

Newsletter



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MAHARAJA SRIRAM CHANDRA BHANJA DEO UNIVERSITY

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From the Vice Chancellor's Desk :



On the occasion of the Twenty Fourth Foundation Day of the University (13th July, 2021), it gives me immense pleasure in placing before you the present Newsletter covering the multifarious activities of the students, employees and teachers of the University from 14th July, 2020 till to date. Our University, which began as North Orissa University, was renamed as Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University after the name of the illustrious King of Mayurbhanj to commemorate the 150th year of his birth. Born in 1870 Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo - who ruled from 1892 to 1912 - had contributed substantially not only to Mayurbhanj, but also to Odisha as a whole in various fields, such as education, language and literature, mining and geology, library and archaeology, etc. He presided over the Utkal Sammilani which fought for the formation for a separate state of Odisha. In a way, he was a symbol of modernity in Odisha. Therefore it is most befitting that the University be renamed after him. Besides, I took over as Vice Chancellor on 27th November, 2020 after the completion of tenure of my predecessor Professor P. K. Chand, a distinguished scientist. We pray for his good health.

The whole year has witnessed the devastating impact of the pandemic which is the most defining moment in human history after the Second World War. Apart from the personal tragedies happening to many of us because of COVID-19, our University has lost two of our former illustrious Vice Chancellors, Prof. B. N. Pahan and Prof. (Mrs.) Sanghamitra Mohanty. May their souls attain sadgati. However, it is gratifying to note that the pandemic has not got the better of the insatiable spirit of the students, staff and teachers of our University which is evident from a number of activities. These cover the various issues of academics and research, governance and extension, curricular and extra-curricular activities. An important interaction was between our faculty members with the scientists of Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai and Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences (BRNS) in virtual mode in the presence of Dr. Srikumar Banerjee, Former Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Chairman, BRNS, Dr. Ajit Kumar Mohanty, Director, BARC and Prof. Asoka K Das, Vice Chairman, State Higher Education Council, Odisha. Besides, MoU have been signed with KIIT University, Bhubaneswar and Zoological Survey of India. Our students were also active in dousing the forest fire which created havoc in the Similipal Biosphere Reserve. Some of our staff also joined along with employees of colleges in a training programme about finance and governance.

We are still in the midst of the pandemic. Despite stupendous loss, all the stakeholders of the University are determined to face it boldly and continue to serve the University towards the path of excellence and equity by accepting the 'New Normal' as a necessary part of our existence and adopting to new pedagogy of teaching, learning and other activities through digital initiatives that iterates our commitment to remain dynamic.

I hope that the Newsletter will be informative and useful to the readers. I sincerely thank the entire University fraternity for their contributions, and in particular the editorial board, in preparing this issue of Newsletter.

Wishing everyone good health, joy and kindness in your lives.

Together we can.

(Prof. Kishor Kumar Basa)
Vice Chancellor, MSCB University

From Registrar's pen

I am extremely delighted to know that the Newsletter is being published giving an account of activities experienced by the University during the period. I am sure that the Newsletter will be a must-read chronicle that shows confidence, creativity and innovation of the University team. With digital media on the horizons opening new opportunities, I am glad to note that the team have made use of this development and harnessed it in a big way. I thank all the members of the University family for their commendable and coordinated effort who supported and/or contributed to this publication taking shape and editorial team for coming forward to bring out this publication. I heartily congratulate all the students and staff for their initiative and wish them success with a happy, healthy and safer stay during the pandemic.

Sri Sahadev Samadhiya, OAS (S)
Registrar, MSCB University



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Editorial

When we perform an activity with regularity, our system becomes primed for it. By cultivating the habit of regularity, we establish automation without applying much effort. And if we perform our assignments before the stipulated period, we not only become satisfied heartily but also able to contribute our share in the team.

Accordingly, K. D. Patel, Global heartfulness trainer, “Automatic actions” do not mean being robotic, mechanical, or lifeless action. Rather than curbing freedom, it actually prepares us for greater and greater freedom. In nature, there is no choice. Everything proceeds on its own in the most natural way. The same is also true for our activities. For example, a cricketer has no time to calculate, should I take this or that shot? By the time they have chosen, the opportunity passes. While driving a car, the actions need to be reflexive and automatic. But to attain effortlessness, greater effort if required. We the knowledge managers and knowledge workers have to adopt automatism in our study and research activities in order to achieve individual and institutional development.

It is not necessary to have any official position to do good work. Anyone can do good work. All that is required is a good heart and to throw away the concept of shifting the responsibility. What else could be more important than this? Work is never assigned. I strongly believe that it is taken up voluntarily. Whenever anyone volunteered to do some work, the authority gives him/her the work and if he/she continues to show interest in the service, he/she is given more and more important work. I repeat, the reward of good work is more work that’s the secret of making “work”.

Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanjadeso University is going to celebrate its silver jubilee next year. Let’s work together to celebrate the silver jubilee effectively, meaningfully, and successfully. Let’s contribute our share ungrudgingly towards the growth and development of this young and vibrant institution.

During the last twenty four years of the journey towards a promising progress, the university has gone a long way. The government of Odisha has declared the name of the university as Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo in the name of a great contributor of the state of Odisha in the field of education and social works. The university celebrates the 125th birth anniversary of Netaji Subash Chandra Bose and the 150th birth anniversary of the illustrious son of the soil Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanjadeso. During the COVID-19 Pandemic situation, despite constraints, the university has undertaken many activities in the form of infrastructure, development, formulation of research projects, organization of webinars, and celebration of important occasions recognized at both national and international levels.

Big things come from small beginnings. The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. On the occasion of the 24th foundation day of the university let all beautiful people come together to contribute their share for the growth and prosperity of the university.

