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for someone else,
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-Buddha

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From the Desk of the Dean, Academic Affairs

It gives me immense pleasure to note that the UGC-Academic Staff College is keeping its word of bringing out another issue of its newsletter. Its earlier maiden issue was highly appreciated by the readers.

Ever since its inception, the Academic Staff College of our University has been rendering yeoman service to the teaching community in upgrading their pedagogical skills in addition to augmenting their expertise in diverse disciplines. Its huge contribution in meeting the objectives, with which the Academic Staff Colleges were set up across the country following the National Education Policy 1986, was also taken note of by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council in the year 2012, which ranked it twelfth amongst the 66 functioning Academic Staff Colleges. The recent NAAC Peer Team, which visited it in Nov 2014, also spoke highly of it.

Needless to say that the challenges before the mankind keep on changing with the passage of time. In the modern era of Globalization & Information Explosion, new challenges stare at the face of humanity. No wonder, the onus on shoulders of the teachers has increased manifold as the society at large looks towards them in order to equip the younger generation to face these challenges valiantly. Accordingly, the role of the Academic Staff Colleges has also changed in the fast changing scenario in all the fields.

I am delighted to note that the Academic Staff College under the directions of the UGC has introduced ID Courses in the field of Disaster Management, Human Rights, Environmental Studies etc. Many a new Short Term Courses like Workshops for Research Scholars/Ph.D. Scholars, etc. have also been introduced.

In the extremely competitive era of present times, no institute can afford to rest on its laurels. On the contrary, it has to get its act together continuously to fulfil the goal of scaling newer heights. I am sure that the Academic Staff College of ours will pull out all the stops in the times to come to bring more laurels to it as well as to the University.

Prof. Paramjit Singh



From the Desk of the Director

The overwhelming response to the maiden issue of our newsletter prompted us to bring out another issue. The current issue mainly sheds light on the profiles of the various General Orientation Courses, Refresher Courses and Short Term Courses conducted by it during the period from April to September, 2014.

Under the visionary leadership of the competent authority of the university, ably supported & financed by the UGC, our ASC has been attaining newer heights. We leave no stone unturned to come up to the expectations of our learned teacher participants, who repose confidence in our capability to impart them suitable, latest, pedagogical skills in addition to enhancing their existing expertise. Our endeavour has always been to incorporate the latest advancements in the diverse disciplines in the curricula of the courses. That is why not only leading academicians from the reputed institutes from a wide spectrum of disciplines, but also eminent personalities from the other walks of life are invited to bring them face to face with our learned participants. The teachers as well as research scholars from the various nooks & corners of India pertaining to a wide variety of disciplines respond wholeheartedly to our invitations. It goes without saying, that it is their wholehearted cooperation in all respects, which keeps us motivated, keeps us moving to excel.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to our Vice-Chancellor, Prof. A.S. Brar & other authorities at the helm of affairs for their precious guidance, cooperation, support in running the ASC without any hassle.

On behalf of our ASC family, I assure the competent authorities of the University, the UGC as well as our potential participants that we will continue to try our level best to perform even better in the future.

Prof. (Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal

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(1.4.2014 to 31.3.2016)

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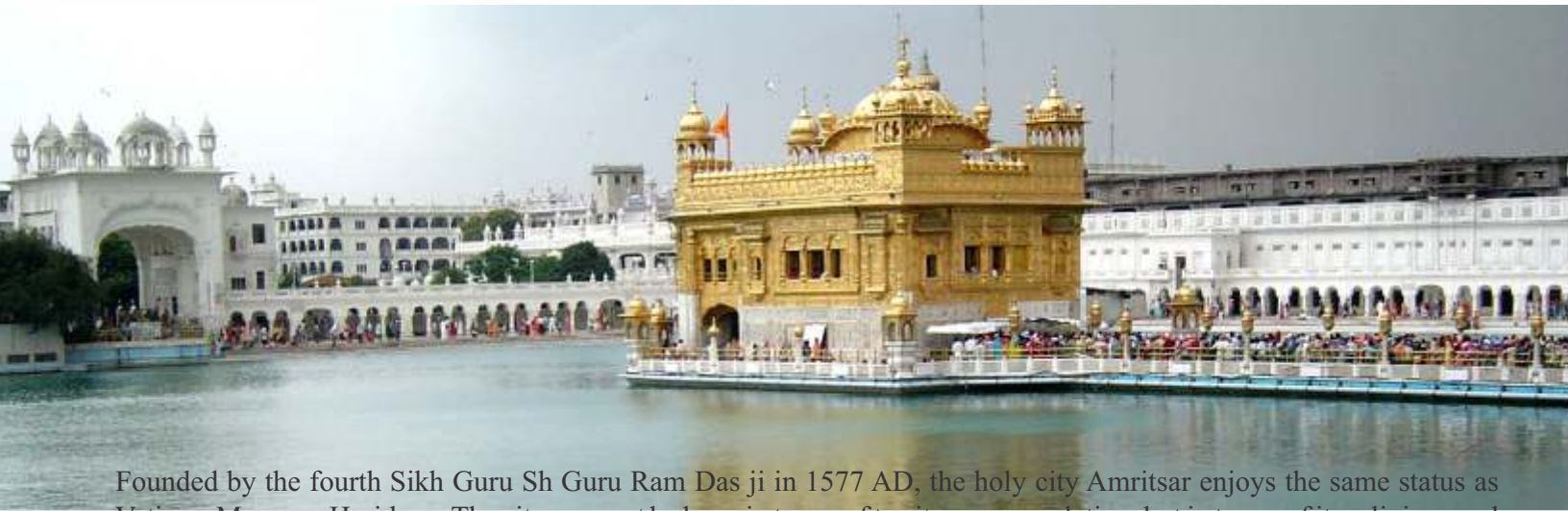
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Special Invitee

