included the release of *The Oxford Handbook of Politics and Performance* (2021) and the last session of the conference around the thematic, “From Disasters to Pandemics: Aesthetics and Politics of Performance”. This involved an intervention on the current pandemic with responses from Prof. Nivedita Menon as well as a long conversation framed as Artist in Dialogue/Conversation involving the eminent theatre director, Rahul Varma, conducted by Prof. Yana Meerzon and Dr. Ameet Parameswaran that focused on the experiences, career and interventions of the Indo-Canadian director and his group Teesri Duniya. This drew focus on the fundamental potentiality of intercultural and multilingual theatre practice in the

contemporary especially that of the status of Diaspora.

The conference had participation from both established senior scholars and younger scholars and post-graduate and doctoral students in the discipline of Theatre and Performance Studies and Political Studies as well as theatre practitioners and enthusiasts. The conference raised critical questions for the discipline of theatre and performance studies, as well as probing the need for interdisciplinarity for historiography as well as understanding the present. The issue of relooking theatrical/performance exchanges, especially Silk Route and alternate imaginations would be critical for the future avenues of research in theatre and performance studies. A set of papers presented in the conference brought under varied thematics of spaces, affective registers and the personal resonated critically with each other and would contribute to developing a new method of understanding performance, wherein transnational, cross-cultural and comparative framework is central. Some of them are being considered as book chapters for publication currently.

**Naman P. Ahuja, Dean
School of Arts and Aesthetics**

Second S.B. Verma Memorial Lecture

The Centre for Japanese Studies organised the Second S.B.Verma Memorial Lecture on the 15th of March 2021 in the online mode on Google Meet by Late Prof. K.V.Kesavan.

The S. B. Verma Memorial Lecture was started in the year 2018 along with Award of Gold medals to toppers of B.A. (Hons.) and M.A. programme of Centre for Japanese Studies, JNU.

The special guests for the Second S.B. Verma Memorial Lecture were H.E. Ambassador Satoshi Suzuki; Director General Japan Foundation, New Delhi – Mr. Koji Sato; Honourable Vice Chancellor JNU Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar; Acting Dean SLLS&CS Prof. Om Prakash and, Chairperson Centre for Japanese Studies, JNU Prof. P.A. George. Faculty from other universities such as Delhi University (DU), English and Foreign Languages University (EFLU), Benares Hindu University (BHU), Viswabharati, Shanti Niketan, Doon University; and research scholars and students of CJS attended the event in good numbers.

An enriching memorial lecture was delivered by Late Prof. Kesavan, Visiting Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation. Prof. Kesavan was an eminent academician and retired faculty from the School of International Studies, JNU. The theme of his lecture was “Prime Minister Shinzo Abe’s contribution to India-Japan partnership “.



**M.V. Lakshmi (Convener), Assistant Professor
Centre for Japanese Studies/ SLL&CS**

“Partition Horrors Remembrance Day”

Jawaharlal Nehru University
New Delhi

Partition Horrors Remembrance Day

(14th August)

25th Sept. 2021
India, Partition and its Aftermath - Remembering the Horrors of History

Programme

10:30 – 12:30 Inaugural Session Dr. Anuja Moderator	Introductory Remarks: Prof. Dharamraj Singh Inaugural Address: Prof. M. Jagadeesh Kumar Keynote Speaker: Shri Ram Madhav Chief Guest: Dr. Vinay Sahasrabudhe
12:30 – 14:00 Session 1 Dr. Ananta Joshi Moderator	Documentary Screening: 4-10 minutes Chair of the session: Prof. Anwika Kumar Mahapatra Speaker 1: Mr. Hanchun Gupta Speaker 2: Dr. Ashok Sharma
15:30 – 17:00 Session 2 Dr. Sneha B Dr. Abhinav Srivastava Moderator	Chair of the session: Prof. Rana Pralay Singh Speaker 1: Dr. Baidyanand Joshi Speaker 2: Dr. Anirban Ganguly Speaker 3: Shri Sanjeev Sanyal
17:15 – 18:30 Concluding Session Dr. Saurabh Sharma Moderator	Chair of the session: Prof. Chintamani Mahapatra Speaker 1: Prof. Subhash Kak Speaker 2: Prof. Lavanya Vemsani Victory Address: Shri Jayant Sahasrabudhe

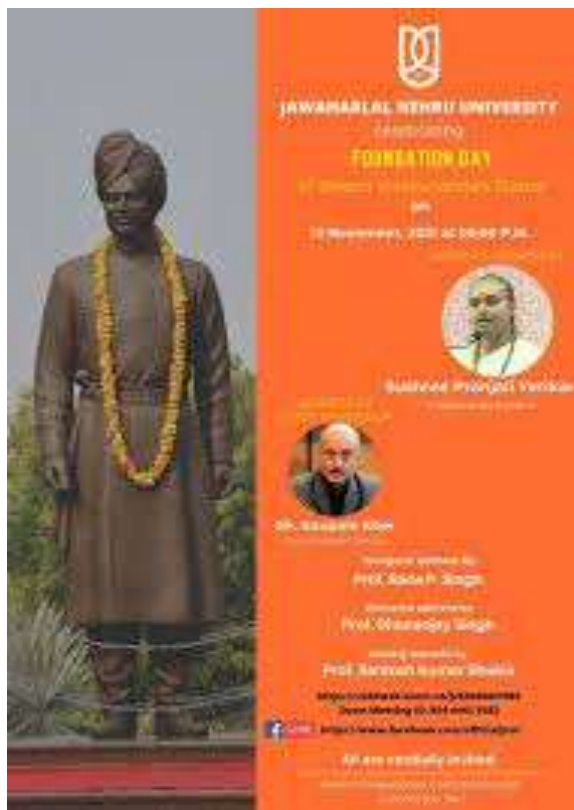
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Jawaharlal Nehru University held a day-long International Webinar to initiate a dialogue in India on the “Partition Horrors Remembrance Day,” which was announced by the Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, on the occasion of the Independence Day. While we celebrate the freedom attained by our nation from the colonial rule every year on 15 August, 14 August has been scripted the nation’s history as the day of the Partition of the nation and the resultant violence of the most horrific kind and degree as ghastly as the Holocaust. Millions of Indians were killed, raped, displaced and rendered homeless as a result of the Partition. The horrors perpetrated upon the people especially in Punjab, Bengal, Hyderabad and Kerala remain a wound. For the first time in the Independent India those Horrors have now been officially acknowledged by the Central Government by announcing that 14th August will henceforth be commemorated as Partition Horrors Remembrance Day (PHRD). Jawaharlal Nehru University decided in its Executive Council meeting held on 2 September, 2021 that the University will commemorate every 14th August as PHRD. Among many distinguished speakers from India and abroad who spoke at this International Webinar included Shri Ram Madhav, Dr Vinay Sahasrabudhe, Shri Sanjeev Sanyal, Shri Kanchan Gupta, Prof Subhash Kak, Prof Lavanya Vemsani and Shri Jayant Sahasrabudhe. Speakers highlighted how the false logic of Partition in 1947 and the loss of millions of lives due to it, the physical and psychological scars of the event have been conveniently silenced in the post-colonial history of the nation. Inaugurating this International Webinar, the Vice-Chancellor of JNU Prof. M. Jagadeesh Kumar said: “Our Prime Minister had announced last month that from now onwards 14th August will be celebrated as PHRD and I am glad JNU is the first academic institution to have decided to commemorate every 14th August in the memory of those who suffered the horrors of partition. This is just the beginning, and we shall continue to commemorate our fallen ancestors, brothers and sisters who gave up their lives, their everything to leave us in a free India.”

