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Y20 IMPRESSIONS



I'm really excited to be here and talk about ecological restoration and its effect to climate change, as also how can we help with it.

Dr. Robert Pal,
MONTANA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, USA

This summit actually helped me to innovate and to learn about new opportunities and also to interact with a lot of people coming from different parts of the world.

Dr. Siddharth Khare,
IIT, ROORKEE.



It was an amazing experience to know how people think from different perspectives on looking at climate change and disaster management and sustainability as a way of life. It was very interesting to see how young students of the university and coming from different parts of the globe and our country interacted with all the panelists and asked very intriguing, interesting questions.

Sharmishta Banerjee,
IIT GUWAHATI

I have talked here about water management, agricultural water management and how to improve the water use efficiency. All these issues are important, especially in the context of climate change and sustainability of life. And as youth we should be taking these challenges on how to solve these problems.

Vamsi Krishna,
NIT WARANGAL



I have the pleasure to be here at the Y20 Summit and my first impression is that it is an amazing place with wonderful gardens, amazing food and great hospitality.

Julia Osterman,
GOTHENBURG UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN

"It is important that the voice of youth should be heard in such global decisions because it impacts the youth stakeholders the most. India's Presidency has not confined these discussions to the elite class, it is a people's Presidency where Y20 is a leading partner."

Akash Jha,
SECRETARY PROGRAMS & LOGISTICS, Y20 INDIA



"The new capital is not going to be the economic capital alone; it is going to be the social capital and the capital of ideas. And Youth20 is one such platform for youth to share their ideas and contribute to policymaking on the important themes chosen for Y20 Consultation".

Guru Prakash Paswan,
SENIOR FACULTY PATNA UNIVERSITY



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EDITORIAL

It gives us immense pleasure to bring out the second edition of the University Newsletter Panorama 2.0 that saw a rebirth earlier this year after a gap of more than one decade. The present edition covers events from January to June 2023, and our primary aim is to offer a concise picture of the main achievements of the University during this period.

Several important events took place in the first six months of the current year. The most important of these was the Youth 20 (Y-20) Group's Consultation held from 10th-11th May, 2023 in which delegates from many G-20 countries participated to discuss a very crucial issue of climate change under the title 'Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: Making Sustainability a Way of Life', one of the five Y-20 themes. Four plenary sessions involving thorough discussions were held in the Convocation Complex of the University. That the University of Kashmir was chosen to host an event of such importance underscores its reputation as a premier educational institution of the country. We are hopeful that the outcome of these deliberations will translate into a vision followed by concrete steps to address the challenge of climate change.

Another quite remarkable achievement of the University during this period is the 2023 NIRF ranking. Placed at No. 33 which is 20 slots above the last year's ranking is indeed no ordinary feat. This success is attributable to the dedication and passion of all the individuals working in the University system. Moreover, the latest ranking comes within a year of Professor Nilofer Khan taking over as the Vice Chancellor of the University, a testament to her ability to lead us to even bigger achievements in the future.

On March 20, 2023, the University Council, the apex body of the institution, held its 82nd meeting in which several important decisions for the progression of the University were taken. One of these was the introduction of some new UG-PG integrated courses—a step which demonstrates our readiness to adapt to change and brace for the challenges of the future. Yet another notable recent achievement is the GATI Achiever Award won by the University. Gender Advancement in Transforming Institutions (GATI) Award is given by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India for 'gender equity and promotion of women in all spheres of sciences'. The University, in the recent years, has been successful in creating a gender-sensitive environment on the campus and the award shows the recognition of the same.

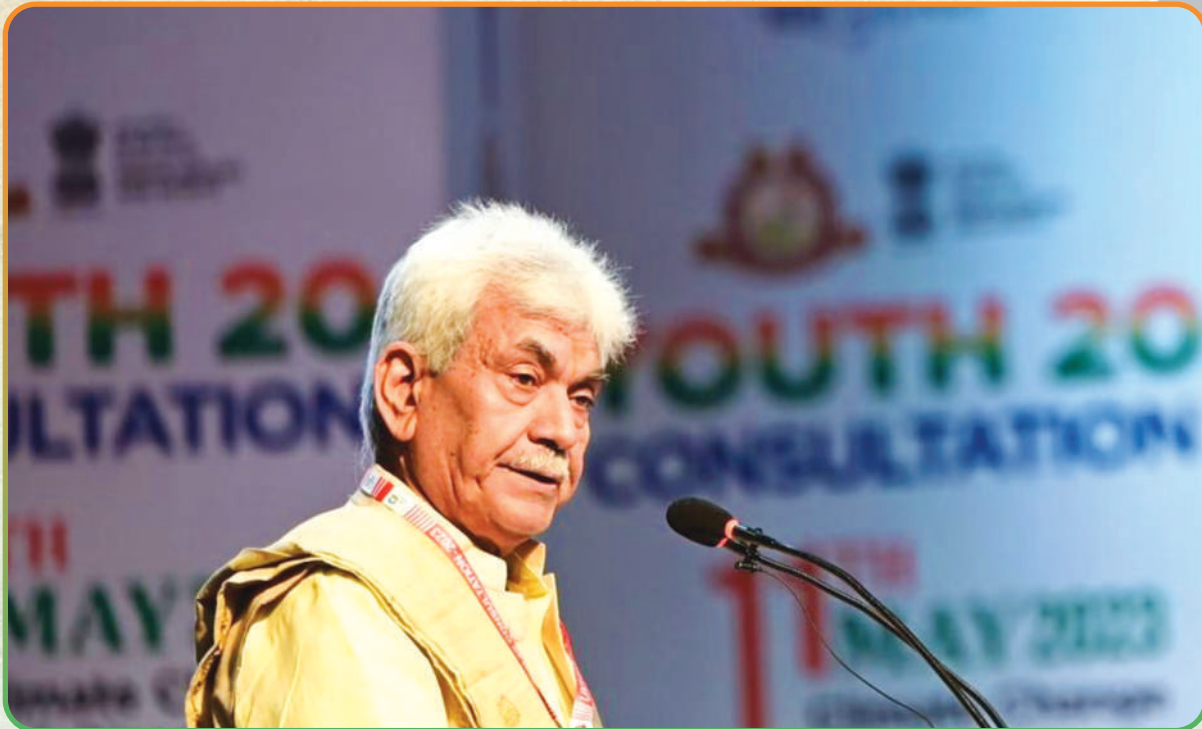
Apart from these achievements, the University has continued to grow in the areas of teaching and research. Maintaining high standards in research is a challenge that requires sustained efforts from the faculty and research scholars, and we are proud to say that we continue to make our mark in this area too.

Students have remained the focus of several programmes. We are trying hard to increase student satisfaction and doing our best so that they have best prospects when they pass out into their careers. Seminars, debates, workshops and extension lectures held regularly aim to nurture inquisitive minds to have new ideas and perspectives.

Many more exciting events and programmes are scheduled for the next half of 2023. As we gear up ourselves for the NAAC re-accreditation due in 2024, we will commit ourselves to significant new ventures to lift the performance of the University over the course of next few months.

It is our conviction that a critical but well-meaning feedback helps institutions to identify their deficiencies and build further on their strengths. We, therefore, welcome feedback from all stakeholders of the University which can help us in our institutional growth and also improve the quality of Panorama 2.0. This, among other things, will enable us to be more rigorous in our internal review process, a prerequisite for all types of excellence.

