

Education & Research, Chennai and Arunachal Olympic Association to jointly collaborate and work to promote research and innovation in sports science in the Universities/Institutes so as to bring up the research in sports at par with international level leading as high performance centers through scientific training to sports persons.

Objective of the seminar

The seminar will be organized with the following objectives:

- To attempts to shed light the status of women's empowerment in India through games and sports and highlights the issues and challenges of women empowerment in the field of physical education and sports.
- Operating as a clearing house for sharing research, information, ideas and good practices and promoting research into problems and issues relating to the female athlete
- Accelerate efforts to promote women's leadership and equality in governance models, prevent and respond to gender-based violence, close the gap in investment in women's sport and promote equal economic opportunities, promote women's equal participation and bias-free representation in media, and provide equal opportunities for girls in sport, physical activity and physical education
- To help the women in sport and to meet, exchange and share ideas on best practices and create and strengthen a network of all women involved in sport in India

Sub-Theme of the Seminar

- Benefits for women and girls of physical activity and sports
- Benefits of women's participation for sports and society
- Career in women participation in sports
- Media and women participation in Sports
- Research on women and sports
- Enhancing women's confidence and leadership through sports
- Challenging stereotypes and reducing discrimination
- Clothing and girls' participation in sports
- Gender equality and empowerment of women through Sports
- Sports Training, Sports Biomechanics, Sports Physiology, Sports Psychology, Sports Nutrition
- Yoga
- Sports Management, and Sports Equipment

Award for Best Paper: The best innovative paper will be awarded

Sub-Theme of the Seminar

Submission of Abstract & Full length paper : **5th November 2022**
 Notification of Acceptance : **6th November 2022**
 Last date of Registration : **7th November 2022**

Instructions for submission of abstract and full paper

Abstract: This section should detail the problems, experimental approach, major findings and conclusion in one paragraph. Avoid abbreviation, diagram and references in the abstract. Keywords: Author(s) must give about 4-6 key words which can identify the most important subjects covered by the paper. They must be placed at the end of the abstract. (Approx. 250 Words)

The title should be concise, and the author's name, affiliation, and E-mail should be placed below the title.

Typing Format for full paper: space-double space, font style- Arial, font size-12 (Title of the paper-14), format MS word format 97-2000. Authors have to follow APA 7th edition referencing style while preparing their manuscripts.

Format for full paper: Title of Paper, Introduction Related to Topic, Objectives, Methodology, Sampling Method, Tools for Data Collection, Statistical Analysis of the Data with Tables and Figures, Result/ discussion of Findings/Conclusion and References etc. The selected peer-reviewed papers shall be published by a reputed publisher with ISSN/ISBN

Link for registration and sending paper

<https://forms.gle/SxafxPxybxBgZmZk6>

Email: seminar.ped@rgu.ac.in

Registration and accommodation details

Category	Upto November 7, 2022	November 8-15, 2022	Spot Registration
Delegates	₹2000/-	₹2500/-	₹3000/-
Research Scholars/ Students	₹1500/-	₹2000/-	₹2500/-
Local Delegates	Without accommodation: ₹1000/-	Without accommodation: ₹1200/-	Without accommodation: ₹1500/-
Local Research Scholars/ Students	Without accommodation: ₹800/-	Without accommodation: ₹1000/-	Without accommodation: ₹1200/-

Account details for registration

The registration fee needs to be paid through bank transfer, the details of which are given hereunder:

Bank Name : Bank of Baroda
 Account Name : HoD, Physical Education
 Branch : Arunachal University, Doimukh
 Account No. : 83420100002870
 IFSC Code : BARBOVJARUN

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For Research Scholars/Students identity proof has to be submitted.
 Registration Fees includes seminar kit, High tea, Lunch & Dinner. Free accommodation shall be provided outstation participants on a shared basis.

Conference venue and route direction

The conference will be held in the campus of the Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh, Papumpare, Arunachal Pradesh situated a top Rono Hills on a picturesque tableland. In November, the average high-temperature slightly decreases from a moderately hot 26.6°C (79.9°F) in October to a still warm 23.6°C (74.5°F).

Participants can reach Guwahati by Train/ Flight. The Nearest Airport is Guwahati and Dibrugarh.

1. Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (GAU), Borjhar, Guwahati: from airport to Rajiv Gandhi University campus is 345 km.

From Guwahati Railway Station take a train to reach RGU and Get down at Harmuti/Gumto Railway Station

Train no	Guwahati time	Harmuti Rly station	Gumto Rly station
GHY NHLN VISTAD (12088): Runs On: Mon Thurs Sunday	13:45	19:13	-
DONYI POLO EXP (15817): Runs On: All days	23:15	-	6:15

2. From Mohanbari Dibrugarh Airport to Rajiv Gandhi University campus is 190 km. One can reach by private taxi or train. If your are coming by train get down at Harmuti Railway station

Train no	Dibrugarh Railway station	Harmuti Rly station
TSK NHLN VISTA (15907): Runs On: Tue Wed Fri Sat Sun	15:00	18:15

3. From New Delhi Railway Station: Get down at Harmuti Railway station

Train no	ANAND VIHAR TRM Railway station	NEW DELHI	Harmuti Rly station
ARUNACHAL EXP (22412): Runs On: Thurs Sun	16:45	-	05:10
DBRG RAJDHANI (20506) Runs On: Thurs Sun	-	11:25	23:20

Distance from Harmuti Railway station to RGU=12 Km

Distance from Gumto Railway station to RGU=5.5 Km

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TWO DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON WOMEN IN SPORTS TODAY AND BEYOND

November 21 - 22, 2022

Organized by
 Department of Physical Education and Sports Sciences
 Rajiv Gandhi University (A Central University)
 Arunachal Pradesh

In support of
 National Commission of Women
 Government of India, New Delhi

SPECIAL GUEST



Ms. Lovlina Borgohain
Indian boxer

EMINENT SPEAKERS



Prof. J. P. Verma
Vice-Chancellor
Sri Sri Aniruddhadeva Sports
University of Assam, Assam



Prof. Vivek Pandey
Vice-Chancellor (Officiating)
LNIPE, Gwalior



Prof. M. Sundar
Vice-Chancellor,
Tamil Nadu Physical
Education And Sports
University, Chennai

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Arunachal Pradesh

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Department of Physical Education



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Assistant Professor
Department of Physical Education



Dr. K. Rojeet Singh
Assistant Professor
Department of Physical Education

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About Arunachal Pradesh

Arunachal Pradesh, meaning "Land of the Rising Sun," long has been a recognized region of the Indian subcontinent, receiving mention in such ancient Hindu literature as the Kalika-purana and the epic poems **Mahabharata** and **Ramayana**. Formerly known as the North East Frontier Agency (NEFA). Popularly known as 'Land of the Dawn-lit-Mountains'. Located on the northeastern tip of India with its borders touching China, Bhutan and Burma (Myanmar), this beautiful land is endowed with dazzling array of flora and fauna that is sure to allure any tourist. More than 500 rare species of Orchids are found in the dense jungles of Arunachal Pradesh. Arunachal Pradesh finds its mention in the literature of Kalika Purana and the great Hindu Epic Mahabharata. It is believed to be the Prabhu Mountains of the Puranas. According to a Hindu mythological legend, Arunachal Pradesh was the place where sage Parshuram washed away his sin, sage Vyasa meditated, King Bhishmaka founded his kingdom and Lord Krishna married his consort Rukmini. Tribal peoples in Arunachal Pradesh wear distinctive garments and headdress. The art of weaving is especially important, and textile designs are unique to each group.

Most of Arunachal Pradesh's terrain consists of deep valleys flanked by highland plateaus and ridges that rise to the peaks of the Great Himalayas. The major rivers of the state are the Brahmaputra and its tributaries—the Dibang [Sikang], Lohit, Subansiri, Kameng, and Tirap. Arunachal Pradesh's diverse terrain, climate, and soils are reflected in its fauna and flora. About two-thirds of the state is forested, with a wide belt of swampy rainforest lying along the foothills.

About Rajiv Gandhi University

Rajiv Gandhi University (formerly Arunachal University) is the premier institution of higher education in the state of Arunachal Pradesh completing thirty-seven years of its existence. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the University on 4th February 1984. Subsequently, it started its postgraduate teaching from the academic session 1988-89 at Rono Hills, where the present campus is located. The University was converted into a Central University by an Act of Parliament of India which came into force from 9th April 2007 as per a notification of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India. The campus at Rono Hills is nestled on a picturesque tableland in the outskirts of Itanagar, the capital of Arunachal Pradesh. It is at a distance of 6.5 km from the National Highway 415 which leads to Itanagar. Rajiv Gandhi University with its motto "Vidhyamritshnute" i.e. "Excellence and Immortality through nectar of Education" has been striving to maintain high standards in both teaching and research. Years of concerted efforts have shown the signs of qualitative and quantitative progress. The university boasts of its sea of alumni. An Alumni Association of the University is functional. In a span of around four decades (39 years), the Rajiv Gandhi University has matured into an institution with proven academic excellence, social commitment and cultural interest with a clear vision for its future growth.

About the Department of Physical Education

Department of Physical Education constituent units of Rajiv Gandhi University (A Central University) established in the year 2015 to promote physical education and develop an interest among people regarding the need and importance of sports and exercise which is a medium to improve the community health. In Arunachal Pradesh department of physical education is the lone department. The syllabi of the courses are so designed as to prepare professionally qualified leaders and teachers in physical education. The infrastructures developed are as per the NCTE standard and norms. A team of competent and dedicated teachers are engaged in relentless pursuit of excellence in Physical Education and Sports for health, fitness and wellness of the citizens. Department was offering Bachelor of Physical Education (B.P.Ed.) since its inception and full time Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D) programme from 2019-20 onwards. The department conducts various activities under its extension programme, and also provides yoga classes, football training, boxing training, leadership camp. As per the need of hour, department organised workshop, webinars, invited lectures etc to provide latest information to the aspirants of Physical Education and Sports Sciences.

About the Centre of Excellence & Department of Sport Sciences

The Centre of Excellence was established at Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh Arunachal Pradesh funded by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), Government of India during 2020 under the MYA&S, GOI Scheme of NCSSR. The Department has courses like Certificate, Master's and Ph.D. degree programmes in the core areas of sports sciences (Exercise Physiology, Sports Biomechanics, Sports Anthropometry, Strength Training & Conditioning and Sports Training), aimed at improving sports assessment and research to International standard. Qualified and specialized faculty with well-equipped labs along with a comprehensive learning environment offered will provide the students a perfect atmosphere to excel in this emerging area with unlimited opportunities. Rajiv Gandhi University has also signed an MOU with Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher

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10th August, 2022**CIRCULAR**

This is for general information to all the members of the University Community that in pursuance of the UGC letter vide F. No. 1-27/2022 (e.Gov) dated 19th July 2022, the Rajiv Gandhi University will join the Nation in celebrating the **75 Glorious Years** of a progressive independent India, focusing on our freedom struggle and on the milestones we have achieved as a Nation. A campaign '**Har Ghar Tiranga**', as a part of **AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSOV (AKAM)** has been launched to encourage the university fraternity to hoist the National Flag of India in their homes and all establishments including the Administrative Block, Departments/Institutes/Centres and various Halls of Residences during the period of **13th to 15th August, 2022**.

The following activities/programmes shall be organized as a part of the 76th Independence Day Celebration:

13TH AUGUST, 2022 (SATURDAY):

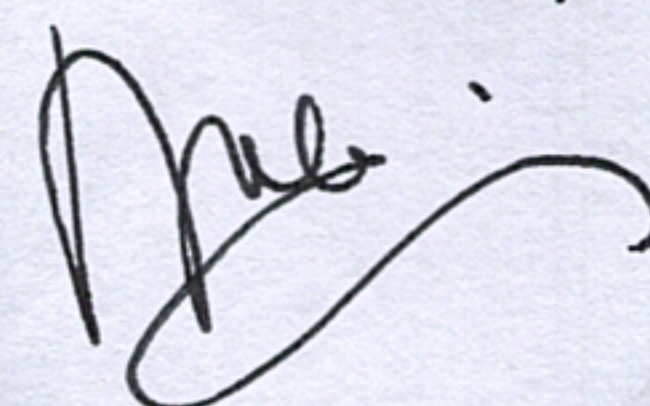
7:30 - 8:00 A.M.	FLAG HOISTING AT RESPECTIVE HOMES
8:30 A.M.	FLAG HOISTING AT THE RESPECTIVE ESTABLISHMENTS, OFFICES, HOSTELS
8:45 A.M.	GATHERING OF PUBLIC IN FRONT OF THE WALL OF HEROES
9:00 A.M.	FLORAL TRIBUTE AT WALL OF HEROES
9:30 A.M.	UNFURLING OF THE NATIONAL FLAG BY THE HON'BLE VICE CHANCELLOR FOLLOWED BY NATIONAL ANTHEM AND ADDRESS TO THE GATHERING BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR

15TH AUGUST, 2022 (MONDAY):

8:45 A.M.	FLORAL TRIBUTE AT WALL OF THE HEROES
9:00 A.M.	GATHERING OF PUBLIC IN FRONT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK
9:30 A.M.	UNFURLING OF THE NATIONAL FLAG BY THE HON'BLE VICE CHANCELLOR, FOLLOWED BY NATIONAL ANTHEM AND ADDRESS TO THE GATHERING BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR
10:10 A.M.	CULTURAL PROGRAMME, FOLLOWED BY SWEET DISTRIBUTION / REFRESHMENT AND DISPERSE
5:00 P.M.	RETRET OF THE NATIONAL FLAG

All Deans of Faculties and Statutory Officers of the University shall accompany the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor in floral tribute at 'Wall of Heroes' on 13th and 15th August, 2022 as per the programme. All the HoDs/Directors of concerned Head of Office/Branch/Hostel shall ensure the hoisting of National Flag at their respective venue/place as per time scheduled.

All the campus dwellers are hereby requested to furl and unfurl the National Flag in their homes during 13th to 15th August, 2022. All concerned shall maintain the protocol and sanctity of hoisting the National Flag.



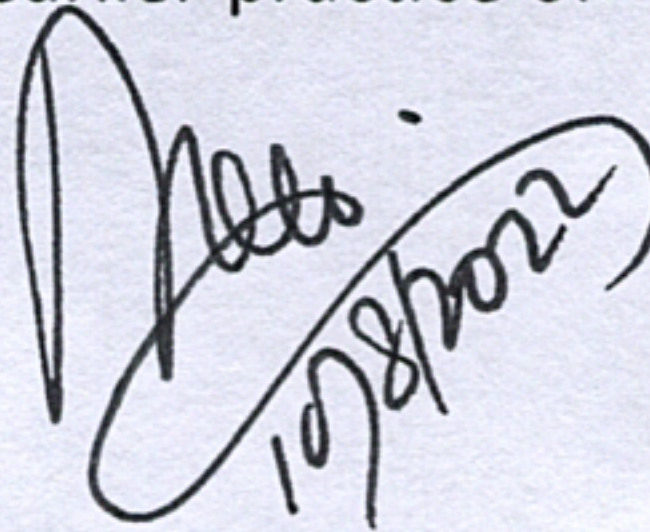
All are requested to follow the Covid-19 protocols issued by the State Government and Central Government time to time while attending/participating the programmes.

This is issued with the approval of the Vice Chancellor.

Sd/-
Registrar

Copy to:

1. PS to Vice-Chancellor for information.
2. PA to Pro Vice Chancellor for information.
3. All Deans of Faculties for information.
4. PS to Registrar/Finance Officer/Controller of Examinations for information.
5. All Heads/Directors of the Departments/Institutes for information and wide circulation.
6. Professor-in-charge, Placement Cell / University Library for information and wide circulation.
7. The Head, Dept. of Music & Fine Arts for information with a request to arrange the National Anthem.
8. Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Head, Dept. of Physical Education / Chairman, and all the members concerned on the 'Har Ghar Jhanda Campaign' for information. They are requested to provide Indian National Flag to all the households in the university campus.
9. The President / General Secretary, RGUTA/RGUEA for information.
10. Dr. Tadang Minu, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physical Education for information with a request to make necessary arrangements for smooth conduct of the programme with the help of Senior Security Officer and officials of the Administration Branch.
11. Chief Warden / Wardens / Deputy Wardens for information and wide circulation.
12. All Branch Heads for information and wide circulation.
13. Joint Director (CC) for information with a request to upload the same on the university website for wide publicity.
14. The Executive Engineer for information with a request to make necessary arrangements at Wall of Heroes & Administrative Block Flag Base.
15. The Hindi Officer for information with a request to host the anchoring for the programme. She is also requested to organize the cultural programme on 15th August, 2022 as scheduled.
16. The Nodal Officer, NCC/NSS for information with a request to arrange the decoration at Wall of Heroes & Administrative Flag Base.
17. Senior Security Officer for information with a request to arrange march past/parade on 15th August, 2022 at the Flag Base in the Administrative Block as per the earlier practice of the university.
18. All Notice Boards.
19. Office copy.


(Dr. N.T. Rikam)
Registrar

**A REPORT OF 8TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA
21ST JUNE 2022**



THEME: YOGA FOR HUMANITY



ORGANIZED BY

**RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY (A Central University)
ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

**In collaboration with
Department of Physical Education & Sports Sciences
Department of Youth Affair, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
12th NDRE, Doimukh
National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell, RGU and
Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat (EBSB), RGU**

8th International Day of Yoga, 2022 was celebrated at Rajiv Gandhi University campus as one of the 75 iconic places identified by the Government of Arunachal Pradesh in a befitting manner. The theme of IDY this year was '**Yoga for Humanity**'. An important aspect of this year's celebration was the Mass presentation of Yoga by PGDYTE students.

The programme was attended by 350 participants which is the highest till date. The programme was chaired by the Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor, Prof. Amitava Mitra in the presence of Prof. N.T. Rikam, Registrar; Prof. R.C. Parida, Director, IQAC; Prof. Tomo Riba, HoD, Geography; Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean Students Welfare; Prof. Oken Lego, Dean Faculty of Languages, Sri Nabam Epo, Chief Gaon Bura, Doimukh Circle; Dr. David Pertin, Jt. Registrar Academics; Mr. Kurian Thomas, Jt. Registrar Finance; members of the 12th BN NDRF; Smt. Gumpi Nguso, Hindi Officer; Dr. Sambhu Prasad, HoD, Physical Education; Dr. Anil Mili, Coordinator Sports Sciences & Yoga Diploma; faculty members; non-teaching staff members; family members of RGU teaching and non-teaching staff; Ph.D scholars, NSS volunteers, NCC cadets and students of Govt. High School, RGU campus.

The Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor in his brief speech message exhorted the participants to adopt yoga in their daily life as a means for promoting positive physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health. He wished good luck to the students pursuing Post Graduate Diploma in Yoga Therapy Education.

In his address, Dr. N.T. Rikam, Registrar congratulated the Department of Physical Education and Sports Sciences for conducting the International Day of Yoga in a grand manner. While sharing his thoughts on the benefits of yoga he also asked the Department to explore the possibilities of introducing UG and PG courses Yoga in the University in a phased manner.

The Head Gaon Burah of Doimukh Circle, Sri Nabam Epo explained his youthful days and how he used to be fit; as it was a compulsion to meet the requirements of daily life. He thanked the University for inviting him every year to this observation. He expressed his happiness and said that he felt it obligatory to attend the function organized by the University as he feels himself to be a member of the University community.

Dr. Anil Mili, Coordinator Sports Sciences & PGYTE courses spoke on the occasion and informed how the Govt. of India under the leadership of Narendra Modi has impressed upon the UNGA and drawn the support of 177 UN members for the adoption of Yoga. He informed the gathering how Prof. Tamo Mibang, the former Vice Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University showed keen interest in Yoga and was instrumental in introducing Certificate Course in the subject. As a result of his keen interest, the Certificate Course was started in the AITS during the year 2013 and subsequently the PGDYTE was launched in 2015. Dr. Mili also expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Saket Kushwaha and the Registrar, Dr. N. T. Rikam for the constant support and motivation for the department.

Venue: Convention Hall
Time: 7:00am

PROGRAMME

Gathering of participants	7:00am
Common Yoga Protocol	7:30am
Yoga demonstration by the PG Diploma Yoga Students	8:20 am
Official programme	8:30am

Since 15th April 2022 the programs related to the celebration of International Day of Yoga were rolled on by encouraging the students and staff to download the Y-break Mobile application for Workplace and other yoga applications like M-yoga and Namaste Yoga for Yoga practices/activities. Staff and students were encouraged to participate in online activities/competitions being organized by the Ministry of Ayush through MyGov Portal.

Yoga charts were prepared by the students of PG Diploma in Yoga and displayed in various Departments of Rajiv Gandhi University. RGU also conducted a 15-day Common Yoga Protocol from 1st June to 15th June 2022 and also Mass yoga protocol was conducted. Online Yoga Quiz competition was organized. T-Shirts with the emblem of the International Day of Yoga were distributed to the participants.

Sl. no.	Name of Activity	Date
1.	Encouraging students and staff to download the Y-break mobile application for work place and other yoga applications like M-yoga and Namaste Yoga for Yoga practices/activities	15 th April - 25 th April 2022
2.	Encouraging staff and students through circulars to participate in online activities/competition being organized by the ministry of Ayush through MyGov Portal	15 th April - 25 th April 2022
3.	Promotion of #Hashtag and live events on the University Website	26 th April-30 th April 2022
4.	Yoga charts were prepared by the students and displayed in various departments of Rajiv Gandhi University	26 th April-30 th April 2022
5.	Yoga Awareness camp was organized in hostels (Men & Women) of Rajiv Gandhi University.	2 nd May 2022 to 20 th May 2022
6.	15-day Common Yoga Protocol was conducted	1 st June to 15 th June 2022
7.	National Level online Yoga Awareness Quiz was conducted	16 th to 17 th June 2022
8.	Distribution of T-Shirts	20 th June 2022
9.	Celebration of International Day of Yoga (IDY)	21 st June 2022

PHOTO GALLERY

Celebration of 8th International Day of Yoga on 21st June 2022



Common Yoga Protocol



Common Yoga Protocol



Yoga Performed by 12th NDRF, Doimukh

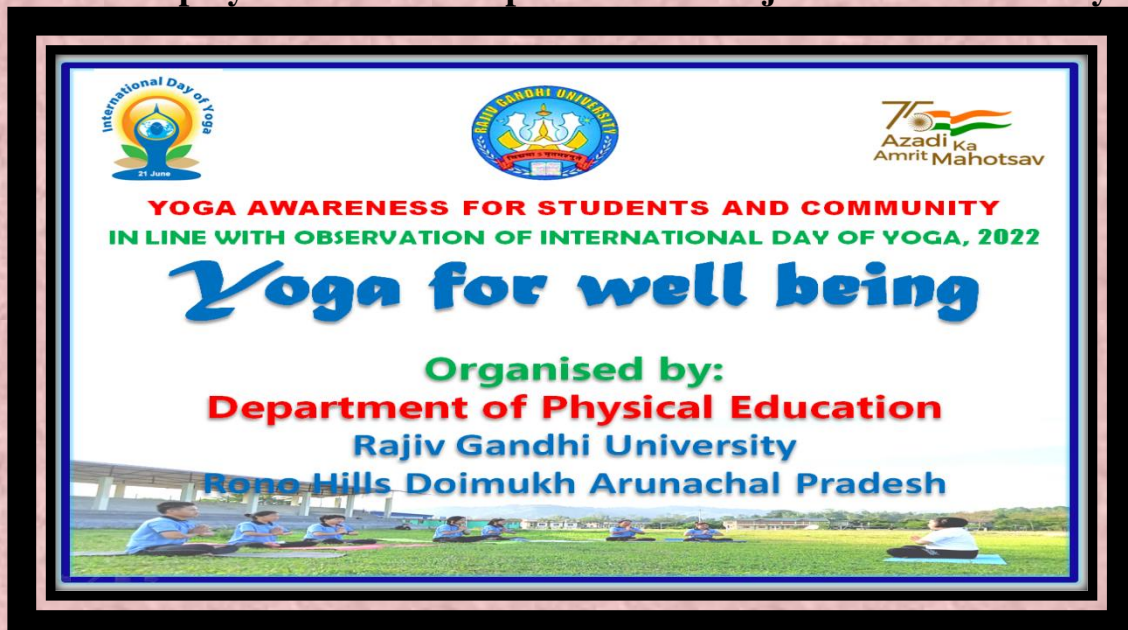


Yoga Performed by Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. A. Mitra, Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam and other dignitaries



National Anthem after completion of IDY-2022

Yoga awareness charts prepared by the students of Physical Education & PGDYTE displayed in various Departments of Rajiv Gandhi University



Common Yoga Camp organized from 25th May to 21st June 2022







Mass Common Yoga Protocol

Online National level Yoga awareness Quiz organized from 18th June 2022 to 21st June 2022





NATIONAL LEVEL YOGA AWARENESS QUIZ
in connection with celebration of
8TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA -2022

Organised by
Department of Physical Education and Sports Science
RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY, RONO HILLS, DOIMUKH
ARUNACHAL PRADESH
From 18th to 21st June, 2022



[Click here to participate online Yoga Awareness Quiz](#)

Co-coordinator Mr. Umesh Mimi	Coordinator Dr. Anil Mili	HOD Dr. Sambhu Prasad
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Note: 1. Total score 40% is required for E- Certificate.
2. E- certificate will be send to your valid Registered E-mail.Id

Common Yoga Camp



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Patron

Prof. A. Mitra, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh
Dr. N. T. Rikam, Registrar, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh

Coordinators

Dr. Anil Mili, Dept. of Physical Education
Mr. Umesh Mimi, Dept. of Physical Education

Head, Dept. of Physical Education

Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Assistant Professor

RGU witnessed Live Programme of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 2022

19 November, 2022



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Rajiv Gandhi University

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Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh

**RGU witnessed Live Programme of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 2022 inaugurated by
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in Varanasi dated 19 November, 2022**

The Ministry of Education, Government of India is organizing 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' - a month-long programme from 17th November to 16th December, 2022. A month-long Kashi Tamil Sangam 2022 programme was inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Varanasi dated on dated 19 November 2022. Kashi Tamil Sangamam 2022 is an initiative by Government of India as a part of "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav" and to uphold the Spirit of "Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat" Hon'ble Prime Minister said that Kashi-Tamil confluence is as holy as Ganga-Yamuna Sangam. The Kashi-Tamil Sangamam event aims at rediscovering the "centuries-old bond of knowledge" and ancient civilizational linkage between the North and the South. Speaking during the inauguration, Modi hailed Kashi and Tamil Nadu as timeless centers of culture and civilization. Prime Minister Narendra Modi said "The two regions are also the centres of the world's oldest languages Sanskrit and Tamil".

Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh under the dynamic leadership of Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor witnessed live telecast of the programme of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 2022. The programme was hosted at two places - VC Secretariat and Mini Auditorium where more than hundred participants attended the programme along with. On the occasion, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor emphasized on the need of rediscovering ancient knowledge of two great civilizations. Prof. Saket Kushwaha also gave a message to all the participants including faculty members, students, and NSS volunteers that we should try to integrate ancient knowledge with modern thought and academics which can help in creating a valuable body of knowledge. The National Education Policy 2020 lays emphasis on nurturing a generation that is modern and in sync with the 21st century mindset, while being rooted in the Indian culture and ethos. The policy has recommended various means and mechanisms for ensuring this balanced and holistic approach to education, at both curricular and extracurricular levels. Among other things, the policy recommends research to integrate the wealth of Indian Knowledge Systems with the more recent body of knowledge. Mainstreaming Yoga, Ayurveda to bolster modern medicine, use of new technology for producing ancient crafts, integrating ancient vaastushilpa with modern archaeology or even innovative renditions of old Raagas are examples where fusion of the traditional with the modern have had enriching results.

In this regard, The Kashi-Tamil Sangamam programme aims at rediscovering the “centuries-old bond of knowledge” and ancient civilizational linkage between the North and the South. While ancient and traditional knowledge systems exist across all regions of India, across all ages and in multiple languages, Tamil Nadu and Kashi, and the area around it, are two of the oldest and most important of such centres. Both these centres have been fountainheads of knowledge in the intellectual, cultural, spiritual and artisanal realms. Varanasi, known popularly as Kashi in Tamil Nadu, is one of the oldest living cities of the world, endowed with a civilizational and cultural continuum that is unparalleled. Knowledge, philosophy, culture, devotion to Gods, literature, Indian arts and crafts have all flourished in this holy city. Tamil Nadu on the other hand is another cradle of culture, arts, crafts, literature, with a wealth of knowledge available in Tamil language, which is the most ancient language in the world.

What is more important is the fact that these two manifestations of Indian Culture, though geographically distant, have had deep and vibrant links over centuries. Knowledge seekers from near and far used to come to Kashi, and places in and around like Prayagraj, Ayodhya, Gorakhpur, which are internally connected as Knowledge Hubs. Similarly, in Tamil Nadu, places like Kanchipuram, Puducherry, Madurai, Thanjavur, Rameshwaram, Srirangam, Kanyakumari, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli, Tamraparani River have been excellent knowledge centres/ Ghatikasthanas and have contributed for various ancient industries like shipbuilding, pottery, weaving, idol making, river dams, mining, warfare, weaponry etc. The ancient connect between the two centres of knowledge is evident in many walks of life like similar themes in literature, presence of the name of Kashi in every village in Tamil Nadu etc. Many household in Tamilnadu adopted the name of Kailasanatha and Kashinatha for naming their children, like those who are living in Kashi and Uttar Pradesh. Hence exploring and rediscovering the links between these two centres can lead to the creation of important bodies of knowledge both in the intellectual and practical realms.

Knowledge, philosophy, culture, devotion to Gods, literature, Indian arts and crafts have all flourished in this holy city that is on the banks of the Holy River Ganga. Besides, Kashi has given impetus to the quest of freedom and patriotic fervour to Rani Lakshmi Bai and Mahakavi Subrayamanya Bharati and others. Saint Kumaragurupara from Sri

Vaikundam, Tutukudi District of Tamil Nadu has excelled in bargaining with Sultanate of Kashi with audacity and drove a lion to his courtyard to get back the Kedarghat and a place for consecration of Vishweshwara Lingam. He has written “Kashi Kalambakam” a grammatical composition of poems on Kashi. King Adhivēera Rama Pandiyan of Pandya Dynasty dedicated a Shiva Temple at Tenkasi of Tamilnadu after his pilgrimage to Kashi , whose ancestors have established Sivakasi. He wrote “Kashi Kandam” of Skanda Purana in Tamil poetic verses.

Bharatiya way of life is a continuous exploring and understanding the unique manifestation of common civilizational treasure among the citizens in the country. It is the pathway to experience the rich and proud heritage of India that no country in the world can showcase. It is imperative to appreciate and strengthen the bonds amongst the people of India, starting with an event at Kashi by extolling the bond between Tamil Nadu and Varanasi. Therefore, Kashi Tamil Sangamam 2022 needs to be encouraged by educational institutions.

Programme Video Uploaded at the University Website

The screenshot displays the homepage of the Rajiv Gandhi University website. At the top, a navigation bar includes a home icon, the URL 'rgu.ac.in', a plus sign, a tab indicator with '1', and a menu icon. Below this, a yellow banner features font size controls (A-, A, A+), a language dropdown set to 'English', and a list of links: Login, How to Reach RGU, Tenders, Gallery, Awards, Outreach Activities, Amenities, and Downloads. The university's logo, a circular emblem with a lamp and text in Hindi, is centered above the name 'RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY' and the location 'Arunachal Pradesh, India'. Social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and LinkedIn are positioned below the name. A blue horizontal bar with a white menu icon is located below the social media links. The main content area features a video player with a red play button. The video title is 'PM Modi inaugurates Kashi Tamil ...'. The video frame shows Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the left, wearing a white shirt and a yellow shawl, and a man on the right, wearing a white shirt and a pink shawl. They are holding a book titled 'KASHI TAMIL SANGAMAM'. The background of the video is a blue wall with the text 'PM MODI INAUGURATES KASHI TAMIL SANGAMAM' and a small portrait of PM Modi in the top left corner.

Photo Gallery of Programme at Two Places













Report On
भारतीय भाषा उत्सव/ *Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav*
11 December, 2022 (Sunday)



राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय (केंद्रीय विश्वविद्यालय)
Rajiv Gandhi University (A Central University)
रोनो हिल्स, दोइमुख, अरुणाचल प्रदेश, भारत
Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, India

December, 2022

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1. The University

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), formerly Arunachal University nestled atop Rono Hills on a picturesque table land of 302 acres is a premier institution of higher education in Arunachal Pradesh. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the University on 4th February, 1984 at Rono Hills, Doimukh. The University was converted into a Central University with effect from 9th April, 2007 as per the notification of the erstwhile Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Since then, Rajiv Gandhi University has carved a niche for itself in the educational scenario of the country. Prof. C.L. Anand appointed in 1987 was the first Vice-Chancellor of the university whereas Shri A P Srivastava was the first Registrar of this University who served from 1985 till 1988. The University received academic recognition under section 2(f) from the University Grants Commission on 28th March, 1985 and started functioning from 1st April, 1985. It received financial recognition under section 12B of the UGC on 25th March, 1994. The University started its academic journey in the year 1988 with 48 students, 18 faculty members, and three departments namely History, Political Science, and Education. B.Ed. programme was started in the current campus whereas post graduate programmes in History and Political Science initiated with Jawaharlal Nehru College (JNC), Pasighat.

The teaching and research programmes of the University are designed to play a leading role in the socio-economic and cultural development of the state as well as the nation. The University has been consistently and effectively catering to the educational needs of the state of Arunachal Pradesh and the neighbouring states in the North East Region (NER) since its inception. The University has been extending educational facilities to the students from all over India.

Currently, the University offers Under Graduate, Post Graduate, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and other skill-based Certificate and PG Diploma programmes through its different departments and centres. RGU is also offering graduate, post graduate and many certificate courses through distance

education. We are also reaching out to the remotest locations through affiliated colleges spread across Arunachal Pradesh. There has been exponential growth in the number of students over the years in various departments of the university and in its affiliated colleges..

The University has highly acclaimed faculty members. The faculty members are actively engaged in research activities with financial support from the UGC, DST-SERB, DBT, CSIR, ICSSR, NCW, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh and other funding agencies. Faculty members of the university have been awarded with prestigious fellowships by national and international agencies of repute. Faculty members of the university have successfully got registered for their patents. Also, the university has more than two hundred administrative and other non-teaching full time staff.

The University for its Academic Expansion has entered MoU with several institutions. Rajiv Gandhi University has also been closely working with state government of Arunachal Pradesh in research, innovations and other constructive ways. The departments of the university regularly organise capacity building programmes, seminars, workshops and conferences as part of their commitment towards academic excellence. Apart from the enthusiastic conduct and observance of Republic Day, Independence Day, International Day of Non-Violence (Commemorating the birth-anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi) the Rajiv Gandhi University had organized many flagship programmes of the central government.

RGU, the easternmost located central university of the country has kept behind many central universities in the race of academic achievement and secured second place in the rankings released by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, in 2020, by registering 83% in the grading of performance. The varsity lapped up the coveted title of 'Best Central University' in 2020 at the third Himalayan Educators Summit, 2020 and ranked third to receive the '*Divya*

Himagiri Himalayan State Education Excellence Award 2020'. These awards mirror RGU's hard work and the urge to excel.

Rajiv Gandhi University has earned the unique distinction of being the first university in the country to prepare First Human Development Report (HDR) of Arunachal Pradesh. The department of economics received a grant of Rs. 10 crore as corpus fund in union budget, 2012 for research and establishment of Centre for Development Studies (CDS).

The huge (81.37%) forest cover, zoo-geographic location, altitudinal variation, various vegetation, high rainfall, different climate regimes etc., contribute in making Arunachal Pradesh an extremely rich biodiversity region. Department of Zoology & Botany of this University has been recognized as the "Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity (CPEB)" in the year, 2002, vide UGC DO Letter No. F14-2/99(IUC/UNIV. Excellence), dated 23rd May, 2002. The Centre has successfully completed two successive phases of 5 years each.

The RGU added a priceless feather to its colourful cap by establishing the "Centre of Excellence on Sports Science Education and Research" under the scheme "National Centre of Sports Science and Research" (NCSSR) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) to develop for the enhancement of the performance of Indian sportspersons in the international competitions. It is the first of its kind in the North-East India and only the 6th in the entire country. Under this, the University has started four (04) new departments for holistic development of youth. They are; (a) Sports Biomechanics, (b) Sports Physiology, (c) Sports Psychology, and (d) Strength Training & Conditioning. It envisions to infuse vigour and dynamism into the sporting culture of the university and the region as well.

Rajiv Gandhi University has been selected by the NITI Aayog to set up 'Atal Community Incubation Centre (ACIC)' for augmenting entrepreneurial acumen and capacity-building among the unemployed youth. As an integral part of the

‘Indian Himalayan Central Universities Consortium’ of NITI Aayog, New Delhi under UGC STRIDE Scheme, the RGU is contributing in collaborative research pertaining on five different themes.

The University received financial support of Rs. 10 Crore from Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India under PURSE 2021 Programme. The university is assigned by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh to document the Unsung Heroes of Arunachal Pradesh who fought against British invasion. This year the University has partnered with the State Government for celebrating the golden jubilee of the State’s foundation and the its naming as ‘Arunachal Pradesh’. Presently, the University is celebrating the ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ with a series of well-planned programmes and events, in a befitting manner.

The University adheres to the academic calendar, conducts the examinations, declares the results on time and organizes convocation every year on a fixed date as the part and culture of its best practices. In our pursuit to infuse and consolidate Constitutional Values and also those of Indian Freedom Struggle, during the convocation each year, university distributes Preamble of the Constitution of India and Fundamental Duties to all the passing out students along with their degree. In equity and diversity parameters, the University always has upheld a consistent and constructive role. Gender equality and promotion of indigenous students and learners with special abilities have been remaining a top priority for the university. Rajiv Gandhi University is creditably matching the new trends in the field of higher education and has assiduously maintained its scholastic distinction to enable the aspiring students keep abreast with their fellow students across the Nation and the Globe.

Vision

Rajiv Gandhi University aspires to be India's most vibrant, energetic, responsive and acclaimed University, to be recognized for excellence in teaching, research and providing the highest quality educational opportunities

for the learners of all communities. The University aims at nurturing their talent by promoting intellectual growth to shape their personality and serve humanity as multi-skilled, socially responsible, creative, adaptable, contributing and morally sound global citizens.

Mission

Our mission is to provide opportunities and support students from diverse background and assist them to become well-informed global citizens by developing their intellectual, moral, civic and creative capacities to the fullest through multi-faceted education and sustained engagement with local, national and global communities. The University also aims to carry out academic process for achieving excellence through active and dynamic student-teacher participation and inculcate high moral, ethical and professional standards among students which will enable them to develop knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals so as to improve the performance and also provide leadership and service to the community.

2. Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav – The Background

India has a rich linguistic heritage. The National Education Policy 2020 highlights multilingualism and visualises Indian languages as a great tool for national unity. It suggests that the students of the country should be encouraged to learn the importance of Indian languages under the 'Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat' initiative.

Indian languages share common phonetics and scripts, they have common grammatical structures, and the origins and sources of the vocabularies are from classical languages of India. Their diversities are also linguistically as rich as their inter-influences. Celebrating 'Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav' will give us all a sense of unity and introduce us to the beautiful cultural heritage and diversity of India as we meet people from other parts of the country. From Kashmir to Kanyakumari, there are hundreds of languages spoken in India. Despite so many languages, we

live together in love and peace. While 'Unity in Diversity' defines the social fabric of our country, 'Diversity in Unity' is another one of our unique features. Bharatiya Bhashas, with their inherent similarities and commonalities, are very important elements of this concept of Diversity in Unity 'and serve to bind us together.

Bharatiya languages have co-existed, complemented and nurtured each other throughout the ages. Languages shape the mind and wisdom of the society. Languages bring the people together. There is a need to strengthen 'language harmony,' to develop a conducive environment for learning more and more Indian languages apart from mastering one's own mother tongue, and an attitude and aptitude to love and enjoy the 'neighbouring language.' Learning/speaking another Indian language should be made a fashion/matter of prestige, a matter of joy and cherishing experience!

To spark and encourage an enthusiasm for learning Indian languages, it is proposed to observe Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav on 11th December on the Janma Jayanti of Subramania Bharati, the great nationalist poet. Subramania Bharati was popularly known as "Mahakavi Bharati", a freedom fighter and a social reformer in Tamil Nadu. He was one of the first to speak about India as one entity. He gave emphasis on the need for national integration and motivated Indians to ignore regional differences and think of all as one, i.e., Indians, in his writings. This gave a strong message on Indian oneness. His poems bring out the best of each region and how they should be brought together for the glorious future of the country. Though Mahakavi Bharathi was conversant with 11 languages, he emphatically declared in one of his poetic works that the sweetness of Tamil language is unparalleled. In an autobiographical poem, Bharathi launched a scathing attack on the denial of opportunity to study in the medium of mother tongue in primary education, citing his own predicament. Far from being emotional, Bharati envisioned translation of scientific works from many lands into Tamil. All the same, he cautioned against punditry in linguistic expression and aspired for recognition to works in simple Tamil, indeed a far-sighted appeal, as it emanated from across a century. Bharati wanted the nectar-like Tamil language to resonate

across the globe. He applied the knowledge of the illustrious past to contemporary realities and dreamt of shaping a new brighter future. He was a man with extraordinary vision, passion and erudition.

It is proposed to celebrate the Janma Jayanti of the great poet as a full day 'Bhasha Utsav' in universities, colleges and schools across the country. Students, faculty, parents and society members will participate in various cultural activities throughout the day.

It aims to acquaint the youth with the inherent oneness of all Bhartiya Bhashas, i.e., the concept of 'Bhartiya Bhasha Parivar', the spiritual and cultural message emanating from the literature of all Bhashas, to celebrate the rich variety and wonders of Bhartiya Bhashas, to show how language learning can be a fun and enjoyable experience, and to highlight the need to focus on Bhartiya Bhashas for the development of the nation and "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat". All the colleges, universities and INIs will organize the Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav under the aegis of the Ministry of Education. Celebrating 'Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav' will, therefore, give us all a sense of unity and introduce us to the beautiful cultural heritage and diversity of India.

'Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav', to be celebrated on 11th December every year, is conceptualized in the form of Utsav where multiple kinds of interesting, thrilling, fun and attractive events will take place throughout the day. In the Utsav, the central themes/messages of the occasion must be highlighted and conveyed using appropriate slogans, e.g., 'Bharatiya Bhashayen for Unity and Harmony', 'Bhashayen Anek, Parantu Bhaav Ek', 'Vividhata mein Ekata, Ekata mein Vividhata', 'Bharatiya Bhashayen, Bharatiya Gyan Parampara aur Bharatiyata', 'Bharatiyata ke liye Bharatiya Gyan Parampara', 'Bharatiya Gyan Parampara ke liye Bharatiya Bhashayen' etc.

All the schools, colleges, universities and INIs will organize the Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav. The Utsav will have:

a) Exhibitions of basic & interesting information about Bhartiya Bhashas, information about letter, scripts, history of language, common words, key historical figures, famous literature, etc. and the historical, cultural and spiritual unity of all Bhartiya Bhashas.

b) Tech Zone - Tech-savvy amenities showing different tools and software that students may use to learn languages, do machine translation, etc. and downloading and teaching few simple tools.

c) My Language My Signature' campaign to promote the habit of signing in Bhartiya Bhasha, Sign on dedicated boards for the purpose and upload selfies, E-Certification may be provided in multiple languages.

d) Bhasha Stalls- one dedicated stall of the language of the region and at least one stall for languages of some other region, Books and Literature in different languages and Language Games.

e) Competitions - Language Quiz, Speech/Debate/Extempore in different languages, Poetry recitation & Essay writing competition in various languages

f) Cultural programs - Creative performances depicting Lok-parampara and folk-art forms, Open mic/stage sessions, Street plays & dramas etc.

3. Proceedings of the Event

Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav, celebrating the Birth Anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathi, a multi-lingual poet and a freedom fighter of India was celebrated in Rajiv Gandhi University in its Mini Auditorium. The Utsav is being observed as there is a need to strengthen 'language harmony' to develop a conducive environment for learning more and more Indian languages apart from mastering one's own mother tongue.

Chief Guest of the Programme, S.D. Sundaresan (IAS) Secretary, Department of Skill development and Entrepreneurship, Government of Arunachal Pradesh sketches out the life history of Subramania Bharathi right from

his birth. Calling Bharathi a revolutionary writer and a nationalist poet, he also shared many of his life journey from being working with a zamindar to studying in Central Hindu school in Varanasi. He also dwelled with his life phase of being a journalist and having an extremist view of India's freedom struggle in which he had to go to jail. The secretary also talked about the different literary structure which Subramania Bharathi has developed for the common man. In many of his writings, he added that he always conceptualised the idea of India as one. Truly Subramania Bharathi was a great visionary leader of the country and today we are here to understand his importance, he shared.

Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice chancellor of the university in his presidential speech stressed on the importance of Bhasha. He said that learning our own language builds confidence in oneself. Citing the example of our former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee delivering his speech in Hindi language in the largest forum of the world, the UN, he said it is how knowing one's language can lead the way. He also added the role of New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and its provision of giving us all to start learning in our mother tongue languages. We should all learn how to develop the link and do KYC-Know Your country through language by learning more and more languages, he added.

Prof. Sarit Chaudhuri, Dean of Social Sciences of the University in his speech highlighted the importance of language as a beacon of culture. Stating that the development of one community largely depended on its language, and specially in a place like Arunachal Pradesh where many languages are spoken and many are already endangered. He said, a central institute like the university can play a dominant role in tackling the challenges for making the languages vibrant and relevant. Literature festival and others areas can be explored wherein new generations of take over to the next level, he added.

Registrar of the university, Dr. N. T. Rikam in his recorded message to the Utsav called upon the academicians and scholars to develop written scripts for many known languages of the state. He said, it is the main reason that our

languages are less spoken and less studied. Once we developed our scripts, our language will flourish in the long run, he added.

Dr. David Pertin, Joint Registrar, Academic and Conference and which was also Registrar In-charge in his deliberations talks in length the importance of mother tongue languages and its envisions in the national education policy (NEP) 2020. He said one should try and encourage others to learn languages of our fellow Indians, so that one can respect and celebrate other cultures too. He added that the university should play a vital role in developing scripts for our many languages.

The nodal officer of the celebration committee, Prof. Simon John earlier delivered the welcome address and talked about the concept note of the Utsav. He said that when one talks about language, it's such an emotional thing. Sharing that the Utsav is giving us all an opportunity to write in our own language and script, he said it's such an empowering moment. Expressing that one is born with his/her mother tongue and cannot change for the rest of the life unlike religion or profession. And so it's important and one should be sensitive towards other languages also. Prof. Simon added that language is an integral part of our culture and is our pride being the native speaker.

There were other various competitions organised in run up to the event, one was the speech competition in multilingual in which prizes were distributed. A documentary titled “‘Fading Tongue of the East?’ produced by CFEL-AITS (centre for endangered languages, Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies), RGU which was directed by Kombong Darang was also screened. The film talks about the fading language of the Meyor tribe of Arunachal Pradesh. The utsav also saw the Release of book entitled ‘Dictionary and Grammar of Ashing; A Moribund Language of Arunachal Pradesh’, published by CFEL-AITS. The Department of Music and Fine Arts, choreographed a wonderful cultural show which showcased songs in different languages of the country. A Signature board “My language, My Signature” was put up wherein all the participants including the dignitaries

signed in their own script. Three different stalls were put up as a part of the Utsav. One was named “Literature of the Land” wherein many books and other publications in various many languages of the country was showcased. Another stall “Indigenous Cuisine” wherein many indigenous food items were available for taste. The third stall “Crafts and Artefacts” has installed many handlooms and handicrafts of the state. Department of Social Work conducted online literary programme where total of five entries were received.

The programme was ended with the vote of thanks proposed by the Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Convenor, Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav Programme Committee.

4. Advisory and Organising Committee

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दिनांक 7th December, 2022

अधिसूचना /NOTIFICATION

With reference to the UGC D.O. No. F.1-44/2022 (Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas) dated 2nd December, 2022 (copy enclosed) a committee is hereby constituted with the following members for smooth celebration of "Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav" on 11th December, 2022 at Rajiv Gandhi University Campus:

A. Advisory Committee:

1.	Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2.	Prof. Sarit Kumar Chaudhuri, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Member
3.	Dr. N.T. Rikam, Registrar	Member
4.	Prof. Otem Padung, Finance Officer	Member
5.	Prof. P.K. Panigrahi, Dept. of Political Science	Member
6.	Prof. Jumyir Basar, Director, AITS	Member
7.	Prof. S. Simon John, AITS –Nodal Officer	Member
8.	Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Head, Dept. of Physical Education/Nodal Officer, EBSB	Convenor

B. Organising Committee:

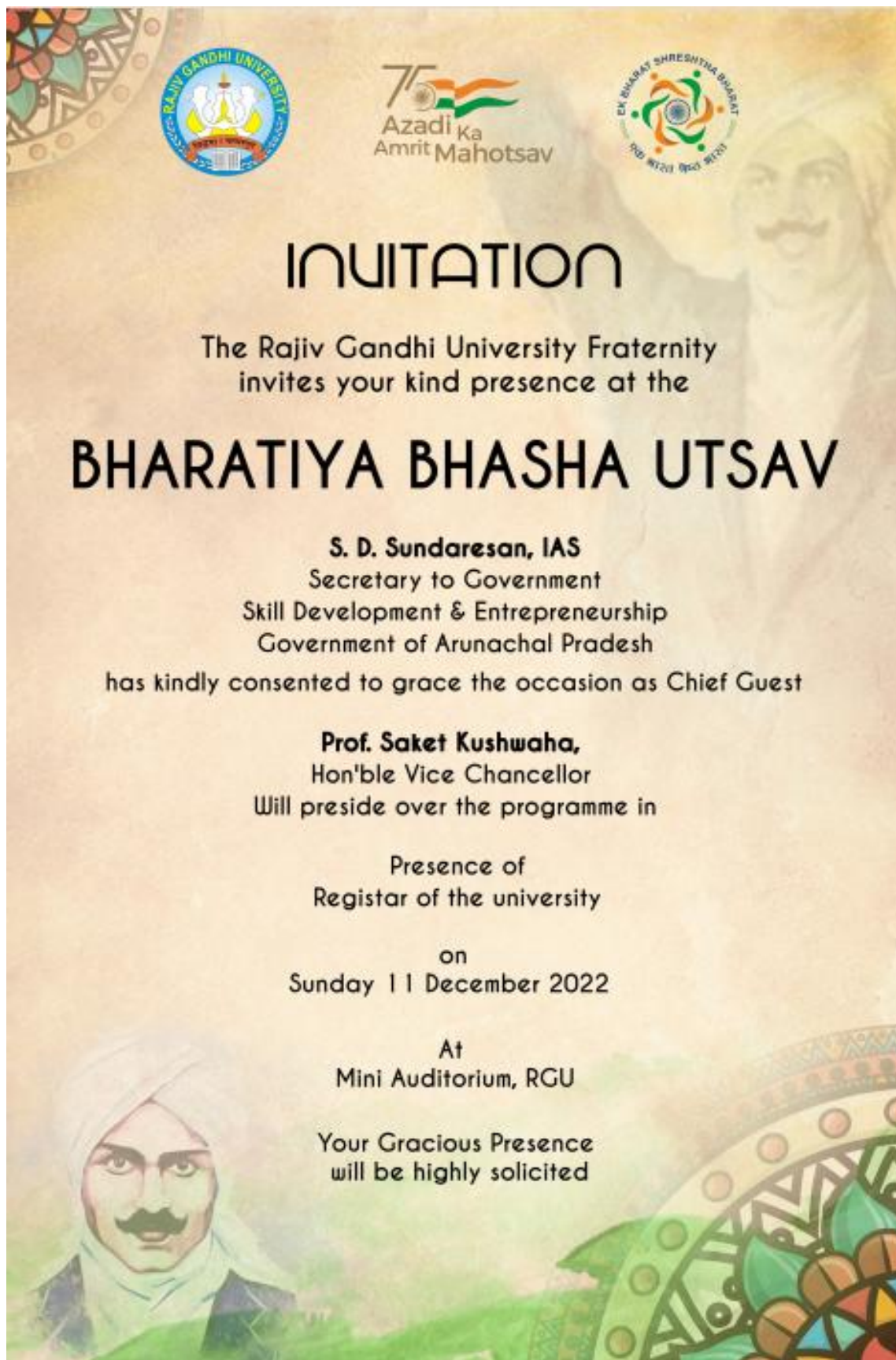
1.	Prof. Jumyir Basar, Director, AITS
2.	Prof. S. Simon John, AITS/Coordinator, Endangered Languages
3.	Prof. Bhagabat Nayak, Head, Dept. of English
4.	Prof. Oken Lego, Head, Dept. of Hindi
5.	Prof. Uttam Kumar Pegu, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication
6.	Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head, Dept. of Social Work
7.	Mr. Punyo Chobin, Head, Dept. of Fine Arts & Music
8.	Mr. Ashok Barman, Dept. of Music
9.	Dr. Tadang Minu, Dept. of Physical Education
10.	Dr. K.P. Singh, Dept. of Social Work
11.	Dr. Sunil Koljam, Dept. of Mass Communication
12.	Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Head, Dept. of Physical education/Nodal Officer, EBSB
13.	Dr. David Pertin, Joint Registrar (Aca./Conf.)