**Rana P. Singh,
Rector-III**

Foundation Day of Swami Vivekananda's Statue



The Statue of Swami Vivekananda in JNU was unveiled last year on 12 November, 2020 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. JNU celebrated the first Foundation Day of Swami Vivekananda's Statue by organized a webinar on 12 November, 2021. Shri Anupam Kher, the legendary film actor, director, producer and a former Chairman of the Film and Television Institute of India as well as the Film and Television Censor of India, delivered his address highlighting the relevance of Swami Vivekananda and his thoughts to modern India. He said that Swami Vivekananda's statue in JNU will inspire the students and visitors to imbibe his thoughts and philosophy. He emphasized the message of compassion, vision of oneness, love for our country and youth-led developments. Sushri Pranjali Yerikar from Vivekananda Kendra, delivered the keynote address and said that Swami Vivekananda worked for the youth of India and strove to bring the common people of India to the main stream of country development and progress. Swami ji championed the cause of educating the girl child of India and those who are deprived of an opportunity for education.

Event was organized to pay tribute to Swami Ji's vision and hard work towards developing a strong character and personality among the youth of India. His statue in the JNU reminds us of the great ideas and his life in the service of humanity; his life signifies the messages of a philosophy of inclusiveness and strength of a moral nation he dreamed of India, indeed of the world.

Other speakers in the programme celebrated the various facets of the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda, and their continuing relevance in the world today.

**Rana P. Singh,
Rector-III**

National Webinar on 'Space, Knowledge, Capital' (Young Scholars Conference on North East India),

Report on the National Webinar on 'Space, Knowledge, Capital' (Young Scholars Conference on North East India), organized by Special Centre for the Study of North East India (SCSNEI), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, 18-19 February, 2021. The webinar was financially supported by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi. The participants of the inter-disciplinary Webinar included MPhil and PhD researchers from various universities and institutions across India, as well as researchers who have recently completed their PhD. In total, there were ten sessions in the Webinar. Each Session focused on a specific topic within the overall theme of the Webinar. Along with the ten sessions, the webinar had an Inaugural session and a Concluding session.

In the two-day Webinar (Young Scholars Conference), researchers presented papers that covered a wide range of disciplines, themes and issues. The papers presented covered disciplines such as History, Geography, Political Studies, Social Anthropology, Cultural Studies, Literary Studies, Economics, Social Work, Developmental Studies, Gender Studies and studies pertaining to Ecology. Coming specifically to the theme of the Webinar, 'Space, Knowledge, Capital', the aim was to engage with some of the important questions that such a theme foregrounds. For example, over the last several decades across the world, a range of studies have highlighted how identifying and describing social and historical realities would take one into investigating relations, such as between space and globalization, between knowledge and power, or the unfolding

trajectories of capitalism, etc. In the recent past, regions such as North East India too have come to be studied through such frameworks. Therefore, in such a background, how does one understand the nature of relation between three critical factors that have a significant bearing on such questions: namely, the complex relations between space, knowledge and capital.

Exploring regions such as North East India in terms of the possible relations between space, knowledge and capital, the different papers that were presented in the course of the two-day Webinar explored the theme in new ways. For example, some of the papers highlighted how mental imageries of space are connected to a wide range of spatial, medicinal or adventurous experiences. The close relation between cartography and cultural mapping as part of the complex process of colonialism and region formation was also highlighted in the papers. Besides, how boundaries can be revisited in terms of production or disruption of economies and social ties were some of the other key significant issues discussed in the presentations. The presentations also explored the nature of complex negotiation between state and community in the making of urban landscapes. Discussions in the presentations also covered the urban history of region in the colonial period. Further, the challenges of form and genre in the production and practice of narrative fiction were some of the other important questions that the papers presented in the Webinar critically engaged with.

Another significant issue that the papers presented in the Webinar dealt with included questions of global capital and contemporary trading practices vis-à-vis tea plantations. In this regard, new ways of conceptualizing plantation towns in terms of social capital and spaces of labour were explored. Besides, critical questions of infrastructure and rural world were explored in terms of the relation between state, infrastructure and people in the margins. Another interconnected theme in this regard was that of the means of assessing tribal poverty by foregrounding the specific experiences of communities. With regard to questions of gender, space and work, papers presented in the Webinar explored shifts in the composition and work conditions of women labour in traditional economic spheres such as textiles. Questions of gender also included issues such as gender and body vis-à-vis social norms, institutions and use of reproductive technologies in the context of capital. The production of culture in the periphery constituted another important theme that was covered in the Webinar. It highlighted questions of genre and classification of popular music marked by both

indigenization and globalization. Such analysis of culture also extended to the politics of local food systems and practices vis-à-vis global capital, or changing trends of government intervention vis-à-vis farming and implementation of policies pertaining to shifting cultivation. As such, the papers presented and discussed in the Webinar (Young Scholars Conference) highlighted the possibilities of reading theory and empirical data vis-à-vis North East India closely and with new insights in tandem with global research trends.

