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### From the Desk of Vice-Chancellor

I am happy to release the first Newsletter of Bilaspur University which provides an opportunity to review and report the institution's functioning and self introspection and resolutions to carry out the organization to a greater height. Bilaspur University was established by an Act of C.G. Assembly in 2012, when the Central University (GGV) has expressed its inability to conduct the examination of affiliated colleges located in Five districts under its jurisdiction After my joining the University in June 2012, the first challenge was to conduct the examinations of private candidates in 117 affiliated colleges. For us 2012-13 was the year of establishment, planning and to conduct the pending examinations of private candidates. The University emerged as the first University in the state of Chhattisgarh to introduce Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) along with flexible and skill development courses. Bilaspur University immediately after its establishment prepared Roadmap. The Logo enshrined; creation of knowledge, its dissemination, innovation, skill development and its application in Socio-economic development of the state. The vision, mission and objectives are set towards an Excellence through Equity, Access and Quality Education. The dynamic website of the University (bilaspuruniversity.ac.in) depicts these in details. The nascent University has been

able to carve a niche in creating Quality in Higher Education and Improve teaching-learning for an ambience of "caring wisdom."



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Chhattishgarh, Dr. Raman Singh ji, dedicated the Hospital Building to Bilaspur University on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 in presence of Hon'ble Speaker Shri Dharam Lal Kaushik, Health Minister, Shri Amar Agrawal, Education Minister, Shri Ramvichar Nesam, Shri Badri Dhar Divan and other dignitaries. Hon'ble Chief Minister in his inaugural address emphasised on Ouality Education.

# Signing of MOU

Bilaspur University signed an MOU with Guru Ghasidas Central University on 25-06-2012, for sharing of Resources for Quality of Higher Education. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor



of GGV assured to Bilaspur University during the inauguration that the of facilities available in Central University are open to the use by the students and teachers of Bilaspur University. During this, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Bilaspur University exhorted on the Quality of Higher Education and assured that University will follow the norms of UGC and other Regulatory Bodies of India (NCTE, BCI etc) to ensure the quality of Higher Education.

The MOU between these two Universities is functional. The Non-Teaching staff was taken on deputation from GGV as we our state Universities could not spare their staff. Bilaspur University is also utilizing laboratory facilities in GGV for its UTD Microbiology students to conduct their practical's. From Bilaspur University side also teachers of Microbiology and Bio-informatics and Commerce & Financial Studies departments are taking classes in GGV . Such MOU is best example of sharing resources in collaboration mode to enhance the quality of education. Further Joint Research Projects will be worked out.

# Organization of Skill Development workshop

A workshop for the Principals of all affiliated colleges on Skill development

course introduction was organised on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2012. The experts from Skill Development Council, Higher Education Deptt. and Small Scale Industries explained the process of implementation of these courses along with their basic courses.



This has resulted in registration of nearly 10 colleges for skill development courses, some of these colleges have already started Skill Development Courses.

# **Brain Storming Workshop**

Bilaspur University organised a brain storming workshop on 19, Oct 2012, The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Sunil Kumar, Chief Secretary, Chhattisgarh state. Academic experts from other Universities; Prof. G. Mishra Dean, Assam University, Prof. A.K. Mahapatra, Dean Management studies, Sambalpur University, Prof. S. Kumar former VC Barkatullah University Bhopal, Prof U.K. Mishra VC, Kamdhenu University, Prof. L. Chaturvedi, VC, GGV, Prof. A.R. Chandrakar,



VC Sundar Lal Sharma (Open) University and Principals of affiliated colleges attended the workshop. Lectures on the contemporary Quality higher education and the future needs for Bilaspur University were delivered under the chairmanship of Prof. G.D. Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Bilaspur University. In the workshop the Roadmap of the University was also discussed.

#### Launching of University Website

The University website bilaspuruniversity.ac.in was launched by the Chief Secretary, C.G., Shri Sunil Kumar ji. The website provides all informations and is made dynamic. Nearly 334000 people from different parts of the world have visited



the website. It is also planned to provide access to website in various Languages of India and the world. The inauguration of website is planned in multi languages for the University.

#### **Mobile Service**

To save paper, time and man power, the SMS Service for the Principals of all affiliated Colleges has been started in November 2012. This has endured the better communication between University and colleges.

#### Vision

Towards an Excellence through Equity, Access and Quality Education.

#### **Mission**

- Aspire to translate collective dream of the community of the region in to reality.
- Create, disseminate and advance knowledge, through instructional and inter disciplinary and collaborative research.

- Educate and train the Human Resource persons for the development of the State of Chhattisgarh.
- Advancement of intellectual, academic, Cultural and natural resource development for Socio-economic development of the region.
- Appropriate measures to promote quality education in affiliated Colleges.

