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VC Prof. Geetanjali Dash felicitate outgoing Governor Prof. Lal



As the respected outgoing Governor of Odisha and the Chancellor of Universities in Odisha, Prof. Ganeshi Lal, concludes his tenure, Vice Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash extended a warm farewell, conveying her heartfelt appreciation for his steadfast support and offering her well wishes for his continued good health and a future filled with happiness and prosperity.



Professor Geetanjali Dash, the esteemed Vice Chancellor of Berhampur University, received a hearty welcome when she attended Presidency College, Berhampur. She had the honour of serving as the Chief Guest at their Induction Programme on September 28th, 2023, where she shared her insights and wisdom with the incoming students.



Professor Geetanjali Dash, Vice Chancellor Berhampur University, was extended an invitation as a distinguished guest to the Sidhanta Sahitya Anusthan event in Parlakhemundi. During the event, she had the honour of unveiling the book titled "KALINGA ITIHAS," authored by Sri Purnachandra Mohapatra.

Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash attended a panel discussion on Women Empowerment at Amritkasht-Vimarsh(Viksit Bharat-2023) IISER,



Berhampur in their Knowledge Festival on October 31st, 2023.

Professor Geetanjali Dash, Vice Chancellor, was a special guest at Prameya and News7 function, known as PRAYAS, on October 08th, 2023, where representatives from zila parishad and municipalities of Ganjam were felicitated.



Berhampur University Staff Takes Pledge on Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day)

Berhampur University, in a display of unwavering commitment to national unity, commemorated Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on October 31, 2023. The occasion was marked by a special ceremony, where the staff members gathered in unity and solidarity. The event's highlight was the collective pledge-taking, led by the Honorable Vice Chancellor, Professor Geetanjali Dash. The staff recited the pledge with utmost sincerity, reaffirming their commitment to the



principles Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel stood for – a united, harmonious, and diverse India.

BU Observes Vigilance Awareness Week: "Say No to Corruption; Commit to the Nation"

In a firm stand against corruption and a solid commitment to ethical governance, Berhampur University has observed Vigilance Awareness Week under the theme, "Say No to Corruption; Commit to the Nation". The observance of Vigilance Awareness Week culminated in a pledge-taking ceremony where the entire university community, led by VC Professor Dash, took a solemn vow to fight against corruption, uphold transparency, and commit



to the progress and prosperity of the nation. The event reinforced the idea that a corruption-free society is the collective responsibility of every citizen.

VC and Academic Experts Lead Capacity Building Workshop on NEP-2020 and NAAC Accreditation



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash along with Prof.Sudhakar Patra, Director, IQAC, Prof. Sukanta Kumar Tripathy, Director, CDC and Dr. L.D.Rout, Joint Director, IQAC,Berhampur University went as an experts in the Capacity Building Workshop on NEP-2020 and NAAC Accreditation for the Principals of Colleges of Kandhamal and Ganjam districts at Govt. Autonomous college,Phulbani organized on October 16th, 2023.

Delicious fish of Western Odisha revealed to be a New Species

The combined efforts of faculty, researchers and scientists of P. G. Department of Zoology, Berhampur University, Odisha, and Estuarine Biology Regional Centre, Zoological Survey of India, Gopalpur-on-Sea, Odisha, have led to the discovery of a new species of freshwater goby of the genus *Awaous* from Mahanadi River having a vibrant yellow coloured body with a fleshy upper lip. The new species belongs to the family Oxudercidae and is named *Awaous motla*. This discovery is an addition to the genus after nearly three decades. The new species is called “motla”, after the local name of this fish from where the specimens were collected. Dr. Jaya Kishor Seth led the team along with three research scholars, Sanmitra Roy, Sameer Sura and Dilraj Puvala and scientists Subhrendu Sekhar Mishra and Dr. Anil Mohapatra of Estuarine Biology Regional Centre, Zoological Survey of India, Gopalpur-on-Sea, Odisha. The novel species



has a high local market value of around rupees 600–800. The fish is consumed both in fresh and dries condition. The process of drying of this fish is very unique. Long-term research is the need of the hour to understand its migration pattern, and biology for its sustainable utilization. The work is funded by Department of Science and Technology, Govt of Odisha. The above-mentioned research is published in international journal, ‘**Journal of Fish Biology**’.