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Prof. Anil K. Biswal

Chairman, PG Council, MSCB University

23rd Foundation Day



Because of the pandemic North Orissa University observed its 23rd foundation day in November, 2020. The event flagged off with a welcome address by the Registrar, Shri Sahadev Samadhiya. The meeting was presided by the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. P. K. Chand. In his address, he called the foundation day as a historic moment for all the members of the University. He urged all the members of the University to be honest and hardworking. The Registrar in his report laid out a fact sheet of the University’s current programmes, plans and prospects. Other dignitaries who were present in the meeting were Prof. A. K. Biswal, Chairman Post-Graduate Council; Dr. L. D. Giri, the Controller of

Examination, Shri. S. Tarei, the Comptroller of Finance; Prof. S. Kar, as the former Chairperson PG Council and Prof. P. K. Satapathy as the former Registrar. During his address, Prof. A. K. Biswal congratulated the entire University family and vehemently expressed his keenness in carrying forward and heritage of the University for the generations to come. On this occasion, the ‘Newsletter’ and the ‘Annual Report’ for the academic session 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20 were formally released. Other significant events that marked the occasion were felicitation to Prof. Jagannath Lenka, retired professor of Economics, for his outstanding contribution to the University; ‘Kumudini Memorial Award’ to Miss Ankita Rout (M.Sc Topper of Zoology stream-2019) for achieving laurels in academics; Best Employee Award-2020 to Shri Manas Kumar Acharya for rendering his services to the University. Certificates were also presented to the winners of the debate competition (Odia & English) organized for ‘Tobacco-Free Campus’ under COTPA 2013. The programme was attended by faculty members, students and non-teaching staff members. A vote of thanks was offered by the Comptroller of Finance, North Orissa University.



International Online Lecture Series organized by Dept. of Computer Applica-

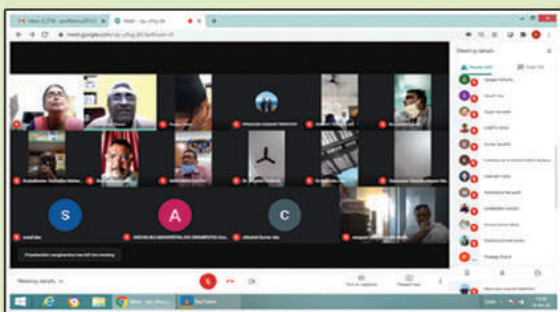
An International Online Lecture Series on "Recent trends in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning " organized by the Department of Computer Application was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Prof. Pradeep Kumar Chand on 16-July-2020. The week-long symposium featured 13 distinguished speakers from home and abroad. In his inaugural address, Prof. Pradeep Kumar Chand remembered Alan Turing, the father of machine learning, and expressed that technologies like machine learning, deep learning

have touched all spheres of our lives. The event was chaired by Prof. Anil Kumar Biswal, Chairman of the PG Council, who opined that at the time of the Covid-19, humans might have been temporarily helpless, but they were trying their best to solve their problems through machine learning. Dr. Gajendra Pal Singh Raghava, Professor of Computational Biology, Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, New Delhi delivered the inaugural lecture on "Big Data Mining and Machine Learning in Bioinformatics". In the afternoon session, Prof. Bui Thanh Hung from Thu Dau Mot University, Vietnam spoke on "Deep Learning Approach for Sentiment Analysis". The other distinguished speakers were Prof. Ruppa Thulasiram from Manitoba University, Canada, Prof. Bijay Krishna Panigrahi from IIT Villai, former professor at IIT Bhubaneswar Prof. Ganapati Panda, Founder of Videonetics in the United States, Dr. Tinku Acharya, Prof. Siba Kumar Udgate, University of Hyderabad, Dr. Anand Nair from Duy tan University, Vietnam, Prof. Utpal Roy from Shantiniketan, Prof. Korhan Sengiz, from University of Trakya, Turkey, Prof. Ahmed J. Obaid from University of Kufa, Iraq, and Prof. Bidyadhar Subudhi from IIT Goa. Dr. Sujata Dash, the convenor & HOD introduced the guests. Prof. M. Himbindu and Dr. Jibendu Kumar Mantri were the co-convenor of the program along with Dr. Prasanta Kumar Swain and Swarupananda Bissoyi as organizing secretaries for the event. The event was also live-streamed over Facebook and Youtube and was attended by more than 500 participants.



74th Independence Day

The North Orissa University celebrated the 74th Independence Day on 15th Aug 2020 in the campus with fervent zeal and patriotism. The National Flag was hoisted by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. P. K. Chand in the presence of faculty members and other staff members. He also presented a book on the "Constitution of India" to Prof. H. N. Thatoi, In-charge, Central Library. Chairman PGC, Prof. A. K. Biswal, also addressed the gathering and enlightened the ceremony with his words of wisdom and patriotism. He motivated the staff to join hands and work together towards the development of the University and Nation. Carrying forward the legacy, the first lady planted saplings of 'Ashoka' in the campus.



Brainstorming Session on National Education Policy

An Online Brainstorming Session on the successful Implementation of 'NEP 2020' in transforming Higher Education was organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of North Orissa University on virtual platform on 16th September 2020. The meeting started with a welcome note by the Director, IQAC Prof. Hima Bindu Maringanti. The Vice Chancellor, Prof

Pradeep Kumar Chand introduced the theme and apprised the participants about the purpose of the meet.

