

Activities at Campus

Academic Year 2017-18

4.2.13 Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus, Devprayag, Uttarakhand

About the Campus (Brief History of the Campus) :

Shri Raghunatha Kirti Adarsha Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya (Estd. 1908), Devaprayaga, Uttarakhand was taken over by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan on 16th June, 2016 as its 13th constituent Campus. Like the former Mahavidyalaya, the campus is also named after the famous ancient deity Shri Raghunathaji shrined in the ancient Raghunatha temple constructed in the Katyuri style of Katyuri dynasty of the mountains on the holy confluence of two important mythological rivers, namely, Bhagirathi and Alaknanda from where exactly the river Ganga is originated.

Because of this cultural, spiritual and educational background, the campus was inaugurated here on 16.06.16 by Mr. Mantriprasad Naithani, the then Hon'ble Education Minister of Uttarakhand in the precious presence of Prof. P.N. Shastri, the Vice chancellor of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan along with M. K. Dhyani, the Ex Rajyasabha Member and Mr. Rajendra Kotiyal, the Suchana Ayukta, Uttarakhand. The former Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya has donated its premises with a vast land measuring 3.443 hectares and simultaneously the Govt. of Uttarakhand has also allotted some adjourned portion of land measuring 9.228 hectares. Now the campus has total land of 23 acres. The land with the complete approved layout plan has been handed over to CPWD (Shrinagar Branch) for the construction of the campus building. The construction of Boundary is almost complete and the construction works of all other required blocks including Academic, Administrative and residential (Hostel for Boys and Girls both, Guest House and several types of Staff Quarters) along with Library hall, Auditorium and Stadium (play ground) etc. are in progress.

Campus Location :

So far as the geographical, historical, cultural, mythological and educational status is concerned, Devaprayaga comes in the state of Uttarakhand (formerly Uttaranchal and still formerly Uttarpradesh) which is popularly and culturally known as Devabhumi or the divine land. This state of Devabhumi is adorned not only with one of the famous Jyotirmathas called Shribadrikashrama but with one of the twelve Jyotirlingas, namely, Shri Kedarnatha. The province has the credit of being the sources of two vedic as well mythological rivers Ganga and Yamuna. Even today also the divine-souled (devatatma) Himalaya stands here as the measuring pole of the earth as if to glorify the state.

According to the Kedarakhand of the Skanda-Purana, the name Devaprayaga came into existence on the very name of the sage Shri Deva Sharma who has undergone a severe penance in this auspicious place. Devaprayaga has the credit of being recognised as the first prayaga among the five prayagas of Uttarakhand, followed by Rudra prayaga, Karna Prayaga, Nanda prayaga and Vishnu prayaga respectively. The small but important city Deva prayaga is surrounded with atleast three series of mountains, namely, Griddhachala, Dasharathachala and Nrisimhachala etc. The Nrisimhachala part of Devaprayaga was famous earlier as a centre of learning in entire Uttarakhand being categorically named as vidyakshetra where exactly the campus is situated now. It is the only state where Sanskrit is accepted as its second official language.

Courses Offered :

The newly established campus now functions with six departments where traditional subjects like Vyakarana, Jyotisha,

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Sahitya, Veda, Vedanta and Nyaya are taught along with the modern Subjects like Hindi, English, History, computer science etc. (up to graduation or Shastri level). Around hundred students are admitted to following different classes :

- **Prak Shastri** (Intermediate)
- **Shastri** (B.A.)
- **Acharya** (M.A.)
- **Vidyavaridhi** (Ph.D.) : The campus is also committed to offer research programmes for the award of Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) degree of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan. At present three research students are enrolled in the campus for their Ph.D. works.

Future Courses

- **Shiksha Shastri** (B.Ed.) : Shiksha Shastri (B.Ed.) course is to be started here in next academic years which is specifically meant for the training of Sanskrit teachers.
- **Distance Education** – The campus will run above mentioned all the courses through Distance Education of the Mukta-svadhyayapeetha of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.

Non-formal Sanskrit Teaching Courses

- **Sanskrit Spoken Course** : The campus has also undertaken a non-formal course of Spoken Sanskrit to enable the students to speak Sanskrit fluently. Last year from 3rd May to 13th May 2017, the campus has arranged a residential camp for teaching the students through the *prathama diksha* and *dvitiya diksha* i.e. the self learning Sanskrit study materials of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.
- **Certificate Course** : The campus is planning to run some Certificate Courses on Jyotisha, Vastu and Yoga in forthcoming years.

Extra Curricular Activities / Functions/Seminars etc.

