# REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT



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# Central Sanskrit University,

(Formerly Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Deemed to be University)

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Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus,

Devprayag, Pauri Garhwal

Uttarakhand-249301

#### REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT TEAM

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The Team visited Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus, Devprayag on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 and submits its Report as below:

#### I. ACADEMIC DETAILS

#### Introduction:-

Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus established under the Central Sanskrit University (Established by an Act of Parliament formerly Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Deemed to be University), Under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India. The newly established campus now functions with Six departments (Vyakarana, Jyotisha, Sahitya, Veda, Nyaya & Modern) and it runs in the newly constructed building with around hundred students admitted to different classes of Prak Shastri, Shastri and Acharya level. Here the regular teachings to all the subjects are being imparted to those bonafide Students by 17 well-versed teachers of different

disciplines. Besides, the modern Subjects like Hindi, English, History and computer science etc. are also being taught along with traditional subjects at Shastri & Acharya level. Vidhyavaridhi (Ph.D.) is also offered & near one dozen Ph.D Scholars are doing Ph.D/ Reseach. Shiksha Shastri (B.Ed.) course is also to be started which is specifically meant for the training of Sanskrit teachers. Time to time the Campus also organizes National Seminars, Work-shops, Short-term Training Programs and Extension Lectures etc. department wise.

#### 2. Specialization in the Campus

The team noted there are Six Departments in the Campus, in addition to Distance education offered in three Shastras via Vyakarana, Jyotisha and Sahitya, besides Prakshastri, Bridge courses and Certificate courses in Pali Prakrit & Journalism through MSP. The strength in Shastri, Acharya & Vidhyvaridhi Classes are satisfactory.

## 3. Current number of academic programs

(specialization offered Prakshastri, Shastri, Acharya, Ph.D & Certificate Course in Jyotish.)

- 1. Five Academic Programmes are offered in this Campus through regular mode and four Programs (Shastri, Acharya, Certificate & Bridge Courses ) are offered through Distance Mode.
- 2. There is a scope for introducing courses in other Shastras like Vedanta, Sarvdarshana, Sankhya Yoga & Ayurveda.
- 3. Innovative courses based on regional heritage and importance may be introduced.
- 4. The Team feels the necessity of revision of syllabus in a regular and systematic way. Measures are to be taken for improving syllabi of Shastras also.
- 5. Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) needs to be implemented soon.

#### 4. Any other information Academic related

- ❖ The Campus may continue its efforts for the development of Shastra learning and pedagogy.
- Heritage and Culture is the area to be explored and courses may be designed on this subject.
- Specially designed courses may be offered to suit the Uttarakhand Regional population and culture.
- Registration for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D) may be done following the UGC new regulations, and New Education Policy 2021.
- ❖ Students may be encouraged to undergo various credit courses under CBCS.

#### 5. Student Strength

Students' strength is satisfactory though the campus has been established recently in 2016-17 academic session.

## 6. Admission Procedure

The system followed in admission is full proof. However, Entrance Test conducts every year for admission in Shastri course also & Admission in Acharya Classes is based on Merit. Liberal admission procedure could be adopted to encourage Higher Education in the local population of this area. In future, certain percentage of seats may also be ear-marked for this category. Reservation in Admission for SC/ST/OBC/EWS & PH is being followed as per the guidelines of Central Government.

## 7. Intake, Drop-outs, Exam Results

Intake in Shastra wing is satisfactory. Efforts are to be made to increase the strength in Nyaya department. The drop-out rate is almost zero that is an encouraging trend. Further, the pass percentage is also satisfactory. Average attendance of the students on the basis of random checking is found satisfactory.

# 8. Academic Activities: Seminars/Conferences/Symposia/Workshop conducted by the Campus:

The Team noted that the Campus is organizing one or two National Seminars every year and one Departmental Seminars in each Department with Seminar Proceedings. The Campus is bringing out an Annual Magazine. Each Department of the Campus is publishing their own departmental Annual Magazine also. Workshops & Training Programs are also being conducted by Various Departments.

#### II. WORKING SPACE AVAILABLE

- The Team is satisfied with the infrastructure and it is observed that the available working area is optimally being utilized. However new academic building, Administrative blocks, Hostels & Staff quarters are being constructed.
- Sufficient number of class rooms with all necessary facilities is available in the Campus. Smart Classes in Shastri and Acharya are being developed. Online Classes are also being Conducted by the Campus through Virtual Mode.
- ❖ Though the Campus is functioning in a temporary building, it is well equipped with minimum required facilities like electricity, Water, Internet, Computers & Adequate furniture.
- The Campus has Library & Computer Lab with sufficient furniture.

# III. DETAIL WORKLOAD OF TEACHERS

- ❖ The Campus has sufficient teaching workload for the teachers. Minimum faculty is engaged in maximum assignments. Keeping this in view almost each Department requires more faculties & other Non- teaching staff also.
- The Team noted the working hours of the Campus is more than seven hours & UGC Norms are being followed.