The meet was attended by the Principals of Autonomous and Affiliated Colleges, Faculty members from both Baripada and Keonjhar Campuses, selected Research Scholars, Alumni and PG students of the University. The discussion focussed on difference and disparity between the students completing each stage of the 4-year degree courses, challenges in its implementation, and multi-disciplinary and multi-lingual medium of instruction.

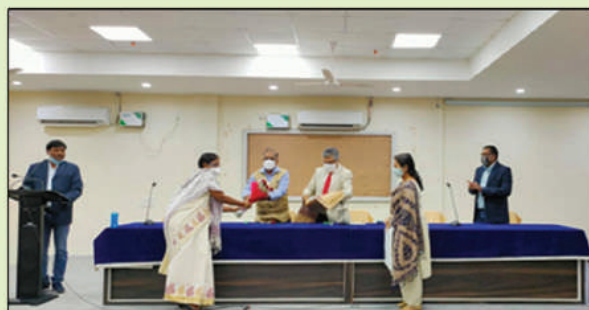
The faculty of the University expressed their concern about the strategy to be adopted for attracting International students as well as Post-Doctoral and Research Fellows and efforts should be made to reduce the disparity between Teaching and Research Universities. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. P. R. Debata, the Deputy Director, IQAC, North Orissa University.

National Webinar on Biodiversity Conservation: Challenges Ahead



A National Webinar entitled "Biodiversity Conservation: Challenges ahead" was organised by the Department of Botany, North Orissa University, on 28th Sept. 2020 on the occasion of the superannuation of Prof. Umaballava Mohapatra, Professor. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Pradeep Kumar Chand inaugurated the webinar. On the occasion, Prof. Anil Kumar Biswal, Chairman, Post Graduate Council chaired the webinar and spoke on the challenges of biodiversity conservation. The chief speaker, Prof. S. R. Yadav focused on the role of academic institutions in biodiversity conservation. Prof. U. B. Mohapatra highlighted the performance of Biotechnology for Biodiversity conservation. Prof. S. K. Palita from Central University of Koraput pointed out the impact of climate change on biodiversity. Dr. N. K. Dhal, Chief scientist, IMMT enthralled upon biodiversity of eastern ghats. The webinar was attended by Faculties, Scientists, researchers and students from different Universities and colleges. The organizing secretary, Dr. S. C. Sahu proposed a formal vote of thanks at the end of the webinar.

New VC took Office



On 27th November 2020, the University felicitated the Former Vice Chancellor of North Orissa University, Prof. P. K. Chand with a shawl and flower bouquet by the new Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa. The Former Vice Chancellor shared his views about the University and their pleasant memories and events that happened during his tenure in the University. The new Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa assured that the progress graph of the University would keep on scaling high with the cooperation of one and all.

Foundation stone laying ceremony for Bank and Post

Foundation stone laying ceremony invoking God's blessings on the proposed venture for the construction of new buildings for Bank and Post-office in the University campus by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. P. K. Chand, North Orissa University on 25.11.2020. Chairman, Post-Graduate Council, the Registrar, Controller of Examination, Comptroller of Finance, faculties and staff attended the programme.



150th Birth Anniversary of Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo



The 150th birth anniversary of Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanjdeo was celebrated at the Sriram Chandra Vihar on the main campus of Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University (Erstwhile North Orissa University) on 17 Dec 2020. The Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Kishor Kumar Basa, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and laid a wreath at the statue of the Maharaja. He considered himself honored to have been born in Mayurbhanj, and referred to the Maharaja as the harbinger of the renaissance for Odisha and Mayurbhanj. He highlighted the significant contribution of

the Maharaja to education, health, transportation, art, and culture. Professor Anil Kumar Biswal, Chairman, Post Graduate Council, asked all to get inspired by the contribution of the Maharaja so as to bring all-round progress to this young University. The function was attended by the Registrar, Controller of Finance, Controller of Examination, faculty members, non-teaching staff, and students of the University.

3rd Foundation day of Literary Council

The third foundation day of "Odia Sahitya Parisad" of MSCB University was observed on 20.12.2020. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa, the Chief Guest of the occasion felicitated Dr. Kabita Barik, retired Associate Professor of Odia, MPC (A) College for her contribution to Odia literature. A book titled "Mayurbhanj Ra Loka Gita O Loka Nrutya": Eka Adhyayan" written by Dr. Mohan Lal Sahu, retired Principal of Baripada College, Baripada was also formally released. The chief speaker of the occasion, Dr. Ramakanta Singh, Ex-Principal, Betnoti College, Betnoti, complimented Vice Chancellor for organizing this programme. Among others who graced the occasion on behalf of the Parisad were Prof. P. K. Satapathy, the President; Dr. (Mrs.) P. Parida, the Vice president, and Dr. Bichitrnath Sahoo, the Secretary. It was realized that for the promotion of Odia language and literature, activities like supporting research works, organizing seminars, publication of journals and books and translation of Odia literary works into other languages be encouraged. The program was attended by the faculty members and non-teaching staff of the University. A vote of thanks was offered by Mrs. Ranjita Patra from the Department of Odia.



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S.R.O.No.278/2020—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of sub-section (1) of Section - 32 of the Odisha Universities Act, 1989 (Odisha Act. 5 of 1989), the State Government do hereby change the name of "North Orissa University" established in the notification of the Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department No.32390/HE. Dated the 13th July, 1998 and published in the Extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette No.880 dated the 13th July, 1998, as "Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University" with effect from the date of publication of this notification in the Odisha Gazette.