The Campus also organizes department-wise National Seminars, Work-shops and Extension Lectures etc. time to time on different subjects. Last year the campus has conducted all such programs. However, this year the Vyakaran Department and the Sahitya Department of campus have organised two different international seminars.

- **Special lecture Series** - Special lecture Series of different Departments of the campus were arranged from 01.2.18 to 10.02.18 and again on 27.02.2018.
- **Special lecture Series of Vyakaran Department** : Special lecture Series of Vyakaran Department was arranged on 03.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture शब्दविद्यायां बौद्धाचार्याणां योगदानम्। The Chief Speaker : Prof. Kishore Chandra Padhi (Puri).
- **Special lecture Series of Sahitya Department** : Special lecture Series of Sahitya Department was arranged on 04.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : बौद्ध-मिश्रितसंस्कृतसाहित्ये अनवाद-अनसन्धानयोः सम्भावनाः। The Chief Speaker : Prof. K.T.S. Sarao (New Delhi).
- **Special lecture Series of Veda Department** : Special lecture Series of Veda Department was arranged on 01.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : वैदिकस्वराः तेषां प्रयोजनानि च। The Chief Speaker : Prof. Rajeshvar Mishra (Kurukshetra).
- **Special lecture Series of Jyotisha Department** : Special lecture Series of Jyotisha Department was arranged on 06.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : ज्योतिष-दर्शनयोः सम्मतः ब्रह्मस्वरूपविचारः। The Chief Speaker : Prof. Devi Prasad Tripathi (New Delhi).
- **Special lecture Series of Modern Department** : Special lecture Series of Modern departments was arranged on

08.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : हिन्दीसाहित्य में अन्तर्निहित ऐतिहासिक एवं सांस्कृतिक तत्त्व। The Chief Speaker : Prof. Narendra Prasad Singh.

- **Special lecture Series of Vedanta Department** : Special lecture Series of Vedanta Department was arranged on 09.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : वेदान्तदृष्ट्या वस्तुवस्तरूपविमर्शः। The Chief Speaker : Prof. K.S. Satish.
- **Special lecture Series of Nyaya Department** : Special lecture Series of Nyaya Department was arranged on 27.02.2018. The Topic of the Lecture : न्यायशास्त्रे पदवृत्तिविचारः। The Chief Speaker : Prof. Viranarayan Pandurangi.

International / National Seminars

International / National Seminars were arranged by all Departments from 01.02.2018 to 10.02.2018 and from 27.02.2018 to 28.02.2018 on different subjects as per the details given below:

- Two days International Seminar of **Vyakarana Department** was arranged from 02-02-2018 to 03-02-2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar: बौद्धवैयाकरणानां संस्कृतव्याकरणपरम्परायां योगदानम्।
- Two days International Seminar of **Sahitya Department** was arranged from 04-02-2018 to 05-02-2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar : ‘बौद्धमिश्रितसंस्कृत-साहित्यस्य वैश्विकसन्देशः।’
- Two days National Seminar of **Veda Department** was arranged from 01-02-2018 to 02-02-2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar : वेदस्मृत्योः धर्मादिविचारः।
- Two days National Seminar of **Jyotisha Department** was arranged from 06.02.2018 to 07.02.2018 . The Central Theme of the Seminar : ज्योतिष-दर्शनयोः अन्तःसम्बन्धः।

- Two days National Seminar of **Modern Departments** was arranged from 08.02.2018 to 09.02.2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar : “भारतीय समाज का प्रतिबिम्बन-(ऐतिहासिक और साहित्यिक सन्दर्भ में)”।
- Two days National Seminar of **Vedanta Department** was arranged from 09.02.2018 to 10.02.2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar : आधुनिकयुगे वेदान्तशास्त्रस्योपयोगिता।
- Two days National Seminar of **Nyaya Department** was arranged from 27.02.2018 to 28.02.2018. The Central Theme of the Seminar : पदवृत्तिविचारः।
- **All India Poetry symposium** – An all India Poetry symposium was held in the evening of 04.02.2018 in the chairmanship of Prof. Banamali Biswal conducted by Dr. Mukesh Kumar. The eminent poets were : Dr. Ram Vinay Singh, Prof. Banamali Biswal, Dr. Shailesh Tiwari, Dr.Dharmendra Kumar Singhdev, Dr. Brijendra Kumar Singhdev, Dr. Ravindra Arya, Dr. Ashutosh Gupta, Dr. Manish Jugran and Pankaj etc.

Research Project

At present a research project runs here with a good progress. The Research Project is on Philosophy, i.e. Buddhist Tarkabhasha.

- The Campus has also applied for two more research projects this year under Ashtadashi Project of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, namely, The descriptive catalogue of Modern Sanskrit Literature (by Prof. Banamali Biswal) and Self study material of Pali language (by Dr. Prafulla Gadpal).

Campus website available

- Campus website is opened last year which can be visited at www.srkcampus.org. A number of new events are added to this site during this year.

Publication of Research journals and periodicals :

Last year the Campus has planned to publish four Research journals and periodicals of which some are published and some are delayed due to the delay in the allotment of ISSN.

- **Devabhumisaurabham** - An annual International Research journal
- o **Sanskritaganga** - Campus Research journal
- o **Raghunathakirtipataka** - Annual Magazine of the Campus
- o **Raghunathavartavali** - quarterly Newsletter of the Campus (three Combined issues have been already published)

Departmental Research journals

In addition to that, 06 Departmental Research journals are being published from all the Departments of Campus such as Vyakarana, Sahitya, Veda, Jyotisha, Nyaya and Modern. The first issues of the following Departmental Journals are published.

- Vyakarana – Shabdi Tripathaga
- Sahitya – Sahiti
- Veda – Daivi
- Jyotisha – Amnaya Haimavati
- Modern – Adhunik Shodha Triveni
- Nyaya – Nyayashastrarthaprakarsha

Various Literary / Cultural Events

The Foundation stone Ceremony :

First : The first Foundation stone was laid by the honourable Governor of Uttarakhand Dr. K.K.Paul on 06.05.2017 in the precious presence of Prof. P. N. Shastri, the Vice Chancellor of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Shri Vinod Kandari, M.L.A. Dev Prayag, Shri Mukesh Kauli, M.L.A. Paudi and Shri S.C. Bharadwaj, the Chief Engineer CPWD. The Principal of the campus Prof. K.B. Subbarayudu welcomed the Guest and the

vote of thanks was conveyed by Dr. R. Balmurugan while Prof. Banamali Biswal conducted the complete event .

Second : The Second Foundation stone was laid by Dr. Satyapal Singh, the honourable state Minister of Higher Education, Ministry of HRD, Govt. Of India on 08.11.2017. Shri Vinod Kandari, M.L.A. Dev Prayag, Shri Mukesh Kauli, M.L.A. Paudi, Shri S.C. Bharadwaj, the Chief Engineer CPWD and Shri R.P. Yadav, the Assistant Engineer CPWD graced the occasion. The Principal of the campus Prof. K.B. Subbarayudu presided over the auspicious ceremony, Prof. Banamali Biswal welcomed the Guest and the vote of thanks was conveyed by Dr. R. Balmurugan while Dr. Mukesh Kumar conducted the program.

National Yoga day Celebration

National Yoga day was Celebrated on 21.06.17

Celebration of Sanskrit Week

Sanskrit Week was celebrated on the auspicious occasion of Shravani Purnima from 04-08-2017-10.08.2017. Various competitions like Essay writing, Elocution etc. were arranged among students and the winners were awarded with several prizes. The Sanskrit week was inaugurated by Shri Premchandra Agrawal, the Chairman of Uttarakhand Assembly (legislature) and Shri Pratap Singh, the regional secretary of Sanskrit Bharati, North East region, Uttar Pradesh. Sanskrit Week was celebration was concluded on 10.08.2017. The Concluding ceremony was presided over by the Principal where Shri Vinod Kandari, M.L.A. Dev Prayag addressed as chief guest. Prof. Banamali Biswal also spoke on this occasion.

Hindi Pakhavada Celebration

Hindi Pakhavada was Celebrated from 14-09-2017 to 28-09-2017. Various competitions like Essay writing, Elocution etc. were arranged in Hindi among the students and administrative employees of the campus and the winners were awarded.

Independence day

Independence day was celebrated on 15th August, 2018.

National Unity Week

National Unity day (Eekata week) was observed from 31-10-2017 to 06-11-2017 on the occasion of Sardar Ballabha Bhai Patel's Birthday.

Svacchatadivasa

Svacchatadivas was organized on the auspicious occasion of Gandhi Jayanti on 02-10-2017 where the staff and the students cleaned the campus in groups.

Vigilance Awareness Day

Vigilance Awareness Day was observed in the campus on 25-11-17.

Basant Panchami

Basant Panchami was organized on 22.01.2018.

Republic Day

Republic Day was organized on 26.01.2018 in the Campus.

Annual day

Annual day was celebrated on 20. 04.2018.

Various sports competitions were arranged among the students and the winners were awarded with prizes and certificates. The Annual day Function was presided by Prof. K.B. Subbarayudu, the Principal of the campus where Dr. C.Y. Singh, the Principal of Shri Raghunath Kirti Inter College, Dev Prayag addressed as the chief guest while Prof. Banamali Biswal presented the Annual Report in detail.