Y20@KU: Engaging Youth for Better Tomorrow



It was a milestone truly achieved. The Youth20 Consultation meeting held at the University of Kashmir on May 11, 2023 under India's G20 Presidency offered a rare occasion for young students from across Jammu and Kashmir to share their ideas and perspectives on climate change and sustainability, and, alongside, learn from the vast expertise of invited speakers and delegates from different parts of the country and abroad. It was a moment of great celebration too.

The international event was held with great acuity to address one of the foremost global problems today: the climate change and its impact on people's day-to-day lives. A striking feature of the mega event was the holistic engagement of young students, who had been invited from various institutions across the UT of J&K, in the technical deliberations to listen to their ideas and opinions. In the process, the event provided a great opportunity to utilise 'youth power' to find innovative solutions to a host of new challenges that precipitate the climate change on the ground.

What offered a clear glimpse of how the youth of J&K feel about the theme of the Y20 Consultation—Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: Making Sustainability A Way of Life—was the kind of insightful questions that they raised during the four panel discussions held to discuss some of the pressing challenges vis-à-vis climate change. These questions reflected greatly on the ability of young students to bring about a positive change by entering into wide-ranging discussions on critical issues like climate change and join the global fight against climate crisis with equal passion as that of their counterparts elsewhere in the world.



Y-20 delegates arrive at the KU's Convocation Complex





Young students also celebrated the occasion as a moment of deep awakening of the society's consciousness to share its responsibility of protecting the climate and promoting sustainable development, two of the pressing challenges that the world is facing today.



The engagement of young students in the Y20 summit therefore encouraged them to voice their concerns and create a truly sustainable society. As the Honourable Lieutenant Governor of J&K—the Honourable Chancellor of the University, Shri Manoj Sinha—who joined the inaugural session as chief guest, remarked: “Youth will lead the world in offering pragmatic solutions to climate and global challenges of the 21st century. I believe the young generation will synergise innovative ideas and actions to preserve natural resources and also become stakeholders in policymaking for sustainable development.”

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Vice Chancellor interacting with the Y-20 delegates at the Gala dinner.





painting competition. And just in the vicinity of the main venue for Y20, a sustainability exhibition, which was inaugurated by the Honourable Chancellor, showcased innovations and traditional livelihood practices in Jammu and Kashmir, drawing attendance of students in thousands.

The Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Prof Nilofer Khan, who led the Y20 preparedness from the front, rightly described the Y20 summit as a historical event offering a great occasion for “our immensely talented and bright youth to join the strong, inclusive and action-oriented agenda of the country’s leadership and address one of the highly critical issues of our time—THE CLIMATE CHANGE”.

“We chose this theme for a host of reasons, primarily the fact that if anyone has more at stake in this fight against climate crisis, it is the youth of the country. And if anyone can strongly help address this crisis, it is the youth who hold the key to a bright and prosperous future,” the VC said in her opening remarks, highlighting the immense importance of youth engagement in the global fight against climate crisis.

The event was graced by valuable presence of eminent delegates from different parts of the country and abroad, including Indonesia, Mexico, Turkey, Russia, Japan, Republic of Korea, United States, Brazil and Nigeria, besides 108 students from University of Kashmir, 34 students from schools around J&K, 57 students from colleges around Srinagar, 11 students from colleges and universities of Jammu, 33 DoYA delegates, 25 Y-20 Secretariat delegates and 25 student activists during the inaugural and plenary sessions.

The inaugural session was graced by the presence of Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Hon’ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K; Shri Pankaj Kumar Singh, Director, Department of Youth Affairs, Government of India; Prof Manzoor A. Shah, Y20 Chair, University of Kashmir and Sh. Guru Prakash Paswan, Senior Faculty, Patna University.

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Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity and Human Welfare

Moderator: Professor Shakil A. Romshoo, Vice-Chancellor, IUST

Rapporteur: Dr Anzar A. Khuroo, Department of Botany, University of Kashmir

Prof Romshoo introduced the theme of the session and the distinguished panel of experts. He gave a brief outlook of the global climate change and how it is impacting every sector, including biodiversity and human wellbeing at large. He highlighted the recent signing of Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and its linkage with the UN Sustainable Development Goals. He emphasized that the national goals and targets by the G20 countries must be aligned with these global frameworks. He also underlined that, at regional level, the Himalayan region is experiencing the brunt of climate change, therefore the need for discussing these issues of ecological and socioeconomic importance must be at the forefront of public discourse.

Dr Robert Pal from Montana Technological University, USA highlighted that the climate change is impacting biodiversity in multiple ways. He highlighted the threat of invasive species on native biodiversity which has huge economic costs. He underlined that with 2021-2030 declared by UN as “Decade for Ecosystem Restoration”, there is need for devising ecological restoration strategies based on the multiple species, rather than monoculture plantations.

Dr Ruchhit, from National Institute of Oceanography, India, talked about the increasing incidence of extreme rainfall events seen in Indian Monsoon. These changing patterns of Monsoons, now more often restricted to few days of intense rainfall, rather than the traditional months long spread of rainfall, has been cause of natural disasters (e.g., 2005 Mumbai floods, Uttarakhand cloudburst tragedy). These changes recorded during last two decades in Indian Monsoon system has grave socio-economic implications, particularly the agriculture sector of Indian economy. He called for awareness among the farmers, particularly reorienting the sowing season as per changing climatic patterns.

Dr Wazida Rahman from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, India talked about the concept of environmental justice, which is akin to climate justice pitched by India vociferously during recent negotiations at multilateral forums. She emphasized on the need for putting in place a mechanism of distributed risks from climate change, and in this regard, it is responsibility of the developing countries to transfer technology to the developing Global South for mitigating and adapting to the impacts of climate change. She also mentioned the recent amendments currently under consideration in the National Biodiversity Act, 2002, in India, and which has long-term policy implications for sustainable management of biological resources in the country.

Dr Remya, from Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Kerala, India talked the issue of glacier melting in the Himalaya. She informed the audience that the Himalayan Cryosphere is highly sensitive to global warming, and its increasing speed of snow melting has resulted into drastic decline of agricultural production in the hilly and downstream plain areas.

Shri Ghulam Mustafa Ali, a student activist, from Jammu and Kashmir, India cautioned about the likely impacts of climate change and biodiversity loss on the tourism section in the region. He called for efforts to be made towards a sustainable and responsible tourism by taking into consideration the carrying capacity of the tourism destinations. He suggested that the local culture and religious teachings can be influential in creating public awareness on these issues of human survival.



Disaster Risk Reduction

Moderator: Prof. M. Sultan Bhat, University of Kashmir
Rapporteur: Dr. Akhtar Alam, Department of Geography, KU

Dr. Akhilesh Surjan discussed how underlying factors of risk cause a colossal loss of life, property, and livelihoods each year across the globe. He was of the opinion that unprecedented growth of population, urban expansion and the developmental projects that took place in the last few decades pose new challenges to humankind including climate crisis, increased intensity and frequency of natural hazards, urban poverty and creation of multidimensional disaster risks. Dr. Akhilesh also highlighted the importance of everyone's involvement especially youth and local community in DRR efforts. He further said awareness among the masses and investment in DRR is producing positive results which can be seen in declining disaster mortality rates around the globe.

Dr. Ajanta Goswami while providing an overview of disaster mitigation process emphasized on need for data standardization and reliable approaches of assessment. Moreover, he stressed upon the institutional collaboration and value of traditional and indigenous knowledge for mitigating disaster impacts. He further said that in addition to the contribution towards the global programmes, India has its own DRR targets under Prime Minister's 10 point Agenda covering all the dimensions of disaster risk in the country.

