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DEV SANSKRITI  
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“ There is a need for an educational institution which can mould its students into noble, enlightened, selfless, warm-hearted, compassionate and kind human beings.

- Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharya



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International Conference on Yoga



India is the most youthful country of the world. As 65 percent of India's population is of the youth. Youth is the power, the force, the dynamic energy who can change the face and destiny of a nation, and who can raise the nation to a new height of glory. But it is equally true that a youth needs to be capable of changing his own destiny first. And for this the power of the youth should be channelized in the proper direction. Today because of the lack of the clarity of vision and goal of life the youth seems to be confused as to what to do and what not to do. And of course, the academic institutes hold the greater responsibility to show the right path to our youth. The academic institutes having money making mission can't fulfill this greater responsibility. This is possible only with a man making vision. Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidalaya has thought about it with the same vision. This institute has catered this demand with the blend of Spirituality. Spirituality which kindles sustains and

enhances enthusiasm. Our youth need to realize that they can be creative and productive without losing the human virtues that they are all born with. Explore, experiment, and enjoyment. Three E's of youth is of great concern. And this is the time when parents, guardians and off course the teachers have an important role to play.

It is of course, the duty of every academic institute to maintain the balance between these three E's. Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidalaya has tried its best to balance it in the young generation. This university gives them the environment to explore the best in them, and for this the life management classes gives them the appropriate platform to find out what is best in them.

Besides academic laboratory for experiments they are provided with the opportunities where they could experiments with their self and find out various techniques to continue it in their life, the concept of time donation gives them the opportunity to work selflessly which indirectly generate the feeling of togetherness and compassion. Helping others and believing in seva is not only the subjective matter but teaching kids who can't afford education enlightening the importance of hope in them. Health practices like yoga and other therapies make them fresh and they are always ready with innovative ideas.

The third E is enjoyment. Enjoyment is a vision of life that makes us prepare to find out smiles even in the ocean of cries. We can multiply our happiness and enjoyment by distributing it with others.

Meditation, Gita classes, social internship are adding completeness to a personality.

# Message from the Patron

## Dr. Pranav Pandya

Hon'ble Chancellor, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya

**On International Yoga Day**



From the time immemorial yoga has been the heritage of the Indian Culture. It is now a matter of great pride that yoga has become the world heritage and is being celebrated world wide as the International Day of Yoga. Yoga unites. It unites with sun, it unites with god and it unites with energy which empowers the world with feeling of universalhood.

This year we are celebrating 'International Yoga Day'. This day is a day of celebration not only in India but in the entire world. Yoga is not new to India. It is that way towards completeness for which our yogis and maharishis have laid down various sutras by which a common man can lead a healthy, peaceful and spiritual life.

Asanas and mudras are not the complete form of yoga they are just a part of it a way through which we can live a healthy life.

Yoga represents lifestyle. Self control, self confidence are the expressions of this yogic lifestyle.

Maharishi patanjali in his Yoga Sutras describe eight (ashta) limbs (anga) of yoga (ashta + anga = ashtanga). These include four external cleansing practices (yama, niyama, asana and pranayama), three practices for "internal cleansing" (pratyahara, dharana and dhyana), and samadhi, most commonly understood as the experience of the inner Self.

Gurudev Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharya introduced a new form of yoga, popularly known as "Pragya Yoga".

Yoga aims for healthy tuning of all the three bodies (physical, subtle and causal) of a person. The asanas rejuvenate the physical body and pranayamas (breath control exercises) elevate bio-energy and help cleansing and calming the mind, and chanting of mantra in the heart helps augment inner strength. Pragya Yoga is a combination of all three incorporating selected asanas and pranayamas with chants of mantras.

Gita gives us an important message of self control. Before we die we should at least learn to control our thoughts.

This yoga day should be celebrated as a day in which every individual should take a vow to live a disciplined and committed life for their self refinement.



**Dr. Pranav Pandya**

# Transformation

## 27th Gyan Deeksha Ceremony

Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidalaya is committed towards inculcating values in youth. Swami Vivekananda once said that supreme value of the youth period is incalculable and indescribable. The life of Youth is the most precious life.

Saluting this precious life of youth DSVV has taken a lead for the initiation ceremony. We all have heard of convocation ceremony but it is the time to welcome higher education, which is marked by "Gyan Deeksha"

Gyan Deeksha is the initiation of Knowledge and is held at the beginning of every session. The ceremony includes salutation to the Omnipresent, along with chanting of Vedic Mantras. The students and the teachers together promise and commit that they together would work in harmony for maintaining the healthy environment at the campus.