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By Order of the Governor

SASWAT MISHRA

Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government

NOU becomes MSCBU

The Odisha government renamed the North Orissa University as Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University in memory of Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo, the erstwhile Maharaja of the princely state of Mayurbhanj. Odisha is celebrating the 150th birth anniversary of the Maharaja of Mayurbhanj

New VC's Address to Students



A meeting was organized at MSCB University following all Covid-19 protocols on 11-01-2021 with a positive note to infuse new hopes and inspiration among students of various Departments after the lifting over of nationwide lockdown. On this occasion, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor,

Prof. K. K. Basa, Chairman Post-Graduate Council, Registrar, Controller of Examination, Comptroller of Finance, and other authorities addressed the students. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor emphasized the unprecedented situation that posed multiple challenges which are to be faced with resilience and determination. The current situation could be stressful for students and advised all to adhere to the compulsory safety precautions, including accessing the Health Check self-screening tool, wearing a face mask, sanitizing hands regularly, and maintaining social distancing practices. He assured the students that the University is striving to help them in these difficult situations and appealed to them to have patience and stay calm. Chairman, PG Council, Prof. A. K. Biswal addressed the students to boost their health and emotional well-being. Registrar, Shri Sahadev Samadhia also addressed the students and advised them to observe appropriate safety protocols and precautions to ensure the health and well-being of our community.

Meeting of Project Monitoring Cell (PMC) of the Institutional Development Plan (IDP)



The third meeting of the Project Monitoring cell (PMC) of the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) Project of the University was organized on 12.01.2021. The meeting was presided over by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa as the Chairman. Welcome address was given by the Convener, Shri S. Samadhia, the Registrar. The Coordinator, IDP, Prof. H. N. Thatoi made a short presentation on the proceedings of the second PMC held on 11.09.2020. The action taken report and activity-wise progress made under each head was discussed elaborately. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor took a comprehensive note on the progress and suggested timely completion of various ongoing activities. The meeting was attended by the members of PMC. A vote of thanks was proposed at the end by Dr. P. Parida, the Deputy Coordinator, IDP.



Short-term Virtual Training on 'Office Governance'

A short term training was organized on "Office Governance" for the staff members of affiliated colleges organized by the IDP cell of MSCB University on 22.01. 2021. The meeting was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa, the Chief Patron; the Registrar, Shri S. Samadhia, as the Patron and the Coordinator, IDP Cell, Prof. H. N. Thatoi. Among others

present on behalf of IDP cell were Prof. A. K. Bastia, Training Nodal Officer, and Dr. (Mrs) P. Parida, Deputy Coordinator. The resource persons who graced the occasion for the programme were Shri. Ganesh Chandra Patra (Sr. OAS), Special Secretary, Govt. of Odisha; Shri Surendra Kumar Sahoo (Sr.OFS), Comptroller of Finance, Utkal University and Shri Sukdev Tarei (OFS), Comptroller of Finance, MSCB University. Detailed deliberations were made on the concept, features, and importance of good governance and issues that arise in their effective implementation. Deliberations were also made on issues with reference to the current scenario and aspiration of working mass. The training was primarily based on lectures, case studies, experience sharing and was participative in nature. The program was attended by the faculties and non-teaching staff of the University and various colleges.

Celebration of 125th birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose

125th birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose on 23rd January 2021



72nd Republic Day

The University celebrated the 72nd Republic Day with patriotic fervor and enthusiasm on 26th January 2021. After the flag hoisting, the program started with the motivational speech by Prof. K. K. Basa, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. In conned his best wishes to all the faculty members, staff members, and students for the Republic day Celebrations. Among others dignitaries who addressed the gathering were Chairman Post-Graduate Council, the Registrar, Controller of Examination, and the Comptroller of Finance.

State NSS Award to the University Teacher

Dr. Smruti Ranjan Das, MSCB University, received the 'State NSS Award 2019-20', for the

Best NSS Programme Officer by the Department of Higher Education, Government of Odisha in the Presence of Hon'ble Higher Education Minister, Dr Arun Kumar Sahoo ; Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, Odisha, Mr. Saswata Mishra ; SNO cum Deputy Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Odisha ; Dr. Surekha Sundari Swain, NSS Regional Director, Bhubaneswar, Miss Sarita Patel.





Our NSS wing: Our Pride

Eight volunteers of Participated as a Contingent Leader of Odisha State in Pre Republic Day Parade Camp-2020 on 22nd November to 1st December at Bhubaneswar, Odisha. They were accompanied by Dr Smruti Ranjan Das, Programme Officer MSCB University. Dr Smruti Ranjan Das and one Volunteer as Contingent Leader of Odisha State in Republic Day Parade Camp-2021 on 1st January to 31st January at

Rajpath, New Delhi. The team also met Honourable PM Sri Narendra Modi at PM's residence.

Interaction with Prof. Asoka Das, Vice Chairman, OSHEC

An interaction meeting with faculty members was organized by the University with Prof. Asoka Kumar Das, Vice Chairman, Odisha State Higher Education Council; Prof. Ranjan Bal & Prof. Jayanta Kumar Parida from Utkal University in the presence of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa along with Prof. A. K. Biswal, Chairman, PGC and the Registrar on 11.02.2021. Prof. Das stressed on the fact that quality is the benchmark in higher education institutions and high standards should be maintained both in terms of infrastructure and quality. In a brainstorming session, he advised the faculties to find out their research priority, and stressed on identifying topics of common interests for new collaborative research projects. He also elaborated on how to get funding from different sources. Other dignitaries also interacted with the faculty members. Faculty members expressed the benefits they derived from the interaction session. A vote of thanks was presented by Prof. A. K. Biswal.