Amritsar: Sifti da Ghar (The House of all Virtues)



Founded by the fourth Sikh Guru Sh Guru Ram Das ji in 1577 AD, the holy city Amritsar enjoys the same status as Vatican, Mecca or Haridwar. The city may not be huge in terms of territory or population, but in terms of its religious and spiritual significance, it certainly, is one of the premier cities in India rather than in the entire world.

Located on the main G T Road connecting Delhi to Lahore in Pakistan, it is about 217 km away from the state capital Chandigarh. An extensive network of railways connects the city to the major cities such as New Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata etc. Sri Guru Ram Das Ji International Airport, Rajasansi provides air connectivity to major Indian as well as to a few international cities.

The city is fast developing into a major tourist destination for the Indian as well as the foreign tourists, who throng the city in thousands especially to pay obeisance at the Golden Temple, the premier holy place of the Sikhs. In fact, the name of the city, which literally means a “Pool of Nectar, is derived from “Amrit Sarovar”, the holy tank that surrounds the “Sanctum Sanctorum” within the precincts of the Golden Temple. The supreme temporal & religious seat of the Sikhs known as Shri Akal Takhat Sahib is also located in its precincts. Of late, the “Retreat Ceremony” at the Wagah Border with Pakistan has become another major source of attraction for the foreign as well as domestic tourists. The historical Jallianwala Bagh stands as a mute witness to the massacre of the innocent inhabitants of the city by the British in 1919.

Amritsar has semiarid climate with four seasons, namely winter (from Dec. to March) temp ranging from 0°C to 15°C, Summer (from April to June) temp reaching as high as 45°C, Monsoon (from July to Sept) & post-monsoon (from Oct. to Nov).

The city is one of the premier educational hubs of the Northern India. GNDU, Govt Medical College, Govt Dental College, Historical Khalsa Colleges, DAV Colleges & many other reputed centres of higher education have been rendering valuable service.

A few notable residents:

Sh Guru Tegh bahadur, 9th Sikh Guru

Saifuddin Kitchlew, Freedom Fighter

Udham Singh, Martyr

Madan Lal Dhingra, Martyr

Sadat Hasan Manto, Short Story Writer in Urdu

Bhisham Sahni, Hindi Writer

Gurbaksh Singh Preet Lari, Literary Figure

Dr. Manmohan Singh, Former Prime Minister

S. Manekshaw, Field Marshal of India

Mohammed Rafi, Playback Singer

Kewal Dhaliwal, Playwright



About the University

In a comparatively short span of 45 years, the University named after Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji, whose teaching & preaching of universal brotherhood, love for the entire humanity, observance of ethical & moral values in daily life, truthfulness, etc are becoming more & more relevant with the passage of time for the entire mankind, has carved a niche for itself in the realms of Higher Education in the country. The motto of the University as engraved on its emblem "Guru's wisdom illumines all" speaks of the vision and idealism, for which the University stands. It was founded on November 24, 1969 to mark the birth quincenarian of the great GURU. Spread over an area of 500 acres, the university boasts today of 37 Teaching Departments at the Campus, 4 Regional Campuses, 9 Constituent Colleges, 82 Associate Institutes & 149 affiliated colleges.

The university was conferred with the highest status of “**University with Potential for Excellence**” by the UGC in the year **2012**, thereby making it one of the best 6 Universities in the entire country in the XI plan & the lone university in Punjab to have acquired this coveted status. **In November this year, NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) re-accredited (3rd Cycle) the University with CGPA of 3.51 out of 4 point scale at “A” grade, the highest in the region.** A recent survey of a reputed news magazine “India Today” has put the university at the 16th position amongst the top 50 in the country.

A few teaching departments have already gained the status of Centre with Potential for Excellence in a particular domain, like, in Sports Sciences, Centre for Advanced Studies in Chemistry, Centre with Potential for Excellence in Life Sciences, Centre on Studies in Sri Guru Granth Sahib, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policies. Besides, the university is DST-PURSE sponsored University and has 12 UGC, DRS, DSA assisted Departments, 8 DST-FIST Sponsored Departments, DBT sponsored Department of Biotechnology and DISC and DST Sponsored PG programme under Nano Mission.

The university has been performing exceptionally well on other fronts as well. e. g. in sports, it has consistently proven its supremacy by winning the coveted Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy, the highest sports award for a university in the country for a record number of 22 times. An Astro Turf for hockey, a swimming pool, a velodrome of international standards, a Gymnasium Hall & many other state-of-the-art infrastructure provide an excellent platform to the sportspersons to achieve higher goals in their respective disciplines. Talking about its achievements on the cultural front, it has been National Champion for 9 times & the winner of the North-Zone Inter-varsity Cultural Championship for 13 times.