Dr. Ashim Sattar provided an explanation on the components and terminology in disaster risk management such as hazards, exposures, and vulnerabilities. Citing the recent disaster events of J&K as example, he emphasized that disaster risk should be addressed at the source. He was of the opinion that disasters are not natural; it is human decisions, interactions of hazards with vulnerable systems and inability to create sustainable solutions that turns natural processes into disasters.

Dr. Sandip Singh focused on the role of anthropogenic factors in increasing disaster risks. He particularly talked about the clash between the development projects and disaster risk mitigation. He said that human activities are exploiting nature beyond limits which is resulting in accumulation of new risks and complex challenges. In addition to need for nature based solutions, he emphasized on the importance of bottom-up approach, awareness, education and training in the DRR process. Moreover, he said that involving communities and invoking the DRR culture at the grassroots level is imperative for DRR.

Ms Farhana Bhat said that India takes a lead as a frontliner in helping global disaster sufferers. The support to disaster hit countries corroborates country's commitment towards global community in the disaster risk reduction mission. With scientific advancements, research innovation and technology backed resources available in the country; India has been able to reduce disaster losses to minimum in the recent years. She also emphasized the need for risk assessment and preparedness in mitigating disaster impacts.



Green Energy Innovation and Opportunities

Moderator: Prof. Seemin Rubab, NIT, Srinagar

Rapporteur: Dr. Mohammad Muslim, University of Kashmir

Prof. Seemin Rubab formally introduced the panellists. She emphasised on how global shift towards green energy has gained significant momentum in recent years, driven by the urgent need to address climate change and reduce reliance on fossil fuels. She explained how green energy sector is experiencing a wave of innovation and presents numerous opportunities for investment, technological advancements, and sustainable development.

Dr. Akhliesh Surjan started with the UN General Assembly commitment for marshalling collective action to tackle the global environmental crisis. He quoted IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) saying that there will be more severe and frequent extreme weather events in the near future like floods, droughts, wildfires and hurricanes. He said that world is heading for a rise in excess of 3°C this century, a global average covering extreme variations across regions and seasons. He emphasised increases of above 1.5°C may pose serious risks to health. While quoting various published studies he said that in the past 20 years, heat-related mortality among people older than 65 years has increased by more than 50%. He emphasised governments, organizations, and societies to recognize and support the potential of youth in combating climate change. By investing in their education, amplifying their voices, and involving them in decision-making processes, which can harness their power to create a more sustainable and resilient future.

Dr Siddhartha Khare focused on broadening the spectrum beyond green energy to sustainable business models and how start-ups can be used to find solutions. He presented how green energy and sustainable business models are closely related and can reinforce each other. He highlighted the benefits of incorporating green energy into sustainable business models. He presented a detailed perspective of renewable energy sources on how a sustainable businesses can reduce their carbon footprint by using renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, geothermal, and hydropower.

Ms Prasiddhi Singh talked about how nature can inspire us to find the solution. She explained how intricate systems and processes found in the natural world can offer valuable insights and ideas that can help us find solutions to various challenges we face. She talked about biomimicry, resilience and adaptability, efficiency and optimization, ecosystem thinking, regeneration and Sustainability: She also stressed on transition to green jobs as a crucial aspect of addressing environmental challenges and achieving a sustainable future.

Dr Ripudaman Singh summed up how green energy and sustainability are inherently linked and interconnected. He explained how green energy plays a vital role in advancing sustainability objectives. He concluded his talk with emphasis on paradigm shift from green revolution to an evergreen revolution that reflects a shift in agricultural practices and philosophies towards more sustainable, regenerative, and holistic approaches.

Shri Vikas Panday talked about opportunities in green investment. He explained how green investment offers numerous opportunities for individuals and businesses alike. He explained the growing demand for sustainable investments that has led to the emergence of green finance and sustainable investment products, circular economy focus on reducing waste, promoting recycling and reuse, and designing products and systems for long-term sustainability and opportunities include investments in clean technology start-ups, green innovation incubators, research and development in sustainable solutions, and advancements in environmental monitoring and assessment technologies.



Challenges and Prospects

Moderator: Dr. G Balachander

Rapporteur: Dr. Rayees Malik, Department of Botany, KU

Dr G Balachander said that availability of freshwater is just 2-3% and the use varies across agriculture, industries and household. He stressed that with increasing human population, there is a need to have smart ways for water utilisation. There has been significant reduction in drinking water with climate change. “Shortage of water can lead to ecosystem degradation,” he added.

Dr Julia Osterman said “Water is essential for food production. Because of climate change induced droughts, there can be impacts of water scarcity on food security. Research, documentation of indigenous knowledge can be a solution to solve water problems.”

Dr Vamsi Krishna focused on the solutions to improve water use efficiency.

Dr Sunil Gurrapu discussed how climate change causes extreme hydrological extremes like floods and droughts. Further, he said, “Effective management of our water resources requires knowledge about this variability of water.”

Dr Shruti Singh termed glaciers as important as approximately 75% of freshwater lies in glaciers and polar ice caps. He added, “Glaciers are savours from climate change because of albedo effect. Glaciers are melting at a rapid pace in Himalaya.”

Shri Khalid Jehangir said “Kashmir has wealth of water resources but we don’t have efficient management in place. We need to be responsible towards our future generations and use water judiciously and in a sustainable manner. Better management of our water resources and public awareness are very much the need of hour to save our water resources.”





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LETTER OF APPRECIATION

On behalf of Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, I wish to formally place on record our deep appreciation of your unstinted efforts in ensuring for the successful conduct of the Youth-Consultation held at Kashmir University, Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir on 11th May,2023.

(Meeta Rajivlochan)



LG Chairs 82nd University Council meeting at Raj Bhawan



On March 20, 2023 Lieutenant Governor UT of J&K Shri Manoj Sinha chaired the 82nd Council Meeting of the University of Kashmir, at Raj Bhawan Srinagar.

During the meeting the LG, who is also the Chancellor of KU, said that many industries were coming up in J&K and there was a need to put special focus on skill development and capacity building.

He said that the University of Kashmir (KU) should build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation and startups and the government would provide all the required assistance.

Highlighting the vision of the National Education Policy-2020 in transforming and uplifting the education sector across the country, he said, “NEP-2020 provides a roadmap to establish India as a knowledge economy. It should be implemented in letter and spirit and it is essential that through this transformation, our higher education institutions contribute to create prosperous society.”

The LG impressed on time-bound completion of various academic and research programmes and award of degrees to the students.

He called for enhanced research activities on local problems and issues by the university.

“Enhanced research activities will provide solutions to local problems and it will create comprehensive knowledge wealth that will be the key factor in all-round development,” the LG said.

The KU Council approved the proposal related to the introduction of several new courses at the main and satellite campuses of the varsity to cater to the growing needs of the students and requirements of the industry.

These new courses include BBA-LLB and Medical Lab Technology programs at KU’s South Campus, Anantnag; Integrated BSc-MSc Botany at North Campus, Baramulla, Integrated UG-PG programme in Arabic at Kupwara Campus, M.Ed program at North Campus and MA programme in Public Administration at Main Campus

The KU Council resolved to run all courses strictly as per the guidelines and rules of the relevant statutory and regulatory bodies like UGC, AICTE, and MCI.