NAAC Accreditation Process and Securing Good Grades (Paramarsh)

A two-days UGC Sponsored Workshop on Understanding The NAAC Accreditation Process and Securing Good Grades was organized by the IQAC on 12-13 February 2021. This workshop was a collaborative programme between Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University and KIIT Deemed to be University under the "Paramarsh"

scheme of NAAC. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Kishor K. Basa inaugurated the workshop and motivated all the principals of affiliated colleges towards accreditation by NAAC. Prof. Asoka Kumar Das, Vice Chairman, Odisha State Higher Education Council was the chief guest in the programme. Prof. Sasmita Samal, Pro-Vice Chancellor, KIIT Deemed to be University Prof. Ranjan K. Bal, Former Chairman PG Council Utkal University, Former professor from Utkal University Prof. Jayant K. Parida and Dr Sitanshu Samal, Regional Director, Higher Education were the guests of honour. A MoU was signed between Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University and KIIT Deemed to be University. Registrar Mr. Sahadev Samadhia gave the welcome address and Director, IQAC Prof. M. Himabindu offered a vote of thanks."



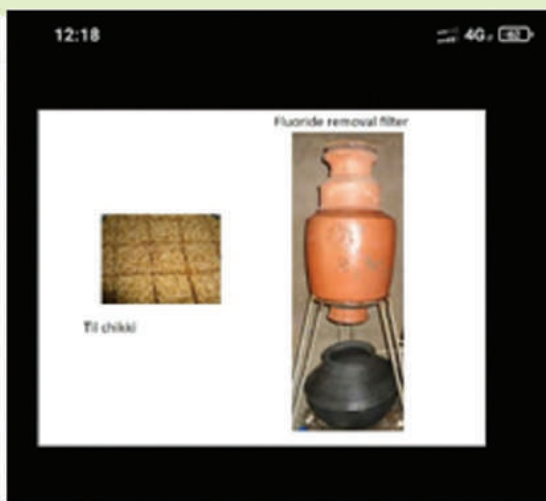
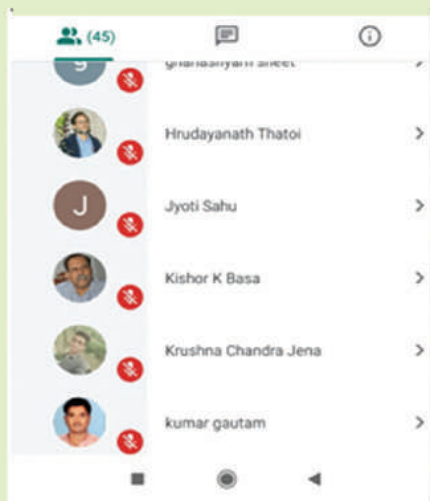
IQAC Advisory Committee Meeting

The first meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) for the year 2021 was held on 25-02-2021. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa chaired the meeting. The meeting was attended by Prof. P. K. Mohapatra, Director IQAC, Utkal University and Prof. N. N. Das, Department of Chemistry, Utkal University as special guests. The members present in the meeting were Prof. A. K. Biswal, Chairman Post Graduate Council; Prof. H. K. Sahu, Dept. of

Zoology; Prof. Susmita Kar, Dept. of Physics; Prof. Pramoda Kumar Satapathy, Dept. of Chemistry; the Registrar, Mr. Sahadev Samadhia; the Comptroller of Finance, Mr. Sukdev Tarei and the Controller of Examination, Mr. Laxmidhar Giri. In the beginning, IQAC Director, MSCBU, Prof. M. Himabindu introduced the guests. A comprehensive discussion on all the recommendations made by the NAAC peer team visit in 2017 were made and about the future course of action. Suggestions were made regarding the preparation for the next NAAC Peer Team visit. The meeting was concluded by a formal vote of thanks by Dr. P. Mallick, Deputy Director, IQAC.

Bidu Chandan

"Bidu-Chandan Bonga" was celebrated by the students of the Department of Santali in the University campus on 27th February 2021. It is believed that with the blessings of Bidu-Chandan, Pandit Raghunath Murmu discovered the 'Olchiki' script. Bidu-Chandan worship has a special significance among the Santal people. God Bidu and Goddess Chandan are considered to be the God and Goddesses of learning. On this day God and Goddess Bidu-Sandan, who signifies knowledge, intelligence, learning, and all arts, are worshipped. The celebration of such indigenous festivals rejuvenates our sustained traditions and value system.



National Science Day

The National Science Day was organized by the IQAC Cell of the University on 28th February 2021 in virtual mode at MSCB University in the gracious presence of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. K. K. Basa. Dr. Sunderrajan Krishnan, Executive Director, INREM Foundation, Gujarat was the keynote speaker of the occasion and he delivered

on the topic "Perspectives on Fluoride & Fluorosis". The meeting was presided over by the Chairman Post-Graduate Council, Prof. A. K. Biswal who during his deliberations focussed on the significance of the celebration of National Science Day. The function was attended by a large number of students and faculty members of the PG Departments of the University.



Teachers Training Programme on Advances in Molecular Biology

IDP sponsored Teachers' training programme on "Advanced in Molecular Biology" was organized by the P.G Department of Zoology from 1st March to 6th March 2021. The inaugural session was presided over by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa in the presence of IDP Coordinator, Prof. H. N. Thatoi; Head, Dept. of Zoology, Prof. H. K.

Sahu; Deputy Coordinator, IDP, Dr. P. Parida and IDP Training Nodal Officer, Prof. A. K. Bastia. 'An Introduction to Molecular Biology' was presented by Dr. P. R. Debata wherein he gave an idea about biomolecules. He also presented methods of RNA isolation and visualization with virtual demonstration, protein isolation and characterization, visual demonstrations of SDS-PAGE and Western Blotting, and DNA sequencing. Dr. Gargi Mohanty covered methods in Genomic DNA isolation, DNA Karyotyping and fingerprinting, theories of genetic engineering, methods of screening and selection of recombinants, gene silencing, visual demonstrations of immunoprecipitation and immunodiffusion. Dr. P. Parida delivered on 'Principles and Applications of Antigen-Antibody interactions. Dr. C. Mahapatra covered immunohistochemistry and its applications, differential gene expression analysis, described PCR and qPCR. The programme was aimed to increase the teaching skills which focused on subject matter interfaced with the scientific curiosity. The program was attended by the faculties and students of various affiliated colleges.