This initiation ceremony is for both the teachers and the students. Both make the commitment that they would perform their duties and would not neglect it. Students commit that they would never misuse the facilities provided to them and would respect their teachers and elders in the campus.

Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidalaya is the first University which conducts this initiation ceremony.



Shri Pritam Singh Panwar, Minister for Urban Development and Animal Husbandry with Dr. Pranav pandya, Chancellor DSVV, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. Chinmay Pandya, Vice Chancellor Shri Sharad Pardhy, Registrar Shri Sandeep Kumar.



# Departments' Diary

## Workshop on Ancient Vedic Culture



Participant from DSVV and Garwal University

Workshop was organised with the collaboration of DSVV, PUSA New Delhi, Incredible India and NSS and Garwal University. Theme of the workshop was 'Ancient Vedic Culture' in the perspective of skill development in Tourism & Hospitality.

The team discussed the importance of research in Philosophy and religion in Indian Culture. Speaking on the occasion Vice Chancellor said that Vedas are the foundation of Indian Culture. Every educational Institute specializing in Indian Culture should try to excel in the field of research in Ancient Vedic Culture.



Shri Alok Shivpuri, Principle Institute of Hotel Management , Pusa, New Delhi with Shri Sharad Pardhi Vice Chancellor, DSVV



## Workshop on Photoshop



Vice Chancellor Shri Sharad Pardhy, Mrs. Kaveri Bali with the participants.

**WORKSHOP** on Photoshop was organized in which the local participants along with DSVV students participated. The focus was on the use of this software in electronic media, social media and growing demand in animated films. Minute details were discussed with students regarding 3D effect and even the application of color, brush sizes and meaningful messages. The workshop was organized by Dept. of Animation. Congratulating the students Vice chancellor Shri Sharad Pardhy announced the starting of the new course that students from all over India can apply for B.Sc in animation. The Head of the Dept. Mrs Kaveri Bali emphasized on the value of this course. The growing field of animation and smart tools of editing is an emerging career and students have a bright future in it.

# Exhibition by Dept. of Education

**SETTING** an example for a beautiful relationship between a teacher and student, Dept. of education organized an exhibition exhibiting their creativity. The theme of the exhibition was "importance of teacher and student relationship" and how a teacher should build their relationship. The exhibition was inaugurated by Pro. Vice Chancellor Dr. Chinmay Pandya, who focused on the importance of a teacher and student relationship. Development of the student indirectly affects family, society and nation. The Director of the Dept. Dr. R.P. Karmyogi, Head of the Department Dr. Mamta Arora and Coordinator Dr. Ramakant Sharma presented their views respectively. Among the students Himadri, Anita, Rajan, Priyanka, Deepika, Richa, Jyoti shared their views with the experts.



Dr. R.P Karmyogi,  
Dr. Chinmay Pandya,  
Dr. Mamta Arora

# Workshop on Research Methodology

**2 DAYS** workshop was conducted on importance of research methods and its applications. The workshop was organized in the campus. The 150 participants were from M.P, U.P and Gujrat. Focusing on the importance of the research, Registrar Shri Sandeep Kumar discussed the scope and approach of research for the common man. He focused on its importance on reliability and validity of research. The chief guest Prof. V.P Sahu from Delhi University discussed various stages of research. Dr. Ashish Dahiya emphasized on the new dimensions of research. This workshop was attended by the faculty of various departments and was organized by Dept. of Indian Culture and Tourism.



Registrar Shri Sandeep Kumar,  
distributing certificates to the participants.



V.C Shri Sharad Pardhy, Prof. V.P Sahu and Dr. Arunesh Parashar

# Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights



Training & Placement cell organized a workshop on Intellectual property rights and how they can protect their intellectual works in the digital world. The expert was Shri Bhavin Kothari who is an Associate Senior Faculty of Strategic Design management and head of Intellectual property Rights Cell, National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad.



# Interactive session on Entrepreneurship

**TALKING** on the various aspects of Entrepreneurship, expert Shri Prasanna Soparkar interacted with the students of Dsvv. He is Managing Director of "Core Integra Consulting services Pvt. Ltd." The session was organized by training and Placement cell. He discussed with students how they can explore themselves in the field of entrepreneurship and developing self-employment skills.