Intelligence and Big Data Analysis using Python



The Dept. of Computer Sc., in collaboration with AIU-AADC, organised a six-day Faculty Development Programme on Artificial Intelligence and Big Data Analysis using Python from 16th to October 21st, 2023. The programme was attended by over 40 participants both from within and outside of Odisha. The focus of the FDP was to provide an in-depth knowledge of the theoretical aspects, algorithms and models used in analysing big data with the help of advanced AI techniques.

Prof. P.S. Avadhani provided a broad overview of the field of AI and Big Data analytics with the associated research issues and challenges. Er. Manas Kumar Rath introduced the Python programming language right from the installation procedure to the control structures available in Python from a practical viewpoint. Er. Anand Rath explained the need for data cleaning in large datasets. Prof. S K Udgata of UoH delivered an exhaustive lecture on machine learning and various associated algorithms. Prof. Sachidananda Dehuri dealt with Supervised Learning including both Regression and Classification techniques and their suitability to different applications.

Scholarships Galore for Marine Science Students

The Ocean Country Partnership Programme (OCPP) Scholarships, which is backed by the UK's 'Blue Planet Fund,' is poised to provide scholarships to MSc students within Berhampur University's Department of Marine Sciences. These scholarships will empower students to utilize their regional expertise, engage in cutting-edge research, and address critical environmental challenges in the field of Marine Science, such as harmful algal blooms, sustainable seafood, coastal water quality, and climate change. Students of Marine Sciences, who will be selected, will be entitled to a comprehensive package that includes coverage for tuition fees, living expenses, research support grants, and additional costs related to dependents, disabilities, and maternity, which will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Department of History Hosts ICH2.0: A Successful International Conference



The Department of History organized a two-day international conference, ICH2.0, on October 4th and 5th, 2023, which brought together renowned scholars and experts from across the globe. Professor Geetanjali Dash, the Vice Chancellor, inaugurated the conference. In a symbolic gesture, she planted a tree signifying growth, sustainability, and the global impact of this academic event. The conference's keynote address was delivered by Professor Rekha Pande, a prominent figure in Women's Studies and the Department of History at the University of Hyderabad. Her insightful and thought-provoking speech set the tone for the entire event. Professor Poonam RL Rana from Tribhuvan University, Nepal, shared valuable insights from her extensive experience. Dr. Gayane Hokbyana, an Assistant Professor and

independent researcher, provided a fresh perspective on historical research. Dr. Nirmala Pokharel, representing Nepal, enriched the conference with her contributions. Professor Rebecca Darley from the University of Leeds, UK, added an international dimension to the event. Dr. Anil Mahapatra from EBRC-ZSI graced the conference as the Guest of Honour and chaired the technical session on the science theme, enriching the interdisciplinary discussions. The conference saw the participation of esteemed scholars such as Prof. BK Mallik and Prof. Ashok Pattnaik from Utkal University, Prof. Benudhar Patra, Chandigarh University, Dr. Jevanandam from JNU, and Prof. P.D Kar, Ravenshaw University. In total, an impressive 72 papers were presented during the conference, covering a diverse range of historical and academic subjects.

Awareness programme on Vector Borne Diseases

Awareness programme on Vector Borne Diseases at Tikabali, Khandhamal, Mohana, Gajapati district and detection of mosquito breeding sites and house to house campaign, conducted by the faculties and students of Dept. of Zoology, Berhampur University.



National Seminar on "Contemporary Progress In Mathematics"

A National Seminar on "Contemporary Progress In Mathematics" was convened on October 19th, 2023, by the Postgraduate Department of Mathematics.

The seminar drew participants from every corner of the country, including scholars, students, and faculty members who share a passion for mathematics. The event served as a platform for an in-depth exploration of various contemporary mathematical topics. Scholars and researchers engaged in fruitful discussions and presented their papers, shedding light on the latest trends and developments in the field.

Dr. Pabitra Ku Jena, the coordinator of the department of Mathematics, served as the organizing secretary of the event. Professor Manoranjan Mishra graced the seminar from IIT Ropar, who acted as the Chief Guest, and Professor A.K. Mishra, former director of the IMA, Bhubaneswar, who delivered the keynote address.