C. Distribution of Responsibilities:

Sl. No.	Name of the Person(s)	Responsibilities	Nodal Department
1.	Prof. Oken Lego	Display of books	Department of Hindi
2.	Prof. Jumyir Basar Prof. Bhagabat Nayak	Literary competition	AITS & Department of English
3.	Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar Dr. K.P. Singh	Online literary Competition	Department of Social Work
4.	Prof. S. Simon John	Film Screening and Book Release	AITS
5.	Prof. Uttam Kumar Pegu Dr. Sunil Koljam	Stage management, PA System, Banners, Standees, arrangement for film screening, Board for Signature in Mother Tongue, AV documentation and media coverage	Department of Mass Communication
6.	Mr. Punyo Chobin Mr. Ashok Barman	Cultural Programme	Department of Fine Arts & Music
7.	Dr. David Pertin, Joint Registrar (Aca./Conf.) Dr. Tadang Minu	Installation of three number of stalls, carpeting of the venue Display and sale of traditional Crafts and food	Department of Physical Education



5. Programme Invitation and Flyer



  	
PROGRAMME SCHEDULE	
10:15 AM	Arrival of Guest
10:30-10:35 AM	Kulgeet
10:35- 10:45 AM	Welcome address by Prof. Simon John, AITS, Nodal Officer
10:45-10:50 AM	Felicitation of guests and dignitaries
10:50-10:55 AM	Release of book entitled ' Dictionary and Grammar of Ashing; A Moribund Language of Arunachal Pradesh', published by CFEL-AITS
10:55-11:00 AM	Address by Prof. Sarit Kr Choudhary, Dean Faculty of social Sciences
11:00-11:05 AM	Address by Registrar, RGU
11:05-11:10 AM	Prize distribution
11:10-11:25 AM	Address by Chief Guest Shri. S. D. Sundaresan (IAS), Secretary, Department of Skill development and Entrepreneurship, Government of Arunachal Pradesh
11:25-11:35 AM	Address by Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor, RGU
11:35-12:05 PM	Screening of film entitled 'Fading Tongue of the East?' produced by CFEL-AITS, RGU
12:05-12:25 PM	Cultural Programme
12:25-12:30 PM	Vote of thanks by Dr. Sambhu Prasad, Nodal Officer, EBSB & Convener
12:30-12:35 PM	National Anthem
12:35PM	High Tea and visit of Book, crafts and traditional Food exhibition

Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav



Organized by
Rajiv Gandhi University



On

**11 December, 2022
(Sunday)**

*To celebrate the rich variety and wonders of Indian Languages
on the birth anniversary of
Subramania Bharati (Mahakavi Bharati)*

Interested participants are requested to send their recorded videos of 2-5 minutes on any **Traditional Art Forms viz. Songs, Dances, Attire Show, Folklores narration, Local Cuisine Recipes**, etc. by mentioning their name, tribe/community and State of domicile.

*To be submitted by:
10th December, 2022 (Saturday), 5 pm
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6. Photo Gallery







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RGU celebrates Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav; VC emphasises on local languages

December 12, 2022

RONO HILLS, 11 Dec:

Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav, celebrating the birth anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathi, a multilingual poet and a freedom fighter of India, was celebrated at Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) here on Sunday.

"The utsav is being observed as there is a need to strengthen 'language harmony' to develop an environment conducive to learning more and more Indian languages, apart from mastering one's own mother tongue," the university informed in a release.

Addressing the participants, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Secretary SD Sundaresan sketched out the life history of Subramania Bharathi. Describing Bharathi as a revolutionary writer and a nationalist poet, he also dwelt on Bharathi's work as a journalist "and his having an extremist view of India's freedom struggle, in which he had to go to jail."

The secretary also spoke about the "different literary structure which Subramania Bharathi developed for the common man."

"In many of his writings, he added that he always conceptualised the idea of India as one. Truly, Subramania Bharathi was a great visionary leader of the country and today we are understanding his importance," Sundaresan said.

RGU Vice Chancellor Prof Saket Kushwaha stressed on the importance of 'bhasha'. "Learning our own language builds confidence in oneself," he said.

Citing the example of former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee delivering his speech in Hindi at the UN, he said that "it's how knowing one's language can lead the way."

He added that "the new education policy provides for learning in our mother tongues, and we should all learn how to develop the link and do KYC – Know Your Country – through language by learning more and more languages."

The nodal officer of the celebration committee, Prof Simon John said that "the utsav is giving us all an opportunity to write in our own languages and scripts," and described the celebration as an "empowering moment."

He added that "one should be sensitive towards other languages also."

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RONO HILLS, Dec 11: Aiming at boosting 'language harmony' to develop a conducive environment for learning more and more Indian languages apart from mastering one's own mother tongue, Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav, commemorating the birth anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathi, a multi-lingual poet and a freedom fighter of India, was celebrated in Rajiv Gandhi University at its mini academic auditorium.

Gracing the programme as chief guest, S D Sundaresan, Secretary Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (GoAP) sketched out the life history of Bharathi right from his birth. Calling Bharathi a revolutionary writer and a nationalist poet, he also shared many of his life journeys from working with a zamindar to studying in a Central Hindu school in Varanasi. He also dwelled with his life phase of being a journalist and having an extremist view of India's freedom struggle in which he had to go to jail.

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In his presidential speech, RGU vice chancellor Prof Saket Kushwaha stressed on the importance of Bhasha. He said that learning our own language builds confidence in oneself. Citing the example of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee delivering his speech in Hindi language in the largest forum of the world, the UN, he said it's how knowing one's language can lead the way. He also added the role of New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and its provision of giving us all to start learning in our mother tongues.

We should all learn how to develop the link and do KYC-Know Your country through language by learning more and more languages, he added.

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Activity Report



युवा विकास एवं नेतृत्व अध्ययन केंद्र

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1. Introduction

The proposal for the establishment of the Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) was approved during the 17th Academic Council Meeting on 14th October, 2016, under Item No. 17:26. The guidelines of the CYDLS were approved during the 18th Academic Council Meeting on 27th April, 2017, under Item No. 18:09. The Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) became operational by appointing the functionaries of the Centre through the Official Notification No. AC-108/2007(Vol-II)/397 dated 11th July, 2017.

It aims to address the issues and challenges, building capacities with a special emphasis on utilizing the potential of youth in the North East Region of India especially in the state of Arunachal Pradesh. Since its inception CYDLS is continuously working towards the betterment of youth through a host of extension activities, skill and capacity development programs, trainings, workshops, seminars, and conferences to motivate the youth.

In order to operationalise the vision and mission of CYDLS, three specific Cells are working to achieve the objectives of centre:

- **Counselling Resource Cell (CRC):** CRC is working with the motto of offering “a hand to hold and a heart to understand” the helping youth, suffering from mental illness or symptoms of it both minor and/or severe. CRC shall provide immediate and long term counseling services to the needy youth on weekly basis.
- **Youth and Community Engagement Cell (YCEC):** YCEC shall engage youth in community development through participatory approach. Under this cell youth involve themselves in the implementation of several government and non-governmental programs.
- **Training and Leadership Research Cell (TLRC):** TLRC is committed to augmentation of the capacity and leadership skills of youth by organizing

need based programs vis-à-vis workshops, training, symposium, capacity building programs, seminars, and research etc.

2. The Vision

The CYDLS envisions cultivating young individuals into future leaders and actively contributing to the promotion of sustainable development.

3. The Mission

The primary mission of the centre is to establish a platform that facilitates the advancement and empowerment of young individuals through the provision of professional training and advice. Additionally, the Centre aims to foster the growth of leadership qualities in young individuals through the means of invention, research, and the enhancement of abilities.

4. Objectives

The CYDLS has following specific objectives:

1. To promote psycho-social well-being of youth;
2. To develop leadership qualities among the youth and orient them towards community building;
3. To involve youth in community development through national schemes and programmes; and
4. To conduct training and research on youth development and leadership.

5. Functions

The functions of the CYDLS are as follows:

1. Conducting Extension Activities by engaging youth;
2. Organising Skill and Capacity Development Programmes for Youth;

3. Organising and coordinating trainings, workshops, seminars, conferences, and symposiums with a specific emphasis on youth;
4. Instituting Awards and Scholarships to incentivize young individuals;
5. Engaging in research pertaining to the development of youth and leadership;
6. Providing consultancy services to both governmental and non-governmental organisations on areas associated with youth; and
7. Collaborating in partnerships with governmental and non-governmental organisations at the state, national, and international levels to carry out research, extension, and outreach programmes specifically targeting youth.

6. Composition of the Centre

In order to ensure the successful operations of the Centre's objectives, a five-member, multi-specialty team has been setup.

1. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh
Chairperson, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS)
2. Ms. Chaphiak Lowang
Coordinator, Counselling Resource Cell (CRC), CYDLS
3. Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar
Coordinator, Training and Leadership Research Cell (TLRC), CYDLS
4. Mr. John G. Gangmei
Coordinator, Youth and Community Engagement Cell (YCEC), CYDLS
5. Mr. Gomar Basar
Member Secretary, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS)

7. Frequency of the Meetings

The Centre convenes biannual meetings to evaluate the current status and develop future goals in accordance with its mandate.

8. Activities Conducted

The CYDLS continuously strives to bring about desired changes in the society. Meaningful engagement with youth for the change and development through participatory approach is the key ingredient of CYDLS. With this vision, CYDLS has progressed steadily in a short span of time. A glimpse of programmes and activities organized under the umbrella of Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) since inception is detailed below:

7.1 Recruitment of the Zila Swachh Bharat Preraks (ZSBPs) through Campus Placement, 2017

Tata Trust, Guwahati office expressed their interest to recruit the suitable candidates from the Department of Social Work, Electronics, Mass Communication, and Management for Zila Swachh Bharat Prerak (ZSBPs) during 2017. In this regard, CYDLS took the initiative to organize recruitment of ZSBPs through campus placement for the University students. CYDLS facilitated the entire recruitment process. Prior to final interview, a mock interview with an objective to prepare the students for the recruitment through campus placement was also conducted for the aspiring candidates. The students were equipped with skills & the confidence essential for the interview. The methodology used in the Mock Interview was audio-video lectures, handouts, and demonstration of personal interviews. In this mock interview, students participated from various departments of RGU such as the Department of Social Work, Sociology, Electronic and Communication Engineering. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies and Mr. John G. Gangmei, Coordinator, Youth and Community Engagement Cell of CYDLS conducted the entire process of Mock Interview and cleared the doubts and dilemmas of the

students. Towards the end, students were happy and encouraged the Centre to do more such activities in the interest of students.

7.2 Programme on National Entrepreneurship Award, dated 4 September, 2017

One day programme on National Entrepreneurship Award, 2017 was conducted by the CYDLS on 4th September, 2017 in collaboration with TISS and XLRI, Jamshedpur, for the Youth, NGOs, Entrepreneurs, Young Faculty Members, Investors, Micro-financers, and Social Workers. The objective of this programme was to disseminate the relevant information regarding National Entrepreneurship Award, 2017. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India intends to recognize the efforts of young entrepreneurs and ecosystems builders. Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) was a Lead Partner and XLRI, Jamshedpur was a Regional Partner of the programme. Prof. Vishwa Ballabh from XLRI was the key-resource person and the programme was chaired by Dr. Sukmal Deb, CEO, Khadi and Village Industries Board, Arunachal Pradesh. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson of CYDLS was the coordinator of this programme.

7.3 Lecture on Role of Youth & Entrepreneurship, dated 4 September, 2017

A lecture on “Role of Youth & Entrepreneurship” was organized by the CYDLS for Social Work students on 4th September, 2017. Prof. Vishwa Ballabh from XLRI delivered the lecture and emphasized the role of youth in self-sustainable economic development. He focused on importance of entrepreneurship and relation with social work. He also urged the students that in rural society promotion of local and need based entrepreneurship is highly significant and the role of social workers is to disseminate the information and knowledge among the community people. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson of the CYDLS was the coordinator of the Lecture.

7.4 Outreach Programme for Spreading Awareness on the occasion of World Mental Health Day, dated 10 October, 2017

This World Mental Health Day (October 10, 2017) with the global theme being 'Managing Mental Health at Work Place,' the Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) together with all the faculties and students



from Department of Social Work took the initiative to spread awareness on Mental Health & Hygiene in its immediate surroundings. A total of 50 students along with the faculty members of the department participated in the day long awareness programme. Awareness on mental illness, counseling, psychiatric first aid, medication and an end of mental health discrimination in every genre of social and professional life were showcased through street plays and were also demonstrated through rallies and slogans like 'healthy mind healthy life', 'stop the stigma of mental illness', 'mental illness is not a weakness, it's a sickness' etc. The program was conducted at six different locations across Papumpare district which included Chimpu Community (Itanagar), Gohpur (Itanagar), Max Market-Naharlagun, NERIST Entrance, Nirjuli, Shilpa Bakery-Doimukh and Garage Colony-RGU.

Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) at RGU envisions grooming youth as potential leaders in the process of social development. In its pursuit to address the issues and concerns facing the society and youth in particular, the centre has been taking various initiatives for personal and professional development of the youth as well as their meaningful engagement in responding to the contemporary issues of



the community. Studies suggest that Mental Health problems at early stage remain unrecognized and untreated. There is a tendency to conceal common psychiatric problems due to stigma which in due course gets severe. This outreach activity will serve for spreading awareness in its immediate surroundings which is the first pre-requisite in the course of a long term intervention in building a resilient and strong social fabric. This programme was coordinated by Ms. Chaphiak Lowang, Coordinator, Counselling Resource Cell of CYDLS.

7.5 Training of Trainers on Youth and Peace Building, during 29-31 January, 2018

The Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu, organized “a three days Training of Trainers (ToT) Programme” for NSS Programme Officers of Arunachal Pradesh on Youth and Peace Building from 29th to 31st January, 2018 at IDE Conference Hall, Rajiv Gandhi University. The objective of the ToT programme was to enhance the capacity of NSS Programme Officers. The ToT programme was inaugurated by Mr. Himanshu Gupta, IAS, Special Secretary to CM Arunachal Pradesh. In his inaugural address, he highlighted about the need for youth involvement in nation building and state’s development. Dr. V N Sharma, VC, Arunodaya University, Arunachal Pradesh participated as a “Special Invitee”. This programme was designed to train the NSS Programme Officers of Arunachal Pradesh. Around 40 participants participated in this programme. The programme covered several important issues related to peace and conflict such as understanding conflict, levels of conflict, factors influencing youth to involve in conflicts, techniques of conflict management, understanding peace, role of various stakeholders in peace building, and contribution and efforts of noble peace prize laureates such as His Holiness, the Dalai Lama. Prof. Tamo Mibang, Honorable Vice Chancellor, RGU delivered the valedictory lecture. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, CYDLS, was the coordinator of the three days ToT programme.

7.6 1st CYDLS Symposium on Youth, dated 11 May, 2018

Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies at Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh organized “**One Day Symposium on Youth**” on 11th May 2018 at AITS Conference Hall, Rajiv Gandhi University. Prof. Amitava Mitra, Vice-Chancellor in-charge, RGU graced the occasion as the chief guest and Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, chaired the Programme. Prof. Prasanta Kumar Ghosh, Head, Department of Social Work, Visva-Bharati, Shantiniketan, West Bengal delivered the 1st Keynote Speech on “**Education for Youth in India**” and Dr. Rose Nembiakkim, Director, School of Social Work, IGNOU, New Delhi delivered the 2nd Keynote Speech on “**Untapped Human Resource: Youth of North East India**”. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies, RGU and Ms. Chaphiak Lowang, Head, Department of Social Work proposed vote of thanks at the end of the programme. The resource persons discussed about the advantages and challenges of demographic dividend in the country. India becoming the world’s youngest nation with a mean



age of 27 years was highlighted. Prof. Ghosh shared insights on need-based skill

education and structural changes in prevailing educational structure of the country. Employability of youth as per market demands and life skills-based education was highlighted as core to proposed changes in educational system of the country. Dr. Rose focused on strengths rather than limitations. Citing examples like that of IGP Robin Hibu, Mary Kom and other local talents. She motivated the youth to optimise on their interests. She highlighted the prospects of community-based innovation and enterprise like Eco Tourism, Handloom, and Sports etc. Dean of Social Sciences, Prof. S.K Singh motivated the young audience to be bold and courageous. There was a separate clarification round towards the end during which the young audience sought clarifications on various aspects. A total of 96 delegates from across the departments of Rajiv Gandhi University participated in the symposium. The CYDLS Profile Booklet was also released on the occasion.

7.7 Three Day National Level Training of Trainers (ToT) Programme on Disaster Management, during 25-27 March, 2019

The Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS), Rajiv Gandhi University in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Tamil Nadu jointly organized a three day National Level Training of Trainers (ToT) on Disaster Management from 25th to 27th March, 2019 with the objective of sensitizing the local representatives and other key stakeholders on key concerns related to disasters and equip them with capacities to augment the resilience of community based disaster management system. Around fifty participants, faculty members of RGU, colleges and private universities, NGO representatives, NSS Programme Officers and members of local governance participated in the ToT. An exhibition on various tools deployed in rescue operation during disasters was organized by the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) 12 BN, Doimukh. The ToT concluded with a field visit to NDRF, Doimukh and Dhemaji. Vital inputs dealing with both theoretical and practical aspects of disaster were offered to the participants in order to mould them into well-equipped disaster management professionals. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, CYDLS, was the coordinator of the programme.



7.8 One Day Online Capacity Building Programme (e-CBP) on “Disaster Risk Reduction with special reference to Earthquake, Flood, Landslide, Fire and other Emergent Hazards”, dated 19 June, 2020

“When disaster strikes, the time to prepare has passed”, the words of Steven Cyros warns us to have a plan before the damaging onset. In this regard, the Department of Social Work, and Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies, RGU conducted Online Capacity Building Programme (eCBP) on “Disaster Risk Reduction with special reference to Earthquake, Flood, Landslide, Fire and other Emergent Hazards” dated 19 June, 2020 for National and International Participants.

During Inaugural Session, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Saket Kushwaha emphasized that we have the engineering and technological capacities evolving to minimize disaster impacts. Every day engineers and scientists come up with climate and disaster smart solutions to make structures earthquake-proof, to mitigate the impact of floods, and to stave off the worst of hurricanes. Yet, these solutions don’t come cheap and are sadly not affordable everywhere. In such a situation building skills and insights of key stakeholders becomes the most viable solution.

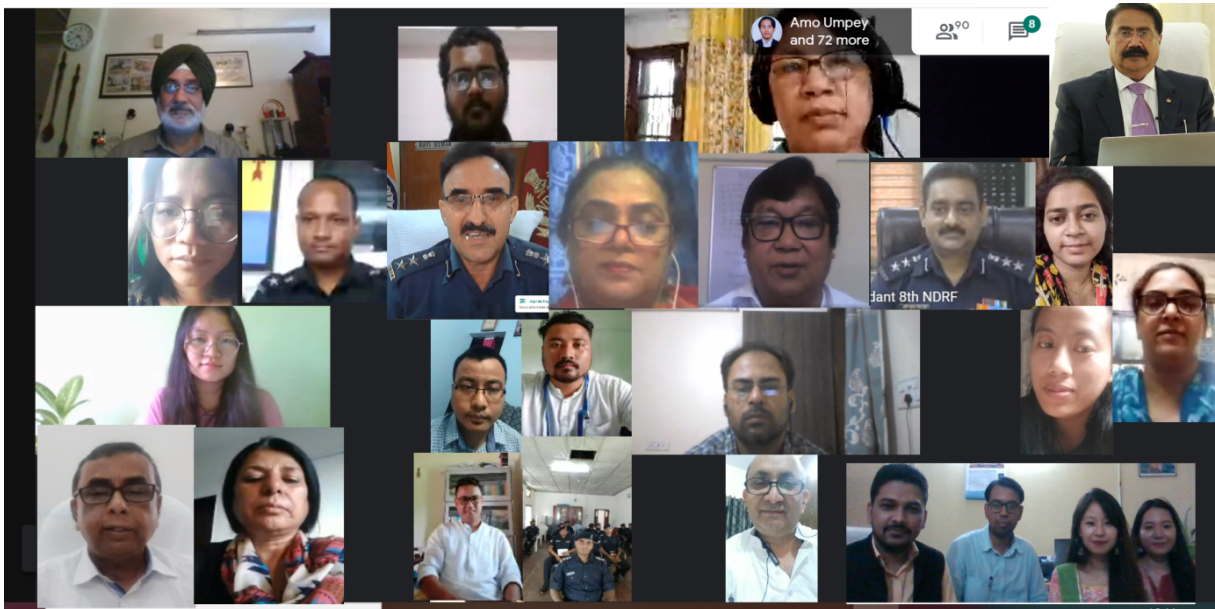
Prof. Amitava Mitra, the Pro Vice Chancellor raised the point that the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction as the leading global initiative on Disaster Management currently recognizes that the responsibility of reducing disaster risk should be shared with other stakeholders including local government, the private sector and other concerned. Building capacity of key stakeholders is the overarching rationale behind the four specific priority areas under it.

Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar, Rajiv Gandhi University called upon the participants that there are no such things as “**natural disasters**”. Hazards are natural events, occurring more or less frequently and of a greater or lesser magnitude, but disasters are due to risk-blind development. What makes hazards become disasters depends primarily on the way societies develop, build, construct and prepare their population to respond to these hazards.

During his welcome address Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Head, Department of Social Work and Convenor highlighted the need of Capacity Building Programme substantiating with the recent figures which show that 68% of India's land is prone to drought, 60% to earthquakes, 12% to floods and 8% to cyclones, making India one of the top disaster prone countries in the world. 75% of the North East is under constant threat of flood and landslide and 45% of Assam is affected with flood especially during monsoon every year. In addition to tremendous loss of life and property, these and other recurring disasters such as fire result in huge displacement, migration and other resultant problems.

An overwhelming response, including more than 700 applications from interested participants across the country cutting across disciplines and occupations, were received to attend the eCBP. The applicants included a Mixed Occupational Profile of Academicians, Research Scholars, Social Scientists and Development Professionals. Participants included a proportionate representation from all these categories ensuring representations from numerous institutions and over 27 states of the country along with seven international participants from Nepal.

The programme witnessed a total of three technical sessions over eight hours through Google Meet platform having seasoned, experienced and dynamic resource persons from those at the forefronts of the country. The Distinguished resource persons who enriched the one-day eCBP with their insightful experience and lively deliberations, included: Shri P. K. Srivastava, Commandant, 8th BN NDRF, Gaziabaad, Uttar Pradesh, India; Shri Ravi Kumar Pandita, Commandant, 7th BN NDRF, Bhatinda, Punjab, India and Brigadier Kuldeep Singh (Retd.), Sr. Consultant, NDMA, New Delhi, India. The topics of deliberation included earthquake, landslide, fire and other recurring and emergent disasters, their causation, preparedness, mitigation and response. Shri Rajneesh Lamba, Commandant, SSB Training Centre, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh graced the valedictory session as guest of honour.



7.9 Round Table Discussion on Collaboration between RGU and RGNIYD, dated 4 March, 2021

Rajiv Gandhi University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. The main objective of the MoU is to facilitate collaboration between the two institutions with regard to research, training and extension in the area of youth development in the North-East Region (NER). In this backdrop, the Centre for

Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS), RGU organized a round table discussion regarding the proposed collaboration and to be more specific of the 'road map' to be traversed by both the institutions to make the collaboration a success and thus contribute to the empowerment of youth in the NER. "A hungry stomach has an angry mind" said Prof. Saket Kushwaha Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University. Inaugurating the Round Table discussion regarding the preparation of the road map to implement the MoU between the RGU and the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India) on 4-03-2021 at the RGU campus, he pointed out at economic inequalities being the prime reason for unrest among the youth. Narrating his experience as a USAID official in Africa, he concluded that the youth needed proper training in various aspects of life. Around thirty faculty members of the university participated in the discussion. All of them proposed several measures and suggestions for collaboration between the two universities under the categories of research, training and extension. The suggestions/proposals ranged from creating awareness on substance abuse to short term training in career counselling and training in politics to inculcation of values. The proposed collaboration between the two institutions was discussed within the framework of the MoU. It was decided to submit the proposals by the end of March 2021. The Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Amitava Mitra spoke about the demographic dividend and Registrar, Dr N T Rikam, elaborated on the collaboration between the two institutions. Dr. David Pertin, Joint Registrar, Academic and Conference, RGU emphasised on the need for inculcation of Cultural Values among youth in the North East Region and therefore, called upon the University Fraternity to design research and/ or project proposal on the same. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Head Dept of Social Work welcomed the gathering while Dr. Ravi Ranjan, Dept of Social Work anchored the programme. Dr. Kottu Sekhar, Coordinator, RGNIYD, NER Centre made a presentation on the RGNIYD. Dr. Anil Mili, Coordinator, NSS proposed vote of thanks.