# International Karnatic Music celebrity at DSVV

The music department was enthralled by the visit of Internationally renowned singer Mrs. Sudha Raghuraman who mesmerized everyone with her melodious singing. She sang various ragas and even directed the students as how they could improve their music skills. She is a recipient of Ustad Bismillah Khan Award and Delhi Young Artist award. Her visit was very meaningful for Dsvv as the campus has a music Dept which is offering research work in music.



Mrs Sudha Raghuraman with HOD Prof. Shiv Narayan

## Pro Vice Chancellor's visit to Europe Visit to Riga

Spreading the universal message of the Guru is the duty of a shishya and this is what our Pro Vice Chancellor, consistently and tirelessly does during his foreign visits. He visited various places at Europe among them the first destination was Riga, where he shared the dais with Mr. Vīctor, Advisor to hon. Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Latvia and Mr. Poole Deputy Head of the Ministry of Health. Dr. Chinmay Pandya shared the concept of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, who is the dream of his Guru Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharya and Patron of the university.



Dr. Chinmay Pandya at Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with 220 participants strengthening India-Latvia cooperation.



Dr. Chinmay Pandya welcomed the proposal of opening a Baltic Center at India and most probably in DSVV as apparently, this would be the first Baltic Center in whole world and hence strengthening the relationship he met with the Private Secretary to the Prime Minister of Latvia – who had suggested that their Minister of Foreign Affairs along with Vice Chancellor, University of Latvia, Professor Pirgas, Head, Medical Council of Latvia and a team from Latvian Television would visit DSVV .



## Visit to Lithuania

Along with Audrius Beinorius, Dean, Center for Oriental Studies in the University of Latvia Pro Vice Chancellor, Dr. Chinmay Pandya met the Minister of Culture, Lithuania as well as Rector of University of Vilnius – with whom, he signed the MoU.

# Global peace and harmony Seminar at Cambridge

Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. Chinmay Pandya was among the eminent scholars gathered for Global Interfaith Seminar that was being held in the Trinity College, Cambridge and was attended by selected 120 scholars from all over the UK.

He emphasized on the concept of 'sahcharya' that is living together peacefully with compassion. He said that time has come when the World has to collectively think upon how one could fight the inner traits of jealousy and hatred and develop a common language for religions of the World.

Quoting Einstein he said that the world has a threat from the bad people as well as the good people. From good people as they have to learn to manage their goodness and spread the message of goodness.

Focusing on the golden words of his Guru and Scholar he said that Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharya has laid down four principles for world peace. That is Ekta: solidarity for cause, Samta: equality of all participating members, Suchita- sacredness as driving force, Mamta-compassion as a binding force.

Among the other penalist who shared their views were Sir Bernard Ricks, Sir Kenneth Rogers, Sir Martin Rees (Astronomer General), Baroness Berridge (head of conservative party women wing), Barroness Warsi, Kamkesh Sharma (SG, Commonwealth), Sir John Wood (education model for commonwealth), Dr Barbara Walshe (Head, GlenTree), Georgette Bennett (Founder –President, Tattenbum Foundation), Syed Rajawi (Advisor, European Union for Muslim Education) and Frances Campbell (VC of St Mary's University ).



Dr. Chinmay Pandya with other dignitaries at Cambridge

# Global Covenant of Religions

The visit to Cambridge was meaningful in developing a model for various traditions. Dr. Chinmay Pandya along with Prof David Ford, Regis Professor and Head, Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge, Prof Peter Ochs, Head, Faculty of Divinity and Religious Studies, and Jerry White, Noble Peace Prize winner and Deputy Secretary of State, US gave the serious thought on two issues.

**GCR (Global Covenant of Religions)** – which is a scriptural reasoning based theologian model to find the commonalities between Abrahamic and Non-Abrahamic traditions – which can serve as a foundation for unique curriculum framework as well as a parchment for global peace. Cambridge Coexist foundation, Von Hugel Institute and All World Gayatri Pariwar seem to be the key players involved in developing this document and to develop a network of networks to establish an interfaith dialogue.



Dr. Chinmay Pandya with Prof David Ford, Regis Professor and Head, Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge

# World Environment Day Celebrated

Department of Environment Science, DSVV along with the Haridwar Society of Environment education & mass awareness, Haridwar Shakti foundation Rishikesh & Ekon Laboratory & consultancy presented their views on how to spread awareness of environment & related issues. Dr. Vijay Sharma, Head of the Department and other faculty members showed his concern over the waste material which is thrown from our houses to river Ganga.



Students encouraging tree plantation

## World Environment Day Eco friendly campus Making best from the waste



DSVV campus is known for its green and beautiful campus. The entire waste is categorized into degradable and non-degradable and this message has been spread around the campus.

