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संदेश

यह हर्ष का विषय है कि ओड़िशा केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय कोरापुट 15 मार्च से 25 मार्च 2023 तक हिंदी, संस्कृत, अंग्रेजी और ओड़िया भाषा में विभिन्न विषयों पर तीन-तीन दिवसीय चार अंतर्राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठियाँ आयोजित कर रहा है। इस अवसर पर एक स्मारिका का प्रकाशन भी किया जा रहा है।

ओड़िशा केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय ने उच्च शिक्षा के प्रचार-प्रसार में उल्लेखनीय कार्य किया है। यह सराहनीय है कि विश्वविद्यालय जनजातीय समाज के कल्याण और उससे जुड़े शोध कार्यों को बढ़ावा देने हेतु “जनजातीय शोध केन्द्र” स्थापित करने के लिए प्रयासरत है। मुझे विश्वास है कि विश्वविद्यालय शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में नए मानक स्थापित करेगा।

मैं इन संगोष्ठियों के आयोजन से जुड़े सभी शिक्षकों, विश्वविद्यालय प्रशासन और छात्रों को बधाई देती हूँ और इनके सफल आयोजन की कामना करती हूँ।

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नई दिल्ली
15 मार्च, 2023



From the Desk of The Chancellor

It is a matter of great pleasure to me to offer my heartfelt felicitation on the occasion of the foundation day of the university. The Central University Odisha is situated in a place surrounded by exquisite scenic beauty, rich natural resources, some prestigious industries and a vast tribal population characterised by rich tribal culture and tradition. The establishment of the university is a major step in creating a bridge between the rich tribal culture and modern education. I hope the university will play a major role in ushering in a qualitative change in the life of the people, while at the same time preserving the exquisite features of the tribal culture.

The university has suffered badly during the bygone years due to the absence of a regular Vice-Chancellor. The problem is further complicated by the absence of a large number of the teaching faculty, However the temporary and stop gap faculty members have striven hard to keep the academic activities without much adverse impact. I appreciate their sincere commitment and hard work. I hope that efforts will be made for filling up the faculty positions without any further delay.

I was pleased to witness the enthralling athletic and sporting demonstration exhibited by the students and also the cultural activities. They reflected the rich talents possessed by these young men and women. I also had the occasion to interact with the students at the gents and womens hostels. I was impressed by the earnestness and commitment of the students. I hope if proper facilities and opportunities are provided the students will surely bring laurels to the university as well as to the country at large.

University, in my opinion, is not just a place for academic pursuits. Academic pursuits no doubt constitute the central theme of the university, but it must provide for the blessing of multiple facets of youngmen and women including sports, athletics, cultural values as well as spiritual development, and in addition it must also contribute towards the overall development of the community at large. I believe the university will strive towards this end and emerge as a lighthouse shedding light on the life of the community.

I eagerly look forward for the day when the university under the able and energetic leadership of the present Vice-Chancellor and the dedicated efforts of his colleagues will emerge as one of the leading and prestigious universities of the country.

Wishing all the best to everybody.

With warm regards,

Prof. P. V. Krishna Bhatta
Chancellor,
Central University of Odisha, Koraput

The Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has lauded the 'Indian Traditional Sports Festival'



Gratitude to PM Narendra Modi for being an Inspiration

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO

The Central University of Odisha at Koraput has recently received the best compliment of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Hon'ble PM posted on his Twitter 23rd April, 2023 with a comment of high praise for it. Taking to Twitter, the Prime Minister lauded the innovative sports festival undertaken by the University. He said, "The initiative taken by the University to spread the message of awareness about India's rich sporting traditions and its diversity is highly appreciated. Union Minister of State for Education. Dr. Sarkar shares his experience with multiple visually acclaimed photos from the festival on his Twitter. "I am impressed to see so many traditional sports forms and young sportspersons of our country and its enthusiastic participants perform brilliantly and achieve success," he noted. It is worth mentioning here that Prime Minister Shri Modi has expressed his views on sports for the second time in a week on Twitter. On April 19, Modi posted an article by Anju Bobby George, a woman Olympian and Vice-President of the Sports Federation, on how her 'Mann Ki Baat' program has started a

new chapter in the world of sports in India. Due to this appreciation of the Prime Minister about the Central University of Odisha, there is enthusiasm in the University campus. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi congratulated Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Union Minister of State for Education, Dr. Subhas Sarkar expressed his sincere gratitude.



Narendra Modi @narendra... · 36m :
Laudatory initiative by Central University of Odisha to organise the Paramparik Kreed Mahotsava to spread awareness about India's rich sporting traditions and diversity.

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Dr. Subhas Sarkar @Drsub... · 1d
Attended Bharatiya Paramparik Kreed Mahotsav organised at Central University of Odisha, Koratpur today. I was astonished to see such varieties of Bharatiya sports forms and the yo...



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31 MAR 2023

D.O.F.N.7-2/2021(Chairs)

March, 2023

Subject : Establishment of Chair in the Central University of Odisha, Koraput-reg.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of establishment of Chair in the name of Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi in the Central University of Odisha, Koraput vide your letter No.CUO/VCO/2023/01 dated 10.01.2023. The Commission in its 567th meeting held on 23.03.2023, has considered and approved the establishment of Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi Chair in the Central University of Odisha, Koraput.

A copy of the guidelines of the scheme is also enclosed for your ready reference.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

(Dr. Archana Thakur)

Encl. : As above.

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कुलपति की कलम से



उड़ीसा केंद्रीय विश्वविद्यालय अपने मूल उद्देश्य एवं लक्ष्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए इन दिनों एक सकारात्मक दिशा में आगे बढ़ता हुआ नजर आ रहा है। इस बीच खेल प्रांगण का निर्माण कार्य आगे बढ़ा। पांच विषयों - संस्कृत, ओड़िया, हिंदी, अंग्रेजी, अर्थशास्त्र व पत्रकारिता में अंतरराष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठियों का आयोजन हुआ तथा उसी क्रम में एक महत्वपूर्ण राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी शिक्षाविभाग द्वारा भी संपन्न हुई।

शिक्षावर्ष 2023 के लिए परास्नातक पाठ्यक्रम में नामांकन की प्रक्रिया शुरू हुई तो दूसरी ओर कृषि विज्ञान, डेरी टेक्नोलॉजी, फॉरेस्ट मैनेजमेंट और इंडस्ट्रियल मैनेजमेंट जैसे नए विषयों में पाठ्यक्रम निर्माण की प्रक्रिया भी शुरू हुई।

केंद्रीय शिक्षामंत्री श्री धर्मेंद्र प्रधान जी का आगमन 5 घंटों के लिए 1 अप्रैल को विश्वविद्यालय परिसर में होता है। इस अवसर पर उन्होंने क्रीड़ा प्रांगण का शिलान्यास किया तथा एक विशाल कार्यस्थल का भी उद्घाटन किया। साथ ही कोरापुट की 'कुई' और 'देसिया' भाषा में ग्रंथ रचना की दिशा में प्रयास करने की सलाह दी।

यूजीसी द्वारा इस बीच 'भीमा भोई चेर' प्रदान किया गया।

वार्षिक उत्सव के तहत परिसर में फिटनेस फेस्टिवल हर्षोल्लास के साथ मनाया गया।

इस बीच कई अध्यापकों तथा छात्र-छात्राओं ने अपने अपने विशिष्ट कार्यों तथा अनुसंधान के लिए सम्मान अर्जित किया।

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय महिला दिवस, अंतर्राष्ट्रीय भाषा दिवस, दोल परब, अंबेडकर जयंती, फूड फेस्टिवल - जैसी कई महत्वपूर्ण कार्यक्रमों एवं संगोष्ठियों का आयोजन हुआ।