7.10 One-day National Webinar to commemorate International Youth Day on “Youth as Harbingers of Peace and Social Transformation”, date 12 August, 2021

Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies and Department of Social Work, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh jointly organised One-day National Webinar on **Youth as Harbingers of Peace and Social Transformation** on the occasion of International Youth Day 2021, dated 12 August, 2021. There were around hundred participants across the country. Dr. Prasad Gollanapalli, Managing Trustee, Gandhi King Foundation, Hyderabad delivered the Keynote Speech on the theme of webinar. The programme was graced by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Amitava Mitra, and Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam.



7.11 Celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on “the occasion of 152nd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi”, during 1-2 October, 2021

International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS), Department of History, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh in collaboration with Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh & Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), NER Regional Centre, RGU Campus, Arunachal Pradesh organized Two-day programme on **Celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on “the occasion of 152nd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi”** during 1-2 October, 2021.

The programme for observance of Gandhi Jayanti was conceptualised under three-fold sub-themes – Remembering Mahatma Gandhi through colours and drawings by organizing painting competitions among youth, reimagining Gandhi through lectures and celebration of Gandhian ideas through spinning of charkhas. The entire thrust of the programme was expected to generate a profound impact on the generations – present and future, who need to reinvent, re-imagine and relive with the Gandhian ideas, precepts and doctrines in order to make our nation-state move from strength to strength. Dr. Prasad Gollanapalli, Managing Trustee, Gandhi King Foundation, Hyderabad was the Keynote Speaker. The programme was graced by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Pro VC Prof. Amitava Mitra, and Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam.



7.12 One-day National Webinar to commemorate National Youth Day, the Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda on “Awakening the Youth Power for a Resilient Society”, dated 12 January, 2022

Departments of Hindi & Social Work, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), NER Regional Centre, RGU Campus, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies and Institute of Distance Learning, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh jointly organised one-day National Webinar on **Awakening the Youth Power for a Resilient Society** on the occasion of National Youth Day 2022, the Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda dated 12 January, 2022. Dr. W. G. Prasanna Kumar, Chairman, Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education (MGNCRE), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India and Ms. Vandna Tete, Writer & Social Educator were the Keynote Speakers. The programme was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Pro VC Prof. Amitava Mitra, and Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam.



7.13 Two-day National Youth e-Conclave on “Enhancing Employability through Symbiotic Engagement and Capacity Building”, during 28-29 January, 2022

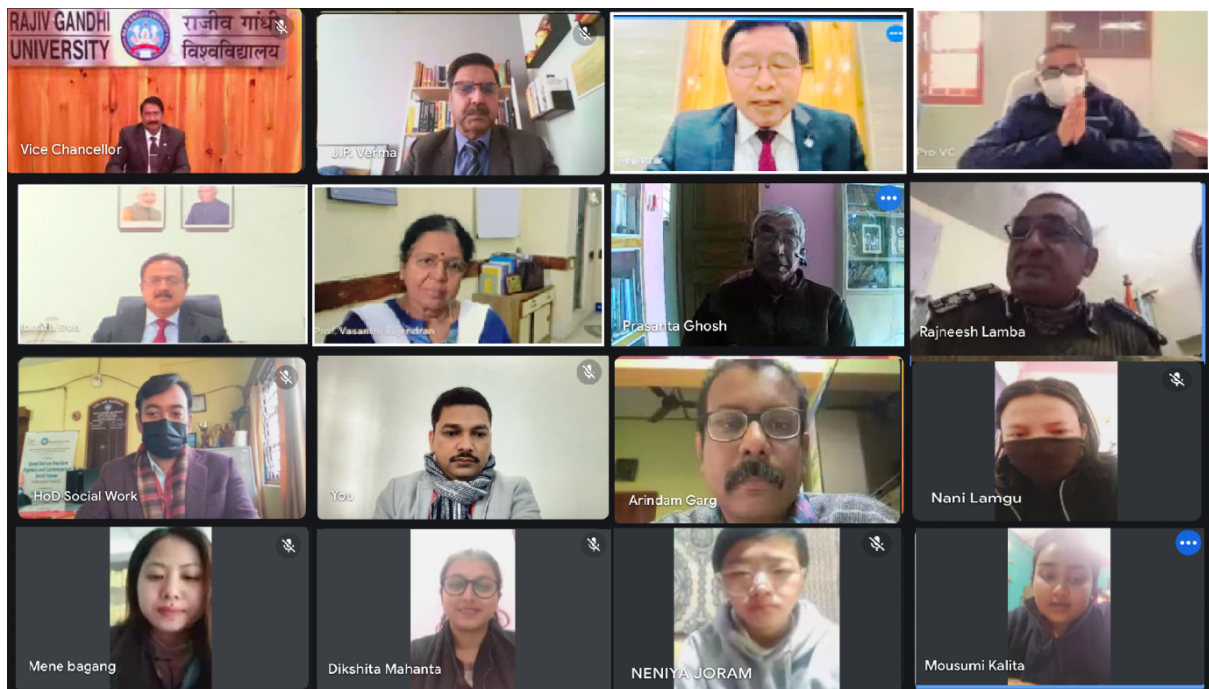
Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies and Department of Social Work, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh in Collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur, Chennai, Tamil Nadu organised Two Day Youth e-Conclave on **Enhancing Employability through Symbiotic Engagement and Capacity**

Building during 28-29 January, 2022. The Two-day e-Conclave was organized with aim to build capacity of youth with specialized knowledge and skills for enhancing employability; To provide a platform for the youth to understand entrepreneurial skills for self-reliance; To impart knowledge about make in India and other traditional livelihood skills; To sensitize youth about symbiotic engagement with different stakeholders for better employability; and To educate youth about leadership, managerial, and workplace skills along with career guidance. Total 81 students ranging from UG to PhD of different backgrounds registered themselves for this programme.

The inaugural session was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Pro VC Prof. Amitava Mitra, Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam and RGNIYD Director Prof. Sibnath Deb. During Valedictory programme Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha Chaired the session while Prof. J.P. Verma, Vice Chancellor, Sri Sri Aniruddhadeva Sports University, Chabua, Dibrugarh, Assam was the Chief Guest. Prof. Vasanthi Rajendran, Head, Centre for Training, Orientation and Capacity Building, RGNIYD and Registrar, RGU Prof. N.T. Rikam were also present during the Valedictory Programme.

During Two days programme, Six Technical Sessions were conducted on different topics such as Exploring the Alternative Paradigms, Nurturing the Symbiotic Attitude, Prospects and Aspirations of Youth, Connecting the Dots: Communication for a Greater Employability, Building the Right Employability Skills, and National Youth Policy: Priorities and Opportunities. Prof. Prasanta Kumar Ghosh, Visva Bharati, Shri Rajneesh Lamba, DIG, Shashtra Seema Bal (SSB Recruit Training Centre), Gorakhpur, Dr. Sunil Koijam, Department of Mass Communication, Dr. Arindam Garg, Department of Management, Rajiv Gandhi University were the Resource Persons for the Two-Day online Event. Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS), Rajiv Gandhi University convened the Two-day Youth e-Conclave.

The major outcome of this two-day Youth e-Conclave on Enhancing Employability through Symbiotic Engagement and Capacity Building has been a verbal mutual consent to design A Tri-Partite MoU amongst Rajiv Gandhi University, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur and Sri Sri Aniruddhadeva Sports University, Chabua, Dibrugarh, Assam for Developing a Gender and Fitness Index for Youth.



7.14 One-day Lecture on “‘Role of Teachers in Holistic Development of Students” under *Shikshak Parv* (Teacher’s Day) Celebration 2022, dated 6 September, 2022

Rajiv Gandhi University has celebrated *Shikshak Parv* (Teacher’s Day) from 5th to 7th September, 2022. In this sequence, a lecture on “Role of Teachers in Holistic Development of Students” was conducted on 6th September, 2022 at 2.30 pm by the Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies (CYDLS) and Department of Social Work, RGU. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Kottu Shekhar, Coordinator, North East Regional (NER) Centre, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), RGU Campus, Arunachal Pradesh.

The programme began with the welcome address delivered by Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Chairperson, CYDLS. Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head In-charge, Department of Social Work felicitated the Invited Speaker and also addressed the gathering. While delivering the lecture, Dr. Shekhar emphasized on how teachers are important in shaping the students’ future by imparting knowledge. While describing the roles and responsibilities of teachers in mentoring the academic life of students, he stressed upon developing motivation and inspiration with example of good deeds so that one can become a responsible citizen. He gave the idea of inquiring about the knowledge to the students. He shared that a teacher plays many roles for the holistic development of the students such as mentor, guide, philosopher, counselor, leader, motivator etc. The skills comprising the core skills and the softer skills like emotional intelligence, creativity, imagination, problem solving etc. can help the holistic development of the students. Dr. Shekhar also reminded the students about the scholar President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and the importance of the Teacher’s Day Celebration on his birthday. The programme was attended by Faculty Members, Ph.D. Research Scholars, PG Students from various departments of the University. Mr. Tame Ramjuk, Ph.D. Research Scholar from the Department of Social Work proposed the vote of thanks.



7.15 One-day National Webinar on “Youth and Universal Brotherhood”, dated 11 September 2022

Universal Brotherhood Day is observed on 11 September around the world. It marks the commemoration of Swami Vivekananda's famous speech delivered on September 11, 1893 in Chicago to the delegates of the World Parliament of Religions. The speech is popularly remembered for its opening words – ‘Sisters and brothers of America.’ In joining with the rest of the world in celebrating the Universal Brotherhood Day, Rajiv Gandhi University also celebrated the day with the theme “Youth & Universal Brotherhood”. The programme was organised by Department of Social Work and Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies in active collaboration with Department of Physical Education & Sports Sciences, RGU. Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor, RGU delivered the Presidential Remarks. He reminisced his childhood and shared some memories with the students. The key message of accepting the other person in totality and making peace with all; this being the ideal commemoration of 'Universal Brotherhood Day' and the motto being, to make this country and the world at large a better place to live in. He concluded mentioning Josephine Baker's lines, "Surely the day will come when color means nothing more than the skin tone, when religion is seen uniquely as a way to speak one's soul, when birth places have the weight of a throw of the dice and all men are born free, when understanding breeds love and brotherhood". Prof. Amitava Mitra, the Pro-Vice Chancellor called upon the teachers to inspire and awaken the youth as rich demographic dividend of the nation.

Prof. Otem Padung, Finance Officer, RGU, was the resource person of the event. He emphasized on how the youth is the power of the nation, have the potential energy and the power to bring change in the society. He talked on the relevance of being Present Across the Nation (PAN) today via the aid of digital presence and internet connect and therefore, utilizing the same as a boon and consciously exert its positive emphasis on to the children and the youth. He threw light on being responsible citizens of the country and imbibe the true feeling of nationalism moving away from holding on to just one identity of our own tribe but rather

expand one's horizon and spread the concept of love, peace and universal brotherhood.

The programme kick started with welcome speech delivered by Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head i/c Department of Social Work, RGU. He emphasized on the need to awaken the younger generations. He highlighted the need for universal brotherhood in present day global scenario. He continued his speech as to highlight how Swami Vivekananda's speech was a turning point of the Parliament, because it marked shift in the relevance of religion in human life, Swamiji added the dimension of acceptance to it and made it more comprehensive and real. 'Tolerance' being a state of mind that implies non-judgmental acceptance of different beliefs.

Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Work, RGU gave a bird's eye view on the background of the 127th year of Universal Brotherhood Day celebration commemorating the historic electrifying speech in the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago. The speech is popularly remembered for its opening words "Sisters & Brothers of America", which depicts the great Vedantic strength of India. He pointed out that the activities on the day should be focused to bring in the spotlight, the youth to the dynamics of our motherland and to inculcate a sense of feeling to guide the world to the focus on cultural traditions, to pay homage to all those who laid their lives for the protection of our Motherland and to establish brotherhood among the various sections of the society.

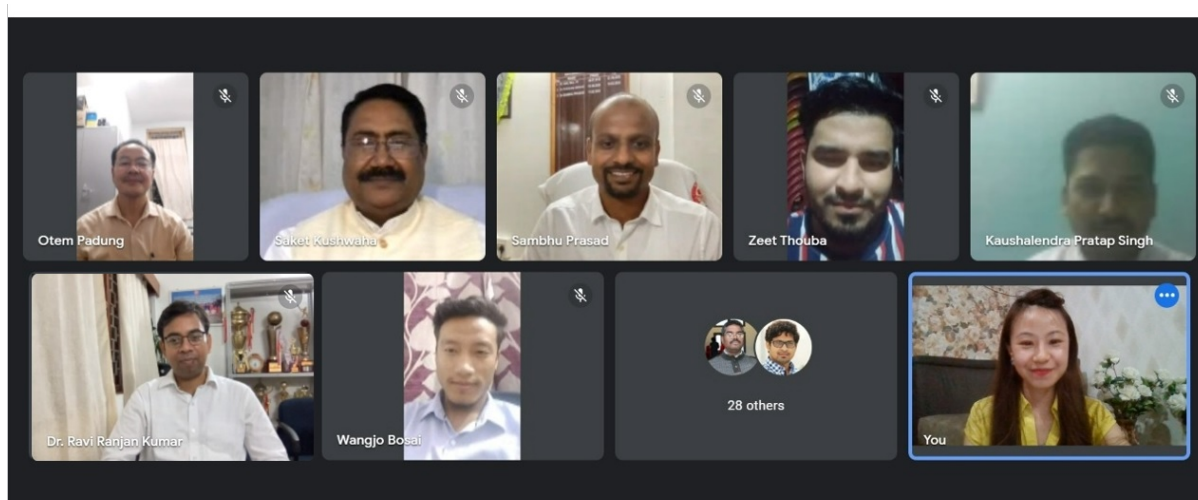
Mr. Wanjo Bosai, PhD Scholar, Department of English, RGU read out few words from the excerpts of the day by the Great man, Swami Vivekananda himself. He ended his reading with the line "Be proud that thou art an Indian and proudly proclaim, I am an Indian, every Indian is my brother."

Essentially, Swamiji advocated the right to follow one's unique nature and disapproved imposing changes on anyone. This he applied from macrocosm to

microcosm, which is from nations to individuals. His idea of toleration is the solution to the discords between nations, religions and cultures on one hand, and discord in families and smaller groups on the other. The way forward to diplomatic and domestic peace is then to follow Swami Vivekananda's idea of toleration -accept the other person in totality and make peace with all. This would be the ideal commemoration of Universal Brotherhood Day.

The programme officially came to an end with Dr. Sambhu Prasad, HoD, Physical Education proposing the vote of thanks where he acknowledged that the youth are the future pillars of the nation building and it is high time that they are awoken from parochialism to the higher cause of making world a better place for our future generations.

Nearly 100 participants attended the programme through google meet platform on a virtual mode which included PG students as well as MPhil & PhD Research Scholars in addition to faculty members, statutory officers, Heads of various Departments, Dean of Students Welfare and those of other faculties of the university. The participants ranged from pan India representing Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu etc.



7.16 Participation in Gandhi Pakhwada on the Occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's 153rd Birth Anniversary, during 2-17 October, 2022

Mahatma Gandhi's life and times are meticulously documented thus paving way for re-examination and re-evaluation of his ideas and experiences. Notwithstanding the existence of a huge corpus of literature on Gandhian ideology and his arduous engagement with truth, practice of non - violent resistance and a range of issues that were intertwined with the sub continent's fortunes for three decades, it is felt that there is always room for new and critical perspectives regarding his ideas and philosophy. Such is the depth and sweep of his philosophy which can be described as eclectic and dynamic. Gandhi has always been and still continues to be quite relevant to not only India but entire humanity. The more we dissect his concepts of civil disobedience, Satyagraha and passive resistance, the more fresh insights we obtain. Critiquing Gandhi, therefore is a gargantuan task. However the need to critique Gandhi and commemorate his near impossible feats in regard to mobilization of masses and turning them into passive but dodged resisters are the bounden responsibilities of the civil society and academia. In this backdrop Mahatma Gandhi's 153rd birth anniversary was observed by organising a slew of programmes by the ICGPS, RGU, RGNIYD NER Centre, and Different Departments of RGU and CYDLS for a fortnight (Pakhwara) beginning from 3 October 2022 to 17 October 2022 (15 days) after observing his birth anniversary on 2 October 2022. The objectives of the programme were:

1. To enable the students, scholars and teachers of the RGU to enhance their understanding of Gandhian philosophy;
2. To facilitate the emergence of new perspectives in Gandhian thought; and
3. To popularise Gandhian concepts and precepts among the youth.

To mark the occasion of Mahatma's 153rd Birth Anniversary more meaningful and enriching outreach activities were conducted to disseminate the ideas and ideals of Mahatma Gandhi to the society. In this context, Street Play on Har Din Gandhi, Har Dil Gandhi was conducted by the Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies and Department of Social Work, RGU on important themes of Gandhian values such as satya, ahimsa and non-violence. Students also gave a message to remove untouchability and promote swachhta in the society. The message conveyed through the street play was well appreciated by the



society. The street play was conducted on four different places - Doimukh Market, RGU Market, RGU Library, and NERIST Gate.

7.17 E-Essay Writing Competition to commemorate National Youth Day, the Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda on “G20 Presidency of India and Youth for Green Development” dated 12 January, 2023

National Youth Day is celebrated in India every year to guide and motivate the youth of our country to follow the right path and motivate them to face difficulties to achieve success and contribute to the growth of the nation. Our youth can take inspiration from Swamiji's life, he has influenced not only India but western society as well through his ideals and teaching. This time India holds the Presidency of the Group of Twenty (G20). G20 is an intergovernmental forum comprising 19 countries which represents around 85% of the global GDP, over 75% of the global trade, and about two-thirds of the world population. The theme of India's G20 Presidency - “*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*” or “*One Earth · One Family · One Future*” which is very apt with the philosophy of Swami Vivekanandji.

In this regard, to Commemorate Swami Vivekanandji's Birth Anniversary on 12 January, 2013 and also to cherish India's G20 Presidency. Department of Social Work, Department of Psychology and Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies, Rajiv Gandhi University organized “E-Essay Competition” by inviting Ideas from youth on Green Development to celebrate National Youth Day



Celebrating National Youth Day 2023 to Commemorate Swami Vivekanandji's Birth Anniversary

On 12th January, 2023
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- The submission will start online from 12 January (Thursday), 2023.
- The Candidates will be required to upload their ideas with their complete details by 23 January midnight (Monday), 2023 which marks the birth anniversary of another youth icon recognized as prince among Indian patriots - Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose.
- The declaration of award will be done on 4th February, 2023 on occasion of RGU Foundation Day.
- Participant should be an Indian Youth belonging to the age group of 15-29 years.
- The Essay can be submitted in hand written/typed format not Exceeding 2400 words.
- Participants are required to mandatorily register themselves by filling the Google form.
- Incomplete entries will not be considered.

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2023 and the Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekanandji's on 12 January, 2023. The programme was launched online on 12 January (Thursday), 2023 and the Candidates were asked to upload their ideas with their complete details by 23 January (Thursday), 2023 which marks the birth anniversary of another youth icon recognized as prince among Indian patriots - Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose. The winners were awarded with the prize money, memento, and certificates.

7.18 One-day Programme on the occasion of “World Tuberculosis Day 2023” dated 24 April, 2023

District Health Society (NTEP) Papumpare in collaboration with DHS (NHM), ICC, Naharlagun and Department of Social Work and Centre for Youth Development and Leadership Studies, RGU observed the World TB Day 2023 at RGU. The program was graced by Shri Tana Hali Tara, MLA, Doimukh-14 Assembly Constituency as the Chief Guest. Dr. PD Thongchi, DTO, Naharlagun delivered the Welcome address and TB pledge to fight against the deadly disease. It was noted that health workers alone cannot eliminate TB alone but it requires cooperation from the public as well. The target of eliminating TB by 2025 at national level as dream of PM Narendra Modi, five years ahead of global target 2030 was highlighted. Dr. Tongchi administered the TB Free India Pledge highlighting the resolve of Government of India to stop TB, protect everyone, to inspire people to take precautions and end TB altogether. Theme song “Lakhsya to panahai, har hal mein pana hai” by Arunachal State Nursing College was performed on the occasion.

Food Baskets were handed over to 10 TB patients who were adopted by the Hon'ble MLA Tana Hali Tara. Hon'ble MLA Tana Hali congratulated the Health Department of the State and thanked all the organisers. He said that TB in a way was a boon as one has to take care of their health once they are diagnosed with it and in a way decide their death rather than dying untimely. He emphasised on the importance of cleanliness, timely eating to have a good health and life. He believes in the saying that “health is lost everything is lost”. He also promised to provide land for establishing a TB Care Centre in Doimukh. He also praised

Hon'ble PM and Hon'ble CM for leading India as a Vishwa Guru and Arunachal as a frontier state in health sector. It was acknowledged by the Chief Guest Shri Tana Hali Tara that the day is not only an opportunity for us to enlighten the masses about the ill effects of Tuberculosis but also make them aware about all the preventive measures so as to empower them to stay healthy.

Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor, RGU conveyed his message on the history of TB and about the origin of the celebration of World TB Day on 24th March 1982, 100 years after the discovery by Dr. Robert Koch of mycobacterium causing TB. He further highlighted that World TB Day is dedicated to inform-educate, communicate & equip the masses against the damages and dangers of Tuberculosis around the world. The data released by World Health Organisation only during 2021, 10.6 million people fell ill with TB and also, 1.6 million people died of it, is a testimony to the gravity of the issue and critical relevance of observing this Day. The theme of World TB Day 2023 as - Yes! We can end TB! – was acknowledged to be opportune and rightly aimed at instilling hope as well as encourage individuals, institutions and stakeholders for accelerated actions, and multisectoral collaboration to combat the TB epidemic. It is worrisome that despite all the knowledge and modernity, TB continues to be a 'Stigma Disease' to a great extent, even today.

Prof. Kushwaha has volunteered to adopt two TB patients under Nikshay Mitra. The Vice Chancellor highlighted that Rajiv Gandhi University together with its ever rising pursuit of excellence in research and education, has been pro-actively and empathetically engaged in fulfilling its social responsibilities by reaching out the unreached. Vice Chancellor in-charge Prof. P.K. Panigrahi brought to the fore that we have been marching towards excellence by making continuous and rigorous efforts to disseminate knowledge promote innovative research and engage meaningfully with all the stakeholders towards establishing an equitable society that transcends knowledge beyond all boundaries. In order to achieve these non-negotiable priorities, the need to work together and eradicate the disease

from the society by sharing all necessary information among the people, as, prevention is always better than the cure was reiterated.

Dr. Thongchi spoke about the National Tuberculosis Control Program (RNTCP) launched on 1997 in India and in Arunachal Pradesh on 22 September 2002. Through this program, the paradigm was shifted from patient to health worker. The whole responsibility was given to health worker with the following 5 points:

1. Good Political & administrative commitment, where over all responsibilities were given to administration and political responsibility to involve the general public in the program
2. Sufficient fund flow for uninterrupted procurement of good quality medicines and logistic with patient wise boxes for full course.
3. Good quality diagnostic tools emphasizing more on sputum microscopy.
4. Systematic follow-up of the patient and default retrieval of patients up to their homes.
5. Development of robust supervision, monitoring and reporting system.

He further informed about Nikshay 2.0 an online portal to search TB patient who is under TB diagnosis for additional support under PM TB Mukh Bharat Abhigyan. He emphasized all the audience to help TB patient by adopting TB patient to support them financially and requested everyone to start adopting TB patient. Early Immunization with BCG, Regular Medical Check Up, Maintain Hygiene (Personal Immunity, environment, cough hygiene etc.), Adequate Rest at least 4-6 hours a day, Regular exercise and eating balance diet was informed as the key to combat TB.

Dr. Kabak Tamar, Medical Officer TB Control, Itanagar highlighted the gap in the numbers of Tb patients registered which was 495, the donors which was 67 and the number food basket was only 22. He requested people to be cooperative whenever the health supporters visited them in door-to-door survey for TB. He

asked people to pass the information on Nikshay Mitra to influential people to help the poor and the underprivileged TB patients.

Three TB Patient shared their experience on how they were diagnosed and successfully survived TB with the help of government incentives and emphasised on the importance of taking medicine on time.

Prof. Sarit K Choudhary, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences spoke about the responsibility of RGU as a higher institute to spread awareness about TB. And said that health is not just a biological connotation but that it is about Community taking smaller initiative and thus emphasized on the collective initiative to eliminate TB. Registrar, Dr. N.T. Rikam highlighted the relevance of reaching out the unreached and vulnerable population. The day was highlighted as an opportunity to organize stakeholders for future progress by eliminating TB as a public health disorder by Prof. S.K. Chaudhuri, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences.

Prof N. T. Rikam, the Registrar, RGU emphasized that everyone should participate in spreading awareness about TB. The community and society as a whole should take up the responsibility to prevent and cure TB. Should create ample awareness about the disease, it has to be done persistently. He thanked the organisers for having conducted the program in the campus and asked all of us to multiply the message.

Prof P K Panigrahi VC i/c addressed the concluding remarks. He said that observing TB for a day is not enough as it is a disease to which stigma is attached. So, he asserted that besides observing the day he said there is a need for socio-cultural movements as the disease has been stigmatized since long. The message that TB is curable needs to spread far and wide so that all of us may be able to overcome TB just like we got rid of small pox and polio. Considering the population of Arunachal, he said that it would be easy to eradicate TB if students, NGOs and Student Units of different part of State come together.

The program saw two Skit Plays One from Social Work Trainees, Department of Social Work, RGU with a message on becoming Mitra (donor) adopting TB patient under the program Nikshay Mitra Program and another one by Nursing College, TRIHMS on the Do's and the Don'ts of TB. Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head i/c Department of Social Work coordinated the programme at RGU while the event was moderated by Dr. Kabak Tamar, Medical Officer TB Control, Itanagar. The programme was attended by over 150 participants from RGU, nursing colleges and personnel as well as beneficiaries from Health Department.