When our students doused the Similipal Fire...

When Similipal burned, it was our students who ventured into dousing the fire. They worked in the Kaptipada region tirelessly for three days from 5.3.21 to 7.3.21. This initiative was taken up by students and teachers of the Department of Social Work. The activity covered Thakurmunda, Podadhia Range of Similipal Biosphere Reserve. Students broke the line of Fire by using blower machine and sticks. They were able to control eight patches of Forest area. The ACM(NGO), Forest department and Tribal people of this area helped in this effort. The students also organised an awareness program on the theme "Save Similipal from Fire" at Aswakoti, Labanyadeipur, and Sarat area and interacted with local tribals.



International Women's Day Celebration

The International Women's Day 2021 was organised by the Anti-Sexual Harassment Cell of Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University. Prof. Kishor Kumar Basa, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor chaired the session and Prof. Hima Bindu Maringanti, Chairperson, SH Cell gave the welcome address. Prof. Madhumita Das, Former Vice Chancellor of FM University, Balasore was present online as the Chief Guest and Ms. Sashiprava Bindhani, a former member

of State Information Commission as the Guest of Honour. Prof. M. Das addressed on the theme and requested women to challenge the biases in our society. She also gave an example of herself and her struggles in her professional passion. Her famous quote was, "Na kam na jyada, bas aadha aadha". She reminded the role of women in transforming their qualities to the child in the womb during the 9 months that she carries the child. The Guest of Honour, Ms. S. Bindhani stressed upon the three things that women need to harp upon – Peace, Security, and Dignity. "Keeping a record of the number of cases of Sexual Harassment at Workplace in the University, how they were solved and time-taken to solve is very important", she said. Dr. Minati Mallick, a member of the Cell offered a formal vote of thanks to all the dignitaries, faculty & staff, and student participants.

International Webinar on 'Biotechnological Innovations in 21st Century'



A Two days International webinar on "Biotechnological Innovations in 21st century" sponsored by the world bank was organized by the Department of Biotechnology on 19th - 20th March 2021. The webinar was inaugurated by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. K. K. Basa. Prof. Basa underlined the vital role of Biotechnology in solving the issues in the domain of food, health, and climate change. The Chief Guest of the webinar Prof. S. P. Adhikary, Former Vice Chancellor, F. M. University delivered a talk on Biotechnology for Odisha and the role of Universities to empower the youth of the state. In

this international webinar Prof. T. Nakanishi of Nihon University, Japan; Dr. G. Senthil Arumugam, IIT, Madras; Dr. P. S. Sahu, Medical University of America, Nevis, USA; Dr. P. Pattnaik, Director, Merck Life Science, Singapore; Dr. S. Hota, University of California, USA; Prof. N. Thajuddin, Bharathidasan University; Prof. K. C. Mondal, Vidyasagar University and few more resource persons across the country and abroad delivered their talks.

The webinar was organized by faculty members of the Department, Prof. H. N. Thatoi as convener, Dr. B. Rath, and Dr. S. K. Nayak as Co-convener; Dr. S. K. Sahu as organizing secretary and Dr. G. Dhangdamajhi as co-organizing secretary. The webinar was attended by faculty members, students, and research scholars of MSCBD University and other Universities and Institutes of the state.

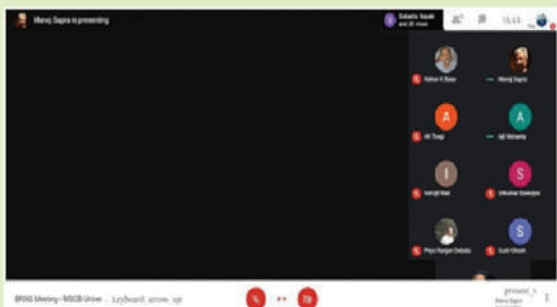
Mo College Abhijan

The 'Mo College Abhijan' was launched by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik at the Convention Hall of Lokseva Bhavan, Bhubaneswar on 21st March 2021. The Mo College Unit of our University organised a function on the same day at Annex Building to witness the live-streaming of the inaugural function of the 'Mo College Abhijan'. A good number of students, alumni, staff along with Hon'ble VC and Registrar attended the function. The basic objective of 'Mo College Abhijan' is for providing a platform to enable willing alumni of an educational institution to contribute towards the development of the same institution.



Exploring opportunities with BARC & BRNS

An online meeting through video conferencing was organized by Bhabha Atomic Research (BARC), Mumbai to explore opportunities of the collaborative programme through BRNS (Board of Research in Nuclear Science) on identified areas of scientific research on April 18, 2021. Dr. Ajit Kumar Mohanty, Director, BARC gave the opening remark on the occasion and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa introduced them to Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University. A detailed funding, types of research projects supported and various Research Projects Awards given by BRNS was presented by Mr. S. K. Sapra, Scientific



Secretary, BRNS. He elaborated on funding in the area of Laser in Bio-Medical Applications, food preservation/processing, New materials, Machine learning and Mineral exploration. Research & Development activities in the area of Chemical Sciences undertaken by the Department of Atomic Energy were discussed by Dr. A. K. Tyagi, Associate Director, Chemistry group of BARC. He highlighted recent works carried out by BARC in nuclear fuel cycle and hydrogen generation. He also gave a representative list of available characterization techniques at BARC and various research projects funded by BARC across the country. Research & Development activities in the area of the Bio-Science Group of the BARC was presented by Dr. Sunil Ghosh, former Associate Director, Bio Science Group, BARC. He highlighted the basic research in biology and application of biological schemes in Food security, health and environment and focussed on the facilities like Radiation sources, Animal house facilities and state of the art infrastructure and instruments for biological research. Late Dr. Srikumar Banerjee, former Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission also graced the occasion and expressed his views on mega research scope on Similipal Biosphere Reserve. The concluding remarks were given by Mr. S. K. Sapra, Scientific Secretary, BRNS.

