

E-Lessons another feather in Central University's Cap

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh was established in 2010. It has been operating from a temporary academic block in Shahpur. Students are imparted education through 11 Schools and 21 Departments. The university offers four undergraduate (honours) courses, 17 Postgraduate programmes, one Certificate and 18 PhD programmes.

Shortage of Space

With the permanent campus nowhere in sight, the authorities are battling space crunch. Pro-Vice-Chancellor Yoginder Singh Verma said 10 departments worked from Monday to Friday and 11 from Tuesday to Saturday (first year from 8.30 am to 2.30 pm and second year from 11.30 am to 5.30 pm).

New Programmes

Mass communication, accounting and marketing services and two new B.Voc programmes were started this year. The university in collaboration with Maharaja Agrasen University is undertaking a prestigious project 'e-Pathshala in Management' sponsored by the UGC. Under the Rs 1.05-crore project, more than 250 e-lessons have been uploaded on INFLIBNET website.

Awards and Seminars

Dr Polamarasetty Aparoy has been awarded Raman Fellowship for Post Doctoral Research. He has joined the University of Maryland, Baltimore, for his research work. Prof Kuldeep Chand Agnihotri, Vice-Chancellor, attended a seminar in Belgium this month, while Prof Yoginder Verma was invited by the National Council of Academic Accreditation and Assessment, Saudi Arabia, as a member of the International Review Committee to assess the University of Tabuk this year.

Research in Life Sciences

Life Sciences comprise the fields of science that involve the scientific study of living organisms – such as microorganisms, plants, animals, and human beings – as well as related considerations like bioethics.

Despite limited infrastructure, scientists at Life Science Research School have progressed well in the fields. They had to collaborate with other institutions like CSIR-IHBT, Palampur, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, and Tripura Central University. In the health sector, the research group of Dr Yusuf Akhter is studying microbial infections. Researchers are looking at discovering novel vaccines and drug targets to fight the deadly bacteria.

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