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Assistant Professor, SCSNEI

Iconic Week Celebration (4 – 10 October, 2021) ‘Avoid the Use of Single Use Plastics’



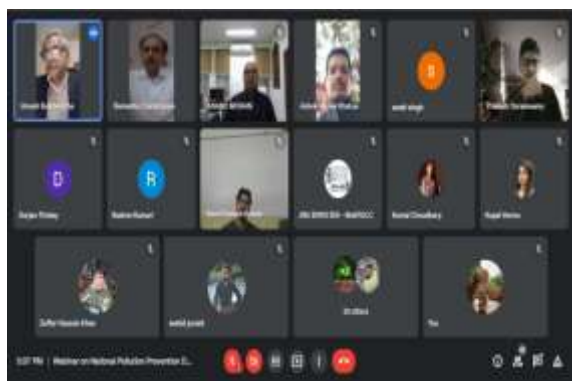
As per the Government of India’s 75-week long campaign ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ Iconic week was celebrated from 4 – 10 October, 2021 by JNU ENVIS Resource Partner on Geodiversity & Impact on Environment in collaboration with the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Various awareness activities and competitions were conducted during this Iconic week. It was attended by more than 336 participants, through Google-Meet and Facebook Live platforms. The participants included University and school students, researchers, faculty members and other stakeholders. The report at glance

of different activities carried out during the Iconic Week celebrations is given below. Further detailed information is available at the JNU ENVIS Website <http://jnuenvis.nic.in/>.

**Swati Singh, ENVIS Resource Partner
Geodiversity and Impact on Environment
School of Environmental Sciences**

National Pollution Prevention Day, 2 December, 2021

The School of Environmental Sciences celebrated National Pollution Prevention Day on 2 December, 2021. On this occasion, a webinar was organized by JNU ENVIS Resource Partner in collaboration with ENVIS RP on Ecotourism, SCS&T, Sikkim and the Young Holistic (YoHo) group, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The panel included very eminent International and National researchers such as Mr. Anand Mohan, IFS (Member Secretary, Rajasthan Pollution Control Board (RPCB), Jaipur), Dr. P. Doraiswamy (Pollution Expert, RTI International Raleigh, North Carolina, USA), Dr. Ramesh Chandrupa (Environmental Officer, Waste



Management Cell, Karnataka Pollution Control Board (KPCB), Bengaluru), Mr. D.T. Bhutia (Director & ENVIS Coordinator, Department of S&T, Sikkim), Prof. U.C. Kulshrestha (Dean SES & JNU ENVIS Coordinator), Dr. Ram Pravesh Kumar (Assistant Professor SES, JNU, New Delhi), Dr. Kopal Verma Saini (Junior Consultant, National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM), New Delhi). The Young Holistic leader Ms. Komal Choudhary introduced all the panelists, while Ms.

Swati Singh, Programme Officer, ENVIS, SES executed the programme.

**Swati Singh, ENVIS Resource Partner
Geodiversity and Impact on Environment
School of Environmental Sciences**

Foundation and Frontiers in Political Science

The Centre for Political Studies organized a webinar, titled, 'Foundation and Frontiers in Political Science', 8 – 9 December, 2021, commemorating 50 years of its foundation in 1971. The webinar began with the Chairperson, Prof. Narender Kumar, welcoming the Guest of Honour, Prof. Chintamani Mahapatra, Rector I, and the Chair, Prof. Dipendranath Das, Dean, SSS. Prof. Kumarspokeat some length on the establishment, evolution, and achievements of the Centre, its faculty and students; and the vision, direction and challenges in the coming years. He then explained the structure of sessions and design of the webinar, which was commended both by the Guest of Honour and the Chair.



Prof. Neera Chandhoke chaired the first session, titled 'Political Theory and Philosophy', with Prof. Gurpreet Mahajan, Prof. Rajeev Bhargav and Prof. Aditya Nigam as speakers. The session provided critical narratives about specific historical contexts that shaped the courses, research and academic discourse, concerning theory, thought and philosophy taught in CPS. The speakers highlighted the shifts in global and national politics and changes in emphases from normative and conceptual issues to Indian thought and everyday democracy in the intellectual landscape over the years. Prof. Rumki Basu chaired the second session, titled 'Public Policy and Development', with Prof. Rahul Mukherji and Dr. Gitanjali Chaturvedi as speakers. This panel related experiences of using conceptual and philosophical categories taught in CPS to impact the wider world

through policymaking and interventions. The session clarified the overlap of governance and academia to show how the democratic ethos instilled by the Centre has led to outstanding contributions in public policy and national politics over decades. It was fittingly followed by the third session, titled 'Indian Politics', chaired by Prof. Suhas Palshikar. The speakers included Prof. Zoya Hasan, Prof. Sudha Pai and Prof. Peter D' Souza, who spoke on the different aspects of Indian Politics taught and researched in CPS. The discussion highlighted the contribution of the Centre in pushing progressive and democratic thought and mapping the mutating state-society relations, along with a need for coining new concepts and undertaking case studies to decode new conundrums.



On the second day, Prof. P.K. Dutta chaired the fourth session, titled 'Indian Political Thought', with Prof. Gopal Guru, Prof. Valerian Rodrigues and Prof. Vasanthi Srinivasan as speakers. Stating the import of celebrating the golden jubilee in a milieu of anti-intellectualism, the speaker extolled how the conceptually demanding courses at CPS sensitize students to empirical reality and connect political thought to public life and participation in democracy. The discussion underlined the epistemological dilemmas involved in relating Indian thought to western philosophy and the need to closely engage with several ancient Indian texts. The final technical session, titled, 'Institutions and Political Processes', was chaired by Prof. Ujjwal Kumar Singh where Prof. Balveer Arora, Prof. Bishnu Mohapatra, and Prof. Kham Khan Suan Hausing were invited as speakers. The session highlighted the concern about how institutions are the backbone of Indian democracy, a federal polity marked by diversities, continues to suffer from a lack of attention, need an urgent address for the discipline. The speaker also elaborated at length on how CPS has been the intellectual cornerstone in their academic journeys and stood out as an academic institution.