Signing of MoU with Zoological Survey of India

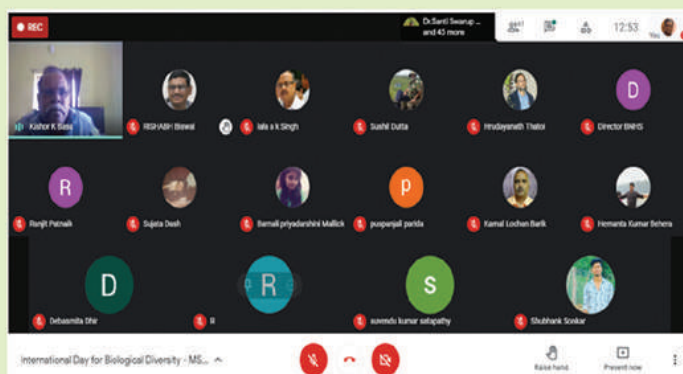


The Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University, Baripada, Odisha (MSCBDU) have entered into a 'Memorandum of Understanding' for scientific and educational cooperation on 20.04.2021. The scope of the agreement includes sharing of relevant information and laboratory resources as well as the exchange of students, scholars, and postdoctoral fellows for projects. The MoU aims to establish provisions for joint publications, joint projects, conferences and workshops, exchange visits of faculty members, and joint research activities. Under this MoU, the Zoological Survey of India,

Kolkata or any of its 16 Regional Centres shall be a recognized research centre for undertaking Doctoral and Post-Doctoral Programme. The scientists of the Zoological Survey of India conducting research shall be recognized as Guide/Co-Guide for supervising Master's and Doctoral Programmes in Zoology, Life Sciences, Wildlife Sciences and or any other Biological Sciences.

Celebration of International Biodiversity Day

International Day for Biological Diversity was celebrated on 22nd May 2021 at MSCB University and a webinar was organized on the theme 'We're part of the solution' as declared by United Nations. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. K. K. Basa highlighted the purpose and uniqueness of the day. The webinar was attended by renowned zoologist Prof. S. K. Dutta as the keynote speaker and delivered his talk on the topic "Solving for Nature and Solution from Nature". The Director of the Bombay Natural History Society, Dr. Bivash Pandav was the chief guest and delivered a talk on



"Conservation of Biodiversity in India - Problems and Challenges" wherein he figured out distinctively on biogeographical zones and major risks of biodiversity disasters. Prof. H.N.Thatoi, Director, Similipal Study Center of the University, gave the welcome address. The formal vote of thanks was extended by Prof. H. K.Sahu, Coordinator, Similipal Study Centre, The event was coordinated by Prof. A. K. Biswal, Chairman PG Council. The webinar was attended by staff and students of the University.

Meeting of the Academic Council



The meeting of the Academic Council of Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanja Deo University was held on 31st May 2021 in virtual mode for the session 2020-21. The meeting was presided over by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Basa. Registrar welcomed the members and read out the resolutions of previous Academic Council meeting and action-taken-report of the previous academic council held on 31.07.2019. During the meeting approval of proceedings of the Equivalence Committee held on 18.07.2018, approval of the proposal for certificate course on Translation and approval of the syllabus for the proposed certificate courses for various P. G Departments

of the University, were discussed elaborately. The meeting was attended by Heads of all regular PG Departments, the Controller of Examination, and Principals of both Autonomous Colleges and of some affiliated colleges. A vote of thanks was given by the Comptroller of Finance.

World Environment Day



of Orchids and other varieties of plants obtained from Similipal Biosphere Reserve.

Prof. A. B. Das, former Professor, Department of Botany, Utkal University, delivered a talk as the keynote speaker on the topic "Resilience of coastal biodiversity towards climate change." He has highlighted on biodiversity conservation and suggested for restoration of saline forest communities for the ecological protection of the Odisha coast. The event was

72nd Van Mahotsav Celebration

The 72nd Bana Mahotsav was celebrated on 6th July 2021 under the supervision of Vice Chancellor Prof. Kishor Kumar Basa, was organized by the Department of Forests, Environment and Climate Change, Govt of Odisha, and in collaboration with Mayurbhanj Judiciary, and Baripada Forest Division. On this occasion, a medicinal plant garden was inaugurated at the APJ Abdul Kalam Biodiversity Park located inside the University campus.