Besides the 82nd University Council also approved the recommendations of various selection committees interms of Career Advancement Scheme regulations notified by the University Grants Commission (UGC) for promotion of 23 Senior Assistant Professors as Associate professors (stage III to stage IV) and 17 Associate Professors as Professors (Stage IV to Stage V).

The council also approved establishment of Teacher Education & Research Centre (TERC) under National Education Policy 2020 as per the funds received under CAPEX from the UT Government.

It also held detailed deliberations on several academic, administrative, and research-related matters aimed to bring further qualitative improvement in the higher education sector of J&K.

Earlier, KU Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan gave a presentation on KU’s growth and progression in areas of academics, research, extension education, and extracurricular activities.

Prof Nilofer Khan informed the council members about the various initiatives and achievements of the University, highlighting various administrative, academic, financial, and examination related reforms made by the University.

She also highlighted the technological and research breakthroughs made by the University. She focused on the future roadmap for upgradation of various programmes and infrastructural facilities in order to create an intellectually stimulating environment and promote excellence in teaching and research.

The Vice Chancellor apprised the chair about new programs introduced, achievements made by KU in key sectors like innovations and incubations, linkages with universities around the world, recent research collaborations, important MOUs signed by KU with various local and national institutions of importance.

Advisor to LG Shri Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Principal Secretary to LG Shri Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, Alok Kumar, Registrar University of Kashmir Dr Nissar A Mir, other members of the Council and some senior officers of the University administration attended the meeting in person and through virtual mode.





KU ranks 33rd in all-India ranking of universities under NIRF-2023

The University of Kashmir has been ranked 33rd among universities in the country assessed under the National Institutional Ranking Framework-2023, the results of which were announced by the Union Education Ministry in New Delhi.

From 53rd rank in the 2022 NIRF ranking among universities, the University of Kashmir has gone up by 20 slots in the current year's ranking, figuring at rank 33 with a point score of 53.08 as against the point score of 48.27 in the previous year.

The KU's rank among overall institutions assessed under NIRF—including universities, colleges, engineering, technology and management institutions, research and pharmacy institutions etc—in this year's NIRF is 58 (at point score of 50.77) as against the previous year's overall rank of 84 (at point score of 45.98).

Notably, KU is the only university from the Jammu and Kashmir UT figuring in the overall category of 100 top institutions (all institutions assessed) under NIRF.

Compared to the figures of the last NIRF assessment, the University of Kashmir has performed much better in key parameters under Research and Professional Practices (RP), scoring 26.94 points as against 21.23 in the year 2022 rankings. This includes publications from Web of Sciences and Scopus, two of the most popular bibliographic databases, completely evaluated by third-party under NIRF. In the parameters under Teaching, Learning and Resources (TLR), the University has again fared better, securing 70.64 in total as against last year's score of 60.58. The University's score in the FQE (Faculty with Ph.D and experience) sub-component has also gone up from last year's 14.80 to 18.09 this year. The TLR also includes the parameter of online education (OE) imparted through platforms like SWAYAM.

The National Institutional Ranking Framework



(NIRF) was approved by the Ministry of Education (formerly MHRD) and launched on 29th September 2015.

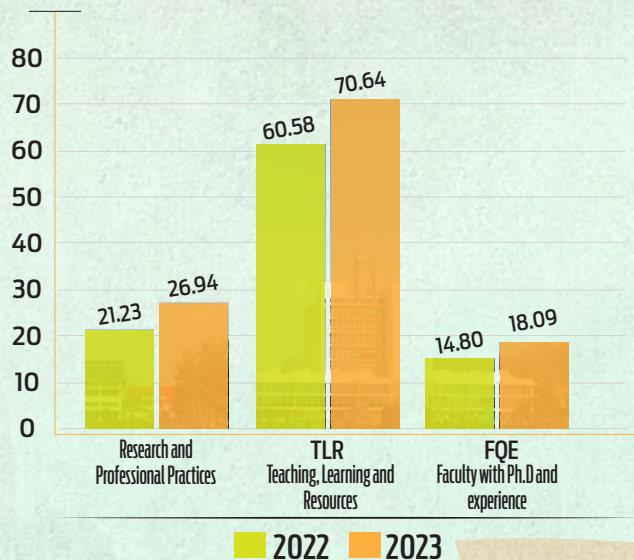
This framework outlines a methodology to rank institutions across the country. The methodology draws from the overall recommendations and understanding arrived at by a Core Committee to identify the broad parameters for ranking various universities and institutions. The parameters broadly cover "Teaching, Learning and Resources," "Research and Professional Practices," "Graduation Outcomes," "Outreach and Inclusivity," and "Perception".

Calling it a great achievement, Vice-Chancellor KU Prof Nilofer Khan congratulated the University's faculty, non-teaching staff, research scholars and students for their relentless efforts to pursue the goal of achieving academic excellence with great determination and commitment.

She thanked the Honourable Chancellor, Shri Manoj Sinha, for his continued support, guidance and dynamic leadership in the University's march to achieve more such milestones.

The VC also lauded team DIQA for their relentless efforts and hard-work in professionally pursuing the process of University rankings.

Registrar KU Dr Nisar A Mir also complimented all stakeholders for the great achievement.





Gearing up for NAAC re-accreditation 2024

With the University of Kashmir due for NAAC re-accreditation next year, the Vice-Chancellor KU Prof Nilofer Khan chaired several rounds of the varsity’s NAAC Steering Committee meeting and directed for addressing all “areas of concern” well in advance to fare better in the qualitative and quantitative metrics of assessment.

Reviewing the progress made so far on plugging “grey areas” identified previously, Prof Nilofer Khan said “Since we are due for NAAC assessment around May 2024, we will have to utilise the available window of time to attend to areas where we can fare better in comparison to the last assessment, and see how best to address parameters bracketed as grey areas.”

“With active cooperation and involvement of all stakeholders, I am confident that we will be able to move ahead with sustained focus and determination,” she added.

Directing the members mandated to look after the respective NAAC assessment parameters assigned to them, the VC instructed that the University’s Self Study Report (SSR) for the next NAAC re-accreditation should be ready by December 2023 without fail.

She said the business related to SSR preparation must start right away with respect to each parameter including Teaching Learning and Evaluation; Research, Innovations and Extensions; Infrastructure and Learning Resources; Student

Support and Progression; Governance, Leadership and Management, besides the Innovations and Best Practices.

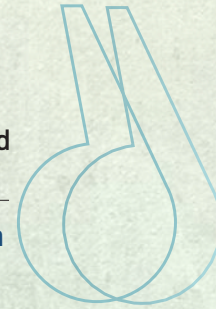
Saying that the University is determined to further improve its NAAC accreditation from A+ to A++, the VC underlined the role of Deans, Heads of Departments and Coordinators of various research centres in providing active support to the Steering Committee with prompt information related to the qualitative and quantitative assessment parameters.

She also instructed the members to meet every 15 days henceforth to review the progress.



With active cooperation and involvement of all stakeholders, I am confident that we will be able to move ahead with sustained focus and determination

Prof Nilofer Khan



Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan, chairing KU’s Steering Committee meeting of NAAC on June 08, 2023





RESEARCH JOURNEY

Research plays pivotal role in critical thinking, learning, innovation and discovery. It has changed the outlook and way of thinking by “Unlocking the Unknown”, and in this direction the research at University of Kashmir is going up by leaps and bounds. Researchers at University of Kashmir work at the cutting edge of science, engineering, technology, education, business, humanities and arts to transform the way we understand and experience the environment we live in. Numerous research projects are being carried out by the researchers at University of Kashmir duly funded by UGC, ICSSR, Ministry of Science and Technology GOI, Social Science Research, Science & Engineering Board, Ministry of Earth Science GOI, AYUSH, etc.