The Valedictory session marked the end of these two days of intense deliberation on the foundation and

frontiers in political science. It was chaired by Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty with Prof. Lord Bhikhu Parekh as the Speaker. After the welcome address by the Chairperson, the chair and speaker were introduced by Dr. Rajarshi Dasgupta. Prof. Mohanty lauded CPS and offered critical reflection on the Indian intellectual tradition, flagging the pivotal moments and concerns for political theory, like the demolition of Babri mosque, rising violence and political culture, and the challenges posed by climate change today. In his address, Prof. Parekh congratulated CPS and JNU as institutions with the unique capability for shaping critical thinking in particular directions and inspiring wider academic and intellectual practice. He also spelt out the need for a more rigorous grounding of political thought, theory and scholarship in the Indian context. The imminent task, according to him, was bringing together the diffused body of Indian thought by creating new access with vernaculars to the collective cultural consciousness and social institutions of India.

At the conclusion, the Chairperson, Prof. Narender Kumar, extended his sincere vote of thanks to all the participants, faculty members, eminent guests, students, and the organizing committee for making the virtual seminar a resounding success.

The webinar was live streamed on YouTube and can be accessed at:

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCgJX4FSGO3x3JEzyKdDK5og>

**Narender Kumar, Professor
Centre for Political Studies, SSS**

Human Rights Day Webinar, 2021 Organised by Human Rights Studies Programme, SIS

Human Rights Studies Programme, School of International Studies (JNU) in collaboration with the Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies (JNU), and the Indian Law Institute (Delhi), organized a Human Rights Day Webinar on the Intersections of Human Rights and Criminal Law on 9 – 10 December, 2021. The members of the organizing team included Prof. Sharad K. Soni, Director, Human Rights Studies Programme (JNU), Prof. Sangeeta Thapliyal, Chairperson, Centre for Inner Asian Studies (JNU), Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha, Director, Indian Law Institute, Prof. Anuragdeep, Faculty, and Webinar Coordinator, Indian Law Institute, and Dr. Deepa Kansra, Faculty and Webinar Coordinator, Human Rights Studies Programme, JNU.

The Webinar was conceptualized by considering the fact that international human rights law casts a duty on States to prohibit and punish for the protection of human rights and the redressal of violations. The obligation of States to prohibit and punish informs the development of criminal rules and procedures under different legal systems, leading to the near universalization of legislative frameworks, legal justifications, and punishments. In the working of international human rights institutions, the criminal laws adopted by States are an indicator or marker of the level of compliance of States with the international mandates. The interface between the two fields, i.e., international human rights and domestic criminal laws, in recent years has sparked great jurisprudential, political, and constitutional debates in different parts of the world. It was in this backdrop that the Webinar was organized on the occasion of Human Rights Day to discuss the relevant issues.

Experts and young scholars from the field shared their insights and research on the webinar theme. The presentations were organized under four sessions including Session I on Rights Jurisprudence and Criminal Law (Session Chair - Prof. Sangeeta Thapliyal), Session II on Proposals for Criminalisation and Decriminalisation (Session Chair- Prof. Sharad K. Soni), Session III on Crimes, Victims, and Punishments (Session Chair- Prof. Anju Vali Tikoo), and Session IV on Agendas for Reform (Session Chair - Dr. Upma Gautam).

In Session I, the presenters traced the importance of international human rights standards within domestic laws/ provisions on national security, domestic violence, and information-based rights. Prof. Anurag Deep covered the leading human rights arguments advanced in different jurisdictions regarding their national security-based responses and laws. Mr. Vishnu Prasad, on the themes of access to information and criminal justice, made a comparison between the approaches of the European Court on Human Rights and the Indian Supreme Court. Ms. Ram Dulari Patel shed light on the inclusion of internationally advanced strategies for redressal within the State laws on domestic violence.

Session II covered the theme of harmful practices against women and the role of criminal sanctions in this regard. Dr. Moumita Mandal spoke of the economic and cultural challenges facing the UN-led initiatives to prohibit and eliminate Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in different regions. Ms. Aswin Grace presented her views on the human rights

challenges associated with the criminalization of abortions. In Session III, the presenters discussed the scope of victims' rights under criminal justice systems (international and domestic). Mr. Pawan Kumar discussed the role of the International Criminal Court in adopting victim-centric approaches and procedures. Ms. Ira Rana shed light on the inadequacy of existing human rights provisions/mechanisms to address the plight of children of incarcerated parents. In Session IV, selective agendas for reforms were discussed. Ms. Aishwarya Kashyap highlighted the justice systems' structural and procedural inadequacies in dealing with sexual offenses within marriage.



In the course of the discussions, the participants made five general observations, including (1) the over-dependency of international human rights bodies on the criminal law machinery of States, (2) the challenges posed by inadequate data (region and country-specific) on crimes and violations, (3) the lack of harmony between international and domestic standards on criminal justice matters, (4) the influence of international politics and lobbying on selective agendas for criminalization/decriminalization, and (5) the emergence of interdisciplinary approaches to understanding crimes and victimization.

The participants also made specific suggestions for reform including (1) the need for human rights laws to protect children of incarcerated parents, (2) need for active intervention by domestic courts in matters concerning national security and traditional harmful practices against women, (3) need for uniform provisions and sentencing guidelines across jurisdictions for offenses against children and women, and (4) need for ratification by all States of the major international human rights treaties, including the Optional Protocols.

**Deepa Kansra, Assistant Professor
Human Rights Studies Programme,
School of International Studies**

JNU organized A Special lecture “Atal Samvad” on Good Governance Day



The Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship (ABVSME, JNU) organized special lecture “Atal Samvad” on the birth anniversary of former PM Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Speaking on occasion keynote speaker, Professor Sanjeev Sharma, VC Central University Bihar, took reference of his personal meeting with Atal ji. He opined that Atalji has multidimensional personality whose interests comprehended the big and small aspects of life and ranged from politics to literature, poetry to music, culinary expertise to relishing good food, Atalji had no thrust for power. In real sense he was a true politician which every Nation aspire.