Students have joined hands together for the noble cause. They have asked the authorities to make two boxes. One with degradable waste, and one with non-degradable. And everyone in the campus are helping them to throw the waste in the appropriate box.

Besides this they have started social engineering at Mansa Devi which is a religious place and is a temple at Haridwar and other tourist destinations too. With the help of cleaners they are segregating the waste and educating them as what is to be done with the waste.

Under the guidance of Dept. of Environment science and their team they are doing good job.



# Achievements

## Yoga Championship

Student Dilraj Preet Kaur, a final year student of M.A in Yoga has been selected as a Brand Ambassador of Yoga and Ayush Upchar Parishad at Utrakhand. In a ceremony and inauguration of International Yoga day the Chief Minister of the state Shri Harish Rawat announced this opportunity for Dilraj Kaur who is from Punjab and has excelled herself in yoga at DSVV. She is dedicated to yoga since last 15 years.

Dilraj is an active participant at various International and National yoga competitions. She has won gold medal at International Yoga Festival at Rishikesh and various other medals in various Inter University competitions.

## We have excelled

Faculty of Computer Science Naveen kumar Pandey won many national championship and got technoyogi award in National seminar , recently visited Vietnam as a yoga trainer for one month teacher training programmes where he trained various people in different yogic activities like pragra yoga asana, pranakarsham pranayama, Gayantri mantra and besides that carried out one day workshop on "day to day life".



Dilraj Kaur receiving the certificate of being the Brand Ambassador by Hon. Governor of Uttarakhand, Shri Krishnakant Paul.

# Celebrations

## International Yoga Day

Hon. Dr Pranav Pandya,  
Head: Gayatri pariwar;Chancellor  
DSVV at India Today  
Body Rocks event at New Delhi.  
He along with the  
demonstrations explained  
the importance of Yoga  
in daily life.



Inaguration of International Day  
of yoga at Shantikunj.  
Hon. Pranav Pandya with  
Senoir members  
Shri Gauri Shankar ji, and  
Shri Kapil Kesari ji

International Yoga Day, Release of  
Encyclopedia of Yoga on the  
occasion of International Day of  
Yoga at New Delhi in the Divine  
presence of Dr. Pranav Pandya,  
Head All World Gayatri Pariwar &  
Chancellor DSVV Shri Morari Bapu  
je, Shri Baba Ramdev ji, Shri  
Balkrishna Ji, Swami Chidanand  
Saraswati .



# International Conference on Yoga for Holistic Health

On the occasion of International Yoga day an International Conference on Yoga for Holistic Health was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Rajnath Singh, Union Home Minister, Shripad Yesso Naik, minister from AYUSH, Swami Jaggi Vasudev, and sister Shivani from BrahmKumaries.

Speaking on this occasion Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. Pranav Pandya focused on the 21st century and youth of India. If millions of youth are motivated to make Yoga part of their lifestyle this country it would be a revolution for the betterment. He suggested that if every third Sunday Yoga is made compulsory for everyone, it would become a habit. It is an era of thought revolution and Geeta should become the text book for everyone. With this all the religion would come together and every one would accept the three teachers that is Patanjali Yoga Shastra, HathYoga Pradipika and Grahan Sanghitha.



Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. Pranav Pandya with Hon'ble Home Minister Rajnath Singh, India and other dignitaries at the conference.

Dr. Sunil Yadav, Faculty DSVV organizing & assisting the officers to perform Yoga at Governor house



Prof. Suresh Barnwal with students of DSVV at Rajpath, New Delhi



Students of DSVV, Administration, faculty members, volunteers of shantikunj participating at Shantikunj



Dr. Kamakhya, Associate Prof. Dept. of Health & Yoga, recording a Radio Talk in Yuv-Vani Programme At All India Radio Nazibabad

# Tribute to Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam

Your words are our commitments

*"Very rarely education integrates divine life. I am happy that task of educational institutes like Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidalaya is to empower the youth with value based education and equip them to spread the confidence in all the people that we can do it"*

Lines from his speech delivered on the occasion of second convocation (2006) of DSVV.



Tributes paid by Hon. Chancellor  
Dr. Pranav Pandya and senior members

Farewell to DSVVians  
Remember us as your family  
wishing you luck & happiness  
in life



### Research work on Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharyaji

पं. श्रीराम शर्मा आचार्य के साहित्य में  
उपासना, साधना और आराधना  
(गोरखपुर विश्वविद्यालय)

पं. श्रीराम शर्मा आचार्य का शिक्षण-चिन्तन  
(सूरत विश्वविद्यालय)

पं. श्रीराम शर्मा आचार्य का समाज-दर्शन  
(गढ़वाल विश्वविद्यालय)

Physiological and Behavioral Responses  
of Human Subjects following Japa  
Yagya (Yajna) and Selected Yogic  
Exercises.