International Webinar on Sanskrit and Nation Building

The Department of Sanskrit, MSCB University, Keonjhar Campus organized a national webinar on the topic 'Sanskrit and Nation Building' on 21 November 2020. The event was aimed to discuss a crucial topic, which elaborated on the role of literature in envisioning and shaping a nation. The eminent guests included professor Prafulla Kumar Mishra (Chancellor, Dr Rajendra Prasad Central University, Bihar), Harekrushna Satpathy, Vice chancellor (KISS DEEMED University), Professor Aruna Ranjan Mishra (department of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit, Viswabharati University) and Professor Muralidhar Panda (President, International Sanskrit Academy, South Africa). Professor Somanath Sahu (CSU, Vedavyas campus, Himachal Pradesh) and Dr Manoranjan Senapaty (Reader, department of Sanskrit, Utkal University) were the invited resource persons. The webinar was conducted in collaboration with Villa Marie Degree College for Women, Hyderabad. Dr Hiralal Dash, associate professor and head, department of Sanskrit, MSCB University was the convenor of the event, and Dr Gitanjali Nayak, lecturer in Sanskrit, Villa Marie College was the co-convenor.





Webinars conducted by Dept. of Odia, Keonjhar Campus

A National Webinar on the theme "Travelogues in Odia: Past and Present" was organized on 24 August 2020. The event was graced by scholars of Odia literature like Professor Ashok Das of Sambalpur University and Professor Manoranjan Pradhan of Viswabharati University, Shantiniketan. The department organized another national webinar on 21 December 2020 titled Odia Katha Sahityare Prakrutika Biparijaya Chitra (Natural Disaster and the Odia Fiction). Baishnab Charan Samal (Viswabharati University), Professor Prasanna Kumar Swain (Berhampur University and Alok Baral (Central University of Odisha, Koraput) were invited to share their invaluable insights. The third national webinar focussed on exploring new areas and methodologies in research. The speakers on the occasion were Professor Krushna Chandra Pradhan (Central University of Odisha, Koraput) and Dr. Krushna Chandra Nayak, (former Principal, D.D. Autonomous college).

Events conducted by Dept. of English, Keonjhar Campus

The Department of English, MSCBU, Keonjhar Campus organized several academic events in the session 2020-21. The Department organized a national webinar series titled "Perspectives on History of English Literature", which was graced by eminent scholars of literature from various parts of India. The Department also hosted an international webinar series on Gandhi on the theme "Gandhi's Legacy: Reflections and Reappraisals" between 22 September to 29 October 2020. Some of the world-renowned Gandhi scholars such as Professor Parama Roy and Professor Vinay Lal were among the speakers. A special lecture on postcolonial literature was delivered by Prof. Madahusmita Pati, RD women's university in February 2021. Also, a special online lecture titled "a tale of two trees, or how India took to the book" was delivered by Prof. Abhijit Gupta from Jadavpur University on 19 March 2021.



Adieu to our colleague who superannuated this year



We'll be Missing You! Prof. U. B. Mohapatra of Botany was accorded a warm farewell to honour him in recognition of his excellent teaching career in a retirement function organized by the Department of Botany, MSCB University. The Department wished him for a healthy and prosperous post-retirement life. Prof. P. K. Chand, Vice-Chancellor as a special guest felicitated him for his achievements, contributions, and leadership. Head, Department of Botany, Prof. A. K. Biswal paid a warm farewell for completion of Prof. Mohapatra's illustrious tenure. Prior to this, a 'National Webinar' was organized by the Department in his honour. The meeting was attended by faculty members, staff, and students of MSCB University.

Losing our elderly family



Prof. Biranchi Narayan Puhan
(1941-2020)

The university has expressed its condolences over the death of Prof. Biranchi Narayan Puhan, Former Vice Chancellor of North Orissa University and internally known Psychologist. Professor Puhan was diagnosed with Covid-19 and was undergoing treatment at KIMS, Bhubaneswar, where he died on 24 October 2020. He was 79. Prof. Puhan did his Ph.D from University of Manitoba, Canada. He was a commonwealth Academic Staff Fellow in University of London. He was also a member of NAAC peer team. Professor Puhan was the Vice Chancellor of North Orissa University from 2002 to 2005. During his tenure, North Orissa University started work on the Baripada campus. In his tenure as Vice Chancellor, he strengthened the university's core by filling almost all accredited teaching and non-teaching posts, played a key role in building requisite infrastructure, and streamlining the academics. During his tenure as Vice Chancellor, Former President APJ Abdul Kalam graced the convocation in the University. In the condolence meeting, Vice Chancellor Prof. Pradeep Kumar Chand, wished heavenly upliftment of Prof. Puhan's soul and expressed that Prof. Puhan's demise was an irreparable loss to society. Prof. Puhan had a great reputation as an administrator. His death has cast a shadow of mourning over all the students and staff of the University.



Prof. Sanghamitra Mohanty
(1953-2021)

The university mourned over the untimely death of Prof. Sanghamitra Mohanty, former Vice Chancellor of North Orissa University. Prof. Mohanty was admitted to a private hospital in Bhubaneswar after suffering from Covid and died on Thursday, July 1, 2021. Professor Mohanty was the Vice Chancellor of North Orissa University from 2011 to 2014. During her tenure, she strengthened the university by filling teaching and non-teaching positions. She had also served as the President of the Odisha Bigyan Academy. Professor Mohanty was one of the first persons in Odisha to use a computer in the 1980s. It would not be an exaggeration to say that she was the first female computer scientist in Odisha. She had made significant contributions to the computerization of the Odia language. She also laid the foundations for research in the field of "Natural Language Processing" in the Odia language, and in this field, she had a well-known reputation around the world.

A condolence meeting was organized at the University on 01-07-2021 to mourn the death of Prof. Mohanty. In his address, Prof. Kishor Kumar Basa, Vice Chancellor, prayed for the heavenly departure of Prof. Mohanty's soul and recalled his associations with Prof. Mohanty at Utkal University. Chairman PG Council, Prof. A. K. Biswal recalled the tenure of Professor Mohanty at North Orissa University. Prof. Sushmita Kar, from the Department of Physics, called Prof. Mohanty a compassionate woman.



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