Dean, ABVSME Prof. Arvind Kumar welcomed the participants and shared his thoughts in remembrance of Atal ji. Prof. Heeraman Tiwari, Prof. Santosh Shukla and Prof. Upendra Rao was some of the key speakers of the event. The event ended with a vote of thanks given by Professor Rajiv Sijariya.

Since 2018 School of management and entrepreneurship under the aegis of JNU offering MBA and Ph.D Degree and till date one batch has been passed out and got placements in leading corporates. ABVSME will offer a diploma course from coming academic session. JNU’s management institute has been setting new benchmarks in management education.

**Arvind Kumar, Dean,
Atal Bihari Vajpayee
School of Management and Entrepreneurship**

Report by Garima Dalal Linguistic Empowerment Cell, JNU

Dr. Garima Dalal, Linguistic Empowerment Cell, JNU in collaboration with Department of English and Cultural Studies, CHRIST University and Dhofar University, Oman organised an International Conference (online) titled Pandemic Pedagogies in Language Education (PPLE 2021) from 28 – 30 October, 2021. The conference included paper presentations, panel discussions by academics, poster presentations, and workshops.



The inaugural session began with Dr. Jyoti Kumar, Dean of Christ University providing insight on the positive side of global digitalization during the course of this pandemic. Adding to it, Dr. Khalid Almashikhi, Dean of College of Arts and Applied Sciences, Dhofar University, in his Collaborator’s address highlighted the advantages of different platforms for international collaborations that the pandemic has brought with it. Prof. Rajnish Mishra, Chief coordinator, LEC in his Collaborator’s Address spoke on the immense dissemination of knowledge through technology which is essentially the future of conventional classrooms. This was followed by Dr. Z N Patil’s assiduous discourse on the five shifts from the pre-pandemic teaching practices to the present-day methods. The conference was participated by experts from different corners across the globe namely: Dhofar University, Salalah, Oman; Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University, Patiala, India; Leeds Beckett University, UK; Indiana University - Bloomington, USA; Presidency University, Kolkata, India; Srishti Manipal Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Bengaluru, India; AMIU, Iran; Shiv Nadar University; National Institute of Technology-Tiruchirappalli; University of Delhi; RVR&JC College of Engineering-Guntur, Andhra Pradesh; Stella Maris College-Chennai; Central University of South Bihar; ALLEN Career Institute, Bangalore; EFL University, Hyderabad;

Renne 2 University, France; and Panjab University, India.

Dr. Garima Dalal, Linguistic Empowerment Cell with Prof Sanghmitra S Acharya, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences of Jawaharlal Nehru University in collaboration with University of Texas, Dallas, USA initiated an Interactive Virtual Exchange Across Universities on Sustainable Communities from 12 October to 14 December, 2021

The programme encouraged a free-flowing exchange of ideas among students across the two universities. It entailed live reflections of the understanding of Sustainable Communities. This Virtual Exchange (VE) focused on student interaction and dialogue on Sustainable communities. The focus was to gain conceptual understanding along with development of soft skills such as intercultural awareness, global competence, and digital literacy. Twenty students from JNU participated in this virtual exchange programme from various schools and centres of JNU namely Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS), and Centre of International Trade and Development (CITD), from the School of International Studies (SIS); Centre of Social Medicine & Community Health (CSMCH), Centre for the study of Social Systems (CSSS), Centre for Economic Studies and Planning (CESP); Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) from School of Social Sciences (SSS). The students worked in seven areas reflecting on Politics and governance, Tribal and ethnic issues, social inclusion, Health care issues, Health systems, and Environmental sustainability –I & II.

**Garima Dalal, Assistant Professor
Linguistic Empowerment Cell**

Prof. Asima Chatterjee Special Session as a part of 58 Annual Convention of Chemists (ACC), Indian Chemical Society (ICS) (Online)

As a part of the 58 Annual Convention of Chemists (ACC 2021) of Indian Chemical Society, a special session on a theme entitled “Professor Asima Chatterjee Scientific Special Session” had been organized to pay tribute to the legendary scientist Prof. Asima Chatterjee for her remarkable contributions to the field of science. The session was conducted by the joint efforts of the School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru

University, Department of Chemistry, Calcutta University & Department of Chemistry, and Shiv Nadar University on 21 December, 2021. The program started with welcome address by Prof. Chhanda Mukhopadhyay, Dept. of Chemistry, Calcutta University who is one of the conveners of the program. It was followed by a Lifetime talk on Prof. Asima Chatterjee by Dr. Kaliprasanna Dhara, Calcutta University, Ph.D. student of Prof. Asima Chatterjee. This was followed by three invited talks, which were delivered by Prof. Akhilesh Verma, Dept of Chemistry, University of Delhi, Dr.



Rakeshwar Bandichhor, Vice President and Head of Chemistry, API-PR&D Reddy's Lab and Prof. Jyotirmayee Dash, School of Chemical Sciences, IACS, Kolkata.

In this session the prestigious “Prof. Asima Chatterjee Memorial Award” was given to Prof. Bani Talapatra to acknowledge her contributions in Indian Science. She is a well-known scientist in the field of Natural Products and also one of the students of Prof. Asima Chatterjee. In her award-lecture, she gracefully shared us all crowning achievements of Prof. Chatterjee and personal interactions with her. Her oration and poetry overwhelmed all the audience and was indeed very inspiring and encouraging particularly to young women scientists. This part of the session was chaired by Prof. Rina Ghosh, Department of Chemistry, Jadavpur University.

In the next part of the session, four special award lectures were organized. The introductory address was given by Prof. Bimlesh Lochab, Department of Chemistry, School of Natural Sciences, Shiv Nadar University who is also one of the conveners of this program. The prestigious ‘Marie Curie Memorial Award’ was given to Prof. Sharmila Banerjee, former head of the Radiation Medicine Centre and the Medical Cyclotron Facility, BARC, Mumbai for her remarkable contributions in the field of Nuclear medicine. She spoke on “Evolution of Radioactivity in Nuclear Medicine – An Unending Human Quest for Betterment of Life”.