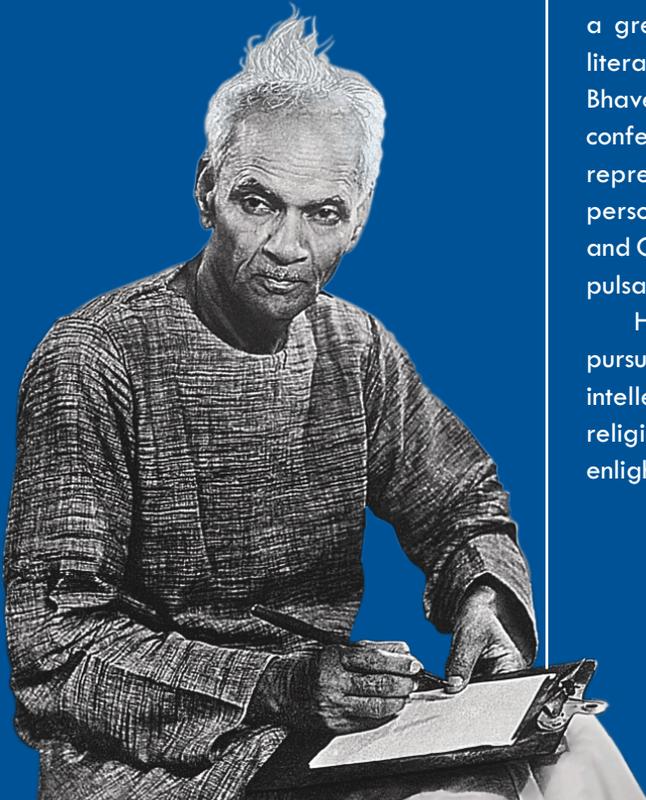
(गुरुकुल कांगड़ी वि.वि.)

Globally well known as the Yugrishi, Pandit Shriram Sharma Acharya was an eminent seer, sage, saint and great yogi of this era. This great yogi spent his entire life creating a path of self-exploration, self-awareness, and self-realization through yoga and spirituality for the common man for the wellbeing of the whole humanity.

Ordinarily a child is full of fun and laughter during childhood but Shriram Sharma Acharya as a child was very steadfast towards his spiritual practices. He would tell everybody "My home is in the Himalayan mountains." At that time neither his family members, parents or village men even imagined that this jewel who was separated from the Himalayas will one day go there and come in contact with his spiritual guide. On January 18, 1926, a spiritual guru and great Himalayan yogi, Swami Sarveshwaranandji appeared before Acharya in astral body from the flame of a lamp and instructed the 15-year old boy to recite Gayatri Mantra 24 lakh times each for 24 years (24 Mahapurashcharans). During this period, he visited the Himalayas four times and performed rigorous austerities for global peace, harmony and transformation. He mastered the knowledge of philosophy and science of Gayatri Mantra and yoga. He performed spiritual austerities of subtilization - or Sookshmeekaran for higher goals. The gross body is converted to the subtle body and thus with its help, such a person can attain many subtle bodies. These subtle bodies then create desired movements in the subtle world which in turn execute miraculous tasks. This higher sadhana was meant to transform the very psyche of world humanity for the better and thus create a new world and a new era.

Shriram Sharma Acharya, founder of the International Gayatri Family, was a great Yogi, seer and incarnation of God who wrote volumes of scientific literature mainly on spiritual subjects for world welfare and peace. Sant Vinoba Bhave conferred him with the title vedmurti whereas Dr. Radhakrishnan conferred him with the title "Veda incarnate and great Yogi." His life and work represent a marvellous synthesis of the noble thoughts and deeds of great personalities like Swami Vivekanand, Sri Aurobindo, Mahatma Gandhi, Socrates and Confucius. Rev. Pt. Sriram Sharma was a rishi of the present age whose heart pulsed with compassion for all beings.

He pioneered experiments on simple sadhanas, which could be easily pursued by the common masses. He initiated programmes of spiritual and intellectual refinement of millions of people without any discrimination of religion, caste, creed, sex, or social status. He propagated this knowledge for the enlightenment of people across the globe.



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