Nearly 1000 researchers (including Ph.D research scholars) are getting scholarship from within and outside the country and presently there are 320 different research projects active at the University of Kashmir. Over the last 06 months faculty members of the university have published various quality research papers in indexed journals notified by the UGC. The university conducted scores of meetings to clear hundreds of research proposals for Ph.D programme across all stream. The university conducted series of workshops on research methodology using modern/latest research techniques.

“It is our resolve to create a conducive research environment in the University for faculty and students. We are doing well in research which is reflected in our NAAC and NIRF assessment and want to push the research promotion further by entering into research collaboration with other institutions in the country and abroad,” said Vice Chancellor University of Kashmir Prof Nilofer Khan while addressing the delegates and participants during a national conference hosted recently by the University.

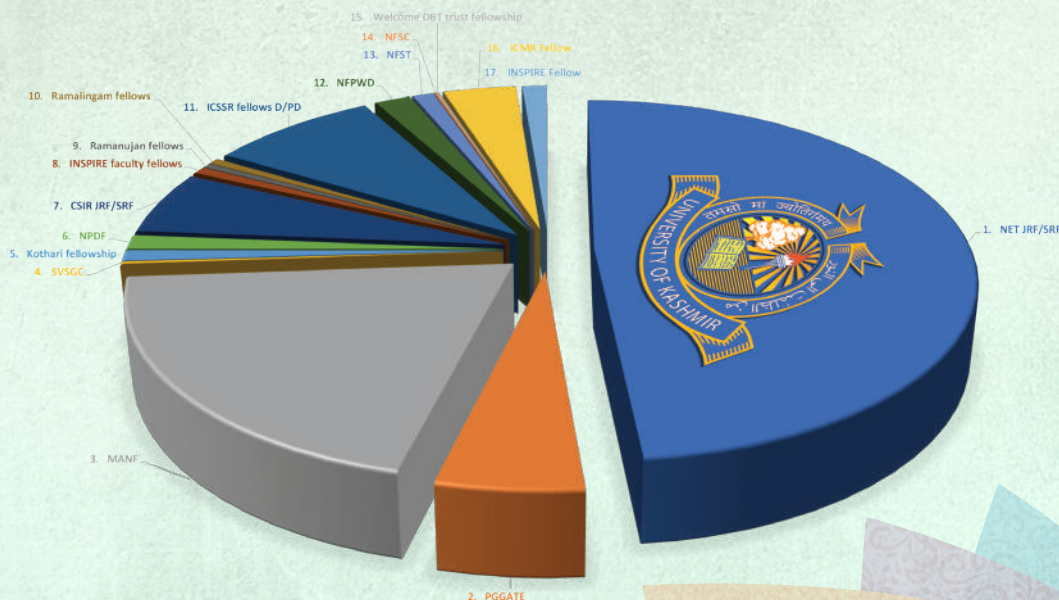
The Vice Chancellor added that the University will

keep pace with multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research in accordance with the National Education Policy-2020.

While encouraging the faculty to draw more extramurally-funded projects an equal emphasis is laid on research promotion across disciplines at the University of Kashmir.

“The Vice-Chancellor has issued clear instructions on conducting research that benefits the society at large. Our office is on job to attune our researchers to adopt this pathway so that our research is not out of sync with the societal requirements,” said Prof Irshad A Nawchoo Dean Research, University of Kashmir.

S. No.	Name of the Fellowship	No. of candidates /fellows/ researchers/ scholars availing such fellowship.
1.	NET JRF/SRF	461
2.	PGGATE	50
3.	MANF	190
4.	SVSGC	02
5.	Kothari ellowship	09
6.	NPDF	12
7.	CSIR JRF/SRF	54
8.	INSPIRE faculty fellows	06
9.	Ramanujan fellows	04
10.	Ramalingam fellows	05
11.	ICSSR fellows D/PD	80
12.	NFPWD	17
13.	NFST	10
14.	NFSC	01
15.	Welcome DBT trust fellowship	01
16.	ICMR Fellow	35
17.	INSPIRE Fellow	12



7th SERB expert committee meeting at KU evaluates 744 new proposals under 'Start-up Research Grant'



The 7th expert committee meeting of the Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, in the field of life sciences was held at the University of Kashmir to evaluate 744 new proposals under the Start-up Research Grant (SRG).

The three-day Startup Research Grant-National Postdoctoral Fellowship (N-PDF) expert committee meeting, was chaired by Prof Manoj Prasad from the National Institute of Plant Genome Research, New Delhi.

Prof Raies A Qadri from the Department of Biotechnology, KU, who hosted the meeting in the Varsity, said it also evaluated 120 project completion reports and 50 startup research grant proposals.

According to SERB objectives, the SRG-NPDF aims to identify young researchers and provide

them support for doing research in frontier areas of science and engineering. The two-year grant intends to assist researchers to initiate their research career in a new institution, according to SERB.

KU Vice-Chancellor, Prof Nilofer Khan, said it adds to the University's credentials to host such national-level meetings which encourage young researchers to explore new areas of research in different fields of science and engineering. She urged research scholars from the University of Kashmir and other universities in J&K to continue applying for such fellowships to aid their research progression.

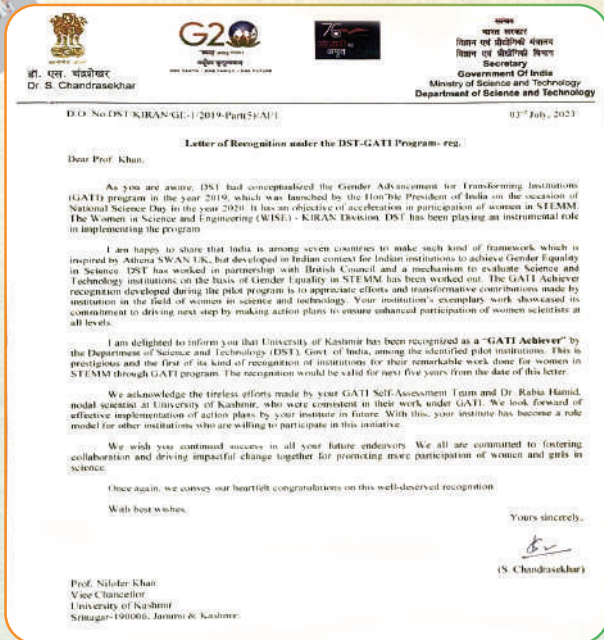
Prof Raies A Qadri, also an expert on the committee, said hosting such meetings will help inculcate passion for research among young students. Later, the hosts organised a special dinner in

the Varsity to foster collaborations, sharing of knowledge and exchange of ideas. It was attended by Vice-Chancellor KU Prof A. Ravinder Nath, Prof. Satyanarayana, former Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University, as special guests. Other dignitaries including Registrar KU, Dr Nisar A Mir, Dean Academic Affairs, Central University of Kashmir Prof Shahid Rasool and Registrar Central University of Kashmir, Prof Afzal Zargar also attended the event.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by the Chairman, with special appreciation to the organising team including Dr Asif Amin, Umer Majeed Wani, Faizah Farooq, Asif Lone and Dawar Farooq who were led by Prof. Raies A Qadri for successful conduct of the meeting.



