

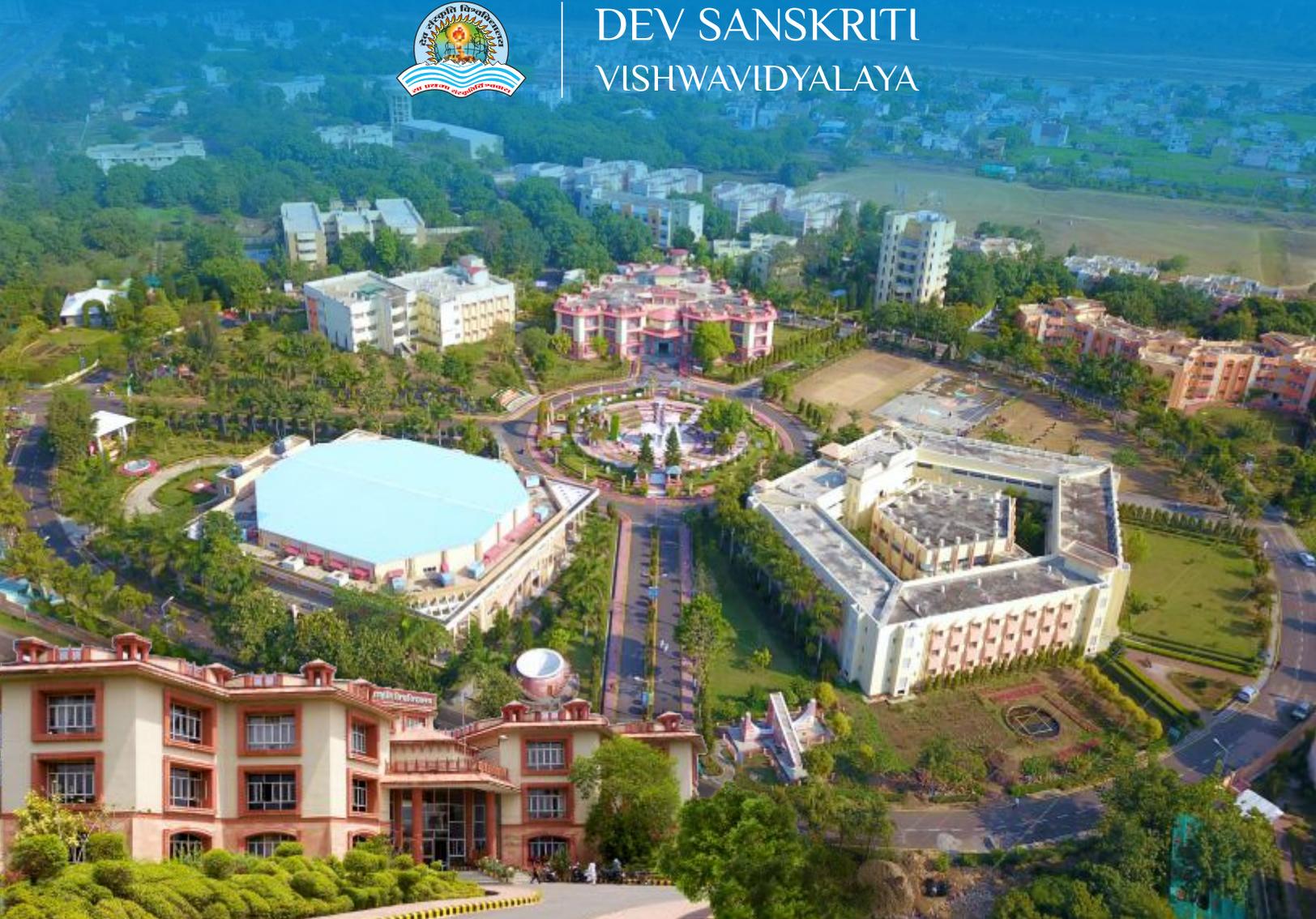
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(Head of the Economic Advisory Council of
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Fourth Pillar of Democracy

Have you heard about Drone journalism! Yes this is the journalism of 21st century. Journalism or the buzz word ,media has grabbed the attention of each individual, rather it has become the inseparable part of our lifestyles. Media as we know is a watchdog and is responsible for providing democratic way of news, view, opinions etc of the people and by the people for the people so the responsibility is also much stronger.

However the fight for TRPs have raised the question of fairness and credibility in reporting in news but still citizens outlook for journalism is that whatever media serves

Has meaning and is true but actually what media sometime is doing is for advertisement.

But we cannot hide the fact that whether it is kisan andolan, any bill, president's visit, Modi ji in

Kashi, Death details of General Vipin Rawat all we come to know from Television channels which are very strong tool of communication these days. Television in India started with an aim to provide education and SITE has been a very important experiment in this field.

Whether it is Print media or electronic media , new media, social media they have captured the minds of a common man and people are dependent on what media frames in the mind of the common man but one thing is remarkable of media that they are working a lot on the detailing of the news every event is presented with many details and too much of details. Which is rather criticized too that detailing leads to the progammes like discussion and debates on tv news. Debates leads to confusion and end up nowhere but people like to see that.