फिर अप्रैल 21 और 22 को भारतीय पारंपरिक क्रीड़ा महोत्सव का आयोजन क्रीड़ा भारती के संयुक्त तत्वाधान में संपन्न हुआ जिसमें असम, पश्चिम बंगाल तथा उड़ीसा के कई क्रीड़ा संगठन आये और सौभाग्य से इस अवसर पर शिक्षा राष्ट्रमंत्री डॉ सुभाष सरकार अतिथि के रूप में पधार कर इस महोत्सव का उद्घाटन किया। देश के कई महान क्रीडाविद भी पधारे और देश की पारंपरिक कला संस्कृति को बढ़ावा दिया। इस संदर्भ में उल्लेखनीय बात यह रही कि आदरणीय प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेंद्र मोदी जी का प्रशंसा पत्र हमें प्राप्त हुआ।

इस अवधि में विश्वविद्यालय के महामहिम कुलाधिपति प्रोफेसर भट्ट जी का आगमन होता है। वे बारी-बारी से छात्र-छात्राओं तथा अध्यापकों व कर्मियों से मिलकर उनका मार्गदर्शन किया तथा आशीर्वाद दिया।

छात्र-छात्राओं के उत्तम स्वास्थ्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए परिसर में एक फल व अंकुरित अनाजों का विक्रय केंद्र नो प्रॉफिट नो लॉस की शर्त पर स्थापित हुआ।

प्रसन्नता है कि विश्वविद्यालय एक नई ऊर्जा, नये संकल्प तथा नई दृष्टि के साथ इस 21 वी शताब्दी के प्रथम चरण में कई कीर्तिमान स्थापित करते हुए आगे बढ़ रहा है।

From the Desk of The Vice-Chancellor



Central University of Odisha, having set its vision and mission as its primary objective, seems to be moving forward in a positive direction and growing extremely fast.

I feel proud to announce that the last three months of 2023 (February- April) is crowded with many eventful academic and cultural programmes organized by our students and staff members. Five international conferences were conducted in five different subjects (Odia, Hindi, English, Sanskrit and Economics and Journalism jointly) along with one important national seminar in Education. The construction work of a playground was also progressed.

On the one hand the admission process for Post Graduate departments for the academic year 2023 was initiated while on the other hand the curriculum designing of the departments like Agricultural Science, Dairy Technology, Forest Management and Industrial Management started.

A welcome ceremony of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Union Minister of Education was held in the university campus for duration of five hours on 1st April 2023. On this occasion he led the foundation stone of the University Playground, inaugurated the Work Station, Language Lab and visited Central Library. At the same time, he suggested to write texts on 'Kui' and 'Desia' languages. The University Grants Commission set up the Bhima Bhoi Chair at the Central University of Odisha, Koraput.

Fitness festival was also celebrated in a grand manner in the campus on the eve of the Annual Function. In the meanwhile, many teachers, scholars and students were awarded for their works and researches in their respective fields. Significant events and seminars like, International women's day, International language Day, Holi (Dola Parab), Ambedkar Jayanti and Food Festival were organized in the campus.

On 21st and 22nd of April 2023, Bharatiya Paramparik Kreedha Mahotsav was organized in collaboration with Kreedha Bharti in the university campus. Many sports persons in their respective sports teams participated from Assam, West Bengal and Odisha. The university was fortunate enough to have the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Education, Dr. Subhas Sarkar to inaugurate the event. Many eminent personalities from the field of sports participated and talked about the growth and progress of the traditional art and culture of the nation. The most adorable moment for the university was to receive the letter of appreciation from the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi in this respect.

During this time, the Chancellor of the Central University of Odisha, Prof. P.V. Krishna Bhatta arrived. He met and interacted with all the teachers, staff members and students of the university, guided and blessed them.

Keeping in mind the health and proper nutrition of the students in the campus, a sprouted grain selling counter was set up with a policy of no-profit and no-loss formula.

It is a pleasure that the University is moving forward with great energy, determination and vision in the first step of the twenty-first century. I am sure that CUO will significantly contribute to the world of knowledge.

Prof. (Dr.) Chakradhar Tripathi

Vice-Chancellor,

Central University of Odisha, Koraput

Hon'ble Union Minister
Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
Visits Central University of Odisha

Welcoming Shri Dharmendra Pradhan: Leading us to Greater Heights

– Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Hon'ble Minister of Education and Minister of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan visited the Central University of Odisha on 1st April. On a brief visit After taking lunch he met the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi at his office and discussed various issues related to the University. On his visit, he inaugurated the proposed Sports Complex on the campus. He also inaugurated the Language Laboratory and the extension of the library building. After the event, he addressed the gathering on Campus. The Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi presided over the meeting. On the occasion, Shri Pradhan felicitated two eminent personalities of the Koraput region, The Bhoodan Movement activist Shri Krushna Singh and eminent weaver and Padma Shree awardee Shri Gobardhan Panika. After meeting there, the minister addressed the faculty members and staff of the University. Speaking on the occasion he conveyed his best



wishes on the occasion of Utkal Divas 2023. He urged the audience to work for the development of the state. We should remember the state's glory and work to develop the state's languages. As Odisha is reaching 100 years of its existence in 2036, we should work for its development. If Odisha is developed, India will be developed. The Central University of Odisha should work as a harbinger of development. The University should work for new developments of the nation as envisioned by the Hon'ble Prime Minister. We should work for the future with much responsibility, he said. Koraput district is famous for traditional foods such as rice and millet, but it now produces strawberries. This is the nature of development. The University should work with inclusiveness among the local people to achieve total education. The University should work to include local languages and dialects in its syllabus so that all the students can be appropriately educated. He ensured that NCERT would initiate the effort with the University. The University should also work with HAL and NALCO to develop new innovations in science and technology. He hoped that under the leadership of Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, the University will reach new heights with a greater number of faculty members in the future. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, in his speech,



thanked the Minister for approving the Bhima Bhoi Chair for the University. Bhima Bhoi was one of the leading poets during the Bhakti Movement of India. We should follow the thoughts of Saint poet Bhima Bhoi, who always thought about the betterment of the world, even with his sacrifice. He further said that the University would work for multi-disciplinary studies. He hoped that the Minister will guide us for the betterment of the University as well as society. Dr. Rudrani Mohanty, faculty member of Odia anchored the event. On this occasion eminent dignitaries, Visiting Professors, Faculty members, research scholars and students were present at large. After the meeting, he addressed the faculty members and staff separately.