KU wins 'GATI Achiever' award, secures top position in 'Academic Institutions' category



UG/PG programmes, research and postdoctoral programmes, teaching and research faculty, non-teaching staff, officers and leadership positions at various hierarchal levels.

It also includes highlighting important measures and best practices prevalent in terms of gender equity and identifying the gaps across its main and satellite campuses. The University has constituted a high-level committee—GSAT (GATI Self Assessment Team)—that plays a pivotal role in improving the gender progression and promotion in tune with the requirements of the programme.

“The GATI Achiever award is a great milestone achieved. We look forward to attaining the objectives of this flagship programme and create a robust gender climate in our University and beyond,” said Vice Chancellor KU Prof Nilofer Khan while congratulating the GATI team of the University for the achievement.

Registrar KU, Dr Nisar A Mir, also complimented GATI team for working towards realising the GATI objectives with new initiatives and plans.

Prof Rabia Hamid, Head, Department of Nanotechnology, KU, is the Nodal officer of the programme. Recently, she also represented the University as part of a national delegation led by DST’s WISE KIRAN Division head, Dr Nisha Mendiratta on an invited visit by British Council to UK Higher education and research institutions, for knowledge exchange between GATI participant members and Athena Swan UK members.

With GATI Achievers award to its credit, the University of Kashmir—apart from working towards the implementation of the GATI action plans—may also now see a wider role beyond the Pilot programme, as a torchbearer institute for other academic institutions of the country in general and the UT of J&K in particular, to bring gender advancement measures within their policy frameworks.

Pertinently, the National Education Policy-2020 envisages gender equality and inclusivity in educational institutions as paramount, while gender equity is also an important focal area under India’s G-20 Presidency. The University of Kashmir is already actively engaged in several activities in this regard and will be playing a key role in promoting gender equity in areas of research and development, not only at national but international level as well, with the GATI Achievers award.

The DST in partnership with British Council has graded institutions on basis of recognized need of work to achieve Gender Equality in STEMM, Acceptance of GATI Charter, High-level of commitment to promote Gender Advancement with evidence etc., along with Self-Assessment Application and Action plans against the identified gap areas to be implemented within institutions. In all these parameters, the University of Kashmir has performed exceptionally well as is indicative of its figuring in the ‘GATI Achievers’ list of awardees with a top rank among all academic institutions in the Pilot.

The University of Kashmir has been selected for the ‘GATI Achievers’ award by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, securing top position in the ‘Academic Institutions’ category for its contributions in upholding its commitment towards gender equity and promotion of women in all spheres of sciences, especially in the STEMM disciplines.

The DST, which announced the results on June 10, 2023, has been piloting the prestigious Gender Advancement in Transforming Institutions (GATI) programme in partnership with the British Council for 30 top research institutions, institutions of national importance and academic institutions of the country.

All these institutions were selected for the programme in August 2021 through a rigorous screening process for which around 190 institutions were invited to submit the Expression of Interest (EoI) applications.

Under the programme, the University of Kashmir is committed to the key charter principles of the programme which draws inspiration from the Athena SWAN (Scientific Women’s Academic Network) framework of the UK Advance Higher Education, which has been successfully engaging in gender equity programmes in research and academia in several countries including UK, US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

Notably, Vice-Chancellor, University of Kashmir Prof Nilofer Khan—the first women Vice-Chancellor of the University—has been keenly monitoring the programme and has approved several key action plans to be implemented during the current phase of the programme.

The University has successfully worked towards the objectives of this programme which mainly deal with creating a database of gender status over the previous five years in University’s various sectors ranging from



New Vistas, New Attractions



Sustainability Exhibition

One of the key attractions as part of the Y20 Consultation at the University of Kashmir was a Sustainability Exhibition, which was inaugurated by the Honourable LG (Honourable Chancellor, KU). The exhibition showcased new innovations by the youth of Jammu and Kashmir, various entrepreneurial ventures, traditional livelihood practices, besides the high-end scientific equipment at the University of Kashmir. The event drew a wide response from different stakeholders, especially the students who were exposed to these new innovations with the aim of inculcating the passion for innovations amongst them.

Painting and Poster Competitions

The Department of Students Welfare, University of Kashmir, organised live painting and poster competitions on the theme of Y20 Consultations in the lawns of the Convocation Complex. A large number of students joined the competitions to share their ideas, through the medium of paintings and posters, on the impacts of climate change and the ways and means to mitigate the same. The best posters and paintings were awarded by the University.



Heritage Tour

A heritage tour to Mughal Gardens Nishat and Pari Mahal was organised by the University for the delegates of Y20. The delegates had an enriching experience at these places, which are known for their enchanting beauty.

Launch of Y20 Chronicle, Urban 20 Integration

At the inaugural session of Y20 Consultation, the Honourable Chancellor, the Honourable Vice-Chancellor and other dignitaries on the dais released the Y20 Chronicle, a compendium of events held at the University of Kashmir in the run up to the main Y20 event. Also, the dignitaries released the Urban20 Integration Promo.





With many Padma awardees and distinguished scientists in attendance, several national seminars and conferences held in the University offered a unique learning experience for the participants in sync with the goal of knowledge sharing as mandated under the National Education Policy-2020. This is besides the Y20 event held at the University under the aegis of G20.



Lights, Camera, Inter(Action)': 2-day Travelling International Film Festival

Educational Multimedia Research Centre (EMRC) in collaboration with Men against Violence & Abuse (MAVA), with active partnership from KU's Centre for Women's Studies and Research, Media Education Research Centre and Department of Social Work, organised a two-day Travelling International Film Festival titled 'Samabhav' with special focus on key themes including gender equity, diversity and Inclusivity.

India's G20 Presidency: KU VC reviews preparedness for upcoming Youth20 Consultation Meeting

Vice-Chancellor University of Kashmir reviewed the varsity's preparedness for the upcoming Youth-20 Consultation meeting, a mega event being held under the aegis of India's G20



Scientists from country's top space research institutes join climate change deliberations

Department of Geoinformatics, University of Kashmir, in collaboration with National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), Indian Space Research Organisation, organised a national workshop on 'Earth Observations for Climate Services'. Distinguished scientists from the country's top research organisations involved in satellite earth observation including ISRO joined the deliberations.





KU VC inaugurates 2-day International Seminar on 'Postmodern Literature'

Department of Urdu organised a two-day International Seminar on 'Postmodern Literature'. The inaugural session was chaired by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Nilofer Khan.



2-day National Seminar on 'Buddhism in Kashmir'

Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India, in collaboration with the Department of Persian, KU, organised a National Seminar on 'Buddhism in Kashmir: Historical and Literary Sources'.



2-day National Seminar on 'Creating Inclusive and Sustainable Urban Spaces'

Department of Political Science with the sponsorship of Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) organised a two-day National Seminar on 'Creating Inclusive and Sustainable Urban Spaces'. The seminar focused on 'Urbanisation and Urban Planning in India with Special Reference to Kashmir'





**2-day National Seminar
on Mirza Ghalib**

Directorate of Distance Education, KU, in collaboration with Ghalib Institute, New Delhi held a two-day National Seminar on the legendary Urdu poet, Mirza Ghalib.

**2-day seminar on 'Contributions to
Philosophical Thought from
Kashmir'**

Centre of Central Asian Studies (CCAS), KU, in collaboration with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi, in connection with the Philosophical Day-2023 celebrations, held a two-day national seminar on 'Contributions to Philosophical Thought from Kashmir'.