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Six Events Commemorating the 147th Birth Anniversary of Iron Man Sardar Patel-The Architect of Unification held

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ITANAGAR- Rajiv Gandhi University has observed National Unity Day commemorating the 147th birth anniversary of Iron Man of India Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel-the Architect of Unification with Six (06) different events namely, Run for Unity from Doimukh Market to Wall of Heroes, RGU; Inauguration of Exhibition on Sardar Patel; Mass Pledge on Rashtriya Ekta Diwas; Floral Tribute to Wall of Heroes, Plantation of Sapling of Tree of Unity and Quiz Competition on Unity in Diversity. Doimukh MLA Shri Tana Hali Tara was the Chief Guest while Senior Citizen Smt. Yagum Dabi joined in for inauguration of exhibition on Sardar Patel-The Architect of Unification. The Run for Unity was joined by nearly 300 students, faculty members and non-teaching staff. Hon'ble VC Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Registrar Dr. NT Rikam, CoE Dr. Bijay Raji, Deans of various Faculties, Heads of Departments, Professors and Faculty Members, non-teaching staff and Hundreds of students ran the marathon commencing 6.30 am to 8 am from the Doimukh market area to the Wall of Heroes, RGU. A curated T-Shirt printed with RGU Logo and Run for Unity cum Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was distributed among the participants of Run for Unity. To accommodate and facilitate elderly and the sick, a separate run for unity

was also organised inside the campus in the leadership of Pro VC- Prof. Amitava Mitra.

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The Hon'ble VC RGU, Professor Saket Kushwaha & Hon'ble MLA, Doimukh Shri Tana Hali jointly planted the Tree of Unity near the Wall of Heroes. Mass pledge on Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was administered by the Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam to all the participants of Run for Unity. The Hon'ble MLA Doimukh Shri Tana Hali Tara during his address highlighted the need for ownership and accountability of every citizen towards national unity, integration and overall development. Prof. Saket Kushwaha during his presidential remarks called upon the youth, academia and every other stakeholder of the nation to internalize the core lessons taught by the iron man of India Sardar Patel in terms of iron will and strong decision making towards the larger cause of institutional development and well-being of larger society with a long-term vision.

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As a part of the week-long celebration of National Unity Day (Unity Week) to mark the 147th Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, a Quiz competition was also organized at the Mini Auditorium of Rajiv Gandhi University from 1 pm to 4 pm. A total of 19 teams comprising three students/ research scholars each from respective departments representing 19 different departments of Rajiv Gandhi University participated in the Quiz competition. The competition started with a

preliminary round/ screening test consisting of twenty-five questions. A duration of 20 minutes was given to the teams to solve the test. The top-scoring five teams moved to the main round of the competition. The teams from the following departments qualified for the main round:

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The main round of the competition included 5 sub-rounds of questions based on different sub-themes. At the end of the five rounds, the following teams were declared winners:

- First Prize: Department of Education
- Team Members: Taying Tatin, Ruma Nalo, Tai Kampung
- Second Prize: Department of Agricultural Sciences
- Team Members: Firdaus Rahman, Nang Yangfo, Kamson Rikong
- Third Prize: Department of Psychology
- Team Members: Dai Tami, Ganno Tali, Nafisa Ahmed

Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Hon'ble VC, RGU chaired the entire programme, Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, HoD (officiating), Social Work was the Convenor of entire programme, Dr. Dhriti Sundar Gupta, Department of English & Mr. Koj Grayu, RGUEA hosted the events while Dr. Sushant Kr. Nayak, Department of Education performed as quiz master for the Quiz Competition.

The Organizing team comprised members from both teaching as well as non-teaching staff including Dr. Anil Mili, Department of Physical Education & Chairperson of Organising Committee, Dr. M. Nawaz Khan, Department of Mass Communication, Ms. Moyir Riba, Department of Education & PRO, Dr. Vivek Kr. Singh, Department of Physical Education, Dr. Ashok Barman, Dept. of Music & Fine Arts, Dr. Padi Hana, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Mr. Biro Taba, President, RGUEA, Mr. Pitam Jomoh, GS, & Mr. Myoro Gyadi, AGS, RGUEA.

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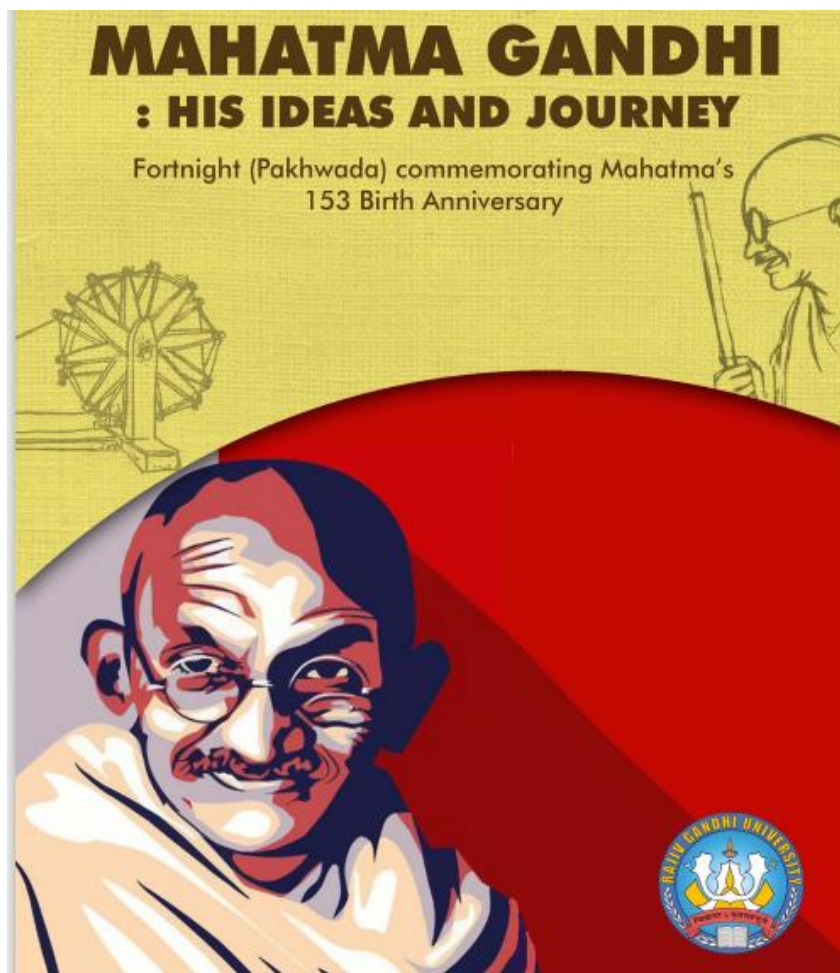
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Shyam Narayan Singh
Convenor, Gandhi Pakhwada

Part 1: About the Institution

1.1. The University

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), formerly Arunachal University nestled atop Rono Hills on a picturesque table land of 302 acres is a premier institution of higher education in Arunachal Pradesh. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the University on 4th February, 1984 at Rono Hills, Doimukh. The University was converted into a Central University with effect from 9th April, 2007 as per the notification of the erstwhile Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Since then, Rajiv Gandhi University has carved a niche for itself in the educational scenario of the country. Prof. C.L. Anand appointed in 1987 was the first Vice-Chancellor of the university whereas Shri A P Srivastava was the first Registrar of this University who served from 1985 till 1988. The University received academic recognition under section 2(f) from the University Grants Commission on 28th March, 1985 and started functioning from 1st April, 1985. It received financial recognition under section 12B of the UGC on 25th March, 1994. The University started its academic journey in the year 1988 with 48 students, 18 faculty members, and three departments namely History, Political Science, and Education. B.Ed. programme was started in the current campus whereas post graduate programmes in History and Political Science initiated with Jawaharlal Nehru College (JNC), Pasighat.

The teaching and research programmes of the University are designed to play a leading role in the socio-economic and cultural development of the state as well as the nation. The University has been consistently and effectively catering to the educational needs of the state of Arunachal Pradesh and the neighbouring states in the North East Region (NER) since its inception. The University has been extending educational facilities to the students from all over India.

Currently, the University offers Under Graduate, Post Graduate, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and other skill-based Certificate and PG Diploma programmes through its different departments and centres. RGU is also offering graduate, post graduate and many certificate courses through distance

education. We are also reaching out to the remotest locations through affiliated colleges spread across Arunachal Pradesh. There has been exponential growth in the number of students over the years in various departments of the university and in its affiliated colleges..

The University has highly acclaimed faculty members. The faculty members are actively engaged in research activities with financial support from the UGC, DST-SERB, DBT, CSIR, ICSSR, NCW, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh and other funding agencies. Faculty members of the university have been awarded with prestigious fellowships by national and international agencies of repute. Faculty members of the university have successfully got registered for their patents. Also, the university has more than two hundred administrative and other non-teaching full time staff.

The University for its Academic Expansion has entered MoU with several institutions. Rajiv Gandhi University has also been closely working with state government of Arunachal Pradesh in research, innovations and other constructive ways. The departments of the university regularly organise capacity building programmes, seminars, workshops and conferences as part of their commitment towards academic excellence. Apart from the enthusiastic conduct and observance of Republic Day, Independence Day, International Day of Non-Violence (Commemorating the birth-anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi) the Rajiv Gandhi University had organized many flagship programmes of the central government.

RGU, the easternmost located central university of the country has kept behind many central universities in the race of academic achievement and secured second place in the rankings released by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, in 2020, by registering 83% in the grading of performance. The varsity lapped up the coveted title of 'Best Central University' in 2020 at the third Himalayan Educators Summit, 2020 and ranked third to receive the 'Divya

Himagiri Himalayan State Education Excellence Award 2020'. These awards mirror RGU's hard work and the urge to excel.

Rajiv Gandhi University has earned the unique distinction of being the first university in the country to prepare First Human Development Report (HDR) of Arunachal Pradesh. The department of economics received a grant of Rs. 10 crore as corpus fund in union budget, 2012 for research and establishment of Centre for Development Studies (CDS).

The huge (81.37%) forest cover, zoo-geographic location, altitudinal variation, various vegetation, high rainfall, different climate regimes etc., contribute in making Arunachal Pradesh an extremely rich biodiversity region. Department of Zoology & Botany of this University has been recognized as the "Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity (CPEB)" in the year, 2002, vide UGC DO Letter No. F14-2/99(IUC/UNIV. Excellence), dated 23rd May, 2002. The Centre has successfully completed two successive phases of 5 years each.

The RGU added a priceless feather to its colourful cap by establishing the "Centre of Excellence on Sports Science Education and Research" under the scheme "National Centre of Sports Science and Research" (NCSSR) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) to develop for the enhancement of the performance of Indian sportspersons in the international competitions. It is the first of its kind in the North-East India and only the 6th in the entire country. Under this, the University has started four (04) new departments for holistic development of youth. They are; (a) Sports Biomechanics, (b) Sports Physiology, (c) Sports Psychology, and (d) Strength Training & Conditioning. It envisions to infuse vigour and dynamism into the sporting culture of the university and the region as well.

Rajiv Gandhi University has been selected by the NITI Aayog to set up 'Atal Community Incubation Centre (ACIC)' for augmenting entrepreneurial acumen and capacity-building among the unemployed youth. As an integral part of the

'Indian Himalayan Central Universities Consortium' of NITI Aayog, New Delhi under UGC STRIDE Scheme, the RGU is contributing in collaborative research pertaining on five different themes.

The University received financial support of Rs. 10 Crore from Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India under PURSE 2021 Programme. The university is assigned by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh to document the Unsung Heroes of Arunachal Pradesh who fought against British invasion. This year the University has partnered with the State Government for celebrating the golden jubilee of the State's foundation and the its naming as 'Arunachal Pradesh'. Presently, the University is celebrating the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' with a series of well-planned programmes and events, in a befitting manner.

The University adheres to the academic calendar, conducts the examinations, declares the results on time and organizes convocation every year on a fixed date as the part and culture of its best practices. In our pursuit to infuse and consolidate Constitutional Values and also those of Indian Freedom Struggle, during the convocation each year, university distributes Preamble of the Constitution of India and Fundamental Duties to all the passing out students along with their degree. In equity and diversity parameters, the University always has upheld a consistent and constructive role. Gender equality and promotion of indigenous students and learners with special abilities have been remaining a top priority for the university. Rajiv Gandhi University is creditably matching the new trends in the field of higher education and has assiduously maintained its scholastic distinction to enable the aspiring students keep abreast with their fellow students across the Nation and the Globe.

Vision

Rajiv Gandhi University aspires to be India's most vibrant, energetic, responsive and acclaimed University, to be recognized for excellence in teaching, research and providing the highest quality educational opportunities for the learners of all

communities. The University aims at nurturing their talent by promoting intellectual growth to shape their personality and serve humanity as multi-skilled, socially responsible, creative, adaptable, contributing and morally sound global citizens.

Mission

Our mission is to provide opportunities and support students from diverse background and assist them to become well-informed global citizens by developing their intellectual, moral, civic and creative capacities to the fullest through multi-faceted education and sustained engagement with local, national and global communities. The University also aims to carry out academic process for achieving excellence through active and dynamic student-teacher participation and inculcate high moral, ethical and professional standards among students which will enable them to develop knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals so as to improve the performance and also provide leadership and service to the community.

1.2. About the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies

The International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS) has been established under the Department of History at Rajiv Gnahdi University for the promotion of Gandhian values and ideas. Prof. S N Singh and Prof. P K Nayak are looking after the centre as Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator respectively. The ICGPS has conducted several international and national programme on the ideas and ideals of Mahatama Gnadhi.

Part 2: About the Gandhi *Pakhwada*

2.1. The Background

Mahatma Gandhi's life and times are meticulously documented thus paving way for re-examination and re-evaluation of his ideas and experiences. Notwithstanding the existence of a huge corpus of literature on Gandhian ideology and his arduous engagement with truth, practice of non - violent resistance and a range of issues that were intertwined with the sub continent's fortunes for three decades, it is felt that there is always room for new and critical perspectives regarding his ideas and philosophy. Such is the depth and sweep of his philosophy which can be described as eclectic and dynamic. Gandhi has always been and still continues to be quite relevant to not only India but entire humanity. The more we dissect his concepts of civil disobedience, Satyagraha and passive resistance, the more fresh insights we obtain. Critiquing Gandhi, therefore is a gargantuan task. However the need to critique Gandhi and commemorate his near impossible feats in regard to mobilization of masses and turning them into passive but dodged resisters are the bounden responsibilities of the civil society and academia.

In this backdrop the ICGPS, RGU and the RGNIYD NER Centre will observe Mahatma Gandhi's 153 rd birth anniversary by organising a slew of programmes for a fortnight (Pakhwara) beginning from 3 October 2022 to 17 October 2022 (15 days) after observing his birth anniversary on 2 October 2022.

2.2. Programme Objectives

The objectives of the programme are detailed below:

1. To enable the students, scholars and teachers of the RGU to enhance their understanding of Gandhian philosophy;
2. To facilitate the emergence of new perspectives in Gandhian thought; and
3. To popularise Gandhian concepts and precepts among the youth.

2.3. Expected Programme Outcomes

The expected programme outcomes are given below:

1. The Pakhwara will enthuse the student youth and acquaint them with concepts and values like austerity and simple living.
2. Participation in Shramdaan will uphold the principle of 'dignity of manual labour'.
3. The competitions will help the participants develop competitive spirit and hone their skills.

Part 3: Programmes **Conducted**

3.1. Gandhi Jayanti Celebration - The Inaugural Programme

On the occasion of 153rd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi 2nd October 2022, RGU joined the nation in paying homage to the father of our nation. The program started with a floral tribute to the martyrs in the Wall of Heroes, which was followed by floral tribute to Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri in the Main Auditorium of the University.

Vice-Chancellor of the university Prof. Saket Kushwaha addressed the gathering through an audio message. Highlighting a slightly different view of Mahatma Gandhi's Ahimsa, he said Ahimsa doesn't mean the absence of violence, as violence for the protection of the nation was a necessity. He also spoke on the importance of seeing Mahatma Gandhi from his point of view rather than imposing our own. He also paid glowing tribute to Lal Bahadur Shastri on his 118th Birth Anniversary on the occasion while recollecting his simplicity and straightforwardness in public life.

Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Amitav Mitra described Mahatma Gandhi as a visionary economist. He said Gandhiji believed if we want to develop India, we should develop the rural areas first. He also laid emphasis on the idea of being self-reliant. Speaking on Lal Bahadur Shastri, he said Shastriji was a humble and visionary agriculturalist who inspired the idea of green revolution as captured in his slogan 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan'.

The Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam said Gandhi is not merely a leader but a way of life. He also highlighted the importance of emulating Gandhi's method of silent protest as way of expressing our grievances against any authority rather than adopting violence. He encouraged the youth to carry forward the message of Gandhi.

Prof. S.N. Singh, Coordinator of the programme, highlighted the importance of the day and said that Mahatma Gandhi still lives within and amongst us as a

guiding force across the globe. He also announced that the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS) has chalked out a plan of fifteen days, named 'Pakhwada' on Mahatma Gandhi in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, NER Centre, RGU and several departments of the university, beginning on 3rd and culminating on 17th October for dissemination of Gandhian values, ideas and sensibilities.

Prof. P.K. Nayak welcomed the gathering. While highlighting the importance of Gandhi's ideas and values, he said scholars around the world are still trying to learn him. Through the spinning wheel, swaraj, swadeshi, truth and non-violence Gandhi attracted every section of the Indian society. He also spoke on how Lal Bahadur Shastri rose from a simple person to the office of the Prime Minister of India.

The occasion became more auspicious and meaningful with musical tribute of 'Ramdhun' and 'Bhajans' by students from the Department of Fine Arts and Music while students from Department of History presented a live demonstration of Charka spinning.

The program got concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. K. C. Mishra, Department of English.

3.2. Exhibition – Role of Press in the Nationalist Movement

The RGNIYD North Eastern Regional Centre curretted an exhibition titled " Role of Press in Nationalist Movement" as part of the Gandhi Jayanthi Pakhwara (3-17 October 2022). The objectives of the exhibition are i) to throw light on the details of numerous famous as well as lesser known magazines and news dailies of different languages and regions of the sub-continent that took up the cudgels against the colonial rule and ii) create awareness about the same among the youth. The exhibits displayed news clippings about the nationalist movement and important events covered by 57 newspapers and magazines of that era. The

exhibition also focused on the news coverage of Gandhiji's leadership and death. The exhibits contained news items/clippings, pictures of the editors along with short description of 57 news papers/magazines and quotes of famous people on Mahatma Gandhi and the news about him in foreign press. The exhibition was found to have generated interest among the young people about the nationalist movement and its various dimensions. The Pro Vice Chancellor of RGU Prof Amit Mitra inaugurated the gallery and appreciated the work. He also urged the organisers to document it and disseminate among larger audiences. Internationally renowned Gandhian Prof. Gollanpalli Prasad, Gandhi King Foundation, Hyderabad and Prof. Christian Ulrich Bartolf, Free University, Berlin and President, Gandhi Information Centre, Berlin, Germany also visited the exhibition and recorded their appreciation. Scores of students and teachers of RGU appreciated the project for its content and relevance.





3.3. Singing and Elocution Competition

The RGNIYD NER Centre organised singing and elocution competitions for the students of Government Higher Secondary School, Doimikh on 3rd October. The themes of the competitions were Gandhiji and patriotism. Dr. David Partin, Joint Registrar, Academic and Conference, RGU gave away the prizes to the winners on 10-10-2022.



3.4. Painting Competition

During the fortnightly programme on Gandhi. The painting competition was conducted at the Government School situated at RGU campus. The students enthusiastically participated in the competition. The winners of the competition were awarded during the valedictory programme of the fortnight pakhwada.



3.5. Sculpting/ Mosaics Competition

On the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's 153rd birth anniversary, the Department of Fine Arts with young art students paid tribute to the Father of the Nation "Mahatma Gandhi" through aesthetic expression in form of mosaic. The way that "Bapu" is affectionately remembered in the country, the students of visual arts at our university have paid homage to Gandhi's objective, thoughts, and philosophy through their art by participating in this art competition titled "MOSAICS COMMEMORATING GANDHI-2022". Wherein the art students effectively communicated their thoughts in the Gandhi Pakhwada of a week, as evidenced by their work done with full dedication and hard work. The university also provided the students with the necessary facilities for mosaic production. Here's how we got students to pay reverence to Gandhi through art. Students captured the Dandi March - a pivotal point in India's quest for independence, as well as some other significant engagement for the nation. These Mosaics literally freeze a moment in time and serve as a reminder of that period. Looking at the artwork, one can immediately sense the "movement," a sense of urgency and resolve eloquently portrayed by the march made by them.

Along with this, art students conveyed Gandhi's beliefs, such as peace, nonviolence, and so on, with the overall goal of presenting Gandhi's zeal for independence and patriotism through his symbols, icons, and thoughts. Students who took part include Diwanso Tamai, Athai Joham, Revika Burang, Puja Lamgu, Chuku Epa, Nyaamem Jini, Bullo Tasang, Chaiwang Wangsa, Khambiangbor Lyngdoh, Kilmanroy L. Mawlong, Michi Tasar, JhumkenTacha, Yambu Kong, Shrepraksha Pal, Nehborlong K. Jana. At the conclusion of the program, an art exhibition was held in the miniauditorium, with the chief guest being RGU Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha and first lady of campus Mrs. (Dr.) Kushwaha, whose presence increased the value of the program by coming and increasing the enthusiasm of the students, and who were honoured with certificates and prizes received by the Vice Chancellor of RGU. Mr. Chuku Epa (1st prize), Miss. Revika Burang (2nd prize), and Mr. Kylman Roy (3rd prize) were the winning art

students, with Miss. Pooja Lamgu receiving the consolation prize. Everyone contributed to the success of this event, which was finished under the supervision of Mr. Manoj Baviskar and the chairmanship of the department's Hod (I/C), Punyo Chobin, and the other faculties, Assit. Professor Mr. Ashok Barman, Dr. Shashi Kala Singh, of the Department.





Exhibition of Mosaic Works

3.6. Essay Competition

During the fortnightly programme on Gandhi. The essay competition was conducted at the Government School situated at RGU campus. The students enthusiastically participated in the competition. The winners of the competition were awarded during the validictory programme of the fortnight pakhwada.



3.7. International Symposium on Gandhian Ideas

One Day International Symposium on 'Gandhian Ideas' as part of series of programmes under the grand celebration of "Pakhwada on Mahatma Gandhi" which marks the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti was organized on 3rd of October, 2022 celebrating the 153rd Birth Anniversary of our father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.

Prof. Christian Bartolf in his keynote address of the symposium presented five writings of Gandhi. He said, "I will certainly not talk about Gandhi, but I want to share with you five texts that are of particularly great importance, which he wrote not only for India but for the world." He then explained in a nice narrative format of the writings of Gandhi and their communications with other world reformers.

Prof. Gollanapalli Prasad of Gandhi-King Foundation, Hyderabad in his speech said it was a very fascinating experience visiting many universities of the country in the last few weeks. He said that we have gained enough confidence, confidence that Gandhi is still alive, and Gandhi is in demand. He talked about the Gandhian ideas, where he broadly put it as two principles, which are truth and non-violence. He put the idea of Gandhi as simple and fundamental that cannot be complicated to understand by anyone. Prof. Prasad categorically went into explaining the fundamental concepts of the Gandhian ideas of 'Sarvodaya, Swaraj, Swadeshi and Satyagraha'.

Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor of the university, gave an inspiring speech where he explained Gandhiji in a mathematical sense and said that Gandhiji is inversely proportional to the probability of nuclear war. Meaning if we follow the Gandhian ideas of life, the chances of war occurring will get lesser and lesser. He advised to the younger generation to spend more time with wiser people as they are the ones who prescribe better advice. He reiterated that students who come to the university are to gain knowledge and wisdom so that they can play an important role in the society.



Prof. A. Mitra, Pro Vice Chancellor of the university, in his video message to symposium refereed to Gandhiji as a great economist. He said that Gandhiji preached about the need of self-sufficiency which is only now realised as a policy called Atma Nirbhar Bharat. Gandhiji also gave immense importance to the conservation of environment and he quoted that “there is enough for everybody’s need but not enough for everybody’s greed”. Presently our earth is suffering from global warming and resource management which would not have happened if we would’ve learnt from Gandhiji, Prof. Mitra added.

Dr. N.T. Rikam, Registrar of the university, spoke about the importance of the symposium and also the relevance of Gandhi in the modern times. He said, Gandhi is known to everyone of us but the only difference is upon how we perceive him. He added that Gandhiji is a way of life not only for the Indians but for everyone in the world.

Prof. S.N. Singh, the programme coordinator threw light on the concept of the programme. He said that the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS) of the university has been conducting series of such programmes to highlight the importance of Mahatma Gandhi which is the need of the hour. He also added that Mahatma Gandhi has been a colossus and a big towering influence over our nation, state and society.

Dr. Kottu Sekhar from Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) shared his thoughts about his institute in collaborating with RGU for the symposium. He said that RGNIYD is offering many courses and research in youth development. He also invited to witness an exhibition which is being put up as a



part of celebration on “Role of Press in the Nationalist Movement” in the university campus.

Prof. Ashan Riddi, Head of the Department of History gave the welcome address. While welcoming the dignitaries, he said that its fortunate that the university has experienced many of eminent speakers highlighting the ideas of Gandhi and his teachings.

Prof. P.K Nayak, Deputy Coordinator of ICGPS extended the vote of thanks to the learned dignitaries and august gathering. The symposium was well attended by many Deans, Heads of Departments, teaching and non-teaching staffs. Many students from different departments also attended the programme.

3.8. Street Play – Har Din Gandhi, Har Dil Gandhi

To mark the occasion of Mahatma's 153rd Birth Anniversary more meaningful and enriching outreach activities were conducted to disseminate the ideas and ideals of Mahatma Gandhi to the society. In this context, Street Play on Har Din Gandhi, Har Dil Gandhi was conducted by the students of the Department of Social Work, RGU on important themes of Gandhian values such as satya, ahimsa and non-violence. Students also gave a message to remove untouchability and promote swachhta in the society. The message conveyed through the street play was well appreciated by the society. The street play was conducted on four different places – Doimukh Market, RGU Market, RGU Library, and NERIST Gate.



3.9. Bhajan Competition

The Department of Fine Arts and Music conducted a Bhajan Competition dated 13 October, 2022 on the occasion Gandhi Jayanti. The Bhajan competition was conducted through online mode. There were six participants among them 1st Position was secured by Nyamin Ado whereas Manisha Kalita and Michi Ajay secured 2nd and 3rd positions respectively.