International Mother Language Day

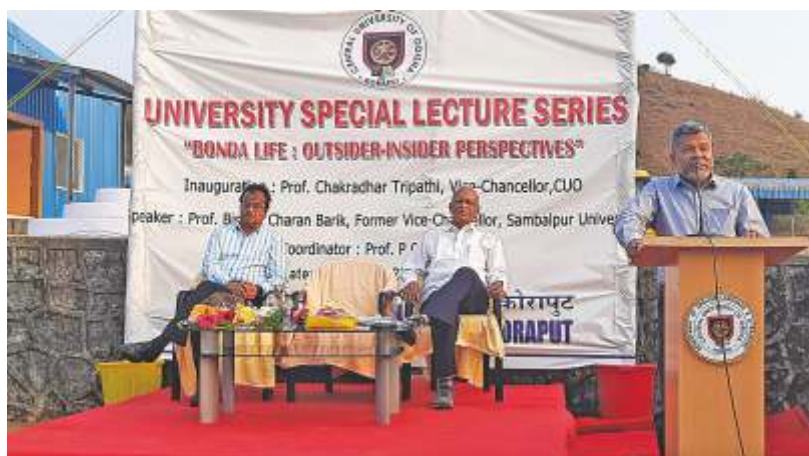
***Mother Language Enriches Us Linguistically and
Binds us to our Culture.*** – Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



International Mother Language Day was celebrated on the campus of the Central University of Odisha under the aegis of the Department of Odia Language and Literature, in a befitting manner. Prof. Santosh Kumar Tripathi, a retired professor of Utkal University, attended as the Chief Speaker and delivered a comprehensive lecture on 'Mother Tongue: The Basic Source of Cultural Development'. He highlighted the importance of the mother tongue in cultural development all over the world. He said that in the recent New Education Policy 2020, the Government of India is giving importance to the mother tongue in the field of education. On this occasion, The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi extended his best wishes to all the students, faculty and staff of the University on the occasion of The Mother Tongue Divas. Dr. Pradosh Kumar Swain, Head in-charge, Department of Odia Language and Literature, delivered the welcome address, introduction of the guests and spoke about the importance and goals of celebrating Mother Language Day. A large number of faculty members, researchers and students of the university participated in this program.

University Special Lecture On 'Bonda Life: Outsider-Insider Perspectives'

Bonda Society is Nature Worshipper – Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha launched the first University Special Lectures Series by inviting eminent personalities of National and International repute who specialize in their areas to bring an authentic, vivid picture of the real world to students, enabling multi-disciplinary learning in the University campus on 01 March 2023. Prof. Bishnu Charan Barik, former Vice-Chancellor of Sambalpur University and well-known



sociologist, attended the programme as the Chief Guest and delivered his insightful lecture on 'Bonda Life: Outsider-Insider Perspectives'. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi inaugurated the programme. He appreciated the tradition and culture of the Bonda tribe and their paramount contribution towards nature. He said, “Bonda caste is a worshiper of nature. They think nature to be supreme and also consider it their sacred and pious duty to protect nature”. He advised students to learn about the different tribes and their life that existed at the University surrounding. Prof. P.C. Patnaik, Professor of Rajiv Gandhi Chair for Tribal Studies, and Coordinator of this lecture series, delivered the welcome address. The Chief Speaker Prof. Barik briefed about the demographic view of the tribal population in India and particularly in Odisha.

CUO Felicitates Six Women On the Occasion of International Women's Day 2023

Nari Shakti Rashtra Shakti Hai - Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha, Koraput, felicitated six working women from several strata of society for their outstanding contribution in their respective fields including two blind women on 10.03.2023 on the occasion of International Women's Day 2023. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University felicitated them in presence of the University

community. They were outstanding social activists Ms. Basanti Behera, Village-Parajangi, Dhenkanal & Ms. B.Rojalin, Village Balugaon, Khurda from Welfare of Blind Organization, Jajapur for their outstanding contribution for devoting themselves to the welfare and empowerment of blind persons; Dr. Rudrani Mohanty, outstanding women educationist, for her dedication towards the welfare of students and empowerment of women; Ms. Bijayalaxmi Takri, a security guard of Girls Hostel of the University for her outstanding contribution and dedication for safety and security of the Hostel boarders; Ms. B. Swarnamala, Caretaker, Girls Hostel for her devotion towards the welfare of the girls' students and Ms. Laxmi Khilla, Sweeper for her outstanding contribution towards cleanliness of the campus felicitated on this occasion. The Vice-Chancellor also financially supported the 11 blind students of the organization Welfare of Blind as a token of love. The programme was organized in the University campus at Sunabeda by the Internal Complaints Committee of the CUO on the theme '*DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality*'. Mrs. Rekha Lohani, IPS, IG,

Modernization, BPR&D, attended virtually as the Chief Speaker and delivered a lecture on the subject. Ms. Rajashri Das, District Child Protection Officer, Koraput and Prof. Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor, Academics & Administration, CUO attended as the Special Guests on this occasion. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the programme and delivered the inaugural address. Dr. Kakoli Banerjee, Assistant Professor & Presiding Officer, ICC, CUO and the Coordinator of the programme, delivered the welcome address. Dr. Banerjee described the concept and significance of International Women's Day by tracing its history & development. She also elaborated on *DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality* which is the theme of the IWD 2023. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUO in his inaugural address elaborated on the Indian concept of womanhood and how women are perceived in our country. Prof. Tripathi emphasized that in India, women had the right to choose their life partner from a very early stage through *Swayamvar*. Women of India are virtuous and they uphold their dignity through sincerely discharging their duty towards their husbands, family, son & daughter and society as well. They imbibe the qualities of *tyag*, *sahas* and *panditya*. Prof. Tripathi mentioned the Indian spiritual heritage of *Tantra Upasana* where women are held as *Shakti* or the genesis of power. He also lamented that negative thoughts and practices of the west have crept into Indian society through popular culture and women-related crime is on the rise and stressed that we should not ape the west. He emphasized that the present and future of India lies in the hands of modern women. He concluded with a slogan, *Nari Shakti Rashtra Shakti Hai*.



Five International Conferences Conducted During March 2023

International Conference on 'Rashtriya-Antarashtriya Kshitij Par Hindi Ki Dasa Eban Disha'

Only the spirit of love can save the whole world - Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha, Koraput organised the International Conference on '*Rashtriya-Antarashtriya Kshitij Par Hindi Ki Das Eban Disha*' (Status and Direction of Hindi on national and international horizons). The programme started with an exhibition of Hindi books, inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi stated: "The feeling of Hindi is the feeling of love and only the feeling of love can save the whole world. The feeling of love is being propagated day by day through devotional poetry in Hindi. Dr Tanuja Majumdar,



Dean, Presidency College Kolkata, said that language connects human beings and makes the world a family. Dr Pushpita Awasthi, international poet said that Hindi is our mother and it needs to be saved. Dr. Anil Sulabh in his presidential address said that India believes in humanity and believes in adding Hindi language. In the program, the book 'I also become Sita' was released. A seminar on poetry was also organized in which the poets mesmerized the audience with their poems. Prof. Jangbahadur Pandey coordinated the conference.

International Conference on 'The Importance of Sanskrit Language in India and the World'

Man develops only through the Indian tradition of knowledge.

– Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The three days International Conference on 'Importance of Sanskrit Language in India and the World' organized by the Department of Sanskrit, Central University of Odisha, Koraput was held on 17-19 March 2023. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi inaugurated the conference and welcomed the foreign and Indian Sanskrit scholars to this holy place. He said “Sanskrit is the classical language of India, the oldest and the most systematic language

in the world. Sanskrit which was once the language of *munis* and *rishis* is now attracting the modern world”. He remembered the place where the University was established as a part of Dandakaranya mentioned in the Ramayana. Prof. Chirapat Prapandvidya, Adviser, Silpakorn University, Thailand attended as the Saraswat Guest Honour. Prof. Prafulla Kumar Mishra, Vice Chairman, MSRVVP attended as the Chief Guest and addressed the gathering. Prof. Rabindra Kumar Panda, Vice-Chancellor, SJSU, Puri and Prof. Dipti Tripathi, President, IASS spoke on this occasion as Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker. Prof. N. C. Panda, Dean, School of Languages, CUO delivered the welcome address. Foreign and Indian dignitaries present in the conference were Prof. Chirapata Prapandvidya Dr. Phillip Rucinski; Prof. Sadananda Dixit, CSU, Puri; Prof. Sombat Manmeesuksiri, Thailand; Dr. Nirajan Sahu, Ajmer; Prof. Aurn Ranjan Mishra, VBU, W.B.; Prof. Kashinath Neupane, Nepal; REV. Dr. Wadingal Pannaloka Thero, Srilanka; Prof. Aurn Ranjan Mishra, Viswa Vharti, W. B. and Prof. Do. Thu. Ha, Vietnam.