Social media has another outlet it has another sphere to communicate it is the aspect where news has become more glocalised and people are sharing their local activities at global level the platform of distribution of news has enlarged. People are taking interest in various democratic activities too like voting, elections, condition of officers, condition of their villages and localities, these all are shared at government platforms, and for which they are expecting results.

In totality people are becoming aware of their rights and media has become an essential medium to disseminate their views and in other way to share media's voice to the public.

There is a bombardment of information, reports, views and it is the common man who has to decide which way to go.

TRANSFORMATION

Hon. Presidents Visit

"All efforts and research to strengthen ties with the Baltic countries through the Baltic Center are commendable" quoted the President.



Honourable President Hon'ble Shri Ramnath Kovind Ji's family was blessed at Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and Shantikunj on the occasion of Shantikunj's Golden Jubilee year. When the Vice-Chancellor of the University, respected Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, and the Registrar, respected Shri Baldau Devangan Ji arrived on campus, the President with his family were greeted with a bouquet. First, he went to the university's

auditorium. He recited the Kulgeet and posed for a group photograph with the Higher Education Minister of Uttarakhand, the Governor, the university's key officials, and with all the department heads. Meanwhile, the University's Chancellor, Dr Pranav Pandya Ji, presented him with a Gayatri Mata statue keepsake, Gangajal, and a jute bag made by the Swavalamban Kendra on behalf of the entire Gayatri family. He went to the Mahakal premises and conducted Rudrabhishek

amidst Vedic chanting, praying to Lord Pragyeshwar Mahakal for the benefit of mankind. He then went outside the Divya Mahakal courtyard and planted Rudraksha saplings. Following that, His Excellency, the President paid a visit to Asia's first and only Baltic Education and Culture Center, which is housed at the University. He praised the Center's work and studies to foster friendly and strong relations with the Baltic countries.

Hon'ble President travelled to Shantikunj after visiting the university. After arriving, he bowed in the presence of Param Pujya Gurudev and Param Vandaniya Mata Ji and paid a courtesy visit to the renowned pair.



CM shivraj singh visit

Whatever finest job I am capable of doing today is inspired solely by Param Pujya Gurudev: Madhya Pradesh's Honorable Chief Minister

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ji visited the institution during the Golden Jubilee year of Shantikunj. Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, the university's respected Pro-Vice-Chancellor, greeted him warmly upon his arrival. Respected Pro-Vice-Chancellor Ji gave Gayatri Mata's portrait, Yagya kit, and jute bag made by Swavalamban Kendra to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

The following morning, a programme of the Honorable Chief Minister to visit the university and Shantikunj was scheduled successfully. First, he went to the university's Baltic Education and Culture Center and the Self-Reliance Center. During this time, he appreciated the Baltic Center's research on the connections between Baltic and Indian cultures, as well as His Holiness Gurudev's ideology of self-reliance and creativity. In this sequence, Honorable Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ji visited Pragmaeshwar Mahakal and performed Rudrabhishek amidst Vedic chanting, praying to Lord Mahakal for the prosperity of all. On this occasion, the Chief Minister, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ji, planted a Maulshree

sapling on the university campus. Following that, the Hon'ble Chief Minister spoke on the theme "Jeevan Darshan of Param Pujya Gurudev" as part of the Shantikunj Golden Jubilee Year Lecture Series. "Whatever excellent work I can achieve now, I receive inspiration from the highest venerated Gurudev," he added during his speech. He went on to illustrate Gurudev's Sapta Kranti movements using real-world examples from his own life. The programme was attended by the University's Vice-Chancellor, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, Registrar Shri Baldau Devangan Ji, teachers, and all students. Following the university event, Honorable Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ji left for Shantikunj. After visiting the rooms of Param Pujya Gurudev



and Param Vandaniya Mata Ji and having a darshan of the divine Akhand Deep, he acquired supernatural positive energy. Following that, the Chief Minister held a private discussion with Dr Pranav Pandya Ji and Dr Shail Bala Pandya Ji. 'Today meeting both the divine experiences, the inner mind is full of beautiful spiritual energy,' he added of the meeting. During his visit to the university, Honorable Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan also interacted with families and students from Madhya Pradesh.



TRANSFORMATION

Rashtriya Mahatma Gandhi Samman Res. Chinmay sir:



On the auspicious occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, the Government of Madhya Pradesh honoured the All World Gayatri Parivar with the National Mahatma Gandhi Award for the year 2019. The National Mahatma Gandhi Award is a significant honour bestowed upon any organisation that works excellently in the field of inspiring creative initiative, communal harmony, and social harmony in society. The Culture Department of Madhya Pradesh conducted a ceremony to bestow this distinction. The occasion was presided over by Usha Thakur Ji, Minister of Culture, Tourism, and Spirituality, and the principal guest was Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ji, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh.

Respected Dr Chinmay Pandya, the vice-chancellor of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, arrived in Madhya Pradesh to accept this accolade, saying, "It is a matter of good fortune for the Gayatri family that we have got this honour in the year of Shantikunj Golden Jubilee." Meanwhile, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan delivered a heartfelt speech in support of Gayatri Parivar, saying, "Gayatri Parivar is constantly working for social upliftment with a selfless spirit, and I am delighted to be a part of such a family. I am who I am only because of Param Pujya Gurudev." Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji thanked all members of the Gayatri family for making this achievement possible.

DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

Shramdaan in the campus

On the occasion of the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi (2nd Oct), the faculty and students participated in the Shramdaan (collective cleanliness drive), organised in

Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. In this virtuous ritual of collective shramdaan, all the deans, officers, heads of departments, coordinators, teachers, students, colleagues,

employees of the university participated. Under this shramdaan, cleaning was done by everyone in different areas of the university starting from the basketball court at 7:00 am. From there, all the participants were sent to different areas of the university by forming different teams. The students of the university enthusiastically cleaned their respective hostels, Mahakal campus, and R&D ground.

Regarding this Shramdaan, Hon. Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University, Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, expressing happiness, tweeted that by participating in this shramdaan, the students of the University have shown their deep understanding of the values of cleanliness, labour, and service. He further wished everyone a bright future and also conveyed his best wishes.



DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

Agreement between Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and Modern Global Nursing Institute (MGNI).

An exclusive agreement was signed between Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and Modern Global Nursing Institute (MGNI), Haridwar. Under this contract, the students of Modern Global Nursing Institute will be able to get clinical experience at the University and COVID Care Centre in Shantikunj.

A COVID Care Centre has been established in the University which is located along with the 'Sanghmitra' Girls Hostel. It is an extension of Covid Care Centre in Shantikunj. In the multi-speciality hospital "Shatabdi Chikitsalaya" in Shantikunj, a 25-bed COVID Care Centre has been established. Students will get training and experience at this centre. In addition to COVID Care Centre, they will also have the opportunity to get training at various other departments of the Shatabdi Hospital.



DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

Tourism Day celebrated :

The three-day program was organised by the Department of Tourism Management at Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya on the occasion of International Tourism Day. In this wonderful program, all the students of the university participated in different activities. This year, under the theme of International Tourism Day, "Tourism for Inclusive Growth", various programs were organised around the world on the concept of inclusive tourism along with social and sustainable tourism. Through these programs, the general public was made aware that by promoting small and cottage industries, inclusive development can be implemented everywhere. Various activities were organised keeping this theme in mind by the Department of Tourism



Management of the University. The tourism department had divided this program into three phases. On this, the first day activities included catering, art, collage making, face painting, mehndi. Further activities on the second day included fun games like candy race, slow cycle race, musical chairs, treasure hunt etc. In this sequence, in the third and final phase of the program, the educational activity was completed, in which various types of presentations were made about inclusive tourism. This three-day program concluded on 27 September i.e.



International Tourism Day. A closing ceremony was organised on this occasion. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University, respected Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji also participated in this function. During this, prizes were also given by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor to the participants who got a special place in various activities. On this occasion, Hon'ble Pro-Vice-Chancellor, in his address, asked the tourism department to decide its strategy to promote cultural and inclusive tourism in Haridwar and nearby places.



DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

Press day celebrated



The 16th of November is observed as National Press and Journalism Day. The journalism and Mass Communication department hosted 'Utsarg 2021', a three-day annual event. The multi-competition event attracted active and enthusiastic participation from the University. The event was inaugurated by Sharad Pardhi Ji, Hon. Vice-Chancellor of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya on the historic 50th anniversary year of Shantikunj. RJ Hunt, Caricature competition, Feature writing, Poetry competition, typing competition, photography competition, quiz, news flash, and digital collage making were among the competitions held throughout the event.

On the concluding event, we witnessed the magnificent visits of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji and registrar Mr Baldau Devangan. They motivated the students and awarded the winners.

DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

National wildlife week:

The Department of Environmental Science at Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya observed Wildlife week from October 2 to October 8. Throughout the week, many activities such as quiz competitions, poster creation competitions, workshops on various subjects were arranged. All of these initiatives were designed to raise awareness among university students about animal conservation and protection. Various workshops were also arranged on this occasion, with keynote speakers including departmental researchers as well as many dignitaries, scientists, and professionals from outside. Abhishek Swami Ji, Dr Bhatosh Sharma Ji, and Vipin Yadav Ji were prominent among them. During this, they gave special lectures about animal

conservation and reminded everyone that we should always strive to keep nature in balance.

On the penultimate day of this week, the closing ceremony was held at Shri Ram Bhawan's Prayer hall. Padmashree Kalyan Singh Rawat Ji was the chief guest at this event. The occasion was presided over by the University's Registrar, Shri Baldau Devangan Ji. Students from various departments, as well as the environment department, took part in this function. During this event, the winners of different Wildlife Week competitions were also awarded. Dr Vijay Sharma Ji, Head of the Department, thanked everyone for making this event a success.



World mental health day

Though intangible, mental health is as important as physical health. Considering the importance, an event was organised on the eve of World Mental Health Day by the Department of Psychology. The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Shri Sharad Pardhi and the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, respected Dr Chinmay Pandya, were present as the guests of honour. On this occasion, Hon Dr Chinmay Pandya, during his special address presented the topic “Mental health in an unequal world”(topic given by WHO on this year's World Mental Health Day) in very simplified terms. He told the students about the ways to avoid mental diseases through meditation, yoga and spreading awareness about the future challenges in the field of mental health.