The university has always been striving to bring about reforms in its administration & examination as well. Online admission & online counseling for State Level Admissions was first of all introduced in this university in the region. The university was the first one to have introduced semester system in all UG & PG courses. The Credit Based Evaluation system was also introduced first of all in this university. In consonance with the advancements in the field of Information Technology, the examination & registration branches of the university are fully computerized, which have made the system more efficient, more transparent as well as student friendly. The students have an all time access to their results through SMS service.

The University has endeavored to reach out to the rural poor, with the launch of an organization named the Progressive Education Society to help and train children from poor families of the rural Punjab, and to equip them to crack IIT-JEE and other national tests.

The university is fully aware of its shortcoming as well & under the visionary, dynamic, stewardship of the incumbent Vice-Chancellor is committed to rectify them as early as possible & to achieve those lofty goals, for which it was founded after the name of Shri Guru Nanak Dev ji.



About the UGC-Academic Staff College



Housed in a compact complex comprising three well-equipped, state-of-the-art classrooms, a library with about 5,000 books, an internet laboratory, a spacious dining hall, the ASC has been meeting the aspirations of the teacher participants from all the nooks & corners of the country. A chunk of participants in each course comes from the far-flung states like Maharashtra, Assam, Tripura, Kerala, Karnataka etc, which gives a pan-India look to each course. This cultural, linguistic, geographical heterogeneity of the participants in a small group for three or four weeks goes a long way in facilitating the mutual understanding, which, in turn, leads to the communal harmony & national integration.

And it was also one of the major aims of setting up the ASCs across the country following the NEP (National Education Policy) 1986.

A well-furnished Guest House with 30 rooms, each equipped with the modern gadgets awaits the outstation participants. Every possible care is taken to provide comfortable and pleasant stay to our participants.

Till date, the ASC at GNDU has conducted 95 GOCs, 200 RCs in diverse disciplines, a number of STCs and Interactions with the Academic Administrators. Hundreds of the teacher participants from a wide spectrum of the disciplines as well as research scholars have benefitted from the courses conducted at our ASC. Our emphasis has always been on roping in the leading academicians, reputed scholars, scientists, as well as on bringing face to face interactions with prominent personalities from the other walks of life, like Bureaucrats, Police Officers, Social Workers, Medical Specialists, Artists etc. The participants are encouraged to get their queries, doubts satisfied during informal interactions with the Resource Persons. The projects, Seminars, MCQ test, presentations are an indispensable part of the curriculum. Following the UGC guidelines pertaining to such courses in letter & spirit, a sincere effort is made to maintain rigorous discipline during the entire length of any course.

Not only the participants are evaluated towards the end of each course as stipulated by the UGC, but also the resource persons are evaluated by the participants on a few parameters. The evaluation of the resource persons by the participants is given due weightage & plays a significant role in the selection of the Resource persons in the future.



In consonance with the rapid advancements in the domain of Information Technology, optimum use of ICT in the teaching is encouraged.

Our ASC enjoys a good reputation not only amongst the participants, but also is in the good books of the UGC, NAAC. The NAAC PEER team during its recent visit to ASC in the month of November 2014 was highly impressed with our performance. The credit for such reputation goes to all the members of ASC family, the previous as well as the present Director, Dy. Director and Supporting Staff who have been putting their heart & soul to make this ASC one of the best in India. **Our University, particularly, the entire ASC family is proud of the fact that our previous Director, Prof. Jaspal Singh Sandhu, joined as Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi in March 2014.**

Eminent Resource Persons Invited



Dr. Roshan Sunkaria
Principal Secretary
Higher Education & Languages
Govt. of Punjab



Prof. Jai Rup Singh
Founder Vice-Chancellor,
Central University of Punjab, Bathinda
Former Vice-Chancellor, GNDU, Amritsar



Prof. R.K. Kohli
Vice-Chancellor,
Central University of Punjab, Bathinda
Former Vice-Chancellor, DAV University, Jalandhar



Prof. D.N. Jauhar
Former Vice-Chancellor,
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra



Prof. A.D.N. Bajpai
Vice-Chancellor
Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla



Prof. Mohammed Muzammil
Vice-Chancellor
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra



Prof. S. S. Chahal
Former Vice-Chancellor,
Maharana Pratap University of
Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur



Prof. Harjit Singh
Prof. Emeritus, Chemistry Department
Former Dean, Academic Affairs
GNDU, Amritsar



Prof. Ajit Verma
Director General, Amity Institute
of Microbial Technology,
Amity University, Noida