# IV. INFRASTRUCTURAL FACILITIES

1 The Campus has sufficient space to accommodate Academic Block, Administrative Wing.

- Library, Auditorium, temporary Hostels for Boys /Girls & New Buildings are also under construction.
- 2. The Library is accommodated in a spacious room with a collection of 4,000 titles with online issuing facilities, PDF's of the textbooks, previous years Question Paper are available on library blog & few online/ offline magazines are also available.
- 3 The Team noted that the Campus has basic facilities like Reading room, Open access system, Water Cooler with Purifiers, Toilets, Computer Lab & security system is equipped with CCTV cameras.
- 4. The Team observed that the Campus has its own website: <a href="http://csudevpryag.edu.in">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjd-WndrwhRtckven8yBeVg</a>, Facebook link <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjd-WndrwhRtckven8yBeVg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjd-WndrwhRtckven8yBeVg</a>, Facebook link <a href="mailto:@csusrkcd">@csusrkcd</a> & adequate social media presence and maintained well & it is observed that the website of the Campus is updated regularly.

#### V. FACULTY PROFILE

- 1. Publications: The Campus has published Departmental magazines in addition to annual magazine & free of cost Soft Copies of the Magazines are available on the website of the Campus.
- 2. On enquiry and during interaction with teachers, it is brought to the knowledge of the Team that the teachers have attended a number of Inter-universities, and National/International level programmes as participants and Resource Persons, which deserves appreciation.
- 3. The Campus organizes Extension Lectures, Seminars, Webinars & training courses every year.

#### VI. RESEARCH FACILITIES

- Library, Internet, reference material etc., are available in the Campus. The Campus needs
  more involvement in research. Number of Research papers authored by the faculty in UGC
  care listed journals are less and the Team suggests that the faculty members of the Campus
  should increase number of UGC listed Publications.
- 2. Library should have more titles and reference materials to facilitate research.

#### VII. PROJECTS AND INTERACTIONS

The Department of Nyaya has completed 1 Research Projects titled बौद्धतर्कभाषायाः सटिप्पणसम्पादनम् in 2016-17 worth of amount Rs. 3 lacs sanctioned earlier. The authorities may extend continuous support for every research endeavour. More number of Research Projects should be completed.

#### **VIII. STUDENT PROFILE**

Semester system is being adopted successfully in Shastri & Acharya Classes Passed Percentage is almost 100%. Result in the examinations of the students is good. However, remedial coaching, special classes for SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PH, online/offline Coaching for PSST/ PVVT & NET/JRF may enhance the result positively.

#### IX. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- 1. The students have participated in various Academic & Co-curricular activities.
- 2. However, the Campus needs to concentrate on academic as well as extra-curricular activities like All India Shastrartha Spardha, Youth Festival etc. Long term planning would yield results in this area, hence, the Campus needs to draw a practicable long term plan to achieve this goal.

#### X. PROBLEMS AND CONSTRAINS FACED BY THE CAMPUS

- 1. Functioning in a temporary building.
- 2. Excessive Contract/Guest Faculty.
- 3. Temporary hostels with minimum facilities.
- 4. Lack of teachers as per UGC norms in each Department.
- 5. Lack of Man Power & Outsourcing Staff.

#### XI. STRENGTH OF THE CAMPUS

- 1. Dedicated ministerial staff.
- 2. Committed & UGC Qualified faculty
- 3. Support from the HQ.
- 4. Good local support for the development of the Campus.
- 5. Feedback from various stakeholders like students, teachers, parents, alumni & employees is taken time to time.
- 6. e-office procedure is also being followed.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TEAM**

The Team after interacting with various stake-holders the Campus i.e. the Director, students faculty, ministerial staff, and IQAC members, recommends the following:-

- 1. Sufficient funds may be allocated to carry out the well-designed building plan and the work May be executed in time.
- 2. Admission campaign may be undertaken during May and June every year to make aware the local population about the Campus and Sanskrit learning.
- 3. The Campus may seek permission to open new Departments Sarvdarshanam & Advaita Vedanta.
- 4. The Campus may launch need-based courses such as arts and crafts based on Local culture Combining them with Sanskrit literature and fine arts. For this, the Campus needs to Develop and design innovative curriculum.
- 5. Curriculum on Uttarakhand Sanskrit Literature may be developed based on ancient Sanskrit Literature and Vedic Culture.
- 6. The Campus may be provided with permanent positions for healthy and effective Teaching and learning environment.

- 7. In the proposed building complex, a separate Central Library & Convention Hall may be included and executed along with the existing plan.
- 8. Keeping the local intelligence and skill, sports may be encouraged with the aim to create internationally-skilled students.
- 9. Sufficient ministerial staff may be provided for the smooth functioning of the Campus.
- 10. Keeping the Ganga River view location of the Campus, a course based on Tourism Tantras may be designed especially on Kedarnath & Badrinath Yatra offered to commensurate with the local culture and habitation.
- 11. Special Hill Area development funds may be utilized liberally to promote formal and non-formal Sanskrit learning in this region.
- 12. More number Non-Formal Sanskrit Education Centres may be opened to propagate Sanskrit language and culture in this region.
- 13. Keeping the manuscript collection probability in view in this region, a sincere and Systematic Manuscript Collection Drive (MCD) may be launched.
- 14. A Division of Sanskrit Documentary may be established to preserve local culture And literature both oral as well as written.

For the development and preservation of the traditional wisdom hidden in Vedas, Shastras and Sanskrit language in tune with the explosion in the field of Technology and Information Science in the present context and in the Interest of the Campus, students, teachers and staff, the Academic Audit Team strongly recommends the above mentioned suggestions to be Implemented in a phased manner.

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