Dr Rajneesh Jain, (Retd. Professor Rani Durgavati University), Dr Pradeep Khatri (

Head of Department of Psychology (retd.), PG College Lucknow) joined as the guest speaker. Apart from them, Ishwar Bharadwaj (Dean of Academics of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya) and Dr Krishna Jhare (Head of Department of Life Management) were also present in the program.

In the sequence, Dr Rajneesh Jain, former professor of Rani Durgavati University, who was associated with the online medium, gave guidance to the students about common human diseases and how to deal with them. Further, the Vice-Chancellor of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya gave guidance to the students about the new opportunities emerging in the field of psychotherapy, encouraging the students to work in the field of psychotherapy through the Yagya method. Dr

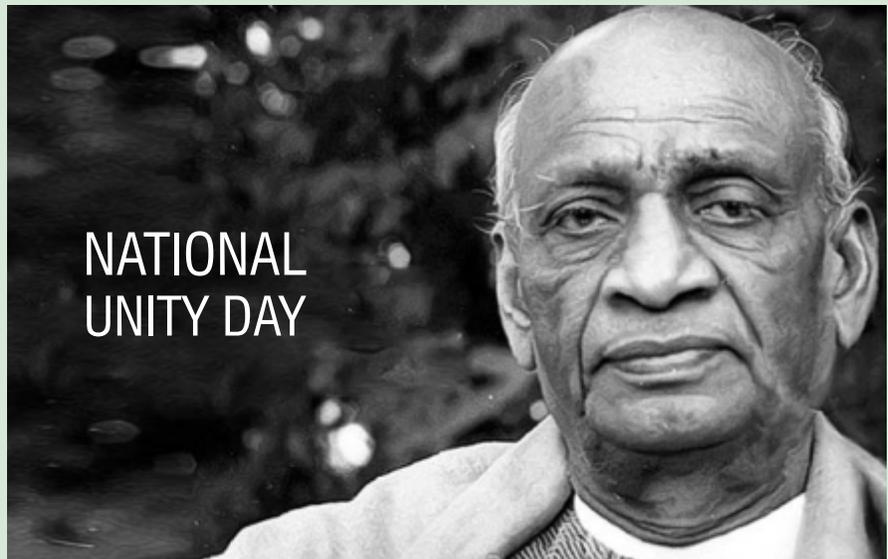


PK Khatri, discussing the same, said that we should always be with positive people as well as we should share our feelings with them. All the teachers of the psychology department and students through offline and online mediums participated in the program. At the end of the program, Dr Santosh Vishwakarma, coordinator of the Department of Psychology presented a memorandum of thanks to all the dignitaries.

National Unity day

"Run for Unity" program was organized by Student Club, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar on 31st October 2021 on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Hundreds of enthusiastic students of the university participated in it.

The program started with the speech of Shri Sharad Pardhi, Vice-Chancellor of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. After this, the Vice-Chancellor flagged off the students and sent them for the Run for Unity. At the end of the race, the students took an oath for unity in front of the Shaurya Wall located on the university premises. At the end of the program, the registrar of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya Shri



Baldau Devangan Ji gave a speech to the students.

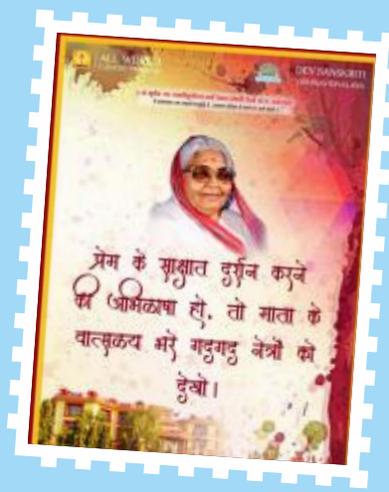
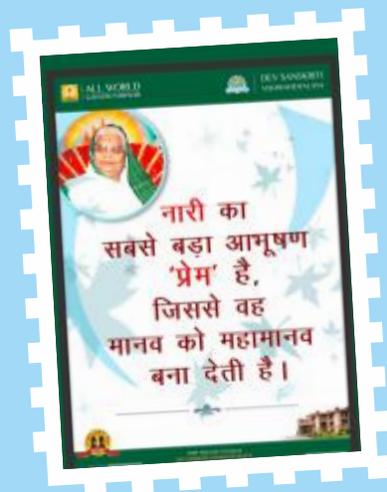
Respected Vice-Chancellor, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji said that running for unity is more about remembering Sardar Patel, who has been the architect of India's

unity. Running with the spirit of unity in the heart is the awakening of a concept in itself. To guide the students in the program, the sports in charge of the university, Shri Narendra Singh Ji was also present.



Animation Day

The Animation Department of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya organised a program on the occasion of International Animation Day. Rangoli and artworks made by students of animation were also displayed on the board in front of Shri Ram Bhawan. In the program, a board game "Pancha Mahabhoota" prepared by the teachers and students of the Animation Department was unveiled. This game is based on the five elements of nature and hand gestures which have been prepared with a blend of science and spirituality. A short film produced by the teachers and girls of the Animation Department was also shown in the program. Respected Vice-Chancellor Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji and the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji was there as the chief guest of the program. Both the Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university appreciated the Animation Department for the successful conduct of the program and blessed them for a better future.