Courses conducted during April to September 2014



A “ Four Week General Orientation Course- 95” (May 13 - June 09, 2014), in which as many as 33 teachers pertaining to a wide spectrum of disciplines from the states like Punjab, Maharashtra, Uttarakhand as well as from Madhya Pradesh participated, was inaugurated by Prof D N Jauhar, former Vice-Chancellor, Dr. B R Ambedkar University, Agra. Prof Jauhar in his inaugural address highlighted the aims of education, particularly of Higher Education, in the present era. Exhorting the teaching fraternity to get their act together, he urged them to introspect themselves & to strive continuously to come up to the expectations not only of the

students, but also of the society at large. The lectures, interactions, talks by the reputed scholars from a multiplicity of disciplines like Social Sciences, Computer Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Humanities, Business & Commerce etc highly enriched the expertise of the participants. Prof Rakesh Kumar Mudgal, Vice-Chancellor, Teerthankar Mahavir University, Moradabad, Dr Mahendra Prasad, Ranchi University, Ranchi, Prof M I S Saggoo, Punjabi University Patiala, Prof Sangeeta Bhalla, Punjab University, Chandigarh & many other leading scholars from the diverse disciplines interacted with the participants during the course. The erudite academicians shared their thoughts with the participants on a wide variety of topics like “Solid Waste Management”, “Biochemistry in daily life”, “Sustainable Development”, “Food security” and others. The valedictory session of the course was presided over by Prof A S Brar, Vice-Chancellor GNDU, Amritsar. Prof Brar in his thought-provoking address underlined the urgent need of revamping the current education system in order to make it more competitive in the light of the prevailing global scenario. The participants of the course went back to their respective places with the promise of disseminating the knowledge, which they had gained during the course.

A “ Three Week Special Summer School” (June 10 - 30, 2014) was organized, which was attended by as many as 29 participants from states like Assam, Maharashtra, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, New Delhi. Prof A D N Bajpai, Vice-Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla was the chief guest at the inaugural session. Prof Bajpai in his inaugural address labelled the ancient Indian scriptures as repositories of valuable knowledge. According to him, the solutions to the multiplicity of problems faced by the entire mankind today in the present era can be found in them. Instead of aping the western philosophy blindly in all the spheres, he suggested to refer to the ancient Indian scriptures for guidance. The participants were brought face to face with the leading academicians,



academic administrators, and eminent scholars from a variety of disciplines during the three week long course. Prof Narinder Atri, Punjabi University, Patiala, Prof Jagbir Singh, Punjabi University, Patiala, Prof G S Virk, Regional Campus, Sathiala, Dr Shireesh Pal Singh, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda, Prof. S Manocha, GGSIP University, New Delhi & many other eminent academicians delivered lectures & held free & frank discussions with the participants. Taking into account the diversity of the group, many current burning topics like “Global Climate Change”, “Stress Management”, “Distance Education”, “Bio-diversity” were thoroughly deliberated with the audience. The valedictory session was chaired by Prof Jai Rup Singh, a renowned human geneticist, former Vice-Chancellor, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar & founder Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Punjab, Bathinda. Prof Jai Rup Singh expressed his dismay at the crass commercialization of education at all levels in the country. He singled out the blind commercialization of education responsible for the many evils that have crept into the system over the last few decades. He implored the teacher participants to keep vigil & to bring about the positive changes in the system.

Courses conducted during April to September 2014



A “Three Week Refresher Course in Pure Sciences (Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics) (May 15 - June 04, 2014) was attended by 36 College & University teachers, many of whom belonged to states like Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand Himachal Pradesh, Haryana as well as from Maharashtra. **Dr. Lovleen Kumar Grover** from the Department of Mathematics, GNDU, Amritsar put his heart & soul to make this course really fruitful, beneficial, refreshing & enriching for the participants. Prof. A S Brar, Vice-Chancellor, GNDU, Amritsar inaugurated the course, as always, with his thought-provoking address. He shed light on the

unprecedented developments in the field of science & technology in the entire world in the previous few decades or so, which have transformed the entire complexion of human life. Prof. Brar opined that the teachers of today need to keep their eyes & ears open to keep pace with these developments & to imbibe the habit of life-long learning. He underlined the need of inculcating inquisitive & innovative skills in the younger generation rather than learning by rote method. The valedictory address was delivered by an eminent scientist Prof. Harjit Singh, Professor Emeritus, Deptt of Chemistry, GNDU Amritsar. He advised the teaching community to do full justice to their noble, respectable, prestigious profession & asked them to act as a role model for the society at large. Leading scientists from the reputed institutes like National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar, Indian Institute of Science Education & Research, Mohali, NIT Hamirpur, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh enlightened the participants during the course. The participants of the course remained glued to their seats during the entire length of the course, which bears out the high quality of the Resource persons. Prof. Mahmood Mian, Dean, Faculty of Sciences also graced both the occasions, inaugural as well as valedictory.

A “Three Week Refresher Course in Health & Life Sciences” (June 05 - 25, 2014) was, as a rare exception, not attended by many participants. Actually the number of turned up participants was much less than expected due to inexplicable reasons. The lesser number of participants, however, didn't deter at all, the Course Coordinator **Prof. D S Arora**, Deptt of Microbiology, who left no stone unturned to rope in the

renowned scientists from the institutes like Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee; Amity Institute, Noida; Jammu University amongst many others. Prof. R K Kohli, then Vice-Chancellor, DAV University, Jalandhar (presently Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda) in his inaugural address highlighted the significance of the day, which is celebrated globally as World Environment Day. He lamented the fact that the political parties in India



cutting across their ideologies are least bothered about the most burning issue of preservation of environment. Prof Ajit Verma, Director General, Amity Institute of Microbial Technology, Amity University, Noida graced the valedictory session as Chief Guest. Prof. Verma threw light on the basic ingredients of an excellent teacher, which he named, as dedication, devotion, integrity, impeccability etc. Prof. AJS Bhanwer, Dean Faculty of Life sciences also graced both the occasions, inaugural as well as valedictory and performed the pleasant duty of proposing the vote of thanks.