The prestigious ‘Rosalind Franklin Memorial Award’ was given to Prof. Anju Chadha, former Institute Chair Professor of the Dept of Biotechnology, IIT Madras to acknowledge her outstanding contributions in the field of Biocatalysis which includes the use of Enzymes in Organic Synthesis, Green Chemistry, Biodiesel, Chirotechnology and Biosensors. In her lecture, titled “Harnessing Biocatalysts for Organic Reactions: From Whole cells to Enzymes” she had given examples of directed evolution of some important enzymes which have displaced chemical catalysts and received global attention to minimize environmental damage.

The prestigious Kamala Sohanie Memorial Award was given to Prof. Sheela K. Ramasesha, retired from Energy and Environment Research Programme, School of Natural Sciences and Engineering, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru for her remarkable contributions in the field of “Alternate energies”. In her lecture she had discussed on “Scalable Ultrathin CdS/CdTe Photovoltaic Device which can act as energy harvesting systems in addition to its weather control ability.

Prof. (Retd.) Samita Basu, Chemical Sciences Division, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata was felicitated by the prestigious Rohatgi Mukherjee Memorial Award for her exceptional contributions in the field of ‘Molecular spectroscopy’. The topic of her lecture was ‘Photoinduced Electron Transfer Reactions: Magnetic Field Effect’ which nicely described the usefulness of this study to understand ‘distance-dependent’ interactions in bio-macromolecules.

This session of award lectures was gracefully conducted by Dr. Tulsi Mukherjee, Ex-Director, Chem Group at Bhabha Atomic Res Centre,

Mumbai. The session ended with the concluding remarks and vote of thanks by Prof. Kasturi Mukhopadhyay, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University who is Scientist-in-charge and convener of the Program.

**Kasturi Mukhopadhyay, Professor
School of Environmental Sciences**

School of Physical Sciences (SPS)



The School of Physical Sciences (SPS) regularly organizes many national/international conferences, workshop, school and webinars. During this calendar year, SPS has organized one international conference, four national conferences, two anusandhan manthan series lectures and thirteen webinars. In the month of March, one day national workshop was conducted to bring out the opportunities in research and innovation established by the National Education Policy-2020. The inaugural speech was delivered by Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, Hon’ble Vice-chancellor, JNU. Three distinguished speakers Prof. T. V. Kattimani (Hon’ble VC, A. P. Central University), Prof. Sandeep Verma (Secretary, SERB) and Prof. Nageshwar Rao (Hon’ble VC, IGNOU) delivered their talks during this workshop. Over 150 Faculties/ Scientists/ Research Scholars/Students participated enthusiastically. In collaboration with C-DAC, Pune, the school had also hosted an online course on basics of high-performance computing, 19 – 30 April, 2021.

This year, SPS also celebrated the birth anniversary of two prominent Indian scientists Acharya Sir Prafulla Chandra Ray and Prof. S. Chandrasekhar. The 111th birth ceremony of Prof. S. Chandrasekhar was celebrated on 19 October, 2021 under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Programme. To commemorate the contribution of Prof. S. Chandrasekhar, a two-day national conference on “Chandra’s Contribution to Plasma Astrophysics” was also organized from 19 – 20 October, 2021. In this conference Prof. Bimla Buti (PhD scholar of Prof. Chandrasekhar and President,

Buti Foundation) delivered the keynote address as chief guest of the programme. This was followed by invited talks by nine eminent scientists from the IITs, TIFR, IUCAA and Central University of Sikkim and a few scholars had presented their research papers as Oral presentations. The selected papers are going to be published in the reputed Journal of Astrophysics and Astronomy (published by Springer). Celebration of the 160th birth anniversary of Acharya Sir Prafulla Chandra Ray was done by reminiscing his contributions to chemical science and mankind through a series of online lectures and the inauguration of glyco-chemistry lab (supported by Ultra International Ltd.), 2 – 6 August, 2021.



The SPS and department of chemistry, BHU had jointly organized the 27th international conference of international academy of physical sciences (CONIAPS XXVII) on recent advances in chemical sciences. On 20 October, 2021, Prof. Venu Gopal Achanta (Director, CSIR-NPL New Delhi) and Dr. Pawan Kumar Kulriya, SPS were invited to deliver lectures on metamaterials and the radiation-tolerant ceramics for nuclear energy application under the Anusandhan Manthan Series lectures. Recently, a conference related to the current trends in non-equilibrium physics was conducted by physics faculties of the school.

In addition, the school invites eminent scientists from reputed institutes for a weekly webinar series and journal club. In this regard, Prof. Ronny Thomale from the Würzburg University, Germany delivered an invited lecture on the room temperature quantum

spins hall-effect. Further, the school also invited Dr Mahesh Kumar (IIT Jodhpur), Dr Mukesh Kumar (IIT Ropar), Dr R. S. Dhaka (IIT Delhi) and Dr. Sunil Singh Kushvaha (CSR-NPL New Delhi) to deliver invited lectures on the materials for the energy applications. Journal club of the SPS hosted a total of eight webinars in this calendar year. In the journal club, few SPS faculties namely Dr. Poonam Mehta, Dr. A. K. Pramanik, Dr. P. K. Sasmal and other renowned external experts namely Dr. Joyee Ghosh (IITD), Dr. K. Manna (IITD), Dr. S. D. Verma (IISER Bhopal), Dr. H. Aggarwal (BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad), Dr. C. M. Reddy (IISER Kolkata) delivered lectures on various research fields such as neutrino physics, quantum communication, pump-probe microscopy etc.

Professor Sandeep Verma, Secretary, Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), delivered a talk on opportunities for research and innovation in National Education Policy-2020. Workshop on the opportunities for research and innovation in National Education Policy-2020.

Ram Prasad Prajapati & Pawan Kumar Kulriya,
Convener, School of Physical Sciences

National Youth Day

Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship (ABVSME, JNU) organized an expert talk by Mr. Chirag Suchak on the occasion of National Youth Day which happens to be the 159th Birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.