3.10. Screening of Film 'Gandhi'

Organising committed screened the Oscar wining movie 'Gandhi' by Richard Attenborough to disseminate the message of Mahatama's life and philosophy. Students and faculuty members of the Department of English, History, Social Work, Fine Arts and Music attended the movie screening programme.

3.11. Shramdaan

The NSS CELL of Rajiv Gandhi University (A Central University) Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh organized Shramdaan at the University Health Centre on 13 October, 2022 at 6 AM in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development NERC, RGU Doimukh. The aim of the event was to promote introduce health and hygiene amongst the volunteers in identifying the ways and means to develop a hygienic campus through dialogue and shramdaan. The event was attended by Prof. S.N. Singh, Coordinator of Gandhi Jayanati Pakhwara, Dr. Tana Akin Tara, Medical Officer, Dr. A. Mili, Coordinator NSS RGU, Staffs of Health Centre and 26 NSS volunteers.

3.12. Valedictory Programme

A programme titled 'A pakhwada (fortnight) on Mahatma Gandhi' concluded at the mini-auditorium of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) here on Sunday.

The celebration of 'Pakhwada (fortnight) on Mahatma Gandhi' ended with a musical tribute, and prize distribution to the winners of various competitions held during the fortnight. The programme witnessed students from different departments presenting an act of spinning the charkha, which was Gandhiji's loved instrument, symbolising respect for manual labour and steadfast dedication to the purpose. The department of fine arts & music brought out a dance which was based on a video of Mahatma Gandhi with his real voice, where he was giving a speech. Students of the social work department presented a skit, "highlighting the message against domestic violence and class discrimination that Mahatma Gandhi always advocated. An act on Gandhi's clean India vision, 'Swachh Bharat', was also showcased in the skit.

While speaking on the occasion, RGU Vice Chancellor Prof Saket Kushwaha in his speech described Mahatma Gandhi as "the master key for solving all our problems and providing solutions." He spoke also about the reason behind Gandhi always wearing only a dhoti and a chaadar. "Gandhi believed in necessity and always used what was necessary and did not look for luxury," Prof Kushwaha said, adding that "the society will grow when we balance between those who have everything and those who do not have." He said that "economic equity is the need of the hour". He encouraged the students to "always keep the environment and surroundings clean, not for the sake of any validation or achievement, but for the country and ourselves." He also urged all to "cultivate the culture of work and bring the required changes, starting with us." Prof S N Singh, Convenor of Gandhi Pakhwada proposed the vote of thanks to all the dignitaries and contributors of the programme. The valedictory programme was attended by a large number of students, faculty members and other officials of the university.

Part 4: Annexure

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Annexure 4.1.: Programme Schedule

International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS)
Department of History, Rajiv Gandhi University

CELEBRATION OF 153RD BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF MAHATMA GANDHI

Gandhi Pakhwara Schedule (3rd to 17th October 2022) (Har Din Gandhi Har Dil Gandhi)

- 3rd October (Monday): Inauguration of Exhibition curated by RGNIYD, NER Centre, by Honourable Pro Vice-Chancellor
(Theme: Role of Press in the Nationalist Movement)
&
Elocution and Singing Competition
- 6th October (Thursday): Painting Competition at RGU Campus School
(Supervision: Prof. K.C. Mishra, Dept of English, RGU)
- 7th October (Friday): Essay Competition at RGU Campus School
(Supervision: Dept of English, RGU)
- 9th October (Sunday): International Symposium on Gandhian Ideas (Special Lectures by Prof. Gollanapalli Prasad and Prof. Christian Ulrich Bartolf)
(10:00 am onwards at Mini Auditorium, RGU)
- 11th October (Tuesday): Launch of 'Har Din Gandhi' - A Street Play
(Supervision: Dr K P Singh, Dept of Social Work, RGU)
- 13th October (Thursday): Bhajan Competition
(Supervision: Mr. Ashok Barman, Dept. of Fine Arts and Music, RGU)
- 14th October (Friday): Importance of Being Gandhi
(Screening of a film on Gandhi, 12:00 noon)

Shramdaan by NCC Volunteers, RGU
(Supervision: Dr. Vivek Singh, NCC Officer, RGU)
- 15th October (Saturday): Shramdaan by NSS Volunteers, RGU
(Supervision: Dr. Anil Mili, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU)
- 17th October (Monday): Street Play (Supervision: Dept of Social Work, RGU)
followed by
VALEDICTORY

Annexure 4.2.: Organising Team

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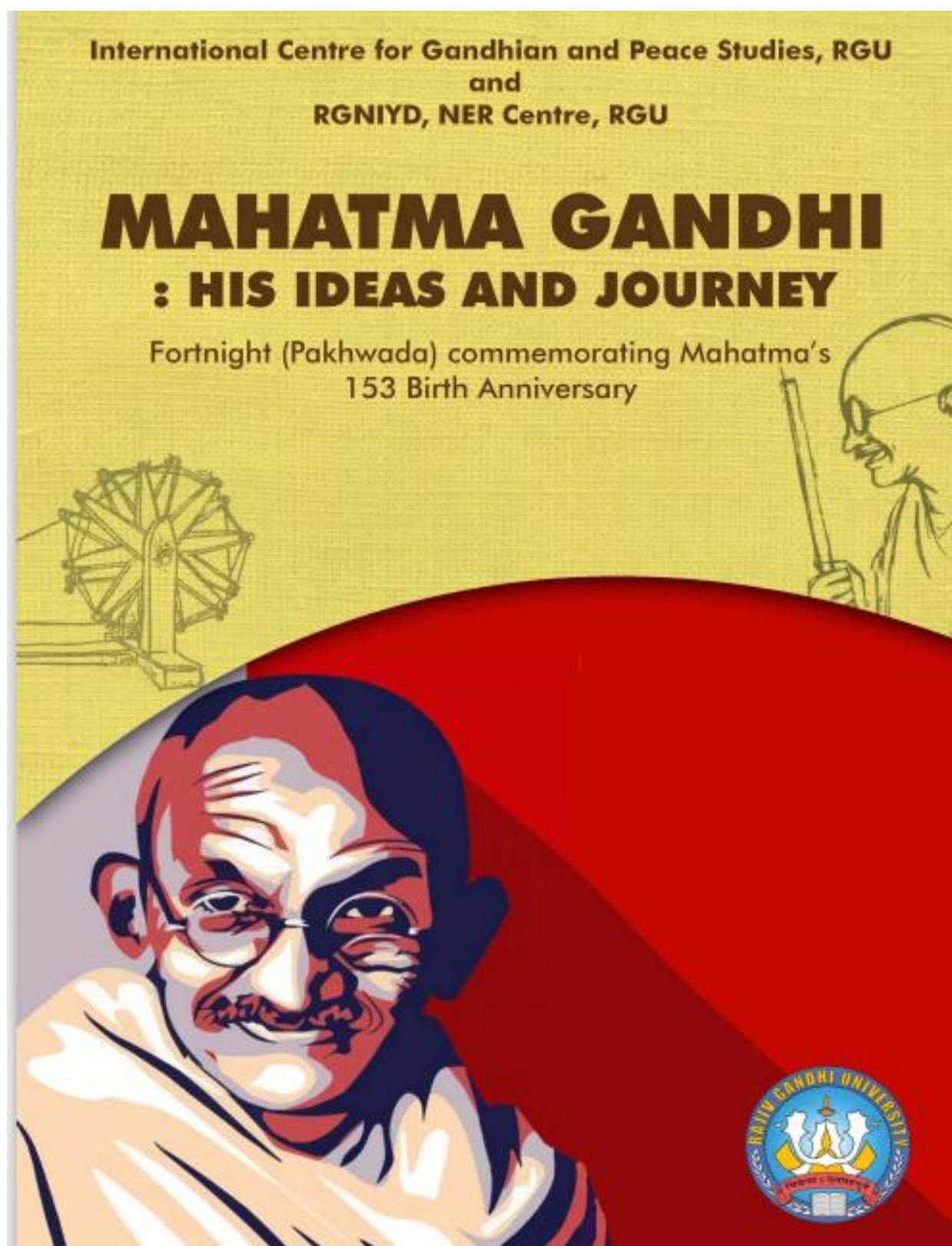


Prof S. N. Singh



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Annexure 4.3.: Programme Flyer





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GANDHI JAYANTHI PAKHAWADA

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EXHIBITION- ROLE OF PRESS IN THE NATIONALIST MOVEMENT

(3rd – 17th October, 2022)

Venue : RGU Campus, Rono Hills, Doimukh, AP

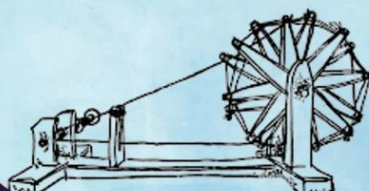
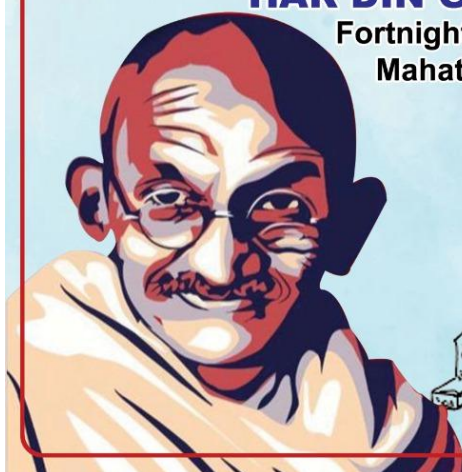
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY

Presents

A Street Play

HAR DIN GANDHI, HAR DIL GANDHI

Fortnight (Pakhwara) commemorating
Mahatma's 153 birth anniversary



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Arunachal: A Pakhwada on Mahatma Gandhi ended at RGU

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ITANAGAR- Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) celebrated the valedictory function, marking the end of 'A Pakhwada on Mahatma Gandhi' and titled "Har Dil Gandhi, Har Din Gandhi" here in the mini auditorium. The fortnight long celebrations ended with a musical tribute and prize distribution for all the competitions held during the Pakhwada.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha and the first lady of RGU Dr. Vaishali Kushwaha lit up the ceremonial lamp and offered the prayers to the father of the nation.

The programme witnessed students from different departments presenting an act of spinning the charkha, which was Gandhiji's loved instrument symbolising respect for manual labour and steadfast dedication to the purpose. In the process, beautiful classical dance steps were incorporated highlighting the words of Gandhiji. The department of fine arts and music brought out a dance which was based on a video of Mahatma Gandhi with his real voice, where he was giving a speech.

A skit was performed by the department of Social Work highlighting the message against domestic violence and class discrimination that Mahatma Gandhi always advocated. Another act on Gandhi's clean India vision, 'Swachh Bharat' was also showcased in the skit.

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Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha in his speech described Mahatma Gandhi as the master key for solving all our problems and providing solutions. He also talked about the reason behind Gandhi Ji always seen with only a dhoti and a chaadar. Gandhi believed in the necessity and always used what was necessary and did not look for luxury. Prof Kushwaha pointed out that the society will grow when we balance between those who have everything and those who do not have. Economic equity is the need of the hour, he added. He encouraged the students to always keep the environment and surroundings clean not for the sake of any validation or achievement but for the country and ourselves. In conclusion, Prof. Saket Kushwaha called upon all to cultivate the culture of work and bring the required changes starting with us.

Prizes were distributed to winners in all the competitions held during the Pakhwada.

Professor SN Singh, the chairman of the celebrating committee and co-ordinator of the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies, gave the vote of thanks. He said that the Pakhwada that was supposed to have finished within 15 days went on for more than a month and that he described, "maybe because Gandhi Ji wanted to stay longer with us." Through the programme, he hoped, the ideas of Gandhiji would be kept alive and prevented from getting fossilized. He said, Gandhiji is still alive in all of us, and his message and method should reach to larger audience. He thanked each co-ordinator and students who made the program a success.

The programme was attended by huge numbers of students, faculty members and other officials of the university.

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'Mahatma Gandhi fortnight' held at RGU

November 7, 2022

RONO HILLS, 6 Nov: A programme titled 'A pakhwada (fortnight) on Mahatma Gandhi' concluded at the mini-auditorium of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) here on Sunday.

The celebration ended with a musical tribute, and prize distribution to the winners of various competitions held during the fortnight.

"The programme witnessed students from different departments presenting an act of spinning the charkha, which was Gandhiji's loved instrument, symbolising respect for manual labour and steadfast dedication to the purpose," the university's PRO stated in a release.

"The department of fine arts & music brought out a dance which was based on a video of Mahatma Gandhi with his real voice, where he was giving a speech," the release stated.

Students of the social work department presented a skit, "highlighting the message against domestic violence and class discrimination that Mahatma Gandhi always advocated," it added.

"An act on Gandhi's clean India vision, 'Swachh Bharat', was also showcased in the skit," the release said.

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"Economic equity is the need of the hour," he added, and encouraged the students to "always keep the environment and surroundings clean, not for the sake of any validation or achievement, but for the country and ourselves."

He also urged all to "cultivate the culture of work and bring the required changes, starting with us."

Prof SN Singh also spoke.

The programme was attended by a large number of students, faculty members and other officials of the university, the release stated.

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RGU spotlight on Gandhian ideas

📅 October 10, 2022 🧑

RONO HILLS, Oct 09: The Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) organised a one-day international symposium on 'Gandhian Ideas' as part of a series of programmes under the grand celebration of "Pakhwada on Mahatma Gandhi" that marks his 153rd birth anniversary.

It started on October 3 and will continue till October 17.

Christian Bartolf in his keynote address presented five writings of Gandhi and explained why these were not only for India but also for the world beyond.

Gollanapalli Prasad of the Gandhi-King Foundation, Hyderabad said it was a very fascinating experience visiting many universities of the country in the last few weeks. He encapsulated the Gandhian Ideas broadly into the principles of truth and non-violence.

"The idea of Gandhi is simple and fundamental," he said, explaining 'Sarvodaya, Swaraj, Swadeshi and Satyagraha', which the icon of global peace stood for.

RGU Vice-Chancellor Saket Kushwaha explained Gandhi in a mathematical sense and said the statesman was inversely proportional to the probability of nuclear war.

"This means if we follow the Gandhian ideas of life, the chances of war occurring will get lesser and lesser," he said, advising the younger generation to spend more time with wiser people for better advice.

RGU Pro-VC A Mitra, in his video message, referred to Gandhi as a great economist who preached self-sufficiency which is now realised as Atma Nirbhar Bharat.

RGU Registrar N T Rikam said Gandhi is a way of life not only for the Indians but for everyone in the world.

S N Singh, the programme coordinator threw light on the concept of the programme. He said that the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS) of the university has been conducting a series of such programmes to highlight the importance of Mahatma Gandhi.

Kottu Sekhar from Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development said his institute is offering many courses and research in youth development.

Ashan Riddi, Head of the Department of History, in his welcome address, said the university was fortunate to experience many eminent speakers highlighting the ideas of Gandhi and his teachings.

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RGU conducts int'l symposium on Gandhian ideas

October 10, 2022



RONO HILLS, 9 Oct: Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) here on Sunday organised an international symposium on 'Gandhian ideas' as part of a series of programmes under the celebration of the 'Pakhwada

on Mahatma Gandhi', marking Gandhi Jayanti.

The fortnight-long programme started on 3 October and will continue till 17 October.

In his keynote address, Prof Christian Bartolf of Free University, Berlin, Germany, presented five writings of Gandhi.

"I will certainly not talk about Gandhi, but I want to share with you five texts that are of particularly great importance, which he wrote not only for India but for the world," he said, and explained "the writings of Gandhi and their communications with other world reformers."

Prof Gollanapalli Prasad of Hyderabad-based Gandhi-King Foundation spoke about the Gandhian ideas of truth and non-violence. He also explained the fundamental concepts of the Gandhian ideas of 'Sarvodaya, Swaraj, Swadeshi, and Satyagraha'.

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The VC advised the younger generation to spend more time with wiser people, "as they are the ones who prescribe better advice."

RGU Pro-VC Prof A Mitra in a video message referred to Gandhi as "a great economist," saying that "Gandhiji preached about the need of self-sufficiency, which is only now realised as a policy called Atmanirbhar Bharat."

"Gandhiji also gave immense importance to the conservation of environment," Prof Mitra said, and added: "Presently, our Earth is suffering from global warming and resource management, which would not have happened if we had learnt from Gandhiji."

Dr Kottu Sekhar from the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development shared his thoughts on his institute collaborating with RGU for the symposium.

RGU Registrar Dr NT Rikam spoke about the relevance of Gandhi in the modern times. "Gandhi is known to everyone of us, but the only difference is upon how we perceive him," he said, adding that "Gandhiji is a way of life not only for the Indians but for everyone in the world."

RGU History Department Head Prof Ashan Riddi also spoke.



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME



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Vice Chancellor (RGU)- Prof. Saket Kushwaha

Dear Esteemed NSS Volunteers,

As we approach the culmination of the academic year 2021-2023, I am profoundly inspired by the unwavering dedication of each NSS volunteer at Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh, Arunachal. Your commitment to the core values of the National Service Scheme, 'Education through Service,' has made a significant impact on our society, particularly during these times of uncertainty and social challenges. Throughout this year, the NSS Units focused on engaging you all in meaningful community service and outreach initiatives. I am delighted to witness how your efforts have not only raised awareness in society but also contributed to your personal growth as responsible and compassionate citizens. The array of activities conducted during 2019-21 showcased the comprehensive approach of our NSS volunteers, catering to the welfare of all segments of society while nurturing a deep sense of patriotism. These events served to develop your creative faculties, foster a spirit of community living, instill empathy, and raise awareness about the critical need to conserve our precious natural resources. As we commemorated the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, celebrating 75 years of independence and the glorious

history of our nation, the NSS played a pivotal role in infusing the spirit of patriotism among the youth while embracing the unity in diversity that makes our country truly remarkable. Amidst the global crisis and the looming specter of war, your proactive engagement in various activities has brought forth

positivity and hope for a better tomorrow. The celebration of days like Earth Day, World Environment Day, International Women's Day and more, has exemplified your commitment to promoting awareness and inclusivity. Furthermore, your endeavors to promote waste segregation, encourage the cessation of single-use plastics, and support the Swachh Bharat Mission are commendable steps towards building a cleaner and more sustainable environment. I also extend my appreciation for the sessions dedicated to ensuring the physical and mental well-being of all, emphasizing the importance of a healthy mind and body. Your selfless contributions and tireless efforts have made our NSS community a beacon of change, inspiring others to join in the noble pursuit of service for the greater good. As we look ahead to the future, let us continue to embrace the guiding ideals of the NSS and work hand in hand to build a more compassionate, inclusive, and united society. With my heartfelt gratitude and best wishes for your future endeavors.

Message from REGISTRAR



DR. N.T RIKAM
RGU REGISTRAR
Rajiv Gandhi University (A,P)

The National Service Scheme (NSS) is a voluntary youth program in India, established in 1969 to promote social consciousness and community service among young people. Operating under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, NSS engages students in various community activities to address societal issues and foster development. NSS volunteers empower marginalized communities, promote national integration, and provide aid during emergencies. Participation in NSS cultivates leadership skills, a sense of responsibility, and understanding of social issues, following the principle "Not Me, But You." Activities include cleanliness drives, blood donation camps, awareness campaigns, tree planting, literacy programs, and support for the underprivileged. NSS aims to instill social responsibility and a commitment to better society among the youth, making them agents of positive change. With its rich history and significant impact, NSS continues to shape the character and values of young generations, driving positive transformation in the nation.

Message from NSS PROGRAMME OFFICERS



MR.GOMAR BASAR



DR. GUNJAN KUMAR
SAURAV



DR.TAGE MONJU
BURMAN

The NSS Units of Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh, Itanagar have always been a forerunner in contributing to the cause of community service. Our NSS Volunteers fortified their efforts in this direction. As our country and the whole world strove to get back on its feet after facing the challenge of COVID-19, Under the adept leadership of Prof. Saket Kushwaha Vice-Chancellor of RGU, NSS Units of our university have actively participated in Government led flagship programmes including World Environment day. We always kept the NSS Motto 'Not Me But You' in our mind and tried to achieve NSS objectives in the best possible manner. We, along with our enthusiastic NSS volunteers, initiated many activities like celebration of the Earth Day and World Environment Day; organization of Blood Donation Camp, Medical Camp, Yoga Camps, Oral Hygiene Camp. During the NSS camp, various rallies and door-to-door campaigns were organised that were mainly based on Swachh Bharat. These activities not only helped to create awareness, reach out to the community but also inculcated the right values in our volunteers. We are beholden to our respected Vice Chancellor, Prof. Saket Kushwaha, who remains the backbone of all NSS activities. With a great vision, she always encouraged and motivated us in achieving our goals of serving the society. We also express our heartfelt gratitude to all the stakeholders, teaching and nonteaching staff, and our beloved NSS volunteers for their sincere and praiseworthy endeavors in making this session a fruitful one. They reached out to the society and worked as a member of the NSS family with zeal and enthusiasm. Their support and contribution towards bringing smiles to people's faces and helping society in the best possible way is truly commendable. Also, a big thanks to the residents of Rajiv Gandhi University who participated enthusiastically in all the activities and events that were arranged during the last academic session. We will continue moving toward serving society in the next session also.

NSS Programme Officers

Rajiv Gandhi University(A,P)

INTRODUCTION TO NSS

HISTORY OF NSS

After independence the University Grants Commission, headed by S. Radhakrishnan, recommended the introduction of voluntary national service in academic institutions. This idea was again considered by the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) at its meeting in January, 1950; after examining the idea and the experiences of other countries in this field, the board recommended that students and teachers should devote time to voluntary manual work. In the draft first Five-Year Plan adopted by the government in 1952, the need for social and labour service by Indian students for one year was stressed. In 1958 Jawaharlal

LAUNCH OF NSS

In May 1969, a conference of student representatives (of universities and institutions of higher education) convened by the Ministry of Education and the University Grants Commission also unanimously agreed that a national-service scheme could be an instrument for national integration. The details were soon worked out and orientation camp was organized at Rajghat. This camp was concluded on 7 June 1969. K.K. Gupta from DU was declared first volunteer. The Planning Commission sanctioned an outlay of ₹5 crores for the NSS during the Fourth Five-Year Plan, stipulating that the NSS be a



MOTTO

The motto of National Service Scheme is “**NOT ME BUT YOU**”, reflects the essence of democratic living and upholds the need for self-less service. NSS helps the students develop an appreciation of other person’s point of view and also show consideration to ‘/other living beings. The philosophy of the NSS is well doctrine in this motto, which underlines/on the belief that the welfare .of an individual is ultimately dependent on the welfare of the society on the whole and therefore, the NSS volunteers shall strive for the well-being of the society.

SYMBOL OF NSS

The symbol for the NSS has been based on the giant Rath Wheel of the world-famous Konark Sun Temple (The Black Pagoda) situated in Odisha, India. The wheel portrays the cycle of creation, preservation and release. It signifies the movement in life across time and space, the symbol thus stands for continuity as well as change and implies the continuous striving of NSS for social change. The eight bars in the wheel represents 24 hours of a day. The red colour indicates that the volunteer is full of young blood that is



AIM

The programme aims to instill the idea of social welfare in students, and to provide service to society without bias. NSS volunteers work to ensure that everyone who is needy gets help to enhance their standard of living and lead a life of dignity. In doing so, volunteers learn from people in villages how to lead a good life despite a scarcity of resources. It also provides help in natural and man-made disasters by providing food, clothing and first aid to the disaster's victims.



OBJECTIVES

The following are some of the main objectives of National Service Scheme (NSS) are :

- i. understand the community in which they work
- ii. understand themselves in relation to their community
- iii. identify the needs and problems of the community and involve them in problem-solving
- iv. develop among themselves a sense of social and civic responsibility
- v. utilize their knowledge in finding practical solutions to individual and community problems
- vi. develop competence required for group-living and sharing of responsibilities
- vii. gain skills in mobilizing community participation
- viii. acquire leadership qualities and democratic attitudes
- ix. develop capacity to meet emergencies and natural disasters and
- x. practice national integration and social harmony

Benefits of Being a NSS Volunteer:

A NSS volunteer who takes part in the community service programme would either be a college level or a senior secondary level student. Being an active member these student volunteers would have the exposure and experience to be the following:

- An accomplished social leader
- An efficient administrator
- A person who understands human nature

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INDEPENDENT DAY (2021)

On Independence Day, the National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) came together to commemorate the spirit of freedom and pay tribute to the nation's historic journey towards independence. The event was organized to instill a sense of patriotism, unity, and social responsibility among the students, while also emphasizing the significance of community service.

The celebration began with the hoisting of the Indian flag by the chief guest, followed by the singing of the national anthem. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as students, faculty, and staff gathered to witness the ceremony. The NSS volunteers played a pivotal role in coordinating and organizing the entire event.



NSS Volunteers on Independent Day



School students from secondary school RGU

RUN For Unity (146th Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel) (2021)

In commemoration of the 146th Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, an impactful "Run for Unity" event was jointly organized by the National Service Scheme (NSS), National Cadet Corps (NCC), Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) program, Department of Physical Education, and National Security Studies at Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU). The event saw the enthusiastic participation of RGU's Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Joint Registrar, professors from various departments, students, citizens of Doimukh, and volunteers from the organizing bodies.

uniting people from different walks of life in a common mission to celebrate the ideals of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The event not only cleaned the streets of Doimukh and spread awareness about the great leader's contributions but also fostered a sense of camaraderie among the participants and the local community. The commitment and enthusiasm exhibited by the RGU faculty, students, and citizens of Doimukh demonstrated the spirit of unity and collective responsibility towards building a stronger and more integrated nation. The "Run for Unity" event left a lasting impact, inspiring individuals to follow in the footsteps of Sardar Patel and contribute positively to the growth and prosperity of the nation.



Vice-Chancellor of RGU.



Registrar of RGU.



Participants of Run For Unity



Cleaning Doimukh

Unity Blood Donation Camp (Rashtriya Ekta Diws)(2021)

In commemoration of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) and to uphold the spirit of unity and solidarity, the NSS Cell of RGU organized a remarkable Blood Donation Camp on 15th Nov 2021. The event aimed to promote the significance of unity and integration among the youth while addressing the critical need for blood in medical emergencies.