Courses conducted during April to September 2014



A “Three week Refresher Course in Social Sciences” (July 10 – 30, 2014) was inaugurated by Prof. Balwinder Singh Tiwana, Director, ASC, Punjabi University Patiala. Prof. Tiwana in his inaugural address highlighted the relevance of Social Sciences in the modern era, which in his opinion, have to play a major role in stemming the moral degradation of society. According to him the need of hour is to impart knowledge of Social Sciences to other professionals like Doctors, Engineers, Scientists etc in order to inculcate the basic human values. The development in various aspects of

human life would not have been possible at all, but for the unprecedented advancement in the field of science and technology, he continued. But both the sciences have to work in tandem for overall development of human society, he emphasized. **Prof. Jagroop Singh Sekhon** of Political Science Department coordinated this course. Eminent experts in the field of Social Sciences including Dr. S.K. Sharma, Dr. Rounki Ram, Dr. Shireesh Pal Singh, Dr. Baldev Singh, Dr. Ashutosh, Dr. Amit Kauts, Dr. H.K.Puri, Dr. Manjit Singh interacted with participants during the course on different topics like “Perspective on partition of India : “Making Social Sciences Work”, “India's Democratic Carrier: Critical Reflections”, “Political Economy on Development in India”, “Anatomy of Teaching”, “Punjab: World War-I, Kamagatamaru and Gaddar Movement”, “Research Writing” etc. Prof. H.K Puri in his valedictory address laid emphasis on the selection of good books and literature for reading especially in our time, when the cheap literature is available in plenty. Expressing his deep concern over the social evils like domestic violence, increasing divorce rate, he was of the opinion that the social scientists need to play a pivotal role in stemming this rot, the sooner, the better.

A “Three Week Interaction Programme for Ph. D. Scholars” (Sept 02 - 22, 2014) was attended by as many as 29 budding Research Scholars from various departments of the university. This programme was inaugurated by Prof Gurpreet Mahajan, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU, Delhi. Prof Mahajan emphasized the urgent need of genuine research in Social Sciences in the modern era, when the human civilization is confronted with many ethical, socio-economical, political challenges. The impact of exponential growth in



research in Social Sciences is not commensurate with the volume, she was of the view. **Prof Gurpreet Bal**, Deptt of Sociology coordinated this programme diligently. Prof SS Dhillon, Registrar GNDU, Amritsar delivered the valedictory address. He counseled the young social scientists to carry out the authentic, genuine research, which he described as the need of the hour. The young research scholars felt themselves highly motivated, inspired by the interactions with the leading social scientists.

Courses conducted during April to September 2014

A “Workshop for Ph.D./Post-Doctoral Research Scholars/Teaching Faculty on Basic Statistics” (July 02 - 08, 2014) was conducted, which evoked an overwhelming response as proved by the participation of as many as 51 scholars from a wide spectrum of disciplines. The workshop was coordinated by **Prof. Saroj Arora** from the Deptt. of Botanical & Environmental Sciences. Prof. Chandra Prakash Gupta, Chairperson, Deptt. of Financial Studies, University of Delhi was the chief guest at the inaugural session. Prof. Gupta highlighted the role of increasing application of the statistics in



the academic disciplines especially in the domain of research. Such workshops go a long way in enhancing the research capabilities of the budding research scholars, he opined. The eminent experts related to the field of research in diverse disciplines interacted with the participants during the course, which was well received by the participants. Prof. A S Brar, Vice-Chancellor, GNDU, Amritsar in his valedictory address underlined the significance of latest statistical techniques in the research work. The learned Resource Persons like Dr. S K Singla, Prof. A S Sethi, Er. Bhupinder Pal Singh, Dr. Parminder Singh, Dr. Balwinder Singh, Prof. A K Thukral spoke on the topics like “Partial Correlation and Regression Analysis”, “Outlines of Descriptive Statistics”, “SPSS- An Introduction”, “Probability Distributions”, “Design & Analysis of Experiments” etc.

A “Workshop for Ph.D./Post-Doctoral Scholars on Basic Research Methodology and Research Ethics” (Aug 06 - 12, 2014) was attended by 21 Research Scholars from Punjab & the neighbouring states. Prof. T S Banipal, Director Research, GNDU delivered the inaugural address. Prof. Banipal stressed upon the selection of a particular Research



Methodology for carrying out the excellent research. He expressed his deep dismay over the falling standard of research in India & made the participants aware of the various anti-plagiarism softwares. He counselled them to imbibe the moral values in the true sense of the word & to follow them in letter & spirit in the pursuit of research. The various topics related to the subject like “Sampling & Collection of Data”, “Scaling Techniques” “Dispersion”, “Central Tendency”, “ANOVA” “E-Resources” “SPSS” “Writing of a Research Paper” were covered by Prof. A S Sethi, Er. M S

Bhatti, Prof. A K Thukral, Dr. H S Chopra, Dr. Balwinder Singh, Dr. Shireesh Pal Singh & other Resource Persons.