Speaking on the occasion, the speaker talked about Zillennials: The Future Workforce. This is the workforce that grew up on digital technology and transitioned from teenagers to adults in 2010s. He began by discussing distinct traits of this unique generation such as pioneering, being inventive & savvy. He also highlighted the importance to understand that the same generation of workforce at the same time is more likely to get influenced by social media. He guided the participants to be more proactive and purposeful with respect to social media. He mentioned about the ability of majority of this workforce to be great potential learners and on being passionate and dedicated at the same time.



He advocated them to stay away from unnecessary information and strive to take baby steps toward developing habits that may go a long way in their journey of self-growth. He opined that the current scenario is full of anxiety and is loaded with distractions from all corners. He emphasised that though anxiety is natural, but he guided the students on how to handle these pressures and to stop thinking about factors beyond one's control. Talking about present day recruiters, he said the focus is now shifting from what employer wants to what candidate wants. He spoke about how the top employers are now going to every extent to keep their employees contented. The speaker was apprised that the alumni of the school are now working with prestigious corporate houses.

He finally advised them on "Self Branding" and on how to keep their self brand more fluid and dynamic.

The talk got an overwhelming response from the participants, especially on the practical- real world solutions offered to the Zillennial workforce problems that they might encounter in future. Participants were delighted to be a part of the enriching session.

Dean, ABVSME Prof. Arvind Kumar also chaired the session and shared his thoughts. Utkarsh Kumar, MBA student at ABVSME offered a vote of thanks.

Arvind Kumar, Dean
Atal Bihari Vajpayee
School of Management & Entrepreneurship

School of Physical Sciences (SPS)

The School of Physical Sciences (SPS) regularly organizes many national/international conferences, workshop, school and webinars. During the month of January–February, 2022, SPS has organized one national lecturer series and two webinars. In collaboration with Indian Association of Physics Teachers (IAPT), SPS has started a seven weekend's

lectures series on the "National Education Policy 2020: Implementation Challenges and Path Ahead" from February 19 February, 2022 onwards. The weekend series was started on the 19 February, 2022 with an inaugural talk by Prof. Mazhar Asif, Dean, SLLCS, JNU on the role of teachers in implantation of NEP for higher education. Second lecture entitled "will NEP 2020 make science leaning a real exploration?" was delivered by eminent speaker Prof. Kannaan M Moudgalya from IIT Mumbai in the auspicious presence of Prof. Alok Kumar Chakrawal, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Guru Ghasidas Central University Bilashpur on the 26 February, 2022. Over 150 Faculties/Scientists/Research Scholars/Students participated enthusiastically. We also invited two renowned nuclear physicists Prof. Surjit Mukherjee, Department of Physics, The M.S. University Baroda (Gujarat) to deliver a seminar on the "Let's walk together towards the understanding of particle physics" on the 5 February, 2022 and Dr. Tarkeshwar Trivedi from Department of Pure and Applied Physics, Guru Ghasidas Central University, Bilaspur on the topic "Nuclear Structure and Shell Model" on 5 January, 2022.

Kedar Singh, Dean
School of Physical Sciences

उद्यमशीलता पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र को बढ़ावा देने में भारत आगे

अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी स्कूल ऑफ मैनेजमेंट एंड एंटरप्रेन्योरशिप (एबीवीएसएमई), जेएनयू ने एक नए उद्यमिता अवसर के रूप में स्टार्ट "अप-विषय पर एक वेबिनार का आयोजन किया। वेबिनार का आयोजन नार्थ ईस्टर्न मैनेजमेंट एसोसिएशन (एनईएमए), अटल इनक्यूबेशन सेंटर, जेएनयू फाउंडेशन फॉर इनोवेशन, इंस्टीट्यूशन इनोवेशन काउंसिल और स्पेशल सेंटर फॉर द स्टडी ऑफ नॉर्थ ईस्ट इंडिया के सहयोग से माननीय कुलपति प्रोफेसर शांतिश्री डी पंडित और माननीय रेक्टर प्रो अजय कुमार दुबे के नेतृत्व में किया गया।

जेएनयू में, एबीवीएसएमई और अटल इनक्यूबेशन सेंटर की स्थापना देश में उद्यमिता और उद्यम पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र को बढ़ावा देने के विचार के साथ

की गई है, और स्कूल ऑफ मैनेजमेंट युवाओं को रोजगार सृजन, उद्यम निर्माण में सक्रिय भागीदारी के लिए सशक्त बना रहा है।

अतिथि वक्ताओं में प्रमुख रूप से सुश्री तान्या सिंह, नेशनल चेयर स्टार्टअप्स एआईएमए, प्रो धुबा कुमार गौतम, निदेशक, त्रिभुवन विश्वविद्यालय और श्री राहुल पांडे, संस्थापक, पल्पी ड्राइव अपने विचार और अनुभव साझा करने के लिए आमंत्रित किया गया।

वेबिनार में वक्ताओं ने प्रतिभागियों को उद्यमशीलता पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र के नए बदलते स्वरूप व भारतीय स्टार्टअप की क्षमता और उनकी भविष्य की - राजीव .संभावनाओं पर चर्चा की। धन्यवाद प्रस्ताव प्रो सिजारिया ने प्रस्तुत किया।

जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय (जेएनयू), नई दिल्ली, प्रबंधन शिक्षा में सक्रिय रूप से भाग ले रहा है। अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी स्कूल ऑफ मैनेजमेंट एंड एंटरप्रेन्योरशिप (एबीवीएसएमई), ने एमबीए का अपना पहला बैच 2019 में शुरू किया था और स्कूल के पूर्व छात्र पीएसयू, एमएनसी जैसे प्रमुख संगठनों के साथ काम कर रहे हैं और कुछ अपने स्वयं के उद्यम चला रहे हैं। डीन प्रोअरविंद कुमार के नेतृत्व में , स्कूल नियमित रूप से उद्योग, कानूनी विशेषज्ञों, नौकरशाहों, उद्यमियों और शिक्षाविदों द्वारा विशेषज्ञ वार्ता और वेबिनार आयोजित कर रहा है।

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**Special Lecture Series 2021-2022
organised by the CRCAS/SIS**

The Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies,
SIS/ JNU has been organizing 'Special Online

Lecture Series 2021-2022' since November 2021 with the objective to encourage discussions on pertinent international issues of contemporary relevance. Using historical and present-day cases from the post-Soviet space, the lecture series aims at highlighting the political, strategic, economic, social and cultural developments in Russia and other countries of the Eurasian region. The following lectures have been organized so far:

“Locating Eurasia in a Reimagined World” delivered by Prof Anuradha M. Chenoy, Sr. Professor & Former Dean SIS, JNU, Faculty at OP Jindal Global University, Sonapat, Haryana, 6 December, 2021.

“Mother Russia’: State, Country and Patriotism in Russian History ” delivered by Prof Eugenia Vanina, Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia, 18 December, 2021.

“Post-Karabakh Conflict Equilibrium and Prospect for Regional Integration” delivered by Dr. Rahman Shahhuseynli, Asia Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Azerbaijan, 22 January, 2022.

“Baltic Sea Region in International Relations: Dominating Trends and Future Prospects” delivered by Prof. Zaneta Ozolina, University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia on 5 February, 2022.

“Exploring Eurasian Gateways: Russian Travellers in XIXth-Century Punjab” delivered by Dr Anna Bochkovskaya, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia on 25 February, 2022.

**Archana Upadhyay, Professor & Chairperson
Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies,
School of International Studies**

From Our Archives



Padma Bhushan Doraiswami Iyengar Performing in JNU, January, 1988.



Enthusiastic response to plantation of trees, January, 1990.



A group of 19 Students including six girls returned on 10 January, 1987 after the successful completion of trekking undertaken from Mussorie to Chamba in Garhwal Himalayas. The photo show students during the course of trekking, January, 1988.



A Group of 21 JNU students went trekking to Pindari Glacier in the third week of May, 1987. The photo shows some of the students on way to Pindari, January, 1988.

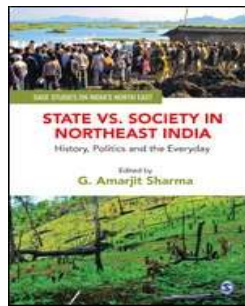


On 10 February, 1990, a Basketball Match between Indraprastha College and JNU Girls team was played on the Campus (Top)- An action photo of the match (2nd Photo) the JNU Basketball Club team which participated in the Inter-Institutional Invitation Tournament conducted by Basketball Club, JNU, April, 1990.

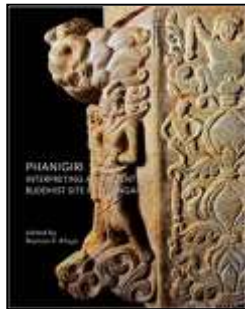
Our Publications



“Vom Aufspüren der Axiome. Die Epistemisch-Strukturelle Intuition und das moderne Wissenssystem”, by Prof. Babu Thaliath, Centre of German Studies, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies, Published by Karl Alber Verlag Freiburg/ Munich, ISBN: 9783495492000.



“State vs. Society in Northeast India” History, Politics and the Everyday, Edited by Dr. G. Amarjit Sharma, Assistant Professor, Special Centre for the Study of North East India, published by SAGE publications Pvt. Ltd. ISBN No: 9789391370374.



“Phanigiri: Interpreting an Ancient Buddhist Site in Telangana”, edited by Prof. Naman P. Ahuja, School of Arts & Aesthetics. Published by the Marg Foundation, ISBN no. 9789383243327.

Alumni Corner

Dr. Balaram Pani, Dean of Colleges, University of Delhi



How would you describe your association with JNU and your first impressions of the campus?

Being a person from Orissa, I thought it might be difficult for me in the beginning. But once I joined JNU,

I realized that everyone including the VC, Professors and students very cooperating and I found it to be a home away from home with excellent work culture and study atmosphere.

Why did you choose JNU for higher studies?

JNU was known for its good faculty and its syllabus. It was known as a centre of academic excellence and has good international recognition via its strong alumni network.

What has been the trajectory of your career since you left JNU?

I joined Bhaskaracharya College of Applied Sciences (DU) as Assistant Professor in 1999 and I became principal of the college in 2015. I was appointed Director College of Open learning (University of Delhi) in January, 2020 and I was appointed Dean of Colleges of University of Delhi in June, 2020.

How has JNU impacted your multifaceted career?

JNU has an excellent work culture and friendly atmosphere. Close interaction and healthy discussion between teachers and students allows more clarity about the national and international issues.

What has been the most challenging part of your work and why?

Discussion with stakeholders before taking any decision and thinking meticulously while handling a large volume of students. One wrong step may lead to problems. The decision should be taken

judiciously in time, creating conducive work environment.

Would you like to share any special memories that you associate with your time in JNU?

Memories of hostel life, work culture, open debate culture, student discussions at tea stalls are life long experiences I cherish.

What would your message be to the readers of JNU News and students of JNU?

JNU is a world renowned University having dedicated faculty and staff. The alumni of JNU are placed in prominent positions worldwide. I firmly believe that JNU students will further bring more laurels to the university through their hard work.

Obituary



Prof. Satyamurti, School of Sanskrit and Indic Studies, Passed Away on Friday, 30 April, 2021



Prof. Deepak Gaur, School of Biotechnology, Passed Away on Thursday, 20 May, 2021



Shri Ram Kumar – I, Ex-Safaikaramchari, Passed Away on Saturday, 14 August, 2021



Smt. Bhagwati, Safaikarmchari, Mahanadi Hostel, Passed Away on Monday, 29 November, 2021



Shri Rajbir, Safaikaramchari, Narmada Hostel, Passed away on Friday, 7 January, 2022



Shri Ramesh Kumar, Sanitary Guide, Brahmaputra Hostel, Passed away on Wednesday, 19 January, 2022



Shri Joginder, Safaikaramchari, Lang. Lab Complex, SLL&CS, Passed away on Wednesday, 2 February, 2022

We extend our condolences to the bereaved families



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