DEPARTMENT'S DIARY

Campaigns for 'WASTE MANAGEMENT in the university

Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya has started a campaign for waste management on the university campus. The theme of the campaign is based on 'Waste Segregation at Source'. This campaign is being run by Pragya Sharma, a research scholar in the Department of Environmental Science. She elucidated on the campaign and told how we can contribute to the field of environmental protection by putting biodegradable waste and non-biodegradable waste in separate dustbins. She explained that to save nature from being polluted, we should make small efforts at our level, which include a boycott of plastic items, buying in bulk, use of eco-friendly products etc.

The students and teachers of the university are enthusiastic about the campaign. They are giving their best to make the campaign a success.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Malaysia News

Prof. Abhay Saxena of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya's Department of Computer has been appointed as an Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Malaysia for two years. Prof. Saxena serves as the Dean at the School of Technology, Communication, and Management at DSVV. Dr Saxena will work at the Institute of Social Information and Technical Innovation Centre, he also adds that his main motive in entering this subject is to write a research paper as well as books on such new themes. Prof. Narayan, Director of ICTI, and Prof. Saxena will be guiding students in research-related areas. It should be recalled that Prof. Saxena, previously represented Dev Sanskriti University at U.N.I.M.A.S. Pro. Vice-Chancellor Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji complimented Saxena on his accomplishments. According to Dr Chinmaya Pandya, the research adds fresh perspectives and inventiveness to any subject. The exposure of numerous well-known facts, together with the clarity of the research question, provides fresh opportunities and inspiration to the general public and others. Both Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and the University of Malaysia have successfully signed the M.O.U. Prof. Saxena was also congratulated by all of the Computer Department's faculty.

MOU DSVV & Rishihood University:

An important contract was signed between Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and Rishihood University, Sonapat, Haryana. Under this agreement, the two institutions will mutually work together towards enhancing intellectual life and cultural development. Along with this, work will also be done in the field of increasing international cooperation between the two universities.



Main objectives of the contract:

- To cooperate in the exchange of information relating to activities of mutual interest in the field of teaching and research
 - To promote joint courses of study and suitable joint research projects with special emphasis on internationally funded projects
 - Trying to encourage students and faculty to spend time at the host university
 - Mutually organize future cultural projects and educational tours
- On this occasion, Sahil Aggarwal, CEO, Rishihood University mentioned that it has been the privilege of his university and him, that he continues to receive guidance from a personality like Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji. Sahil Aggarwal called Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji his inspiration for creating a high-quality educational environment rooted in spiritual philosophy. Meanwhile, the respected Vice-Chancellor said that there are many similarities between the objectives of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya and Rishihood University. Both the institutes are making an important contribution in the field of social welfare and development. This agreement will prove beneficial for both institutions.

The cyber security week

The month of October was celebrated as Cyber Security Month by the Department of Computer Science at Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. Under this various activities like quiz competitions, workshops, street plays, awareness rally etc. were organized. Through these activities, which lasted for the whole month, the students of the Computer Science Department made a very successful attempt to spread awareness about cyber security.

Under this, Cyber Security Awareness Rally was also organized on 24th October. The rally started from Chaitanya Bhawan of the university and then went around the entire campus. There were three street plays in this rally. The first street play took place in front of Shri Ram Bhawan, in which the fraud in online payment was made aware. In another play, an attempt was made to make people aware of the fraud being done through OTP. In the third and final play, people were made



aware of the pitfalls and frauds of advertising on the Internet. In this rally, attractive and informative posters created awareness among the students.

To conclude this month, a closing ceremony was organized on October 25 at Shri Ram Bhawan, Prarthana Auditorium. The Vice-Chancellor of the University, respected Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji attended the function. During this, prizes were also given by the Vice-Chancellor to the participants who got a special place in various activities. During his special address at this function, he said that being aware of cyber security is very important for every person nowadays. He further said that if there will be a third world war in the coming time, then it will happen only through the Internet. Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji asked everyone to have an understanding of cyber security. In the end, Dr Rajeshwari Trivedi, Head of the Department congratulated all the students and teachers for this successful event.



Aao Chalein Shantikunj



A session of "Aao Chale Shantikunj" was organised as part of the 50th Anniversary celebrations of Shantikunj. The major goal of this session is to make students aware of the daily routines, and activities of the Shantikunj, as well as to

understand the divinity of Yug Tirtha. On October 22, M.Sc. Yoga 3rd Semester, MCA 5th Semester, M.A. Music 3rd Semester, B.A. History 5th Semester, and B.A. Music 5th Semester students were taken on a tour to Shantikunj.

All of the students were arranged to stay at Shringi Bhawan. The students were assembled and given a full tour of Shantikunj's departments and their locations.

The next day began at 03:30 a.m. The final round of this fantastic trip

began with an energetic morning. The day began with Gayatri Mata Ji's aarti. In this sequence, the students meditated on Gurudev's recorded instructions before proceeding to the Yagyashala. After the yajna, everyone went to see the Samadhi Sthal (Gurudev and Mata Ji's mausoleum). Further, the Navyug Dal hosted a brunch for the students at Azad Bhawan. After finishing the breakfast, E.M.D. department documented all of the students' experiences of this session. And the holy tour came to its end.



Amit shah's visit:



In the Shantikunj Golden Jubilee Year Lecture Series, Honorable Shri Amit Shah, Minister of Home and Cooperation of India, was blessed in the divine courtyard of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. On this occasion, he delivered a speech about "The rise of divinity in man, the descent of heaven on earth." Hon. Shri Amit Shah Ji accompanied by the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami Ji and BJP State President Shri Madan Kaushik Ji. The program was organized in the Mrityunjaya auditorium of the university. The program was presided over by the Chancellor of the University, the most respected Dr Pranav Pandya. During this, respected Vice-Chancellor of the University, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, Respected Vice-Chancellor Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, Respected Registrar Shri Baldau Devangan Ji, and Shantikunj's administrator, Respected Shri Mahendra Sharma Ji were present on the stage.

The program started with the lighting of the lamp in front of the statue of Sarva Kalyani Maa Gayatri and Param Pujya Gurudev and Param Vandaniya Mata ji. The program began with university Kul-geet and respected pro-vice-chancellor's address to everyone present. During his address, he mentioned Gayatri Parivar as a symbol of divine consciousness on this earth. He further said, "I warmly welcome Shri Amit Shah Ji and all the dignitaries on behalf of crores of Gayatri family members to come to this holy land and for their special address on the great purpose of Shantikunj. In this sequence, the Chancellor of the University, Pranav Pandya, had a special address. During his special address, he said that by awakening the spiritual consciousness, we will pursue strengthening the cultural foundation of India.

In the next episode of the program, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttarakhand, Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami Ji came forward. He declared that the university is a strong institution that manufactures a culture-rich great man. He hopes to accompany Shantikunj in the vision of making Uttarakhand the spiritual and cultural capital of the world. Following up, the chief guest of the program Shri Amit Shah Ji delivered a speech on the topic "The rise of divinity in man, the descent of heaven on earth". During his special address, he suggests that crores of Gayatri Mantras are resonating continuously for decades on the holy land of Gayatri Kunj. As a result, we can feel the awakened spiritual consciousness and energy here. He further said that Gayatri Mantra is the pivotal path to awaken the 24 glands of our body. Veda Samvat recitation of Gayatri Mantra transforms our lives. Meanwhile, Amit Shah Ji also reiterated the Constitution of the New Age given by Param Pujya Gurudev. He recalled that students studying here are very fortunate that they got the opportunity to stay here. After the chief guest's address, special energy and inspiration were infused among all the students and teachers. After the speech, the program ended with Shanti Paath.



CELEBRATIONS

Bibek Debroy



Bibek Debroy (Head of the Economic Advisory Council of Honorable Prime Minister) arrived with his family in the divine campus of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. After arriving at the university, he first met the Honorable Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University, Dr Chinmay

Pandya who apprised him of the activities of the university and discussed the philosophy and thoughts of Param Pujya Gurudev Pandit Shri Ram Sharma Acharya Ji. After this courtesy visit, the guest also visited the wonderful and divine university campus. At the pious Pragyeshwar Mahakal, they offered worship. Later, he visited the Mrityunjay auditorium along with observing the 3D model of the university.

Bibek Debroy has been a member of NITI Aayog, the think tank of the Government of India. He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2015. He has authored about

110 books in the field of economics, politics and Indology. At the same time, he has also translated many of our great Indian epics and Vedic texts like Mahabharata, Bhagavad Gita, Vedas and Valmiki's Ramayana, Bhagavata Purana (in three volumes), Markandeya Purana (one volume), etc into English. He is the third person ever to achieve this feat, by translating an abridged version of the great Indian epic Mahabharata into English. Greatly influenced by Gurudev's thoughts, he said that it is a matter of good fortune for him to come to the university.



NSS day

National Service Planning Day was celebrated with great gaiety by the Department of National Service Planning, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. There are about 40 lakh students and volunteers in this scheme, which started in 1969. This is an important scheme run by the Government of India for the service and goodwill of the nation, which is operated by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. Various online programs are being organized on this occasion in Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. According to the program coordinator Dr Umakant Indolia, programs like

poster, quiz, and self-written poetry are being organized in this program. This program will run for the next three days. Various participants will be honoured at the university level in this event. Students are actively participating in this program. Through the workshop, the Vice-Chancellor, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji said that the National Service Scheme is the service of the nation. It should start with a change in you first. Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji said that the National Service Planning Department of the University is touching heights day by day. Even during the COVID pandemic, volunteers

did service work with great enthusiasm. All the teachers, heads of departments, and coordinators of the university were present in this program. Program Officer Dr Ipsit Pratap Singh, Mr Prakhar Singh Pal, Kaveri Bali, Mrs Geetanjali played their important roles in the programmes. All the students registered their presence through online and offline modes and took part in creative activities. In the concluding program, the program officer expressed his gratitude to all and wished the department good luck. The stage was conducted by Dr Gopal Sharma.