#### Organization of NAAC Workshop

A Workshop on Quality in Higher Education Sustenance and Enhancement was organized for all the Principals of affiliated Colleges from 26 to 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2013. Dr. B.S. Madhukar, Deputy Advisor, NAAC, Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Former V.C. Vidhyasagar University, Prof. A. Padhi, Former V.C.Berhampur University, PVC, Mumbai University, Prof. L. Chaturvedi, Guru Ghasidas Central University, Prof. A. R. Chandrakar, V.C. S.S. (Open) University, Dr. S. Chaturvedi (IAS) Former Principle secretary to the governer, Prof P.K.Bajpai, GGV and Prof. G.D. Sharma V.C., BU and others delivered lectures on various aspects of quality education and educational administration.

# Organization of International Lecture Series

Professor Dr. Mc Andrew, Chairman, Ethnic studies, University of Montreal, Canada visited University from April 22-26, 2013. Professor M Andrew, delivered lectures in Raipur, Raigarh, Bilaspur, and Bastar, in colleges and University on various aspects of Diversity and education and discussed possibility of collaboration between university of Chhattisgarh and Cannadian University on Diversity Education. A meeting between Hon'ble governor & Prof. M. Mc Andrew was also arranged. Prof. Mc Andrew spoke on Diversity, Community Education, Quality in Higher Education, Collaboration with Canadian University and Education in Canadian University system.









# Recruitment of Faculty Members

As per UGC norms, various teaching posts were advertised and after screening, the interviews were conducted in April-May, 2013.

Thirteen Assistant Professors joined the University, The remaining vacant posts of teachers and some non teaching staff has been re-advertised. The interviews are planned in June. The non-teaching staff has been taken on Deputation from Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Sarguja and Bastar Universities.

# First Foundation day Celebration

Principals of affiliated colleges and teachers, students & staff of UTD were invited to the first foundation day celebrations. Review of 2012-13 academic programmes has done and targets new programmes and NAAC assessment for the year 2013 were planned on this occasion. A lecture on the "Role of teacher in mentoring student" was also delivered by Mr. Gagrine CCGH, SER on 25-06-2013.

#### **Academic activities**

- ❖ After having interactions with Industries and Academic experts, five courses viz; Food Processing and technology, Hotel Management and Hospitality, Commerce and Financial Studies, Computer Science and Application, Microbiology and Bio-Informatics were started in UTD from the Academic session 2013.
- ❖Annual Examination 2013: Examinations of private students of affiliated colleges were conducted in July, 2012. The results were declared in October, 2012 for the next batch. The Practical examinations of UG & PG Courses were completed in February-March. The Theory examinations were conducted from March to May, 2013. The Results were declared in June-July. Total 1,10,000(One lakh ten thousand) students appeared in UG & PG examinations. Examinations and evolution work was carried with all care, confidentiality and in conformity of regulations of the University.

# VC's visit to colleges

To get the first hand status of higher education in affiliated colleges of Chhattisgarh Total 94 colleges were visited from June 2012 to December 2012. The core and desirable indicators of quality as per UGC, NCTE and NAAC guidelines were examined. The colleges were given suggestions and guidelines on how to fulfil these requirements. In general, it was noticed that in Govt. colleges 30-40 % posts of teachers are lying vacant. The laboratories do not have sufficient equipments and chemicals to complete their practical's. In Private colleges, it was found that the condition was more precarious. Some colleges were running in Rented Buildings for the last many years, some did not have even a single permanent teacher, (only guest teachers), and most of these were paid very low salary 4000-10000. The laboratories were not equipped and libraries were with very few and old books and hardly any Journal.

#### **NSS** activities

In the month of January 2013, One Week NSS Camp was organized by Bilaspur University in Ratanpur. The Camp was Inaugurated by Hon'ble Speaker of Chhattisgarh State Shri Dharam Lal Kaushik ji and valedictory function was chaired by Shri Shekhar Dutt ji Hon'ble Governor of the State of Chhattisgarh. Vice Chancellor of Sunder Las Sharma (Open) University was the Guest of Honour. Nearly 600 students from different parts of the State participated in different Social and community development activities.



#### Sports activities

Organization of National Inter University Boxing Championship for Men and Women: Bilaspur University organized Inter University Boxing competition both for Men and Women. Nearly 80 teams from different Universities of India participated in the event from 25 December 2012 to January 4, 2013. Nearly 1000 participants took part in various events.

The Vice-Chancellor of Guru Ghasidas Central University Bilaspur, Pt. Sunder Lal Sharma (Open) University, Bilaspur, Raman University, Kota, DRM Railways, Collector and S.P. of Bilaspur Inaugurated various events of the Boxing competition.



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