Courses conducted during April to September 2014



A “Workshop on Advanced Research Methodology, Statistics and Patents for Ph.D./ Post-Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty” (September 23 - 29, 2104) was attended by many teachers & research scholars. Prof. Gurjeet Singh, Er. M S Bhatti, Dr. Balwinder Singh, Dr. Mahesh Kulharia, Prof. A K Thukral, Dr. A S Soodan, Dr. Preeti Khetarpal & a few other renowned academicians interacted with the participants. They enlightened the participants on the various topics related to the research

methodology like “Introduction to IPRs”, “Patent System in India”, “E-Journals” among many others. Prof. R K Mahajan, Dean, College Development Council, GNDU, Amritsar inaugurated the workshop, while the valedictory address was delivered by Prof A K Thukral. The participants of the workshop got a rare opportunity to freely interact with the renowned resource persons & got their queries answered.

A “Principal's Meet” was organized on Sept 26, 2014, which was attended by as many as 29 Principals of the affiliated as well as constituent colleges. **Prof. R.K. Mahajan**, Dean, College Development Council coordinated this meet. The various current issues related to the Higher Education were deliberated during the meet. Prof. Mohammed Muzammil, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. B R Ambedkar University, Agra, Prof. A S Brar, Vice- Chancellor, GNDU, Amritsar graced the inaugural session. Both the dignitaries freely interacted with the academic administrators in order to obtain a first hand account of the day to day problems being faced by them in running the colleges. Many a useful suggestions came up during the deliberations. Dr. Roshan Sunkaria, Principal Secretary Higher Education & Languages, Govt. of Punjab and Dr. S.S. Chahal former Vice-Chancellor, Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur also interacted with the Principals.



Schedule of Courses for the Session 2014-15

(as approved by the UGC)

Sr. No.	GENERAL ORIENTATION COURSES	Dates
1.	General Orientation Course-95	13/05/2014 - 09/06/2014
2.	General Orientation Course-96	04/07/2014 - 31/07/2014
3.	General Orientation Course-97	03/09/2014 - 30/09/2014
4.	General Orientation Course-98	25/02/2015 - 24/03/2015

Sr. No.	REFRESHER COURSES	Dates
1.	Pure Sciences (Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics)	15/05/2014 - 04/06/2014
2.	Health & Life Sciences (Food Technology, Nutrition, Home Sciences, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Sports Medicine, Physiotherapy, Bio-Sciences & Physical Education, Molecular Biology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Biotechnology, Human Genetics)	05/06/2014 - 25/06/2014
3.	Special Summer School	10/06/2014 - 30/06/2014
4.	Social Sciences (History, Sociology, Economics, Anthropology, Political Science, Geography, Psychology, Philosophy, Public Administration & Law)	10/07/2014 - 30/07/2014
5.	Interaction Programme for Ph.D. Scholars	02/09/2014 - 22/09/2014
6.	Commerce & Business Management	28/10/2014 - 17/11/2014
7.	Computer Science, Electronics, Information Technology & Engineering Applications	07/11/2014 - 27/11/2014
8.	Disaster Management (ID)	18/11/2014 - 09/12/2014
9.	Special Winter School	04/12/2014 - 24/12/2014
10.	Education	27/01/2015 - 16/02/2015
11.	Languages (English, Hindi, Punjabi, Indian & Foreign Languages)	18/02/2015 - 10/03/2015

Sr. No.	SHORT TERM COURSES	Dates
1.	Workshop for Ph.D. / Post-Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty on Basic Statistics	02/07/2014 - 08/07/2014
2.	Workshop for Ph.D./Post-Doctoral Scholars on basic Research Methodology and Research Ethics	06/08/2014 - 12/08/2014
3.	Workshop on Advanced Research Methodology, Statistics and Patents for Ph.D. / Post-Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty	23/09/2014 - 29/09/2014
4.	Workshop on Use of Latest Scientific Instruments	15/10/2014 - 17/10/2014
5.	Workshop for Heads / Incoming Head of the Departments & Deans of Faculties on Administration, new schemes on Higher Education and research grants	02/01/2015 - 04/01/2015
6.	Workshop on the use of Software Technology for Ph.D. / Post-Doctoral Research Scholars/Teaching Faculty	16/01/2015 - 22/01/2015

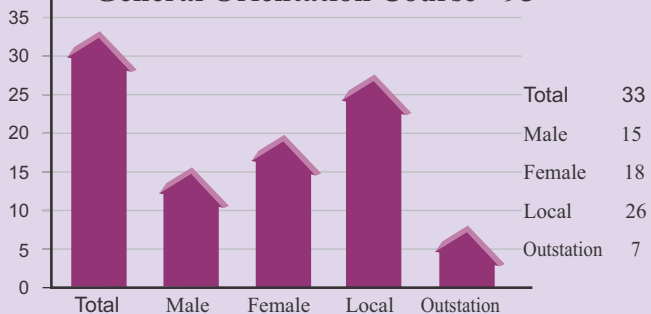
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1.	Principal's Meet	26/09/2014