Flag Inauguration

“I am fortunate that on such a holy and divine land, I got the opportunity to hoist the national flag, the pride of the country: Governor of Uttarakhand”

In the series of Shantikunj Golden Jubilee Year discourse, the Governor of Uttarakhand, Lieutenant General (Retd) Shri Gurmeet Singh Ji was blessed in the divine courtyard of Shantikunj and Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. At first, after reaching Shantikunj, he inaugurated and worshipped the 120 feet high national flag. Seeing the 120 feet high flag waving on the holy land of Shantikunj, a wave of extraordinary energy and patriotism ran within everyone. After departing from Shantikunj, the convoy of Hon'ble Governor proceeded towards Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. On reaching the university, he first offered prayers in the Divya Pragyeshwar Mahakal courtyard and paid homage to the brave martyrs by offering flowers on the "Wall of Heroes".

Afterwards, a program was organized in the Mrutyunjaya Auditorium of the University on this occasion. The program was presided over by the Chancellor of the University, Reverend Dr Pranav Pandya Ji. The program started with the national anthem and lighting of the lamp. After everyone had recited the Kulgeet

together. In the sequel of the program, Dr Chinmay Pandya, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university, mentioned during his speech that the tricolour of India is not just a flag, it is a complete message in itself. Our mind fills with pride, reverence, respect when we remember the brave martyrs and jawans of our country. He further said that we should always be ready to fulfil the duties and resolutions towards our nation so that we can repay the debt of the brave martyrs. In the same series, the Chancellor of the University, Dr Pranav Pandya Ji, while welcoming the Hon'ble Governor, said that it is a very

proud moment that a brave soldier of India has hoisted the tricolour flag on the holy land of Shantikunj. He also said that it is my prayer to Gurudev and Mata Ji, that every drop of our blood should fall for the nation only. Further in the program, the Governor gave a speech filled with the spirit of patriotism.

During his speech, he said, "It is my privilege that on such a holy and divine earth, I have got the opportunity to hoist the national flag, the pride of the country." The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, and Registrar Shri Baldau Devangan Ji were also present in the program.



The arrival of Hon'ble Mr Julius Pranevicius, Ambassador of Lithuania to the University



The Ambassador of Lithuania to India, Hon'ble Mr Julius Pranevicius arrived at Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. He met the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university, respected Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, and discussed plans to further deepen the mutual relations between India and Lithuania. The meeting was conducted through Asia's first Centre For

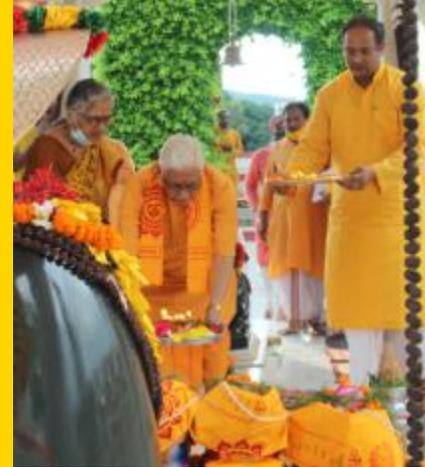
Baltic Culture & Studies in the university. It was inaugurated on 7 August 2016 to study the cultural and linguistic similarities of India and the Baltic countries and strengthen mutual relations.

After the meeting, both the dignitaries left for Raj Bhawan in Dehradun and met the Governor of Uttarakhand State, Hon'ble Shri Gurmeet Singh. Mr Pranevicius and Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji made Hon'ble Governor acquainted with the history and similarities of India and Lithuania. The three stalwarts also discussed the challenges in tourism due to the Covid-19 epidemic and for bilateral development in the future. Hon'ble Governor thanked Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji for connecting Raj Bhawan with Baltic Center, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya. This meeting will promise in strengthening ties between India and the Baltic countries.



Ganesh Chaturthi

When Bappa arrives, the spirit of celebration is revived. Ganesh Chaturthi festival was celebrated collectively, at the Pragyeshwar Mahakal campus of the university. Students brought idols of Lord Shri Ganesha inside the temple premises. Later, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, respected Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, arrived at the divine premises to worship them duly.



In this sequence, melodious Pragma geet and bhajans of Lord Ganesha were presented by the team of the Indian Classical Music Department of the University turning the whole atmosphere devotional with melodious music. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor Resp. Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, Registrar, Mr Baldau Devangan Ji arrived for the celebration. After this, all of them together worshipped Lord Shri Gajanan for prosperity and success for all. The professors and the students followed the Covid-19 protocols while celebrating.

The Ganeshotsava was duly celebrated by the students in their respective hostels for nine days. On the Visarjan day, Lord Ganpati was immersed collectively.

Diwali Celebration

Diwali ignites the ray of hope in our lives. The festival of lights was celebrated on the campus with two major events, the continuous reading of Ramcharitmanas followed by the Deep Yagya organised by the students' club of Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya.

Beautiful Lord Rama's rangolis were made by the volunteers. Students took turns reading the holy text, Ramcharitmanas, with devotion for twenty-four hours. Different musical instruments were skillfully played by the students. At the closing ceremony, respected Registrar and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University, Mr Baldau Dewangan and Dr Chinmay Pandya reached to offer words of wisdom and wished students for the event to turn into success.

In the evening, deep Yagya was organised, which reduced the chances of missing home for those who stayed in the university. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Dr Chinmay Pandya Ji, reached among students to encourage their spirit with his words and presence.