**3 Padma awardees among eminent
scientists join 3-day symposium on
earthquake resilience**

Three Padma Shri awardees were among a galaxy of scientists who joined deliberations during a three-day national symposium on 'Earthquake, Landslide and Glacial Hazards' inaugurated at the University of Kashmir. The symposium as well as the 7th Annual Convention on 'Advances in Earthquake Sciences', was organised by Indian Society of Earthquake Sciences (ISES) and KU's Department of Geography and Disaster Management. The Padma awardees included earth scientist Prof Harsh K Gupta, geophysical scientist Dr V P Dimri and geologist Dr V C Thakur





Renowned biochemist, a Padma Bhushan awardee, Prof P Balam delivers special talk on Coronavirus at KU

Globally-acclaimed biochemist Prof P Balam, a receipt of the country's third highest civilian honour Padma Bhushan, delivered a special talk on 'Reflections on Science in the Age of Coronavirus' at the University of Kashmir. Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan presided over the lecture session, which was attended by a large number of academics, research scholars and students from teaching departments of the University and few other higher educational institutions (HEIs) of Kashmir. Prof Balam, a former director of the prestigious Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, was invited by the KU's Centre for Interdisciplinary Research and Innovations (CIRI) to deliver the special talk.



Union MoS for Culture Meenakshi Lekhi inaugurates 3-day International Conference on 'Human Population Histories in South Asia'

Union MoS for Culture Meenakshi Lekhi inaugurated a 3-day international Conference on 'Human Population Histories in South Asia' jointly organized by Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeosciences, Lucknow and KU's Centre of Central Asian Studies (CCAS).



VC reviews NAAC preparedness & releases DIQA publications

Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan chaired a meeting of the steering committee constituted by the University for preparations related to its NAAC re-accreditation which is due in year 2024. On this occasion the VC also released DIQA publications which included DIQA Annual Report, AQAR, Statistical Digest & KU News Letter PANORAMA 2.0.



389 delegates present papers during a National Conference on Global Environmental Challenges

At least 389 delegates from different parts of the country presented their papers during a national conference on global environmental challenges. 324 delegates joined the conference in offline mode, whereas 65 delegates presented their research work in the online mode during the mega event, organised by the Department of Environmental Science, KU, in collaboration with Zoological Society of India. The delegates had converged from at least 23 universities and other institutions in the country.



KU observes National Girl Child Day, VC emphasises need for gender equality

The University Administration held a special function to observe the National Girl Child Day-2023.

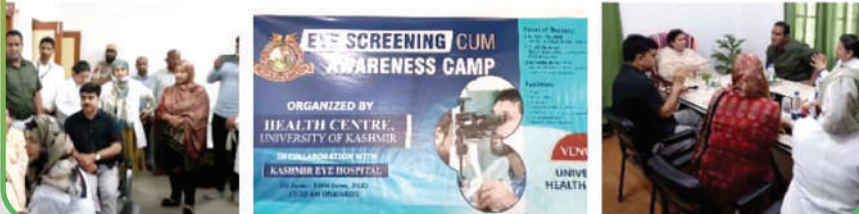
MICA Ahmadabad faculty interacts with KU's MERC students

Dr Ruchi Tewari, Associate Professor at the prestigious Business School, MICA, Ahmedabad, interacted with the faculty and students of the Media Education Research Centre (MERC), University of Kashmir.



3-day specialised eye care camp for KU employees

A three-day specialised eye screening camp for employees was organised by Kashmir University Health Centre (KUHC) in collaboration with Kashmir Eye Hospital.





With the larger objective of facilitating training of faculty and young students in diverse disciplines of study and research, the University of Kashmir continues to hold regular workshops and seminars involving eminent experts to share their ideas and expertise with the participants.

MERC organises seminar to commemorate World Press Freedom Day

Media Education Research Centre organised a seminar on 'Misinformation in the Digital Age: Perspectives and Challenges' to commemorate the World Press Freedom Day.



KU VC inaugurates MeitY-sponsored FDP on 'Artificial Intelligence, Future Communications'

Electronics and ICT Academy, NIT Warangal, in association with the Department of Electronics and Instrumentation Technology, University of Kashmir, held a 10-day faculty development programme (FDP) on 'Artificial Intelligence and its role in Future Communications, SignalProcessing and Computing Applications'. It was sponsored by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India.



VC inaugurates two-day workshop on MOOCs

Educational Multimedia Research Centre (EMRC) organised a two-day workshop on Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs).

KU VC inaugurates 4-day workshop on Academic Writing

Department of English in collaboration with the Centre for Writing and Communication (CWC), Ashoka University, organised a four-day workshop on Academic Writing.



MERC organises 2-day research orientation programme

Media Education Research Centre organised a two-day research orientation programme on research methods, techniques and tools.



In order to enhance its linkage with the Industry, Society and various other institutions, the University of Kashmir continues to sign important MoUs for the benefit of students. More MoUs are in the pipeline in areas of innovations and incubations.



KU, Azim Premji University, SMC sign MoU to improve quality of education in Srinagar schools

The University of Kashmir, Azim Premji University Bangalore and Srinagar Municipal Corporation signed a Memorandum of Understanding to give a fillip to quality of education in 83 identified primary schools in Srinagar.



KU seminar puts spotlight on 'elderly abuse' in Kashmir

Vice-Chancellor University of Kashmir Prof Nilofer Khan chaired a seminar on 'Elderly Abuse', a first-of-its kind event organised by the Varsity to put a spotlight on the issue which experts described as "alarming in Kashmir".

The seminar was jointly organised by the Department of Social Work (DoSW), KU, in collaboration with Gauri Kaul Foundation, a non-profit organisation working for elderly care, to commemorate the World Elderly Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD).



Chief Justice inaugurates mega project on 'Revival of Legal Aid Clinics'

Honourable Chief Justice of the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice N Kotiswar Singh inaugurated a mega project on 'Establishment, Revival and Operation of Legal Aid Clinics in Kashmir' at the University of Kashmir. Justice Tashi Rabstan, Judge, High Court of J&K and Ladakh, and Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan were the guests of honour at the event, organised by the School of Law. Dr Vijaylakshmi Brara was the special guest at the inaugural session.



KU VC inaugurates all-women entrepreneurship exhibition, calls it 'true reflection of women's empowerment'

An all-women entrepreneurship exhibition drew huge attendance of students and faculty members at the varsity's main campus. The day-long exhibition was organised by Centre for Women's Studies and Research (CWSR) and saw participation of 45 young entrepreneurs from Kashmir who have set up their business ventures to become economically self-reliant.

KU organises Prof Habibur Rahman Memorial Lecture

Department of Commerce organised a special commemorative lecture in memory of Prof Habibur Rahman, a founding teacher of the department and a pioneer of commerce education in J&K. Vice-Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan presided over the lecture, which was delivered by Prof Khurshid Ali, former Dean Academic Affairs and founder head of the department of Management Studies, KU.





The overall personality development of students remains a focus area of the University with added emphasis on involvement of students in various sports events and other activities of national importance held under the ambit of NSS.

KU's South Campus organises 'Run for Well-Being' for girl students

South Campus, University of Kashmir, organised a "Run for Well-Being" for girl students to raise awareness about the importance of sports activities for their overall well-being.



KU's NSS organises workshop on Swachhta, 100 volunteers join cleanliness drive

Office of National Service Scheme, KU, organised a seminar-cum-workshop on Swachhta in which more than 100 NSS volunteers participated.