With the inspiration drawn from the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India, the camp not only celebrated the contributions of this great leader but also exemplified his selfless and united vision for the nation. The heart of the event was the selfless act of the NSS volunteers and students who stepped forward to donate blood voluntarily. Their contribution served as a life-saving gift for those in need and exemplified the ethos of unity in helping others during challenging times.

The event not only saved lives but also left an indelible mark on the minds of participants, inspiring them to uphold the values of unity, empathy, and social responsibility. As a shining example of youth engagement in humanitarian efforts, the Unity Blood Donation Camp contributed significantly to the promotion of a strong and united India.



NSS Volunteers Donating



NSS Volunteers receiving Certificates of Blood

Republic Day Parade(2022)

The Republic Day Parade at RGU (Rajiv Gandhi University) was a grand and patriotic event that showcased the unity and dedication of various organizations and students. The NSS volunteers, led by Mintu Kuli, stood out with their enthusiasm and commitment to community service. They were joined by NCC cadets and Security Guards, representing the diverse yet harmonious nature of the country. The parade included heartfelt salutations to the national flag, and the highlight was the honorable Vice Chancellor, Prof. S. Kushwaha, hoisting the tricolor, emphasizing sustainable development and responsible citizenship. The event embodied the true spirit of the nation, inspiring pride and unity among participants.



NSS Volunteers on Republic Day Parade



NSS Volunteers with Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and Vice-Registrar

RGU FOUNDATION DAY (2022)

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) here celebrated its 39th foundation day in the blended mode on 4 February because of COVID-19.

The event at the university saw limited attendance, including that of RGU Vice Chancellor Prof Saket Kushwaha, while the majority of the participants, including Governor BD Mishra, who is the chief rector of the university, and Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein attended the event virtually.

The involvement of NSS volunteers had a significant impact on the success of RGU's Foundation Day XXXIX. Their commitment, hard work, and enthusiasm not only impressed the university administration but also contributed to the overall positive experience of the attendees. Conclusion:

The 39th Foundation Day celebration of Rajiv Gandhi University was a resounding success, and it would not have been possible without the invaluable contributions of the NSS volunteers. Their dedicated support in organizing and executing the event played a pivotal role in creating a memorable and inspiring experience for everyone involved.



RGU 39TH FOUNDATION DAY 2022

CLEANLINESS DRIVE AT RGU

In a remarkable effort to promote a clean and eco-friendly environment, the NSS volunteers of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) organized a cleanliness drive within the university campus. The event saw enthusiastic participation from a significant number of dedicated volunteers who were eager to contribute to the cause of environmental sustainability. Cleanliness Drive exemplified the spirit of service and environmental responsibility among the youth. Through their collective efforts, the volunteers contributed significantly to creating a clean and healthy campus environment. The event not only showcased the power of unity and cooperation but also served as an inspiration for the entire university community to actively engage in preserving the beauty of their surroundings. As a result of their hard work and dedication, the NSS volunteers left a lasting positive impact on the campus, setting an example for the importance of maintaining cleanliness and embracing sustainability for a greener future.



NSS Volunteers Cleaning RGU Campus



WORLD HEALTH DAY(2022)

In observance of World Health Day, the NSS volunteers of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) orchestrated an insightful program titled "Our Planet, Our Health" on 07 April 2022 at the university campus. The event aimed to create awareness about the interconnection between human health and the well-being of our planet, with a special focus on educating children about environmental conservation and healthy living practices. The highlight of the event was a thought-provoking play, scripted and performed by the NSS volunteers. The play creatively depicted the impact of human activities on the environment and how it directly affects human health. The resource persons shared their expertise on the subject, further enlightening the audience about the urgent need for sustainable practices. The event not only instilled a sense of responsibility towards the planet but also inspired the young minds to make mindful choices for their own well-being. With the support and presence of esteemed guests, including the Registrar and other resource persons, the program underscored the commitment of Rajiv Gandhi University and its NSS volunteers to nurturing a healthier planet and empowering the youth to be catalysts for positive change.



World Health Day 2022



Registrar of RGU enlightening the audience



NSS Team with RGU Registrar Dr. N.T Rikam and the denizens of RGU



NSS Volunteers performing play of our planet out health

HELP DESK (FOR RGUCET-RGUPET) (2022)

In a commendable effort to assist students appearing for the RGUCET-RGUPET Entrance Exam in 2022, the National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers organized a dedicated Help Desk at the Rajiv Gandhi University Campus. The NSS Help Desk aimed to provide guidance and support to students, helping them find their respective examination centers, departments, and rooms during the entrance examination. The NSS Help Desk for RGUCET-RGUPET 2022 Entrance Exam played a vital role in easing the process for students and enhancing their overall examination experience. The dedication and commitment of the NSS volunteers ensured that students received prompt and accurate assistance in finding their examination centers, departments, and rooms, thus allowing them to focus on their exams with confidence. The event exemplified the spirit of service and community engagement that the NSS stands for, with the volunteers contributing to the success of the entrance examination by helping students in a friendly and proactive manner. The Help Desk undoubtedly played a significant role in creating a positive impression of the university and the NSS among the student community and showcased the institution's commitment to providing a supportive and inclusive environment for all.



NSS HELP DESK 2022

Orientation cum Interaction program(2022)

The National Service Scheme (NSS) orientation cum interaction program was a dynamic and engaging event that marked the beginning of the NSS activities for the academic year. Held at the start of the academic session, the program aimed to introduce newly enrolled NSS volunteers to the organization's principles, objectives, and activities while providing a platform for interaction among participants.

The event kicked off with a warm welcome address by the NSS coordinator, who emphasized the significance of community service and the impact it can have on society. This set the tone for an inspiring and enriching experience throughout the program.

Various success stories and case studies of previous NSS projects were presented to motivate and inspire the new recruits.

The interaction sessions played a crucial role in breaking the ice and fostering camaraderie among the participants. Ice-breaking activities, group discussions, and team-building exercises encouraged networking and the formation of strong bonds among the volunteers. This laid the foundation for collaborative efforts in future NSS initiatives.



NEWLY ENROLLED NSS VOLUNTEERS

Gandhi Jayanti Pakhwara (Cleanliness Drive)

National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) organized a meaningful cleanliness drive at the RGU Community Health Center (CHC). The event aimed to honor the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi, promote the spirit of community service, and contribute to a clean and hygienic healthcare facility for the benefit of patients and medical staff. The volunteers took charge of cleaning various areas within the RGU Community Health Center. They focused on sanitation and hygiene, removing litter, cleaning common areas, and ensuring the proper disposal of waste. The cleanliness drive proved to be an impactful experience for both the NSS volunteers and the CHC staff. It instilled a sense of pride and fulfillment in the volunteers, who actively contributed to a cleaner and healthier environment for the healthcare facility.



NSS VOLUNTEERS CLEANING CHC RGU



Republic Day(2022)

The NSS's active participation in the Republic Day celebrations at Rajiv Gandhi University added fervor and meaning to the event. The volunteers' commitment to service, discipline, and dedication to the nation was evident throughout the celebrations. By showcasing their cultural talents and engaging in social awareness initiatives, the NSS volunteers demonstrated their holistic approach to community development and nation-building. Their involvement in the Republic Day celebrations not only enriched the event but also served as an inspiration to the entire university community, motivating them to uphold the values of unity, diversity, and service to the nation. The NSS's continued involvement in such national celebrations reaffirms their commitment to fostering a sense of responsibility and active citizenship among the youth, thus contributing to the progress and well-being of India.



REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION



RGU FOUNDATION DAY 2023

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) commemorated its 40th Foundation Day with grandeur and enthusiasm. The campus was abuzz with excitement as students, faculty, and esteemed guests gathered to celebrate this significant milestone. The event was graced by the honorable presence of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, along with the Vice-Chancellor of RGU. The NSS members demonstrated their diverse talents and skills, making the day even more vibrant and memorable. The NSS team's dedication and hard work were evident throughout the event, showcasing their commitment to service and community engagement. NSS volunteers also took part in Rifle and Pistol Shooting held in shooting range of RGU.



Governor B.D. Mishra



NSS VOLUNTEERS ON FOUNDATION DAY



DANCE PERFORMANCE BY NSS VOLUNTEERS



NSS VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATING ON SHOOTING

YUVA SANGAM (MST TO RAJASTHAN and TIRUPATI)

As part of the "Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat" initiative, the Yuva Sangam program brought together vibrant and enthusiastic Students from different universities and institutes across the Arunachal . Eight dedicated NSS volunteers from Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), four girls and four boys, were selected to participate in this unique and enriching journey. Their destination: the culturally rich and historically significant states of Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh's spiritual hub, Tirupati. The Yuva Sangam program aimed to promote national integration, cultural exchange, and mutual understanding among young minds from diverse backgrounds. It was an opportunity for these bright and promising students to immerse themselves in the rich heritage, traditions, and practices of these two distinct regions.



RGU NSS VOLUNTEERS with NIT, NERIST



Blood Donation Camp

On the occasion of Social Work Day, the National Service Scheme (NSS) of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) collaborated with "Hope and Shine," a non-profit organization, along with the TRIMS, to organize a blood donation camp on the university campus. This altruistic event aimed to promote the spirit of service and to celebrate the essence of social work by contributing to a noble cause. Total of 50 volunteers donated there blood. The blood donation camp on Social Work Day served as a shining example of the positive impact that collaboration, compassion, and service can have on society. The spirit of unity and altruism exhibited during the event would continue to inspire and encourage more such initiatives, reinforcing the commitment of Rajiv Gandhi University and its NSS volunteers to creating a better, healthier, and more caring world for all.



NSS VOLUNTEERS DONATING BLOOD



G20 GALA MARCH 2023

The G20 Gala represents a unique opportunity for global leaders to come together, set aside their differences, and work towards collective solutions for the betterment of the world. While the discussions and decisions made during the formal summit sessions are vital,

The participation of 12 NSS volunteers from Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) along with students from different states and departments of RGU. in the G20 Gala added a delightful touch of cultural diversity to this prestigious event.

The NSS volunteers from RGU proudly displayed their cultural dance, mesmerizing the audience with their graceful movements, vibrant costumes, and rhythmic beats.



NSS VOLUNTEERS ALONG WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS



NSS VOLUNTEERS PERFORMING CULTURAL DANCE

ADVENTURE TREKKING CAMP AT ZIRO

NSS RGU embarked on a thrilling two-day adventure trekking camp to Ziro from June 3rd to June 4th, organized by the Adventure and Mountaineering Club in collaboration with the NSS Cell of Rajiv Gandhi University. The camp not only provided an exhilarating experience for the volunteers but also emphasized the importance of environmental conservation. NSS RGU team was not solely focused on the adventure; they were also deeply committed to environmental responsibility. As part of their social and environmental outreach, the volunteers engaged in a commendable initiative to clean up the trekking road. Understanding the significance of keeping the surroundings clean and preserving the fragile ecosystem, they diligently collected a substantial amount of garbage along the trail



NSS VOLUNTEERS AT ZIRO(Trekking Camp)



Camp-Cordinator-Gunjan Kumar Saurav /Program officer-Gomar Basar Forest Ranger B.T Takung .

World Environment Day

Rajiv Gandhi University's National Service Scheme (NSS) took active initiatives to celebrate World Environment Day with a two-fold event focused on sustainability and environmental consciousness. On this significant day, the NSS organized a "Plantation Day" and a "Cleanliness Drive" to create a positive impact on the environment and raise awareness about the importance of preserving our natural surroundings. The "Plantation Drive" event aimed to enhance green cover and combat deforestation. NSS volunteers, along with students and faculty members, gathered at designated areas on the university campus and nearby regions to plant a variety of saplings and trees. The selection of native tree species ensured that the planted trees would thrive in the local climate and contribute to the biodiversity of the region. Both the "Plantation Day" and the "Cleanliness Drive" events on World Environment Day were met with enthusiasm and participation from students, faculty, and staff members of Rajiv Gandhi University. The combined efforts of the NSS team and the community showcased the power of collective action in tackling environmental challenges.



Plantation by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha



NSS VOLUNTEERS CLEANING RGU PARK AND SURROUNDING

NORTH-EAST NSS FESTIVAL SHILLONG

The North East National Service Scheme (NSS) Festival, held at Shillong's North East Hills University (NEHU) in Meghalaya in collaboration with Regional Director of NSS(NER) Guwahati, Ministry of Youth Affair & Sport, Government of India , was a grand gathering of 300 participants, including Program Officers. The festival aimed to celebrate the spirit of bonding and unity among the diverse states of Northeast India. Spanning from 19th June to 23rd June, this event brought together volunteers from various colleges and universities across the region, with a total of 32 participants representing Arunachal Pradesh, including 12 from Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) in Doimukh, 8 from Vivekananda College of Teaching Education (VKCTE) in Nirjuli, 11 from Wangcha Rajkumar Government College (WRGC) in Deomali, and 1 from Dera Natung Government College (DNGC) in Itanagar.



NSS ARUNACHAL TEAM RECEIVING RUNNER UP TROPHY.



YOGA SESSION



NSS ARUNACHAL TEAM



TUG OF WAR GAME



RGU NSS TEAM RECEIVING CERTIFICATE

HELP DESK (FOR RGUCET-RGUPET) (2023)

In a commendable effort to assist students appearing for the RGUCET-RGUPET Entrance Exam in 2023, the National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers organized a dedicated Help Desk at the Rajiv Gandhi University Campus. The NSS Help Desk aimed to provide guidance and support to students, helping them find their respective examination centers, departments, and rooms during the entrance examination.

The NSS Help Desk for RGUCET-RGUPET 2023 Entrance Exam played a vital role in easing the process for students and enhancing their overall examination experience. The dedication and commitment of the NSS volunteers ensured that students received prompt and accurate assistance in finding their examination centers, departments, and rooms, thus allowing them to focus on their exams with confidence.

The event exemplified the spirit of service and community engagement that the NSS stands for, with the volunteers contributing to the success of the entrance examination by helping students in a friendly and proactive manner. The Help Desk undoubtedly played a significant role in creating a positive impression of the university and the NSS among the student community and showcased the institution's commitment to providing a supportive and inclusive environment for all.



HELP DASK BY NSS VOULENTEER 2023





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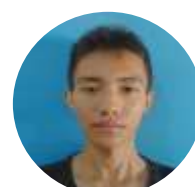
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RGU celebrates National Sports Day

📅 August 30, 2022 👤



RONO HILLS, Aug 29: Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) celebrated National Sports Day, dedicated to the sports stars of India for bringing laurels to the nation, here on Monday to commemorate birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyhan Chand.

Saluting Major Dhyhan Chand for turning a global role model, vice chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha said that most Indian players are from a poor background but they have achieved such milestone for their dedication.

With India's excellent performance at 2022 Common Wealth Games, Birmingham, registrar Dr. N.T Rikum said that he wishes to see Arunachal players to rising to such level.

The event, organized by physical education department led by Dr Shambu Prasad, begun with lighting of a lamp and floral tributes paid to Major Dhyhan Chand by dignitaries.

RGU team defeated Doimukh's 12NDRF team by 2 -0 in a friendly football match that marked the occasion. The VC and registrar gave away prizes and trophy to the winner and runner-up teams.

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RGU's 'rural immersion camp'

November 15, 2022

ITANAGAR, 14 Nov: The social work department of Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) conducted a 'rural immersion camp' for the university's third semester (2021-2023) postgraduate students, at Khazalang village in West Kameng district from 6-12 November.

"Rural immersion camp is a mandatory weeklong programme of two years' master degree programme in social work. During the camp, the social work trainees are expected to inculcate the exposure to community living, indigenous knowledge, and day-to-day challenges of a distant locality," the RGU informed in a release, adding that such camps "provide students an exposure to rural life, problems and issues related to rural life and enable them to plan, organise and implement relevant programmes."

The students are guided through the process by faculty members who accompany them during the camp, it said.

Twenty-one students, along with faculty members Drs Kaushalendra Pratap Singh and Rimi Tadu, and PhD scholar Tame Ramjuk, accompanied the students during the camp.

"The students spent six days with the Sajolang community and learned about their rural ways of living and conducted an assessment of their socioeconomic conditions through participatory approaches," the release stated.

"The students mobilised the community leaders such as gram chairperson, gaon burahs, and SHG members of the Arunachal Pradesh State Livelihood Mission to carry out an awareness rally on swachhta practice in the village," it said.

The release further stated that the students "conducted village-level meeting and shared suggestive developmental plans for the village, based on the assessment of community in the presence of gram chairperson, GBs, SHG members, and other community members."

Rimi Tadu, and one PhD scholar namely Mr. Tame Ramjuk accompanied the students in the said camp. Students spent six days with the hardworking Shajolang community and learned about their rural ways of living and conducted an assessment of their socio-economic conditions through participatory approaches.

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Students conducted village level meeting and shared suggestive developmental plans for the village based on the assessment of community in the presence of Gram Chairperson, Gaon Buras, SHG members, and other community members.

The visit ended with a cultural exchange evening where students learned the traditional dance and songs and presented their own traditional dance and songs from different communities. Khazalang is a picturesque village and rich in natural resources, however, access to basic developmental facilities are the emerging challenges.

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1. The University

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), formerly Arunachal University nestled atop Rono Hills on a picturesque table land of 302 acres is a premier institution of higher education in Arunachal Pradesh. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the University on 4th February, 1984 at Rono Hills, Doimukh. The University was converted into a Central University with effect from 9th April, 2007 as per the notification of the erstwhile Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Since then, Rajiv Gandhi University has carved a niche for itself in the educational scenario of the country. Prof. C.L. Anand appointed in 1987 was the first Vice-Chancellor of the university whereas Shri A P Srivastava was the first Registrar of this University who served from 1985 till 1988. The University received academic recognition under section 2(f) from the University Grants Commission on 28th March, 1985 and started functioning from 1st April, 1985. It received financial recognition under section 12B of the UGC on 25th March, 1994. The University started its academic journey in the year 1988 with 48 students, 18 faculty members, and three departments namely History, Political Science, and Education. B.Ed. programme was started in the current campus whereas post graduate programmes in History and Political Science initiated with Jawaharlal Nehru College (JNC), Pasighat.

The teaching and research programmes of the University are designed to play a leading role in the socio-economic and cultural development of the state as well as the nation. The University has been consistently and effectively catering to the educational needs of the state of Arunachal Pradesh and the neighbouring states in the North East Region (NER) since its inception. The University has been extending educational facilities to the students from all over India.

Currently, the University offers Under Graduate, Post Graduate, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and other skill-based Certificate and PG Diploma programmes through its different departments and centres. RGU is also offering graduate, post graduate and many certificate courses through distance

education. We are also reaching out to the remotest locations through affiliated colleges spread across Arunachal Pradesh. There has been exponential growth in the number of students over the years in various departments of the university and in its affiliated colleges..

The University has highly acclaimed faculty members. The faculty members are actively engaged in research activities with financial support from the UGC, DST-SERB, DBT, CSIR, ICSSR, NCW, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh and other funding agencies. Faculty members of the university have been awarded with prestigious fellowships by national and international agencies of repute. Faculty members of the university have successfully got registered for their patents. Also, the university has more than two hundred administrative and other non-teaching full time staff.

The University for its Academic Expansion has entered MoU with several institutions. Rajiv Gandhi University has also been closely working with state government of Arunachal Pradesh in research, innovations and other constructive ways. The departments of the university regularly organise capacity building programmes, seminars, workshops and conferences as part of their commitment towards academic excellence. Apart from the enthusiastic conduct and observance of Republic Day, Independence Day, International Day of Non-Violence (Commemorating the birth-anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi) the Rajiv Gandhi University had organized many flagship programmes of the central government.

RGU, the easternmost located central university of the country has kept behind many central universities in the race of academic achievement and secured second place in the rankings released by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, in 2020, by registering 83% in the grading of performance. The varsity lapped up the coveted title of 'Best Central University' in 2020 at the third Himalayan Educators Summit, 2020 and ranked third to receive the '*Divya*

Himagiri Himalayan State Education Excellence Award 2020'. These awards mirror RGU's hard work and the urge to excel.

Rajiv Gandhi University has earned the unique distinction of being the first university in the country to prepare First Human Development Report (HDR) of Arunachal Pradesh. The department of economics received a grant of Rs. 10 crore as corpus fund in union budget, 2012 for research and establishment of Centre for Development Studies (CDS).

The huge (81.37%) forest cover, zoo-geographic location, altitudinal variation, various vegetation, high rainfall, different climate regimes etc., contribute in making Arunachal Pradesh an extremely rich biodiversity region. Department of Zoology & Botany of this University has been recognized as the "Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity (CPEB)" in the year, 2002, vide UGC DO Letter No. F14-2/99(IUC/UNIV. Excellence), dated 23rd May, 2002. The Centre has successfully completed two successive phases of 5 years each.

The RGU added a priceless feather to its colourful cap by establishing the "Centre of Excellence on Sports Science Education and Research" under the scheme "National Centre of Sports Science and Research" (NCSSR) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) to develop for the enhancement of the performance of Indian sportspersons in the international competitions. It is the first of its kind in the North-East India and only the 6th in the entire country. Under this, the University has started four (04) new departments for holistic development of youth. They are; (a) Sports Biomechanics, (b) Sports Physiology, (c) Sports Psychology, and (d) Strength Training & Conditioning. It envisions to infuse vigour and dynamism into the sporting culture of the university and the region as well.

Rajiv Gandhi University has been selected by the NITI Aayog to set up 'Atal Community Incubation Centre (ACIC)' for augmenting entrepreneurial acumen and capacity-building among the unemployed youth. As an integral part of the

‘Indian Himalayan Central Universities Consortium’ of NITI Aayog, New Delhi under UGC STRIDE Scheme, the RGU is contributing in collaborative research pertaining on five different themes.

The University received financial support of Rs. 10 Crore from Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India under PURSE 2021 Programme. The university is assigned by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh to document the Unsung Heroes of Arunachal Pradesh who fought against British invasion. This year the University has partnered with the State Government for celebrating the golden jubilee of the State’s foundation and the its naming as ‘Arunachal Pradesh’. Presently, the University is celebrating the ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ with a series of well-planned programmes and events, in a befitting manner.

The University adheres to the academic calendar, conducts the examinations, declares the results on time and organizes convocation every year on a fixed date as the part and culture of its best practices. In our pursuit to infuse and consolidate Constitutional Values and also those of Indian Freedom Struggle, during the convocation each year, university distributes Preamble of the Constitution of India and Fundamental Duties to all the passing out students along with their degree. In equity and diversity parameters, the University always has upheld a consistent and constructive role. Gender equality and promotion of indigenous students and learners with special abilities have been remaining a top priority for the university. Rajiv Gandhi University is creditably matching the new trends in the field of higher education and has assiduously maintained its scholastic distinction to enable the aspiring students keep abreast with their fellow students across the Nation and the Globe.

Vision

Rajiv Gandhi University aspires to be India's most vibrant, energetic, responsive and acclaimed University, to be recognized for excellence in teaching, research and providing the highest quality educational opportunities

for the learners of all communities. The University aims at nurturing their talent by promoting intellectual growth to shape their personality and serve humanity as multi-skilled, socially responsible, creative, adaptable, contributing and morally sound global citizens.

Mission

Our mission is to provide opportunities and support students from diverse background and assist them to become well-informed global citizens by developing their intellectual, moral, civic and creative capacities to the fullest through multi-faceted education and sustained engagement with local, national and global communities. The University also aims to carry out academic process for achieving excellence through active and dynamic student-teacher participation and inculcate high moral, ethical and professional standards among students which will enable them to develop knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals so as to improve the performance and also provide leadership and service to the community.

2. About the Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly (APLA) and Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Branch

With the enactment of the North East Frontier Agency, Panchayat Raj Act 1967, the ground for the Legislative Assembly of Arunachal Pradesh was prepared. This Act introduced a three-tier system viz, Gram Panchayat at the village level, Anchal Samiti at the Block level and Zila Parishad at the District level. An Apex Advisory Body known as the Agency Council with the Governor of Assam as its Chairman, came into being on the 29 December, 1969, Members of Agency Council were elected by the members of Zila Parishad.

A step further in the direction was taken with the enactment of North East Frontier Agency (Administration) Supplementary Regulation, 1971 which provided for replacement of the Agency Council by Pradesh Council and appointment of five Councilors, one from each district, who were in-charge of

various development departments. This paved the way for attainment of an Union Territory on the 20 January, 1972 and the Pradesh Council was converted into Provisional Legislative Assembly of the Union Territory of Arunachal Pradesh with the members of the Pradesh Council as members of Provisional Legislative Assembly and five Councilors as Ministers which was formally inaugurated on the 15 August, 1975.

Arunachal Pradesh Legislature has a unicameral House ever since its inception. Initially, the Legislative Assembly consisted of 33 members out of them 30 were chosen by the people by direct election and three were nominated by the Union Government. The first General Election was held in Arunachal Pradesh in 1978. The second General Election was held in January, 1980 and the third General Election of Legislative Assembly was held simultaneously with the General Election for the Eighth Lok Sabha in December, 1984. The Union Territory of Arunachal Pradesh became full-fledged state with effect from 20 February, 1987. On the persistence of the people of the State, the total membership in the Legislative Assembly was raised to sixty during the General Election in 1990 and thus, the First Legislative Assembly of the state of Arunachal Pradesh was constituted.

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) branch at APLA was formed on 1 January, 1987 and was made effective on 1 January 1988.

3. Programme Background

Among the noble aims and objectives of the Constitution of India, the key architects and founding fathers accorded the highest place to “Justice”. The Preamble speaks of “We, the people of India” resolving to secure inter alia “Justice – social, economic and political” to “all its citizens”. The juxtaposition of words and concepts in the Preamble is important in decoding the letter and spirit of the great vision, which inspired the national freedom struggle and constituted the building block of Socio-Economic as well as Administrative fabric of India as a

nation. The Constitution of India is the supreme legal document of its jurisdiction, which extends throughout the territory of the country. The Constitution lays down the structure and defines, delimits and demarcates the role and functions of every organ of the State including the judiciary and establishes norms for their inter-relationships, checks and balances. Access to justice thus, assesses the fulfillment of an individual's entitlement to justice on these parameters to ensure that legal redress does not become the preserve of a few and the process must not end up being punishment to the many. It also represents the ability of every person to enforce the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed by law. In this backdrop Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Branch of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi University commemorated the valuable occasion of Constitution Day i.e. 26 November, 2022 (Saturday) at Dorjee Khandu auditorium of the Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly.