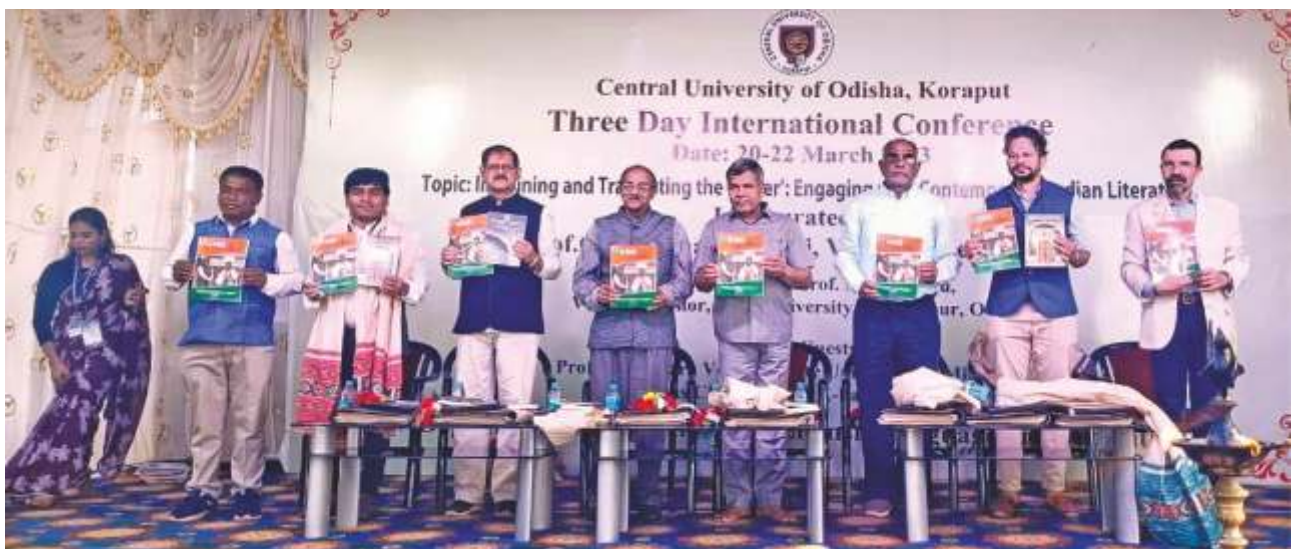
International Conference on “Imagining and Translating the 'Other': Engaging with Contemporary Indian Literature”

*English is an international language through which we can
reflect our rich culture and literature to the world*

-Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The three day International Conference on "Imagining and Translating the 'Other': Engaging with Contemporary Indian Literature" of the Department of English Language and Literature (DELL), Central University of Odisha, Koraput, was held during 20 -22 March 2023. It was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CUO, Prof Chakradhar Tripathi who said, "A perfect human culture will be developed through the mixture of Eastern and Western cultures. And it is possible only by means of translation. He emphasized the cosmopolitan nature of English and its role in connecting the local with the global, thereby helping to build bridges across regions and imagine a nation that is truly unified in its diversity". Prof. N. Nagaraju, Vice Chancellor, G.M. University, Sambalpur; Mr. Chandrahas Choudhury, UK-based Indian Writer in English and Prof. Alessandro Vescovi from the State University of Milan, Italy, were the galaxy of luminaries of the subject present on the dais. Prof. Nagaraju focused on the significance of environmentalism in Literature in context of Koraput, as well as he highlighted on the need to introduce eco-criticism in the courses of the Universities in India. Mr. Choudhury appreciated the concept of the conference shedding light upon the role of writers and translators in the contemporary times. Shri Sanjeet Kumar Das acted as the convener.



Three Day International Conference on "Pravasi Odia Sahitya"

Dream Big for the Progress of Odisha, Odia literature and Odia culture

– Prof. Chakradhar Tripathy, VC, CUO



The three day International Conference on "Pravasi Odia Literature" was held on 23-25th March 2023 organized by the Department of Odia Language and Literature. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Chakradhar Tripathy in his inaugural address said, "the bigger a man dreams, the bigger he has to organize to make the dream come true. So, we hope that the Odia Department would give a new direction for the progress of Odisha." In the end, he read out the message of Her Excellency the President of India, Smt. Draupadi Murmu on the occasion of International Conference. Shri Hara Prasad Das, the renowned Poet, the keynote speaker said, "the unhappy unrest of the diasporas leads to creative literature being written. Sadly, there is nothing in Pravasi Odia literature". He opined that the diasporas create creative creations from all these miseries. Damayanti Beshra, Padma Shri, the Guest of Honour, stressed the field of comparative studies in diaspora Odia literature and said that tribal culture and traditions are the same all over India. Prof. N. C. Panda, Dean, the School of Languages of the University spoke on Pravasi literature and language. Dr. Pradosh Kumar Swain, Head of the Department of Odia Language and Literature delivered the welcome address. Shri Prasad Hari Chandan, Jagannath culturist, the Chief Speaker, stated "the life of the nation can be developed only through the improvement of the languages and culture of the migrants".



International Conference (Hybrid mode) on **History of Development in India: Reflections on Economic & Communication Scenario in the 75th Year of Independence**

Dharma, Karma, Artha and Moksha: Good Practices of Indian Culture

– Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The two day International Conference on the topic “History of Development in India: Reflections on Economic & Communication Scenario in the 75th Year of Independence” was organized by the joint efforts of the Department of Journalism & Mass Communication and the Department of Economics of Central University of Odisha Conducted on 28-29 March 2023. Inaugurating the session Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University, stressed the need for interdisciplinary studies in all aspects which is the call of the National Education Policy 2020. He also focused on the importance of Indian culture and how the west is affecting our culture. Indian development can be possible if economics and communication are studied together, he said. Shri Prabhu Chawla, eminent journalist and Executive Editor, of the New Indian Express Group, also a Padma Bhushan Awardee, in his keynote address said, “from the freedom struggle to the present time, after much struggle, Indian journalism reached this stage”. He also talked about the status of media and technological innovation. Prof. Prakash Patnaik and Prof. Sudhendu Mandal Chaired the Conference and focused to fulfill the needs of the students as well as fulfill the NEP Goals 2020. A book titled “Development Communication: The Grassroots Reality” was released by the dignitaries. The book is written jointly by Prof. P. Bobby Vardhan of Andhra University and Dr. Sourav Gupta of CUO. Dr. Matilda Adduci, University of Turin delivered the valedictory address and discussed the journey of economic development starting from the traditional era to the liberalization and neo-liberalization era. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Saha, Professor of Economics, MBSTU, Bangladesh in his speech focused on the growth and development of economics in independent India with a special focus on agriculture, industrialization, and technology. Devi Prasad Lenka, eminent filmmaker of 'DAMAN', discussed the role of films in social change. Prof. Tapas Mishra, UK, Prof. Md. Shahadullah, Bangladesh, Faisal Karim, Afganistan journalist and Prof. Prasanta Panda, Dr. Pradeep Panda and Keshab Das, Prof. Arun Bhagat, celebrated economists were the resource persons. Dr. Minati Sahoo, HoD, Economics & Dr. Sourav Gupta, HoD, JMC acted as Joint Convener.

National Seminar on Swabalambi Bharat: Building a Self-Reliant Society



The two-day National Seminar on 'Swabalambi Bharat: Building a Self-Reliant Odisha' was organized by the Department of Education, Central University of Odisha on 26 and 27 March 2023 at the Regional Institute of Education, Bhubaneswar in partnership with Vikasharthe Vidyarthi Trust. Aligning with the goal of Swabalambi Bharat, the two-day seminar attempted to explore the prospects and challenges of different sectors of the Indian Economy. The discussions aimed to build a strategic approach to create awareness relating to entrepreneurship, skill development, training opportunities and to manage critical economic sectors that will help the country to revive economically and contribute to the healthy development of the overall society. The intellectual discussions aimed to develop national thought, which in turn facilitates the youth in getting employment on a

permanent basis who will become producers also. The seminar was inaugurated by dignitaries including Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Odisha, and Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar. Also present on the dais were the convener of the Programme, Dr. Ramendra Kumar Parhi, HoDI/c, Dept. of Education, Central University of Odisha and Dr. Raman Trivedi, Prof & Head, Dept. of Aquatic Environment Management, West Bengal University of Fishery Sciences. The meeting was followed by plenary sessions where eminent dignitaries from all over India delivered the lectures including Prof. P.C. Agarwal, Principal, Regional Institute of Education, Dr. Anupam Gayen, DGM, National Small Industries Corporation, Prof. Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor (Academics & Administration), CUO, Dr Jitendra Kumar Sundaray, Principal Scientist, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar, Dr. Nagesh Barik, Senior Scientist, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar, Prof. K.C Sahu, Prof., Dept. of Education, Vishva Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal, Debiprasad Prusty, Social Activist, Bhubaneswar, Pradip Kumar Mishra, Former Deputy Director, MSME Dept. Govt of India, Prof. Kaushal Kishore, Dean & Head, Dept. of Teacher Education, Central University of South Bihar, Gaya, Prof. Dr. Binaya Bhusan Jena, Professor, NIFT, Bhubaneswar, Dr. Pratap Chandra Padhi, Chief Manager & Principal Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering and Technology, CIPET, P.K Choudhary, DGM, Small Industries Development Bank of India. The seminar was attended by eminent dignitaries, faculty members, research scholars and students of different colleges, universities and institutions of the country.



ACTIVITIES UNDER G20 JAN BHAGIDARI PROGRAMME



The Central University of Odisha, on the Mandate of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Education have conducted a series of activities under the G20 Jan Bhagidari Programme to promote India's Presidentship at G20. Nominated as Anchor Institute of Koraput, Nabarangpur and Malkangiri District, the University conducted many activities from 1st April to 22nd April, on the direction of Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Vice

Chancellor of Central University of Odisha. Dr. Pradosh Kumar Rath was nominated as Nodal Officer for the CUO Anchor Institution. IIT Bhubaneswar is nominated as Lead Institution of Odisha to conduct the events in Odisha as IIT is conducting the G20 Third Working Group Summit on Education during 23-27 April, 2023. On 1st April, 2023, the Vice-Chancellor formally inaugurated the G20 event by inaugurating the G20 logo in presence of students and staff of the University. In Koraput town, the University, with the help of Jan Sikhsan Sansthan, Koraput inaugurated the event by conducting rally and procession. After the inauguration lot of events took place in and out of the campus of Central University of Odisha. These activities include competitions like Essay, Elocution, Quiz, Rangoli, Face Painting and Slogan Writing competitions, Plantation Drive, Athletics Meet, Swachhata Campaign, Seminars, Workshops, food festival and other activities. Under the Seminar activities the University conducted two seminars on different topics in the campus.

Seminar on 'Conservation of Biodiversity: Need of the Hour'

Adhyatmikata: Knowing self 'Atma' is to know the God 'Paramatma'-

Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The first seminar organized on 'Conservation of Biodiversity: Need of the Hour' on 3 April 2023 under the G20 Working Group of Education Programme. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, inaugurating the ceremony highlighted on the importance of traditional knowledge and *adhyatmikata* in our country. The special lecture was delivered by two eminent scientists Prof. Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor, Academics & Administration, CUO and Prof. Siba Prasad Adhikary, former Vice Chancellor, Fakir Mohan University, Balasore. Prof. Tripathi while

delivering the Chairman's address, said that every species is born on the earth for a special purpose. The conservation of biodiversity is maintained depending on the existence of the species. So, conservation of biodiversity is the need of the hour, he said. Our tradition always tries for its conservation but the Western countries spoil it and cry for conservation at the international level. Prof. Mandal in his talk focused on biodiversity and food security. He said that if biodiversity equivalence is destroyed, it will lead to food shortage. So, conservation is essential. Prof. Adhikary, in his talk, said that Koraput is a



biodiversity hotspot and we should make more research on finding out new areas of biodiversity development in undivided Koraput.

Fitness Fest - under Fit India Campaign

Exercise to Stimulate Small Moves to Momentum

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO

The first-ever three day *Fitness Fest* commenced at Central University of Odisha, Koraput on 11-13 April 2023. The Fest was inaugurated by Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, CUO. He stressed the importance of sports in maintaining good health and asserted that students should maintain good health to study properly in his inaugural address. He encouraged students to carry forward the sporting spirit and involve themselves in the Fest with great enthusiasm. This fest is being organized under the Fit India



campaign under the guidance of Professor Jatin Soni, Former Vice Chancellor of Swarnim Gujarat Sports University. In the inaugural program he said, “Youth is the pride of our nation”. He quoted “Through fitness, we are not only developing muscles but we are developing minds”. In his speech, he gave a brief description of how we can engage the students in sportive cleanliness of our university through the “Plogging run”. The inaugural ceremony started with a welcome note by Dr. Ramendra Parhi, Dean of Students' Welfare (In Charge) & Chairman of the Games and Sports Committee, CUO. It featured various sporting events like A plogging run, Chess, Table Tennis, Throw Ball, meditation, Fitness Aerobics, Fitness Challenge Walk, Campus Run and Volleyball.

During 21-22 April, the University conducted the Bharatiya Paramparik Kreed Mahotsav, a display of traditional games which is on the verge of extinction in India. Five teams from Assam, West Bengal and Odisha visited the University and displayed various types of traditional games and sports. It was conducted in collaboration with an eminent organisation, Kreed Bharti. The event was inaugurated by Hon'ble Union



Minister of State for Education Dr. Subhas Sarkar. Apart from the above the University also conducted Youth Festival, Tribal Festival and Food Festival during the session.

The Food Festival, catering to various cuisines from millets and other local cuisines was the main attraction of the Jan Bhagidari Programme. The Union Minister Dr. Sarkar appreciated the foods prepared from Millet.

Seminar on Blending Teaching & Learning through Technology under the aegis G20 Jan Bhagidari

Technology: Access to information, Accelerated learning, Authentic Application

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha organized a seminar on "Blending Teaching & Learning through Technology" under the aegis of G20 Jan Bhagidari on 17 April 2023. Eminent educationist Prof H. K. Senapaty, Professor, RIE, Bhubaneswar & Former Director, NCERT, attended as the Chief Speaker and delivered an insightful lecture. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi conveyed his best wishes for the success of the program and hoped the seminar would

provide a platform for students, educators, researchers, and policymakers to discuss the potential of technology integration in education. Dr. Sourav Gupta, Assistant Professor & Head of Department (In-Charge), DJMC, and Coordinator of the seminar, delivered the welcome note and outlined the concept of G20 Jan Bhagidari and the significance of India's G20 presidency. Dr. Pradosh Kumar Rath, Assistant Professor, DJMC & Nodal Officer, G 20 Jan Bhagidari, presided over the program. Prof Senapaty highlighted the need to adopt technology as a tool to enhance teaching and learning processes. He emphasized that technology can create interactive and engaging student learning experiences, making education more accessible and inclusive.

The University also conducted various events outside the campus during the period. It conducted essay competitions, athletics events and seminars in Nabarangpur College, Nabarangpur, Malkangiri College, Malkangiri, Govt. ITI, Malkangiri, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Malkangiri, Kudumulugumma College, Malkangiri, Jan Sikyan Sansthan, Koraput, District Medical Office, Malkangiri and other places. The events



were appreciated by people all over the three districts as its purpose was to create awareness on India's global leadership. Under the guidance of Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Odisha, the University successfully conducted the events. It was also ably assisted by other authorities of the University including Registrar Dr. Asit Kumar Das, Finance Officer Mr. K.Koshala Rao, PRO Dr. Phagunath Bhoi and other officials. A team comprising four students and one faculty member, Dr. Ramendra Kr. Parhi, DSW of CUO was deputed to IIT Bhubaneswer to represent the University at the main event, i.e. Working Group Summit on Education.

Celebration of Dola Paraba (Holi)



The Central University of Odisha, Koraput celebrated *Dola Parab* the celebration of Colours in a befitting manner at its campus, Sunabeda on 08.03.2023. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated the function and addressed the students, faculty members and officials. He elaborated about the *Dola Parab*, *Fagu khela* and Indian culture in his address. He said, "For the first time, on the occasion of *Dola Parab* and Holi celebrations on the university campus, all the students have determined to focus on research and studies. We have rich characteristics and culture and

tradition. It cannot be compared with the other countries. Realizing this, students will play an important role in the development of the University and the country." On this occasion, Madam Vice-Chancellor Dr. Vasant Manjari Kar and Administrative and Academic Advisor Prof. Sudhendu Mandal were present with him on the dais.

On this occasion, traditional dances and songs were performed and students, faculty members and officials greeted each other by different colours with joy and gaiety. Everyone danced to the tunes of Koraput's favourite Dhemsa folk dance. Dr. Kakoli Banerjee and Dr. Rudrani Mohanty Coordinated the festival.



Celebration of Utkal Diwas



The Central University of Odisha celebrated Utkal Diwas in its campus at Sunabeda on 01 April 2023. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated and presided over the programme. On this occasion various Rangoli were made by the students of the University on the theme Utkal Diwas & G20. Hon'ble Union Minister of Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan appreciated the endeavour in celebrating the Utkal Diwas.

Prof. Tripathi highlighted the contributions of the great leaders in shaping Odisha as the separate state based on language. He said, “many counties and states have been separated and established for



the sake of mother language. The state of Odisha is one of them, which was first state in India created on the basis of language”. He advised students to learn and make Odisha is one of the leading states of the country.



Prof. Asit Kumar Das, Registrar; Prof. Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor-Academic and Administration; Prof. N. C. Panda, Dean School of Languages and Prof. P. C. Pattnaik, Chair Professor Tribal Studies were present and also took part in the deliberations on this occasion.

Celebration of 132nd Birth Anniversary of Dr B. R. Ambedkar

Peaceful Co-existence of Human Beings: Mantra for a better India

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha celebrated the 132nd Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna, Baba Saheb Dr. B. R. Ambedkar on 14th April 2023. On this occasion, a special programme was organised by the Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence (DACE) of the University. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-chancellor inaugurated the Programme by lighting the lamp and paying floral tributes to Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. He addressed students, staff, and all other university stakeholders. He highlighted the relevance of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's contributions to contemporary India in his address. He emphasised that to forget the past injustice to marginalised communities and march towards a future India with mutual cooperation and co-existence. He advised the students to study and research on the contributions of the father of the Indian Constitution, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. DACE Coordinator Dr. B. K. Srinivas



elaborated on the various areas of Dr. Ambedkar's contribution and highlighted the responsibility of youths towards the vision of Modern India. He also revealed the contributions of Babasaheb's contributions specifically towards governance, administrations, public policy, social justice and democracy.

CUO faculty and Scholar awarded at the National Conference held at MSCB University, Baripada

Remarkable Talents and Skills of CUO to Fuel our Mutual Efforts

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



Dr. Kakoli Banerjee, Assistant Professor and Mr. Prakasha Paraseth, Ph.D. Scholar of the Dept. of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha, Koraput were awarded on 24.03.2023 at the National Conference on 'Global Warming and Climate Change: Impact and Resilience' held at MSCB University, Baripada. Dr. Banerjee received the Green Award for Environmental Research 2023 for 20 years of untiring work in climate mitigation research works in the Sundarbans and 12 years of research work in Odisha mangrove conservation status. She was invited to the Plenary Lecture at the conference. She spoke on 'Blue carbon and its subsequent loss in Odisha coast'. Mr. Paraseth received the Young Researcher Award 2023 for his research work on 'Tree allometry as a tool for estimating aboveground biomass and carbon in tropical deciduous forests of Eastern Ghats of Odisha'. The Central University of Odisha was also represented by 2 more Ph.D. scholars Mr. Pramod Kumar Bindhani and Ms. G. Jayanti Reddy who presented their research findings at the Conference. Besides it, 5 PG students of Dept. of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources namely Sweta Mohanty, Sweta Patnaik, Biswaprava Sethy, Nirlipta Patra, and K Abhismita Patro also participated in the Conference. The Conference was organized by the Dept. of Botany, MSCB University, Baripada, Odisha & International Foundation for Environment and Ecology, Kolkata, West Bengal in association with Global Warming Reduction Centre, North Odisha Chapter & Scientific and Environmental Research Institute (SERI), Kolkata.

Researchers of CUO finds A new Freshwater edible Fish from Koraput

Curiosity of creating new knowledge leads to progress

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



Figure: *Gazza latishrami*

The researchers of the Central University of Odisha, Koraput, and the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) have recently found a rare freshwater edible fish from the Kolab River at Ghatguda, Koraput. The research conducted by Ms. Supriya Surachita, DST INSPIRE Fellow on the topic "Diversity, distribution of fishes and threats in the freshwater bodies of Koraput in Eastern Ghats of Odisha" under the supervision of



Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Dean of School of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources of CUO, Koraput during her ichthyological survey found this new cyprinid fish species from KolabRiver, which is one of the important tributaries of Godavari River. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CUO, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi and Prof. Sudhendu Mandal congratulated the research team for this outstanding contribution to the field of science and especially to biodiversity. While carefully examining some fishes of genus *Garra*, researchers of CUO along with Ms. B. Roy Choudhury of Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), Kolkata identified the new species. This cyprinid fish species was named *Garralaishrami*. The new species is named after Dr. Laishram Kosygin of the Zoological Survey of India to honour his remarkable contributions to understanding the taxonomy of Indian freshwater fishes. The findings of the study have been published recently in the internationally reputed taxonomy journal “Ichthyological Exploration of Freshwaters” published from Germany.



CUO Project Fellow received Poster Award- 2023



Ms. Monali Nanda, Project Fellow of the Department of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha, was conferred with Poster Presentation Award- 2023 in the National Conference on “Plant Tissue Culture: A way for non-stop supply of secondary metabolites of therapeutic importance” Sponsored by Department of Biotechnology (DBT), New Delhi at Apollo College of Pharmacy, Durg, Chhattisgarh on 22 April 2023. Her research poster on the topic 'Potentiality of neglected wild yam species used by tribal people of Koraput district of Odisha to alleviate hunger and malnutrition' was selected for the award. She is working on the Research Project on Metabolite Profiling and Bio prospecting of Underutilized Wild Yams used by Tribals of Koraput, Odisha, under Dr. Debabrata Panda, Principal Investigator, Department of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources. For the last ten years, Dr. Panda taking the initiative for mass consumption, commercialization, and value addition of these wild yams to enhance the economic growth of tribal people. For the Award, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University, and Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita, Dean School of Biodiversity, congratulated the Fellow and Supervisor.

Special lecture on Globalisation and Indian Economy: Past experiences & Present Scenario



A special lecture on '*Globalisation and Indian Economy: Past experiences & Present Scenerio*' was organized by the Department of Economics, Central University of Odisha on 10 February 2023 at Department of Economics, Main Campus, Sunabeda. Prof. Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor (Academics & Admn), CUO was the Chief Guest of the occasion & Prof. M. Prasada Rao, Retd Professor, Economics Department, and Former Rector, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam was the distinguished speaker for the programme. Prof. Rao, in his talk emphasized that how the globalization of India has given rise to new opportunities but it has also brought with its new challenges and responsibilities. The Chief Guest of the occasion, Prof. Mandal mentioned 'the topic chosen by the Department is appropriate for the 21st Century development of India. The present Government of India is trying in a better way to highlight India in world perspective which will play a key role to think for the developing countries about India and other countries'. Dr. Minati Sahoo, HoD, Department of Economics, coordinated the programme.

Seminar on 'Marketing of Products of Integrated Steel Plant: Strategies and Essentialities

Steel Industry has a key role in the nation's growth story

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Department of Business Management, Central University of Odisha, organized a seminar talk on 'Marketing of Products of Integrated Steel Plant: Strategies and Essentialities' on 20 April 2023 on its campus at Sunabeda. Mr. Sanjoy Kumar Mohanty, formerly Chief General Manager

(Services), SAIL and presently Expert to MECON Ltd, NMDC Steel Plant (O & M), Nagarnar, Jagdalpur, delivered the talk. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, conveyed his best wishes and hoped the students would learn unique strategies for marketing the products of the integrated steel plant. Dr. Prasant Kumar Behera, HoD, Business Management, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the salient features of the Department and student achievements. On this occasion, Dr. Manoranjan Biswas, Executive Director (HR, IR, and Safety), MECON Ltd, Nagarnar, Jagdalpur, attended as the Guest of Honour. Mr. Mohanty, in his hour-long talk, explained how steel would be a strategic metal in the coming days, given the accelerated infrastructural growth the country has been witnessing of late.

The Anniversary Programme of National Poet Dinkar



The Department of Hindi, Central University of Odisha celebrated the 49th death anniversary of National Poet Ramdhari Singh (Dinkar) on 25 April 2023 in its campus at Sunabeda. On this occasion a Seminar focusing the theme of Rashtrakavi Dinkar's Chronology was conducted. Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated and presided over the programme. Eminent academic Prof. S. K. Sharma attended as the Chief Speaker and Dr. Jung Bahadur Pandey narrated Dinkarji's writings. Dr. Hemraj Meena described Dinkar as a great poet of national consciousness.

The Vice-Chancellor highlighted the various literatures of Dinkar and its relevance in contemporary society in his presidential address. He said, "Dinkar is the national poet of fire and melody. In his poetry, there is fire on one side and melody on the other. Dinkar has underlined the importance of both in life".

Through poems like Kurukshetra, Rashmirathi, Urvashi, Hunkar, Samdhani, Parshuram's Pratiksha and Raswanti, Dinkar's writings on national consciousness were analysed in detail for the interest of the young students.

Workshop on Research Software and other Academic Initiatives



The Department of Journalism & Mass Communication, Central University of Odisha, Koraput organized a 2 day workshop on 24 & 25 April 2023 on 'Application of SPSS and Atlas.ti in Communication Research.' Dr. Uma Shankar Pandey, Associate Professor, Surendranath College for Women & Faculty, University of Calcutta was the Principal Resource Person for the Workshop.

Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the programme. Prof Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor, Academics & Administration and Prof S K Palita, Dean, SBCNR were the Guests of Honour.

On this occasion the Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the Research Softwares SPSS and Atlas.ti, 'Kantha Katha' the wall magazine of the department, JMC Film Club and *Radio Mukti*, a joint collaborative extension project where students of DJMC are facilitating inmates of the Koraput Circle Prison to produce weekly radio programmes. On this occasion the draft of a departmental book titled, *Communication-Indian Traditions & Perspective* was unveiled by the Vice-Chancellor. The book is being jointly edited by Dr. Sourav Gupta and Dr Pradosh K Rath.

A two-day workshop on Indian Financial Market: Instruments and Services



The Department of Business Management, Central University of Odisha organised a two-day workshop on “Indian Financial Market: Instruments and Services” on 25 and 26 April 2023 in collaboration with the National Institute of Securities Market (NISM), Mumbai. Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Odisha, Koraput, inaugurated the workshop. In his inaugural address, Prof. Tripathi lauded the Department for organizing the workshop in collaboration with NISM—a prestigious institute in the field of financial markets. He opined that

such a workshop on the Indian financial market is very relevant in present-day India as it is fast marching towards the cherished goal of a 5 trillion USD-strong economy as envisioned by our beloved Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi. Dr. Prasant Kumar Behera, HoD, Business Management, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the salient features of the Department and student achievements. Prof Sudhendu Mandal, Advisor (Academic and Administration), Central University of Odisha, outlined the importance of the workshop in the financial market and called upon the students to play a pivotal role in building a vibrant economy. Mr. C. Vijaya Rao, the Resource Person from NISM, spelled out the contents of the different sessions and thanked the Department for having allowed conducting the workshop.

Press Conference on Common University Entrance Test (CUET) 2023



The University conducted a Press Conference at Bhubaneswar on 12 April 2023 to widely dissemination of information of Common University Entrance Test (CUET) 2023 for Admissions during the Academic Year: 2023-24 to the people of Odisha. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CUO Dr. Chakradhar Tripathi the University addressed the media. Around 70 media persons attended the Conference. Prof. P. C. Pattnaik, Professor of Tribal Chair and Dr. Phagunath Bhoi, Public Relations Officer were present on the occasion.

Hon'ble VC informed that this year the Central University of Odisha is inviting applications for **14 postgraduate programmes**. These include 2 year PG Programmes - M.A. in Odia, M.A. in English, M.A. in Hindi, M.A. in Sanskrit, M.A. in Sociology, M.A. in Economics, M.A. in Journalism & Mass Communication, M.Sc. in Anthropology, M.Sc. in Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, , M.Sc. in Statistics, M.Sc. in Computer Science, Master of Business Administration (MBA), and MBA (Executive); 2 year UG Programme- Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.); 5-year Integrated M.Sc. in Mathematics [this is under CUET (UG)-2023].

Further, he announced that keeping in view the available resources and basic requirements of the region; the University is planning to launch new programmes in Agriculture and Forest Management. The news published/telecast in all the leading media of Odisha.



Professor Dr. Sudhendu Mandal Advisor (Academic and Administration)

Professor Dr. Sudhendu Mandal joined as the Advisor (Academic and Administration) at the Central University of Odisha, Koraput on 2nd February 2023. Prof. Mandal, recipient of ISCA Young Scientist Award (1982) and former Director, National Library, Kolkata (Govt. of India), UGC Professor & Head, Department of Botany, Dean, Faculty of Science and Provost of Science & Agriculture (Equivalent to Pro-Vice-Chancellor), Visva-Bharati and Former Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Seacom Skills University, received Ph.D.(Science) Degree from the University of Calcutta (1980) and has been awarded Commonwealth Academic Staff Fellowship (1991-1992) at U.K. He has above 37 years of teaching at P.G. level, 42 years of research and 25 years of Administrative experiences.