Student Participation

15th Inter campus Drama Competition

Campus Students Participated in 15th Inter Campus Drama Competition held at Agartala Campus of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan from 22-11-17 to 24-11-17 and staged the drama Laxmimanavedam composed by Shri Divakar. The drama was directed and guided by Prof. Banamali Biswal, Dr. Mukesh Kumar, Shri Pankaj Kotiyal and Dr. Rakesh Bhatta. The presentation was appreciated by the audience.

National level Shastric Competition

Students participated in the National level Shastric Competition (Rajyastariya-shastra-spardha) from 08.11.2017 – to 10.11.2017 held in the Campus, where the following students of the campus were selected for All India Shastric Competitions :

Sl.No.	Name of the Competition	Name of the student	Class
1.	Sahityabhashana	Pankaj	Acharya Ist year
2.	Dharmashastra-bhashana	Gangasharan	Acharya 2nd year
3.	Jyotisha-bhashana	Niraj Kumar	Acharya Ist year
4.	Ashtadhyayi Kanthapatha	Prachi Nautiyal	Shastri 2nd year
5.	Shastrarthavichara	Harish Dangwal Devendra Pokharial	Research Scholar, Vyakaran Research Scholar, Sahitya
6.	Samasyapurti	Pankaj	Acharya Ist year
7.	Shastriya Quiz	Harish Dangwal Devendra Pokharial	Research Scholar, Vyakaran Research Scholar, Sahitya

All India Shastric Competition

Ms. Prachi of Shastri Second year bagged a prize in Ashtadhyayi Kanthapatha in All India Shastric Competition held at Agartala Campus of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan from 18.01.18 to 21.01.18.

10th Youth Festival

Campus Students Participated in the 10th Youth Festival organized in K.J. Somaiya Mumbai Campus, from 08-03-18 to 11-03-18 where Manish pant, the student of Shastri Second year bagged a silver Medal in 1500 Metre and Niraj, the student of Acharya First year bagged a bronze Medal in the same event.

Students qualified UGC NET

The following Students of the Campus qualified UGC NET this year :

- Devendra Pokhariyal (Research Scholar, Sahitya)
- Harish Dangwal (Research Scholar, Vyakaran)
- Madhusudan Sati (Research Scholar, Sahitya)
- Pankaj (Acharya, Sahitya)

NSS Camp

A Residencial NSS Camp was organized by the Campus from 20.03.2018 to 26.03.2018 where 25 students participated actively. The Camp was organized in the Saud village, near Devaprayag and it was conducted by Dr. Suresh Sharma with Dr. Virendra Singh Bartwal. The Camp was inaugurated by the Principal Prof. K.B. Subbarayudu and Dr. C.Y. Singh, the Principal of Shri Raghunath Kirti Inter College, Dev Prayag while Prof. Banamali Biswal addressed in the concluding program along with Shri Devendra Todaria, the ex-principial of Shri Raghunath Kirti Adarsha Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya and others.

Future Plan

Enrichment of the Library of the Campus : The campus is planning to develop

a rich library of books and manuscripts (also in digital form) in the forthcoming years. The following three Resource centres have been opened in the Campus library :

Resource Centre of Modern Sanskrit Literature : The Campus has established a special Section on Modern Sanskrit literature in the library under the banner of Resource Centre of Modern Sanskrit Literature co-ordinated by Prof. Banamali Biswal. This particular Centre will fulfil the desideratum in this field as nowhere in India one can find the complete collection of Modern Sanskrit Literature. The Centre was inaugurated by Dr. Satyapal Singh, the honourable state Minister of Higher Education, Ministry of HRD on 08.11.2017

Resource Centre of Manuscripts: The Campus has opened another special Section for manuscripts in the library. Through this centre the Campus will collect and Preserve ancient, rare and important manuscripts on different subjects from different sources.

Resource Centre of Buddhist Sanskrit Literature : The Campus has opened another special Section for Buddhist Sanskrit Literature under the banner of Resource Centre of Buddhist Sanskrit Literature co-ordinated by Dr. Prafulla Gadpal. The Centre was inaugurated on 04.02.2018.

National Workshops :

- **Workshops on Kavishiksha and Anuvada-pravidhi :** The Campus is planning to organize some workshops on the subjects such as Kavi-shiksha and Translation Practice and Theory etc. in the forthcoming years. A workshop was organized in the campus to prepare a short film based on Beti bachao Beti Padhao to present it in the Youth Festival held at Mumbai Campus of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.

Research and Publication

Along with the teaching of all the regular courses of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, the campus is also dedicated to all sorts of Research and Publication.

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