Kavi Sammelan (Student's Clubs)

A Kavi Sammelan was organised by the Jigyasa Club. The event was held in the University's Prayer Hall. Carried out by eighteen participants, the kavi sammelan did not work upon a certain rasa. As a result, all of the poets performed their poetry freely on the lines of Indian culture. The stage was managed by Shivalika Verma and Gautam Angira.

The principal guests in this programme were the esteemed Vice-Chancellor of the University, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, and Registrar, Hon'ble Shri Baldau Devangan Ji.

Also, Dr Shiv Narayan Prasad, Dr Piyush Trivedi, and Dr Mona Ji were present as special guests. After the Sammelan, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Shri Sharad Pardhi Ji, while everyone applauded, stated that such events are beneficial in developing students' talent. Moreover, during his speech, the Registrar of the University stated that poems are a magnificent vehicle of communication. He congratulated Jigyasa Club on hosting this event successfully. The entire initiative was overseen by Dr Ritudhwaj Singh Ji. He complimented Jigyasa Club students on the excellent organisation of the programme, and thanked all of the chief guests and special guests for their involvement.



Dr. Sanjiv Chopra

01

1. Why is upsc the most respected institution in our country?

Because across the globe the impartiality, precision and timeliness of UPSC have always been accepted. It's an exam conducted by an impartial authority, that's something which is – very important because it's a test of your competence, it's a test of your commitment, it's a test of your ability to work long and hard hours of work.

02

2. What does an administration actually mean?

It's all about incremental changes and about bringing these changes incrementally and consciously. Because it is necessary to know what we are, and what we are trying to be. It's not about becoming a mass leader, it's all about becoming a professional governance expert.

That means when you take this exam you are not a revolutionary, you are not a person who's going to rebel rather you become different from others who are in different professions.

03

3. What was the need of conducting a UPSC exam in our country?

We felt that those who were in the public sphere felt that a country should be able to produce its own civil servants who would have a complete commitment to their country.

For this, we have to conduct an exam to give an opportunity to the ones who have the ability to be a part of the Indian civil services and desire to serve a nation.

04

4. What creed/principle did the civil servants have?

The creed/principle is that we will bring about changes within the ambit of the Indian constitution which is the defining force for us, the fountainhead of our existence for us. Because it is through article 311 that all of us get the strength, all of us get the position and all of us get the responsibility to serve the country without fear or favour across political parties across states and across time.

05

5. When and how did we get the right to conduct examinations in our country?

By 1992, simultaneous examinations were recorded, after the 1935 government of India act it was clear that India was going to be running itself both through the government of India and through the provinces. Before India's independence, the secretary of state wanted to abolish the ICS but Sardar Patel stepped it and insisted that the covenant of the ICS should be shifted from the secretary of the state to governor-general and then the president of India, so in 1947 we had the first exam for the IAS and from then on we have a continuous tradition of having an exam for the civil services.

06

6. How is today's exam different than it was at that time?

Previously it was only conducted in English but now you can take this exam in any language. As not only that aspirations have grown, we have a diverse range of people to appear for the ICS. Also, the application fees were 100 rupees but at that time it was a big amount so, now the decision was taken that the fees of the ICS exam are reduced from rupees 100 to rupees 25.

07

7. What were the views of prominent leaders regarding UPSC?

Mahatma Gandhi did not believe in the civil service; he believed that villagers should be impartial and that it should be grassroots democracy.

Dr. Ambedkar on the other hand was totally opposed to panchayats because he felt that the state has to be effective and the state has to be strong, that the Dalits, the minorities and all those who are not part of the political mainstream can also be represented.

Mr. Nehru felt that the bureaucracy in the country should be committed to the political executive.

Sardar Patel, on the other hand, had different views from all others; he felt that the system will be able to run well only if you have an impartial bureaucracy that will be able to resist the day-to-day wishes.

08

8. What helps one to succeed in this examination? What are three different pods which tell ideals, objectives and duties that the civil servant has to balance?

Working hard with intelligence is what helps one to succeed in this examination. One is, fundamental rights, the second is fundamental duties and the third is, directive principles of state policy.

09

9. What are the advantages of being a civil servant?

You will get to work at all levels.

Like at the level of Zila panchayat, you will get to work at the level of state government or the government of India and you could also be posted abroad in certain assignments.

It's good for your personal and professional growth and it's good for the growth of the nation.

10

10. How the civil servant of India is different from the other countries?

Civil servants of India could work for two or three state governments, will work for the union government, will conduct elections throughout the country, and will be covering the entire length and breadth of the country.

11

11. What are the different things that a UPSC aspirant needs to understand?

- (1) It is not the examination of your competence in a particular field, it is an exam of your ability to relate concepts to practice.
- (2) We spent a lot of time preparing for the exam but we do not write what we have learned in this examination, so prepare your own notes because it gives you the inner strength to take this exam.
- (3) Read extensively both the general studies, most of the newspapers that you can scan.



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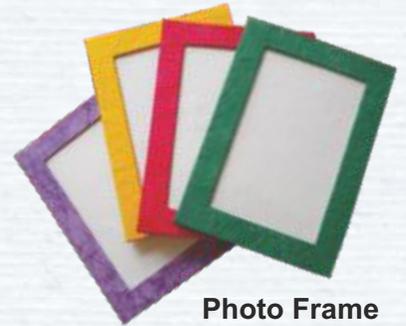


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