Prof. Mandal has successfully supervised 35 research students for their Ph.D. (Science-Botany) Degree in the field of Plant Biodiversity, Aerobiology & Allergy, Pollination Biology and Environmental Botany. Prof. Mandal visited a number of research institutions and universities in countries like Germany, USA, Bangladesh, UK (England & Scotland), Canada, Yugoslavia, Sweden, France, Japan, Malaysia, Thailand, Philippines, Nepal, China, Mexico and Russia in connection with research work and as a visiting scientist. Distinction won by him include Commonwealth Academic Staff Fellowship (UK), DAAD travel grant to visit Germany, TWAS travel grant to visit Bangladesh, British Council grant to visit England, Grants from National Library of Thailand, Malaysia and also UNESCO grants to visit Phillipines, IUBS grant to Mexico, Chinese Academy of Sciences to Visit China and Russian Academy of Travel grant to Visit Russia and also received grants for visiting abroad from CSIR, INSA, DST, DBT and Visva-Bharati. He has completed 22 research projects financed by CSIR, BSI, UGC, DOEN, DST, IGCNI, MNES, DBT and Visva-Bharati. Prof. Mandal has also to his credit more than 275 research papers published in national and international journals and is the author/co-author/editor of 19 books including one on Tagore and Flowers (CSIR publication).

Prof. Mandal has been honoured with the Prestigious Award “Millenium Scientist Medal” at the 96th Indian Science Congress Association at the North Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong (2009) by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh in view of his significant and lifetime contribution to the development of Science & Technology in the area of plant sciences. He has received Professor E.P. Odum Gold Medal from the International Association for Ecological Communication (2009), Prof. S. C. Datta Memorial Award from the Botanical Society of Bengal and the University of Calcutta (2014), the Legend of Science Award at the World Science Congress at the Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi (2015) and also Paul Johannes Bruhl Gold Medal from the Asiatic Society, Kolkata (2016), Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India.

In addition to his normal academic activities, Prof. Mandal also served Visva-Bharati as Dean of Students Welfare; Professor-In-Charge and Co-Ordinator, Centre for Environmental Studies; Finance Officer; Internal Audit Officer; Registrar (Acting), Professor-In-Charge, Engineering Section; Chairman, Visva-Bharati Admission Co-Ordination Cell; Chairman, Research Committee; Chairman, University Innovation Club; Head, Integrated Science Education and Research Centre; Head, Department of Biotechnology; Professor-in-Charge, Research Publication Section; Director, Indira Gandhi Centre for National Integration and Director, Granthana Vibhaga (Visva-Bharati), Kolkata.

Prof. Mandal's message on joining the Central University of Odisha is :

The Central University of Odisha, an institution known by itself contributing immensely to student's knowledge and faculty from the day of its inception till today. In my mind a question arises how our society and the Indian civilization understood truth radiated from the spectra of academic, cultural, religious, economic, scientific, social changes and sports activities. Nevertheless this university worked silently, but definitely for our society who is engaged in achieving her conquests over the period for the benefit of young minds in their future endeavour. The CUO represents the most conscious and responsible minds of yesterday and today. In this era of scholasticism our society can make progress by only advancing the process of learning. Our university is living and vibrant, beats its heart with a rhythmic sound but only in quietness and to keep it in that style we all have to work sincerely as we used to because we are made for that purpose.



Professor Prakash C. Pattanaik
Rajiv Gandhi Chair for Tribal Studies

Professor Prakash C. Pattanaik, a designated Senior Professor superannuated from the University of Delhi, joined the Central University of Odisha on 16 January 2023. Four times, Professor Pattanaik has worked as the Head of the Department of Modern Indian Languages and Literary Studies at the University of Delhi. He has served as the Chairman of Governing Body, Shyama Prasad College for Women and Gargi College, treasurer and member of GB for several constituent colleges of the University of Delhi.

Professor Pattanaik has studied Odia Literature (Utkal University) and Linguistics (Delhi University) with a Ph D on the “Socio-linguistic Study of Juang.” He has taught Comparative Indian Literature at Delhi University for thirty-five years. He has a deep passion for studies in Tribal life, language, literature, and culture. Most of his research students have worked on the tribal cultures of the East and North-East of India. In his lengthy teaching and research career at the University of Delhi, he has supervised the research works of twenty-eight doctoral and two post-doctoral fellows. He has authored and edited five books and many research papers and his interest in indigenous culture has given him recognition in and outside the country.

Professor Pattanaik has undertaken a few research projects. Noteworthy among them are- the UGC Career Award (1994) for “Tribal Myths of Odisha,” “Tribal Lore of Odisha: Common Culture Contents,” (MRP sponsored by the UGC), and as the Principal Investigator of the “e-PG Content Development for Comparative Literature” under the e-PG *Pathshala* programme of UGC and MHRD, New Delhi. He has worked on the Tribal life of North East of India along with his research students. He has been conferred the title REN (2015) by Darjeeling, Kalimpong, and Sikkim's Indigenous Lepcha Associations and the MLLDB, Government of West Bengal.

As an invited member of the Linguistic Expert Committee of the Government of India that granted CLASSICAL status to the Odia language, Professor Pattanaik has played a significant role.

Bharateeya Paramparik Kreedha Mahotsava

Traditional Sports have a history, preserves our Culture and gives us our Identity

- Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, CUO



The Central University of Odisha, aims to create awareness about the traditional games of India, which are losing popularity in the modern days, and prevent them from going into oblivion. Working in this direction, CUO organised a two-day Bharateeya Paramparik Kreedha Mahotsava jointly with Kreedha Bharati on 21 and 22 April 2023. On the occasion various Indian traditional games including Yoga, Archery, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Malkhamb and Rope Malkhamb (all from Odisha), Gatka, Kalaripayattu, Thang-Ta(Assam), Atya Patya, Gilli Danda and Surya Namaskar, were showcased. During the second session two sports events were demonstrated, Rope and Pole Mallakhamb (Odisha) and Bharatiya Yudha Kaushal (West Bengal). Eight groups of sportspersons playing different games too were present during the event. Of these five were from Odisha, two from West Bengal and one from Assam. The Kreedha Mahotsava was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Education, Dr. Subhas Sarkar. He delivered the Chief Guest address chanting with a *sloka* from *Bhagwat Geeta*, explaining, “one who attained purity of mind through the prolonged practice of yoga is in such knowledge with the heart in due course of time”. He also mentioned the significance of sports



and yoga in our Vedas and Upanishads as well as in *Ramayana*, *Mahabharata* and *Natyashastra*. The Hon'ble Chancellor of Central University of Odisha Prof. P.V. Krishna Bhatta, graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour and highlighted the importance of sports and games in our culture since generations. He urged the students not only to focus

on studies, but also focus on sports for overall development of body and mind. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, presided over the Programme and with his inaugural address he welcomed the dignitaries from different parts of India and highlighted the importance of “*Paramparik Kreedha*” while encouraging the students to participate in all kind of sports and yoga. Traditional sports, which are not followed by the new generation now a days, should always been encouraged, he said. All India General Secretary, Kreedha Bharati, Mr. Raj Choudhry addressed the gathering by signifying the importance of sports in our culture quoting; “Lord Shri Krishna also played a lot of sports”. He also mentioned *Saavan ka Jhoola* and encouraged the students for sporting events. Prof. J. Soni, former VC, SGSU and Olympian- Arjun Awardee Shree Gopal Sani also addressed. Dr. Jyotiska Datta of CUO coordinated the programme.





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