4. Proceedings of the Event

राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय और कॉमनवेल्थ संसदीय संघ (सीपीए), अरुणाचल प्रदेश विधान सभा शाखा के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में एकदिवसीय संविधान दिवस मनाया गया। दिनांक 26 नवंबर, 2022 को प्रातः 10 बजे मुख्य अतिथितथा प्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री श्री पेमा खांडू ने राज्य विधान सभा के परिसर में अनावरण कार्यक्रम संपन्न किया जिसमें 'सत्यमेव जयते' स्तंभ के साथ 'बाबासाहेब भीमराव आम्बेडकर की स्मृति प्रतिमा' लगी थीं। इस मौके पर श्री पासांग दोरजी सोना, माननीय विधानसभा अध्यक्ष, अरुणाचल प्रदेश सरकार, दिल्ली से पधारे एवं बीज वक्ता प्रो. हिमांशु राय, दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय, श्री कांगो हाबुंग, सचिव, विधानसभा सचिवालय के साथ ढेरों गणमान्य मंत्री, विधायक एवं अन्य नेतागण मौजूद रहे। विधानसभा परिसर के दोरजी खांडू सभागार में विधानसभा दिवस के मौके पर आयोजित कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत सभी सम्मानित अतिथियों ने दीप प्रज्वलन किया। साथ ही संविधान के प्रस्तावना का सस्वर वाचन किया।

ईटानगर सहित कैपिटल कॉम्पलेक्स के विभिन्न विद्यालयों से पहुँचे बच्चों के अलावे राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय की ओर से इस अवसर पर ढेरों विद्यार्थी एवं शोधार्थी हिस्सा लेने

पहुँचे थे। मुख्य अतिथि और बीजवक्ता प्रो. हिमांशु राय ने लोकतंत्र की प्रस्तावना को उसकी मूल आत्मा कहा तथा वर्तमान संविधान को भारतीय चेतना का ऐतिहासिक देन कहा। बौद्ध काल के गणराज्यों की चर्चा करते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि भारत में सांविधानिक कानून अथवा संहिता भले 1950 ई. में बने अथवा लागू हुए हों, लेकिन जनतांत्रिक चेतना भारतीय प्रायद्वीप में काफी पहले से मौजूद रही है। माननीय विधानसभा अध्यक्ष ने संविधान दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में पूरे महीने भर चले कार्यक्रम का व्यौरा प्रस्तुत किया तथा अलग-अलग प्रतियोगिता एवं कार्यक्रम-समूह में हिस्सा लिए विद्यार्थियों के बीच से चयनित विजेताओं को पुरस्कृत करने हेतु आज के दिन को अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण भी बतलाया। माननीय विधानसभा अध्यक्ष ने प्रदेश के आदिवासी समाज की देशज आस्था और प्रकृतिजीवी प्रवृत्ति को लोकतंत्र का मूलाधार बताया और कहा कि भारतीय संविधान के प्रस्तावना में ये सभी बातें निहित हैं।

कार्यक्रम में बतौर मुख्य अतिथि उपस्थितप्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री श्री पेमा खांडू ने संविधान की गरिमा और प्रतिष्ठा को विस्तार देने में संविधान प्रस्तावना को संविधान की मूल आत्मा कहा। उन्होंने कहा माननीय प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेन्द्र मोदी के नेतृत्व में अरुणाचल प्रदेश तेजी से आगे बढ़ रहा है। हाल के कुछ वर्षों में अरुणाचल प्रदेश में विकास आधारित ढेरों परियोजना सफल हुई हैं तथा आम जनजीवन पहले से काफी बेहतर हुआ। श्री पेमा खांडू ने राज्य में मौजूद प्राकृतिक संसाधनों और हरे-भरे पर्यावरण को इस राज्य की उपलब्धि बताते हुए कहा कि अरुणाचल प्रदेश पूरे देश को विविधता में एकता संजोने का महान संदेश देता है तथा शांतिपूर्ण ढंग से अपनी नागरिकता और जनतांत्रिक मूल्यों के निर्वाह करने का पाठ पढ़ाता है। पूरे महीने भर चले विभिन्न कार्यक्रमों द्वारा अरुणाचलवासियों को जागरूक और सांविधानिक महत्व से परिचित कराने में आज के दिन को जरूरी बताया तथा श्री पासांग दोरजी सोना के देखरेख में राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय के साथ मिलकर 30 दिन लम्बा चले संविधान माह को बड़ी उपलब्धि घोषित किया। उन्होंने दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के प्रोफेसर और कार्यक्रम के बीजवक्ता प्रो. हिमांशु राय को यहाँ की प्राकृतिक समृद्धि एवं जनजातीय विविधता को लेकर कहा कि आज का अरुणाचल प्रदेश बदला हुआ है, तो इसमें केन्द्र का योगदान सबसे अधिक है। कुछ दिनों पहले ही अरुणाचल प्रदेश का प्रथम विमानपत्तन शुरू किए जाने की प्रशंसा की और इसका पहला श्रेय माननीय प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेन्द्र मोदी जी को दिया। आज के बदले हुए अरुणाचल प्रदेश के लोगों को संविधान दिवस का स्मरण कराते हुए कहा कि आज की तारीख

में संविधान के संकल्पों को बार-बार दुहराने की जरूरत है। उन्होंने यह भी कहा कि संविधान प्रदत्त मौलिक अधिकारों के साथ हमें मौलिक कर्तव्यों का भी अनुपालन करना चाहिए, जो हरेक नागरिक के लिए स्वाभिमान का प्रश्न है।

इस मौके पर महीने भर चले अलग-अलग प्रतियोगिताओं में भाग लिए लोगों में से विजेताओं का नाम लिया गया तथा उन्होंने मंच पर नकद पुरस्कार सहित स्मृति चिह्न से सम्मानित किया गया। इस मौके पर राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय के ललित कला विभाग के विद्यार्थियों द्वारा चित्र प्रदर्शनी भी लगाई गई थी, तो अलग-अलग मौके पर आशु भाषण, निबंध प्रतियोगिता, वाद-विवाद आदि भी संयोजित किए गए थे। दोरजी खांडू विधानसभा सभागार में मौजूद हजारों लोगों की उपस्थिति में विजेताओं को सम्मानित होने का मौका मिला जो उनके चेहरे पर दिख रही थी। राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय के अलग-अलग विभागों एवं संकायों से गए विद्यार्थियों एवं शोधार्थियों ने इस कार्यक्रम में चार चाँद लगा दिया। राजधानी क्षेत्र के जुटे गणमान्य लोगों सहित राजीव गाँधी विश्वविद्यालय की जनसंपर्क एवं सूचना अधिकारी सुश्री मोयिर रिबा मौजूद रहीं जो इस संयुक्त कार्यक्रम के महीने भर चले अलग-अलग इवेंटों का समन्वयक रहीं। साथ ही विश्वविद्यालय की ओर से कार्यक्रम में हिस्सा लेने पहुँचे विद्यार्थियों एवं शोधार्थियों के टीम-समन्वयक समाजकार्य विभाग से डॉ. कौशलेन्द्र कुमार सिंह तथा हिंदी विभाग से डॉ. राजीव रंजन प्रसाद ने भी इसमें हिस्सा लिया।

Rajiv Gandhi University in collaboration with The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) branch of the Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly (APLA) conducted a series of programmes in commemorating Constitutional Day 2022. On 26 November, 2022 Constitutional Day was celebrated the Dorjee Khandu auditorium of the APLA. The programme was graced by Shri Pema Khandu, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Shri Pasang Dorjee Sona, Hon'ble Speaker, Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly, Shri Tesam Pongte, Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly, Prof. Himanshu Roy, Keynote Speaker, and Shri Kago Habung, Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly. Apart from the distinguished dignitaries, the programme was also attended by the Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, Bureaucrats, and Students from different schools, and colleges.

The programme began with the lighting of lamp by the dignitaries. The students from Donyi Polo Visual and Hearing Impaired and Oju Welfare Association performed the prayer. Shri Pasang Dorjee Sona, Hon'ble Speaker, Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly delivered the welcome address. Speaking on the occasion, Assembly Speaker informed that to mark the occasion, the assembly celebrated a month-long programme from October 26, in partnership with Rajiv Gandhi University by organizing various events including, mock parliament, debate, painting and essay competition in various educational institutions. He said that Arunachal Pradesh has one of the best performing and digitally sound assembly in the country.

The Keynote was delivered by the Prof. Himanshu Roy, a distinguished political scientist from Delhi University. Prof. Roy highlighted how the Constitution was framed and the democratic process started in India. He also emphasized that India has a great democratic history where election of kings also existed. Prof. Roy narrated that our glorious republican past has not been documented. In fact, it has been neglected and never being taught to young minds. It is time to decolonized the minds and appreciate our republican past. He also said that the examples of democracy are given from those countries that made their people slave and represented them. Prof. Roy gave the examples of Lichchavi Gana-rajya and said Unity is the strength of society, and without it, society is weak. Hence, let's encourage and cherish the Unity and the Idea of Bharat. While speaking on the occasion he acknowledged the vital role of Dr. B R Ambedakar for giving a great constitution to India. He also mentioned role of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in inducting the Dr. B R Ambedakar as drafting chairman of the constitution to India. Prof. Roy also highlighted that state of Arunachal Pradesh has also its own indigenous democratic traditions for delivering the justice and maintaining peace and harmony within the society. He said that it is time to cherish our democracy by bringing evidence based facts about our glorious past.

The Arunachal Chief Minister – Hon'ble Pema Khandu, urged the citizens to fulfill their constitutionally-specified essential duties rather than concentrating on their fundamental rights. Speaking at the Constitution Day celebration, Hon'ble CM observed that citizens never discussed their fundamental duties but always speak about their fundamental rights. "The youths, also referred as the backbone of the society, should be educated on fundamental obligations, which will aid in the advancement of the community," the chief minister continued. He assured the people that state administration will continue to uphold the democratic principles enshrined in the Constitution. "In fact, democratic values are core to our tribal culture and we will strengthen it through our commitment," the chief minister added. He said that in order to accomplish Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of a developed India, everyone must cooperate within the bounds of the Constitution. He said that regardless of political affiliation, caste, creed, or religion, this should be everyone's top priority, and everyone must collaborate to attain the goal. Stating that opposition plays an important role in a healthy democracy, the chief minister lauded the opposition in the state assembly for giving constructive suggestion to the government. The Constitution of India is of a different genre, derived from best portions of constitutions of various countries and suitably adapted to Indian conditions. "We must remember that the Constitution was neither typeset nor printed; rather it was handwritten and calligraphic in both Hindi and English languages. We can just imagine the amount of hard work put in by Dr B R Ambedkar and his team members. Democratic process in India started since time immemorial which was also prevalent among the tribal communities of the state, even before Independence. Lamenting over the lack of historical information of the past in the country's education system, he said that schools and college curriculum never taught the past history of the country and northeast to the students, which were lost in passage of time. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi is trying his best to recollect the glorious history of the country through several initiatives under the aegis of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* where unsung heroes of independence will be recognized and honoured. He shared that in Arunachal, the state government has already constituted a committee on unsung heroes to record their heroics so that the future generations

are inspired. On the occasion Hon'ble CM was unveiled an Ashok Stambh and busts of Mahatma Gandhi and Ambedkar in the assembly premises and read the preamble of the Constitution along with the participants.

The results of the inter college online Essay Competition, Departmental Debate Competition, and Painting Workshop cum Competition of Month-long Outreach Program organized were also declared and the prizes for the competitions, except for the online competition, were given away by the Chief Minister – Shei Pema Khandu, in the presence of Legislative Assembly Speaker Pasang D Sona. The winners received certificates and trophies, along with a cash prizes.

In essay competition - Karik Jamoh (JNC, Pasighat) got first prize whereas Millo Odi (St. Claret College, Ziro) and Chini Sono (Government College, Seppa) got second and third prize respectively. In debate competition - Thomas Hanglam Matey (Education Department) got first prize whereas Yagyaj (English Department) and Marto Ronya (History Department) got second prize. Lopoli Melo from the Department of History received third prize. Department of Education was the champion department in departmental debate competition whereas Department of History and Department of English received second and third prize respectively. In painting competition - Khyoda Piter got first prize whereas Michi Tassar and Ejum Riba got second and third prize respectively. The consolation prizes were also given away to three students namely Tokmem Pertin, Nyamen Jini, and Tai Sasum.

The Programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Tesam Pongte, Deputy Speaker, Arunachal Pradesh State Legislative Assembly.

5. Photo Gallery



Lighting of Lamp by the Hon'ble CM and Speaker, APLA with other Dignitaries



Hon'ble CM and Speaker, APLA along with other Dignitaries on Dais



Hon'ble CM addressing the August Gathering



Prof. Himanshu Roy, Keynote Speaker addressing the August Gathering



Hon'ble Speaker presenting memento to Prof. Himanshu Roy, the Keynote Speaker



Hon'ble CM acknowledging the contributions of the Schools and Colleges



Students from Donyi Polo and OJU Schools and Performing Inaugural Prayer



Group Photo with Hon'ble CM and Speaker along with other Dignitaries

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1. The University

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), formerly Arunachal University nestled atop Rono Hills on a picturesque table land of 302 acres is a premier institution of higher education in Arunachal Pradesh. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the University on 4th February, 1984 at Rono Hills, Doimukh. The University was converted into a Central University with effect from 9th April, 2007 as per the notification of the erstwhile Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Since then, Rajiv Gandhi University has carved a niche for itself in the educational scenario of the country. Prof. C.L. Anand appointed in 1987 was the first Vice-Chancellor of the university whereas Shri A P Srivastava was the first Registrar of this University who served from 1985 till 1988. The University received academic recognition under section 2(f) from the University Grants Commission on 28th March, 1985 and started functioning from 1st April, 1985. It received financial recognition under section 12B of the UGC on 25th March, 1994. The University started its academic journey in the year 1988 with 48 students, 18 faculty members, and three departments namely History, Political Science, and Education. B.Ed. programme was started in the current campus whereas post graduate programmes in History and Political Science initiated with Jawaharlal Nehru College (JNC), Pasighat.

The teaching and research programmes of the University are designed to play a leading role in the socio-economic and cultural development of the state as well as the nation. The University has been consistently and effectively catering to the educational needs of the state of Arunachal Pradesh and the neighbouring states in the North East Region (NER) since its inception. The University has been extending educational facilities to the students from all over India.

Currently, the University offers Under Graduate, Post Graduate, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and other skill-based Certificate and PG Diploma programmes through its different departments and centres. RGU is also offering graduate, post graduate and many certificate courses through distance

education. We are also reaching out to the remotest locations through affiliated colleges spread across Arunachal Pradesh. There has been exponential growth in the number of students over the years in various departments of the university and in its affiliated colleges..

The University has highly acclaimed faculty members. The faculty members are actively engaged in research activities with financial support from the UGC, DST-SERB, DBT, CSIR, ICSSR, NCW, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh and other funding agencies. Faculty members of the university have been awarded with prestigious fellowships by national and international agencies of repute. Faculty members of the university have successfully got registered for their patents. Also, the university has more than two hundred administrative and other non-teaching full time staff.

The University for its Academic Expansion has entered MoU with several institutions. Rajiv Gandhi University has also been closely working with state government of Arunachal Pradesh in research, innovations and other constructive ways. The departments of the university regularly organise capacity building programmes, seminars, workshops and conferences as part of their commitment towards academic excellence. Apart from the enthusiastic conduct and observance of Republic Day, Independence Day, International Day of Non-Violence (Commemorating the birth-anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi) the Rajiv Gandhi University had organized many flagship programmes of the central government.

RGU, the easternmost located central university of the country has kept behind many central universities in the race of academic achievement and secured second place in the rankings released by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, in 2020, by registering 83% in the grading of performance. The varsity lapped up the coveted title of 'Best Central University' in 2020 at the third Himalayan Educators Summit, 2020 and ranked third to receive the '*Divya*

Himagiri Himalayan State Education Excellence Award 2020'. These awards mirror RGU's hard work and the urge to excel.

Rajiv Gandhi University has earned the unique distinction of being the first university in the country to prepare First Human Development Report (HDR) of Arunachal Pradesh. The department of economics received a grant of Rs. 10 crore as corpus fund in union budget, 2012 for research and establishment of Centre for Development Studies (CDS).

The huge (81.37%) forest cover, zoo-geographic location, altitudinal variation, various vegetation, high rainfall, different climate regimes etc., contribute in making Arunachal Pradesh an extremely rich biodiversity region. Department of Zoology & Botany of this University has been recognized as the "Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity (CPEB)" in the year, 2002, vide UGC DO Letter No. F14-2/99(IUC/UNIV. Excellence), dated 23rd May, 2002. The Centre has successfully completed two successive phases of 5 years each.

The RGU added a priceless feather to its colourful cap by establishing the "Centre of Excellence on Sports Science Education and Research" under the scheme "National Centre of Sports Science and Research" (NCSSR) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) to develop for the enhancement of the performance of Indian sportspersons in the international competitions. It is the first of its kind in the North-East India and only the 6th in the entire country. Under this, the University has started four (04) new departments for holistic development of youth. They are; (a) Sports Biomechanics, (b) Sports Physiology, (c) Sports Psychology, and (d) Strength Training & Conditioning. It envisions to infuse vigour and dynamism into the sporting culture of the university and the region as well.

Rajiv Gandhi University has been selected by the NITI Aayog to set up 'Atal Community Incubation Centre (ACIC)' for augmenting entrepreneurial acumen and capacity-building among the unemployed youth. As an integral part of the

‘Indian Himalayan Central Universities Consortium’ of NITI Aayog, New Delhi under UGC STRIDE Scheme, the RGU is contributing in collaborative research pertaining on five different themes.

The University received financial support of Rs. 10 Crore from Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India under PURSE 2021 Programme. The university is assigned by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh to document the Unsung Heroes of Arunachal Pradesh who fought against British invasion. This year the University has partnered with the State Government for celebrating the golden jubilee of the State's foundation and the its naming as ‘Arunachal Pradesh’. Presently, the University is celebrating the ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ with a series of well-planned programmes and events, in a befitting manner.

The University adheres to the academic calendar, conducts the examinations, declares the results on time and organizes convocation every year on a fixed date as the part and culture of its best practices. In our pursuit to infuse and consolidate Constitutional Values and also those of Indian Freedom Struggle, during the convocation each year, university distributes Preamble of the Constitution of India and Fundamental Duties to all the passing out students along with their degree. In equity and diversity parameters, the University always has upheld a consistent and constructive role. Gender equality and promotion of indigenous students and learners with special abilities have been remaining a top priority for the university. Rajiv Gandhi University is creditably matching the new trends in the field of higher education and has assiduously maintained its scholastic distinction to enable the aspiring students keep abreast with their fellow students across the Nation and the Globe.

Vision

Rajiv Gandhi University aspires to be India's most vibrant, energetic, responsive and acclaimed University, to be recognized for excellence in teaching, research and providing the highest quality educational opportunities

for the learners of all communities. The University aims at nurturing their talent by promoting intellectual growth to shape their personality and serve humanity as multi-skilled, socially responsible, creative, adaptable, contributing and morally sound global citizens.

Mission

Our mission is to provide opportunities and support students from diverse background and assist them to become well-informed global citizens by developing their intellectual, moral, civic and creative capacities to the fullest through multi-faceted education and sustained engagement with local, national and global communities. The University also aims to carry out academic process for achieving excellence through active and dynamic student-teacher participation and inculcate high moral, ethical and professional standards among students which will enable them to develop knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals so as to improve the performance and also provide leadership and service to the community.

2. Programme Background

The idea of Bharat needs to be cherished as there are millions and millions of Indians across the globe since times immemorial. It is so because Bharat and its '*Loktantra*' have influenced as well as confluenced civilizations across the world. It made the world to know that the '*Lok*' and its '*Tantra*' are very symbiotic and complement each other to grant good governance. It is from this land of Bharat, that this spontaneous culture of serving the masses has made its origin.

A distinction needs to be drawn between *Praja-Tantra*, *Jana-Tantra*, and *Loka-Tantra*. One is a straight translation of the political system known as 'Democracy', the second is 'people versus the ruler(s) oriented system', and the third is a community-system oriented towards the welfare of the community.

There are three dimensions of people's polity, a system of governance broadly referred to as 'Democracy': (i) limits on the 'Ruler(s)'; (ii) accountability of the 'Ruler(s)'; (iii) people's direct or indirect participation in governance and/or their rights of self-governance.

In India, from the Vedic times itself, two kinds of states, *janapada* and *rajya* have been in existence. The Indian experience evolved its own form of governance at the levels of the village and the central polity: (i) the federal/central political structures were delinked from the life of the community (village communities), and consequently (ii) village communities became self-governing and autonomous, and (iii) developed a hierarchy of self-governing institutions, such as *Panchayat* and *Khaps*, that enabled them to remain unaffected by and large by the changing kingdoms/ empires particularly those of the invaders hostile to Hindu culture.

This explains the survival of Hindu culture and civilization in the face of 2000 years of invasions by alien ethnicities and cultures. This became possible because the Hindu mind from the beginning addressed the central question of how to weld this vast multiplicity that is India into a single larger community and from ancient times a geo-cultural definition has been given to this entity, *rashtra*, *Bharata* - The country which lies to the south of the Himalayas and the north of the oceans is called *Bharata* and the *Bharatiyas* are the people of this country.

Democratic system in Bharat has evolved over the ages. There are ample archaeological, literary, numismatic, epigraphical, *bhakti*, and so on, evidences which emphasis on the -*Loktantrik* tradition of Bharat. The roots of people's self-governance also lie in India's Vedic period going back, vide the recent archaeological excavations at *Rakhigarhi* and *Sanauli*, to at least 5000 BCE, if not more.

Vedic literature talks of cosmic cohesion, harmony of existence. The Upanishads stress on fundamental unity, right to life and existence for all beings.

Shrimad Bhagavad Gita emphasizes on knowledge, faith, action, virtue all synthesized in human conduct.

The Vedic term for law is *Dharman*. In this age in other parts of the world law meant 'eye for an eye'. A Vedic prayer notes: "If I play false may I lose the merit of all my religions performances, gifts of good deeds -- my life and even my progeny".

Dharmun was the anchor of society. Compassion, empathy, non-violence were ways of life. Good character and moral action were fundamentals of Bhartiya society.

In the *Rigveda* there are several terms which were undoubtedly applied to non-monarchial institutions. The two assemblies called *Sabha* and *Samiti* formed an essential feature of the government. The term *Sabha* denotes "The people in conclave. The *Samiti* in the sense of an assembly of people is mentioned in the *Rigveda*. It appears the *Satmiti* was an august assembly of a larger group of people for the discharge of tribal (i.e.. political) business and was presided over by the King. Both these Assemblies exercised considerable authority and must have acted as healthy checks on the power of the kings. Great importance was attached, not only to the concord between the king and the assembly but also to a spirit of harmony among members of the Assembly. The last hymn of the *Rigveda* invokes such unity: "Assembly, speak together, let your minds be all of one accord... the place is common, common the assembly, common the mind so be their thought united..." (Ghosh, R. C. Majumdar, p.357). It is clear that the importance of these two bodies continued in later period as well.

Also, there is no doubt that the people played an important part in politics. Thus, stress is laid on the necessity of concord between the king and his electors in a passage in the *Atharvaveda*, which is a clear testimony of the prevalence of the system of election of the kings.

Simultaneously, it should be underlined that the *Bhartiya* context of governance had a crucial difference with other ancient political philosophies like say Greece and Rome. In India there was the constant emphasis on inner consciousness and the need to integrate with the totality of the Universe.

Another key difference that separates Bharat from other ancient civilizations is -- there was no concentration of the prestige of birth, influence of wealth and political office which made social organizations autocratic and aristocratic. There was no aristocracy in India like say in Greece. The Hindu state rarely presented that high degree of centralization associated with the Roman empire.

Nevertheless, in Hindu political theory, sovereignty rests in *Dharma* or law in the wider context. One of the most profound ideas in ancient Indian political philosophy is that power or the office of the king is only a trust.

India to the great surprise of the world with all its multiple plurality is today the world's largest successful working democracy is, because Indian people, infused with the spirit of equality, have had since the very Vedic times a *lokatantrika-parampara*.

In this backdrop, a special lecture on Lichchhavi Gana-rajya? India's Republican Past was organized by the Rajiv Gandhi University to celebrate Bharat – Loktantra Ki Janani on 25 November, 2022.

3. Proceedings of the Event

The programme began with the welcome address delivered by Prof. P K Panigrahi. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. P K Panigrahi highlighted the historical and glorious past of India. The special lecture was delivered by the Prof. Himanshu Roy, a distinguished political scientist from Delhi University. Prof. Roy highlighted the democratic past of India. He emphasized that India has a great

democratic history where election of kings also existed. Prof. Roy narrated that our glorious republican past has not been documented. In fact, it has been neglected and never being taught to young minds. It is time to decolonized the minds and appreciate our republican past. He also said that the examples of democracy are given from those countries that made their people slave and represented them. Prof. Roy gave the examples of Lichchhavi Gana-rajya and said Unity is the strength of society, and without it, society is weak. Hence, let's encourage and cherish the Unity and the Idea of Bharat. He said that it is time to cherish our democracy by bringing evidence based facts about our glorious past.

While chairing the session, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor highlighted the significance of the celebrating Bharat – Loktantra Ki Janani. He urged the academic fraternity to explore the glorious democratic past of India. He highlighted that Rajiv Gandhi University has undertaken “Unsung Hero” project sponsored by Government of Arunachal Pradesh. . He also suggested conducting inter-disciplinary and multidisciplinary researches in order to bring evidence based facts before the society.

The programme was attended by the Deans of various faculties, heads of various departments, faculty member, non-teaching members, research scholars, and students. The question and answer session was also conducted during the programme and many scholars and faculty members actively participated in the session.

The Programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh.