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Central University of Odisha celebrates Vishwa Hindi Mahotsav

*Amidst the evolving global landscape, Hindi stands out as a predominant linguistic element:
Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi*

The Central University of Odisha, Koraput, buzzed with enthusiasm as it celebrated the World Hindi Festival on February 5, 2024. This event marked a part of the ongoing celebrations nationwide and internationally, aimed at promoting, propagating, and spreading the Hindi language globally. The global celebration of World Hindi Day took place on January 10, reinforcing the commitment to advancing Hindi on a global scale.

Prof. Chakradhar Tripathy, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Odisha, has been instrumental in various initiatives for the promotion and development of Hindi. Among these is the 'Hindi Literacy Campaign,' which is actively underway not only within the university but also in the five adopted villages. The theme for World Hindi Day 2024, "Hindi From Traditional Knowledge to Artificial Intelligence," was the focal point for a special seminar and other associated programs at the university.

The inaugural session, presided over by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, featured Prof. Ramkishore Sharma, a retired Hindi Professor from Allahabad University, Prayagraj, as the distinguished speaker. and former Emeritus Professor of Lucknow University Prof. Hari Shankar Mishra, along with Academic and Administration Advisor Prof. Vibhash Chandra Jha, and Dean of the University's School of Languages Prof. Narsingh Charan Panda, contributed to the event as well.

Prof. Ramkishore Sharma shared his experiences and achievements, emphasizing the struggles and triumphs of Hindi and commending the university's campaign for the language. Prof. Hari Shankar Mishra spoke optimistically about the global significance of Hindi, and Prof. Vibhash Chandra Jha highlighted the potential for Hindi's global influence through technological integration.

Prof. Narsingh Charan Panda discussed the unifying role of Hindi in fostering human connections and enhancing nationalism. Vice-Chancellor Prof. Chakradhar Tripathy emphasized that Hindi has evolved beyond being India's leading language and has become a language of knowledge and business, as well as an important largest speaking Indian language.

Dr. Nirjharini Tripathy, Coordinator of the University's Hindi Literacy Campaign, outlined the campaign's objectives. The event featured student performances and concluded with the national anthem. Prof. Hemraj Meena, Director of the Rajbhasha Section, organized the entire program, while Dr. Chakradhar Pradhan, Head of the Department of Hindi, expressed gratitude in the vote of thanks.

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