Coordinators of the Courses conducted during April to September 2014

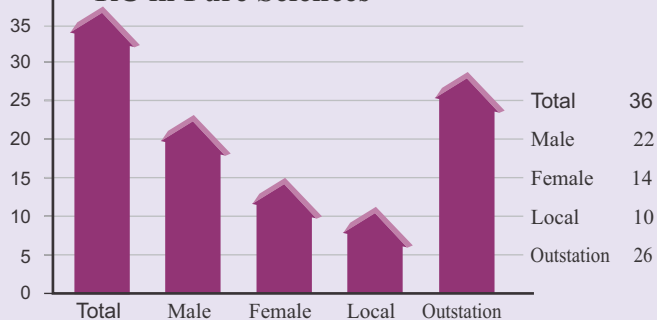
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GENERAL ORIENTATION COURSES		
1.	General Orientation Course-95 (13/5/2014 - 9/6/2014)	Prof.(Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal Director UGC-Academic Staff College Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar Dr. Mohan Kumar Deputy Director UGC Academic Staff College, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
REFRESHER COURSES		
1.	Pure Sciences (Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics) (15/5/2014 - 9/6/2014)	Dr. Lovleen Kumar Grover Deptt. of Mathematics, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
2.	Health & Life Sciences (Food Technology, Nutrition, Home Sciences, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Sports Medicine, Physiotherapy, Bio-Sciences & Physical Education, Molecular Biology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Biotechnology, Human Genetics) (5/6/2014 - 25/6/2014)	Prof. D.S. Arora Deptt. of Microbiology, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
3.	Special Summer School (10/6/2014 - 30/6/2014)	Prof.(Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal Dr. Mohan Kumar
4.	Social Sciences (History, Sociology, Economics, Anthropology, Political Science, Geography, Psychology, Philosophy, Public Administration & Law) (10/7/2014 - 30/7/2014)	Prof. J.S. Sekhon Deptt. of Political Science, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
5.	Interaction Programme for Ph.D Scholars (2/9/2014 to 22/9/2014)	Prof. Gurpreet Bal Deptt. of Sociology, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
SHORT TERM COURSES		
1.	Workshop for Ph.D. / Post-Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty on Basic Statistics (2/7/2014/ - 8/7/2014)	Prof. Saroj Arora Deptt. of Botanical & Env. Sciences, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
2.	Workshop for Ph.D./Post-Doctoral Scholars on Basic Research Methodology and Research Ethics (6/8/2014 - 12/8/2014)	Prof. (Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal Dr. Mohan Kumar
3.	Workshop on Advanced Research Methodology, Statistics and Patents for Ph.D / Post Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty (23/9/2014 - 29/9/2014)	Prof. (Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal Dr. Mohan Kumar
INTERACTION		
1.	Principal's Meet (26/9/2014)	Prof. R.K. Mahajan Dean, College Development Council, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

Number of Teachers trained during April to Sept., 2014

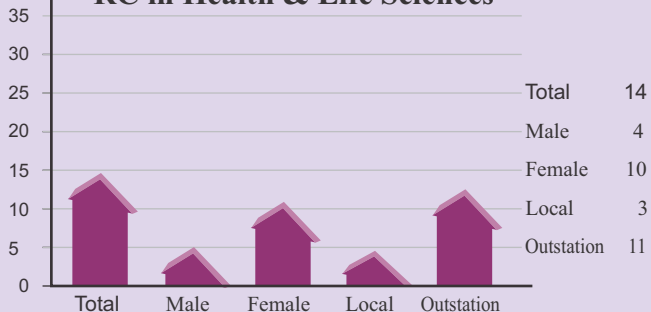
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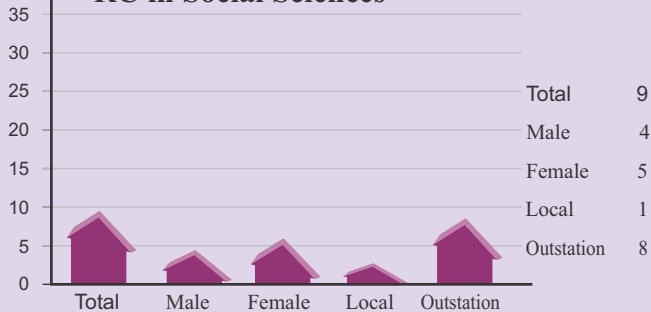
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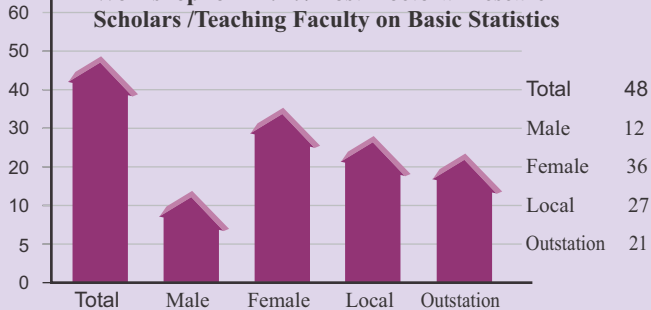
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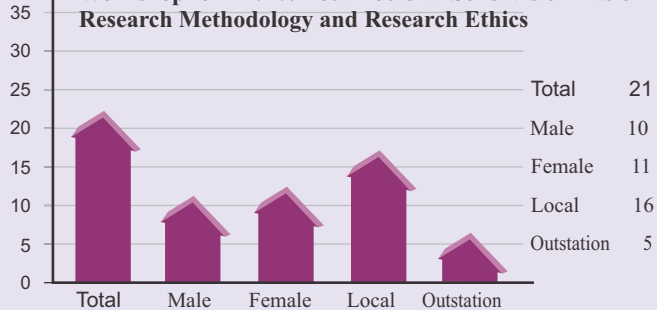
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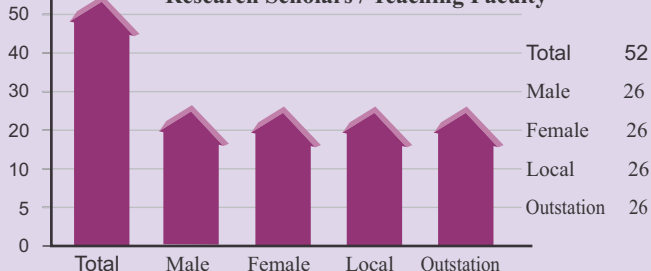
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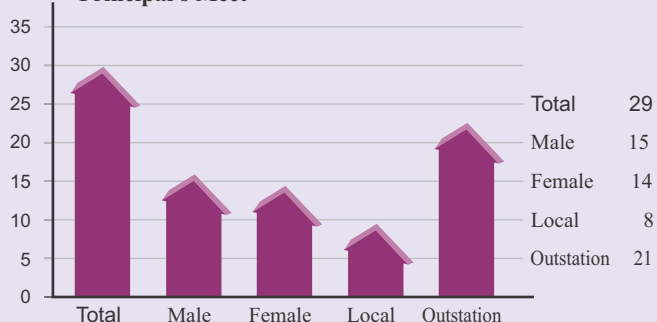
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Workshop on Advanced Research Methodology, Statistics and Patents for Ph.D. / Post-Doctoral Research Scholars / Teaching Faculty



