

Programme

09:30 – 10:00 am **REGISTRATION**

10:00 – 11:00 am **INAUGURAL SESSION**

Chairperson

Prof. Tamo Mibang

Vice-Chancellor

Rajiv Gandhi University

11:00 – 11:15 pm Tea Break

TECHNICAL SESSION I

11:15 – 12:00 pm *Keynote Address*

Prof. Arun Chattopadhyay

Department of Chemistry &

Centre for Nanotechnology

Indian Institute of Technology

Guwahati

Assam 781 039, INDIA

12:00 – 12:45 pm *Keynote Address*

Prof. Hiranya K Nath

Department of Economics and

International Business

College of Business

Administration

Sam Houston State University

Huntsville, Texas TX 77341-

2118, USA

12:45 – 01:15 pm *Discussion*

01:15 – 02:30 pm **LUNCH BREAK**

TECHNICAL SESSION II

02:30 – 03:30 pm *Moderated Panel Discussion*

03:30 – 03:45 pm *Rapporteurs Comments*

03:45 – 04:00 pm Vote of Thanks

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Workshop on the

**Research and
Innovation: A Catalyst
for Growth of a
University**

November 11, 2016



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Arunachal Pradesh

Venue

Mini Auditorium

Rajiv Gandhi University

Arunachal Pradesh

Purpose of the Workshop

The workshop will be first of its kind to be organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Rajiv Gandhi University. The aim of the workshop will be to bring together the faculties, researchers, administrative officials and other stakeholders to address the ways and means to promote research and innovation in the university for taking the university to the next higher level.

The topic was chosen because:

- Research and innovation output has become the benchmark for accessing the growth and quality of a university
- University's desire to focus on areas or problems of significance to India and the state of Arunachal Pradesh and build an ecosystem of research and teaching around different related disciplines and fields of study and search for solutions that are globally valid

Who will participate?

Faculties, research scholars and students from various departments of the University, administrative officials of the University and other stakeholders such as various government organizations associated with research and innovation in Arunachal Pradesh may participate.

About the Workshop

In recent times, research and innovation have become one of the prime parameters for assessing the growth of a university in India. For a university to be termed as world class, the first and foremost criterion is the quality and excellence of its research and innovation. Cutting-edge research that constantly pushes the boundaries of knowledge contributes to the development of a knowledge-based society, but more critically it generates an interest for outstanding faculties and students to gravitate towards a career in research. This creates a virtuous spiral of ever-increasing quality and excellence ceaselessly pushing the University to strive towards even better research.

Research and innovation are critically dependent on the quantity of public funding to create the infrastructure, whereas quality education is needed to provide the pipeline of students to do cutting-edge research. The quality of research output and outcome also has a direct correlation with the funding a university can receive – privately sponsored and public funded research.

Rajiv Gandhi University, despite its locational and infrastructural constraints, has been trying to mark its footprint in the field of research and innovation in diverse areas through its well-trained faculties. Our efforts have paid dividends in several frontier areas of research. The University is now at an inflection point and there are several enabling initiatives that can fuel and accelerate the growth of the University. To take the University to the next higher level, a sustained focus on research and innovation is of paramount importance. Furthermore, a balanced synergy between teaching and research has to be exploited to create an atmosphere that produces skilled and competent students for the knowledge manpower needs of the country.

Objectives of the Workshop

The one-day workshop will be conducted with discussions on initiatives that can fuel the quality and excellence in research.

The specific objectives of the workshop are to:

- bring together the faculties, research scholars, administrative officials and other stakeholders to address various ways and means to strengthen the research and innovation in the university;
- understand how the University can improve the research and innovation output;
- increase the awareness and need for strengthening the research and innovation in the university;
- understand how to conduct innovative and socially relevant research leading to publications in high impact factor journals;
- foster a dialogue between the various stakeholders to establish long term, sustainable goals for achieving quality and excellence in research and innovation

Expected Results

The expected outcomes of this one-day workshop include:

- To find the key issues and challenges associated with the implementation of research and innovation ideas
- Learning practices and means to attract funding from various private and public funding agencies
- Prospects and key initiatives to position RGU in coming days to enhance the research and innovation output