4-day theatre workshop at KU aims to broaden creative horizons of youth

Thirty students from the University of Kashmir and its affiliated colleges joined a theatre workshop to learn the basics of theatre and acting, during a workshop jointly organised by the Department of Students' Welfare KU and Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL) Hyderabad.



AFC-C diploma course concludes at KU; Prominent footballers share experiences with participants

KU held AFC C Diploma Course (Module 1) in collaboration with AIFF and J&K Football Association. 24 participants from J&K and Ladakh, which included some prominent players like Shahnawaz Bashir, Arun Nagial and Ujavar Nabi attended the course and shared their experiences with the participants.

KU, Srinagar Police organise cultural festival; student performances enthrall audience

Department of Students Welfare in collaboration with District Police Lines Srinagar (Hazratbal Zone) under its Civic Action Programme held a colourful cultural festival in which students from the University's teaching departments, affiliated colleges and few other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) presented a wide variety of musical performances during the multi-event cultural programme.



First-ever Sitting Volleyball match at KU

The first-ever sitting volleyball match was organised by the Directorate of Physical Education and Sports (DPES), University of Kashmir. Para-players from different parts of Kashmir participated in the match, which was held on directions of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Nilofer Khan, who has instructed for organising various sports activities for specially-abled persons on a regular basis.



Shahrul Ramadhan' talent-hunt festival at KU; VC chairs valedictory session

Department of Students' Welfare organised a day-long 'Shahrul Ramadhan Festival', an annual activity of the DSW, which was attended by a large number of students from the University's teaching departments and affiliated colleges.



49 KU students to participate in AIU youth festival, VC flags off contingent

49 students of the University participated in the 36th Inter-University North-Zone Youth Festival held at the University of Jammu from January 31 to February 4, under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities (AIU).



KU's South Campus Observes International Olympics Day

International Olympics Day was celebrated with active participation of students at the South Campus, University of Kashmir. The event was organised by the Department of Physical Education and sports, South Campus.



North Campus, KU organises Cross-Country Race

The Department of Management Studies (DMS), North Campus, University of Kashmir organised a Cross Country Race from Sonawar to Nehru Park via Shankaracharya Hills in Srinagar.



Main Campus

International Yoga Day celebrated at main, south campuses

The International Day of Yoga was celebrated with active participation of students and officials at the main and south campuses of the University of Kashmir. At the main campus, the early-morning event was organised by the Office of National Service Scheme in collaboration with the Directorate of Physical Education and Sports (DPES).



South Campus





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Youth to lead world on climate concern: L-G

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SRINAGAR, MAY 11
At least 20 international delegates attended the two-day conference on climate change in the University of Kashmir, which started on Thursday. Addressing the annual Y20 Consultation on Climate Change & Risk Reduction, Sustainability & Way out of the planet, Lt Governor Manoj Sinha said world leaders would lead the way in addressing the climate crisis.



Lt Governor Manoj Sinha (right) at a Y20 event in the University of Kashmir, Hazratnagar, Srinagar, on Thursday.

INVITEES IN BLACK ATTIRE NOT ALLOWED IN
Security men prevented several invitees wearing black clothes from attending the Y20 event in Srinagar.

nalled encouraging prospect of a new energy in a global partnership on environment, development and collective effort to ensure equity, global prosperity and better quality of life for all. Welcoming the delegates, Sinha said PM Narendra Modi had made it clear to the global family that climate change had to be fought from dinner tables in every home. "In the past financial year only, we have planted more than 15 million trees across J&K," Sinha said.

Kashmir University wins 'GATI Achiever' award

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Melting of snow will make life difficult: Robert

Youth will lead world for pragmatic solutions on climate change, global challenges: LG

Fayaz Bukhari

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"I believe the young generation will synergise innovative ideas and actions to preserve natural resources and also become stakeholders in policy-making for sustainable development," he said. He added the vision of India's G20 Presidency focuses on shared responsibility to tackle two great challenges - protecting climate and promoting sustainable development. "As one family, we need to nurture the Earth that sustains life and commit ourselves for

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VC expresses gratitude to PM, LG Sinha for providing opportunity to host Y20

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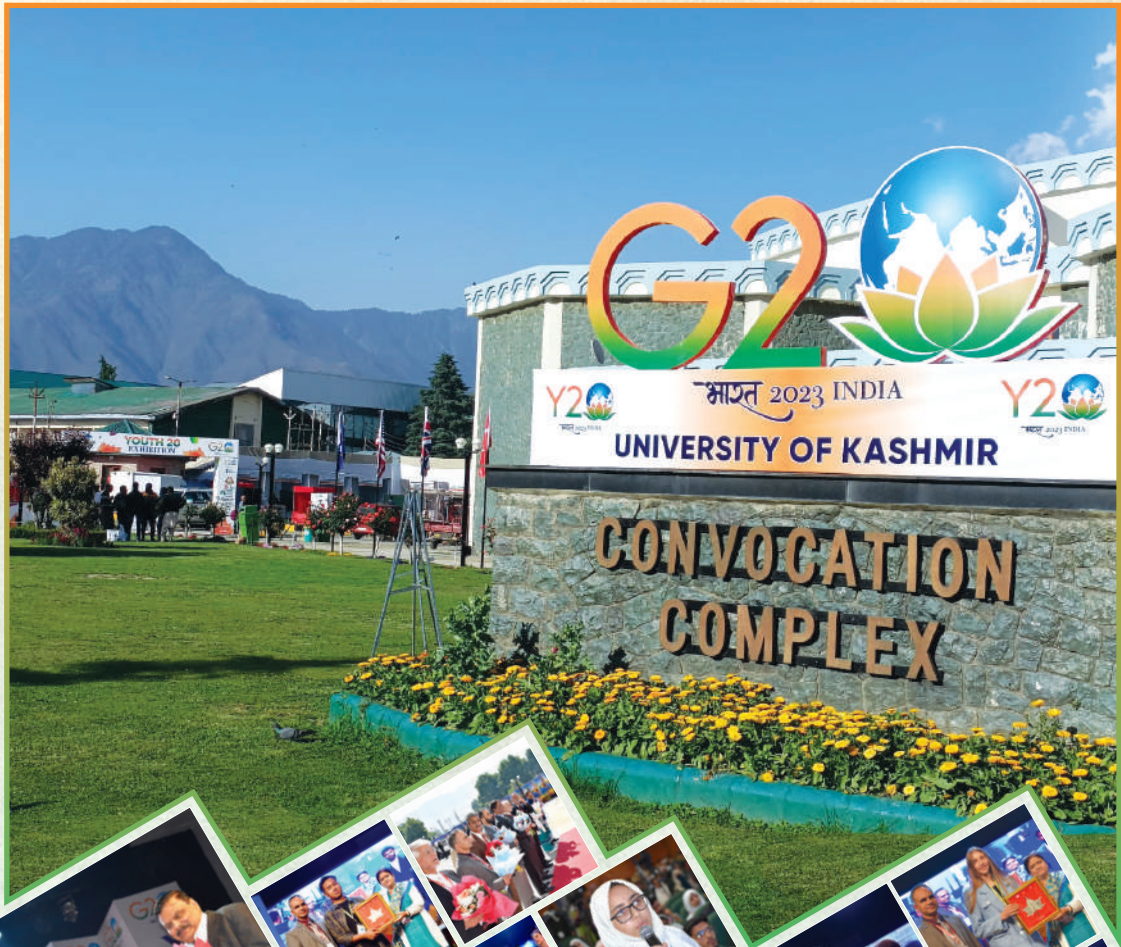
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