Principal's Meet



Outstation Resource Persons invited during April to September, 2014

Prof. Rakesh Kumar Mudgal Vice-Chancellor, Teerthankar Mahavir University, Moradabad	Prof. Gian Singh, Punjabi University, Patiala
Dr. S.S. Marwaha, Chief executive Officer Biotechnology Incubator, Mohali	Prof. Sangeeta Bhalla, Panjab University, Chandigarh
Prof. Manoj Kumar Dhar Registrar, Jammu University, Jammu	Prof. Janardhan Jee, ICAR Research Complex, Patna
Prof. Karamjeet Singh, Director UGC-Academic Staff College, Panjab University, Chandigarh	Prof. Mahendra Prasad, Ranchi University, Ranchi
Prof. Balwinder Singh Tiwana Director, UGC-Academic Staff College, Punjabi University, Patiala	Prof. U.C. Banerjee, NIPER, Mohali
Prof. K. Ramachandran, NUEPA, New Delhi	Dr. J.S. Bilga, IISER, Mohali
Prof. N.S. Atri Punjabi University, Patiala	Prof. Raj Kumar Salar, Chaudhary Devi Lal University, Sirsa
Prof. M.I.S. Saggoo, Punjabi University, Patiala	Prof. Sushma Sharma, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
Prof. Jagbir Singh Punjabi University, Patiala	Dr. Ravi Kumar, Principal, Beant College of Engineering Technology, Gurdaspur
Dr. Satnam Singh Ladhar, Joint Director, PSCST, Chandigarh	Prof. Arvind, IISER, Mohali
Dr. Amit Kauts, Principal, MGN College of Education, Jalandhar	Prof. B.S. Kainth, NIT, Jalandhar
Prof. G.S. Randhawa, IIT, Roorkee	Prof. K.C. Kothiyal, NIT, Jalandhar
Prof. L.M. Manocha, Sardar Patel University, Vidya Nagar, Gujarat	Prof. Jaspal Singh, NIT, Jalandhar
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Prof. Sanjay Wadwalkar, Panjab University, Chandigarh	Prof. A.K. Chakrabarti, NIPER, Mohali
Prof. Promila Pathak, Panjab University, Chandigarh	Prof. S.K. Sharma, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
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Prof. H.K. Puri, Eminent Pol. Scientist, Ludhiana	Prof. J.N. Sharma, NIT, Hamirpur
Prof. Sanjay Chibber, Panjab University, Chandigarh	Prof. H.S. Jhajj, Punjabi University, Patiala
Prof. Manjit Singh, Panjab University, Chandigarh	Prof. Rounki Ram, Panjab University, Chandigarh
Prof. H.C. Narang, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi	Prof. Baldev Singh, Punjabi University, Patiala
	Prof. Ashutosh, Panjab University, Chandigarh
	Dr. Shireesh Pal Singh, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda
	Dr. Bharti Dogra, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi
	Prof. Aruna Bhatia, Punjabi University, Patiala
	Prof. C.P. Gupta, University of Delhi, New Delhi
	Prof. S.K. Singla, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana



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