Master Trainers Programme to Link the University with the Community



Berhampur University, the HRDC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC, recognized by the UGC) organised a week-long (09-14 October, 2023) residential training through which participants experienced a balanced mix of theory and field exposure. A batch of 30 Master trainers got trained on CBPR. This programme witnessed both the classroom and field sessions covering various aspects of CBPR such as resource mapping, transect walk, social mapping, oral history, narrative enquiry, story telling, etc. This program was coordinated by the Department of Environmental Studies, Berhampur University. The inaugural session of the Programme witnessed the august presence of Honourable Vice Chancellor of Berhampur University, Prof. Geetanjali

Dash. The Chairman, P.G Council of Berhampur University, Prof. S.K. Baral; Shri Jagdananda representing CYSD, Shri Binoy Acharya representing UNNATI, Ahmedabad, and Dr B Anjan Kumar Prusty, HOD, Dept. of Environmental Studies, Berhampur University on the dias; and Dr. Pragya Choube, representing UNESCO Chair at PRIA, New Delhi and Prof. Malay Kumar Mishra, Adjunct Professor, Environmental Studies, off the dias. The meeting had the virtual presence of Dr Diksha Rajput, Deputy Secretary, UGC, New Delhi and Dr. Rajesh Tandon, President PRIA and co-chair of the UNESCO Chair on Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education. Prof. Dash emphasized the need for faculty members reorienting their plans by connecting with community.

National Conference on Recent Advances in Home Science

The P.G. Department of Home Science at Berhampur University hosted two-day National Conference "Recent Advances in Home Science" (NC-RAHSC 2023) on October 13th-14th, 2023. Professor Dash, Vice Chancellor, emphasised the moral values of smart home automation, integrating A.I. technologies for automated control of lighting, heating, and security systems. The Chief Guest, Dr. Sanghamitra Pati, Director, ICMR-RMRC, delivered a thought-provoking address on recent advances in nutrition and the direct link between health and nutrition. The chief speaker, Dr. Saroj Kanta Mishra, former joint director of agriculture and farmers' empowerment, shared insights into the seminar's theme, focusing on family life and human psychology in a literary manner. Guest of Honor, Dr. Adiba Parween, District Social Welfare Officer, Ganjam, emphasized the importance of child care for cognitive development. Technical sessions covered topics such as family life, energy consumption reduction, work-family conflicts, millets' health benefits, creativity, emotional intelligence, interdisciplinary approaches of Home Science, nutritional management, and the



essence of Yoga for human development, emotional intelligence of adolescent girls, and more. The conference also featured oral presentations and a cultural event, "Cultura Vesperi". Professor Trupti Mohanty, Dean of the College of Community Science, highlighted the conservation of human resources, and Chief speaker Professor Prafulla Kumar Mohanty, VC Khallikote Unitary University, discussed interdisciplinary approaches in Home Science. Dr. Subhangi Sahoo from Chennai received the Best Paper Presentation award. The conference also felicitated Gold Medalists from 2014-2023. Dr. Sasmita Behera, the Convener, thanked all participants, students, media, and staff of BU.

Observation of World Mental Health Day



The Department of Home Science observed World Mental Health Day on October 10, 2023, under the theme "Mental Health is a Universal Human Right," with an engaging session led by clinical psychologist Mr. Lokonath Choudhery. His expertise shed light on mental health, early intervention, and strategies to tackle various mental disorders.

The interactive session included practical training in stress relief techniques, providing students with valuable tools for managing their mental well-being. Dr. Sasmita Behera, HoD, thanked all participants, wrapping up a successful observance of World Mental Health Day.

Welcome Day at Dept. of Chemistry

The P.G. Department of Chemistry celebrates the welcome day for the new members of the Chemistry family on October 13th, 2023. The function was graced by Prof. Geetanjali Dash, Vice-Chancellor and Prof. Susant Kumar Baral, Chairman, PGC



released the department's annual newsletter for 2023. To foster a sense of community and collaboration among students, to share the department's and University's goals and to encourage the students, VC, CPCG & all the faculties Dr. S.N. Sahoo, G. Phaomei, L.D. Rout, B.B.Parida, and A. Mohanty delivered a speech on this function.

Commerce Dept. Hosts Successful International Conference on Business Practices and Sustainability

The Department of Commerce at Berhampur University organized a two-day International Conference on "Business Practices and Sustainability" from October 14th to 15th, 2023.

Esteemed dignitaries, including, CA Shri graced the inaugural session. Shridhar Patra, CMD NALCO, who served as the Chief Guest. Professor Geetanjali Dash, Vice-Chancellor of Berhampur University, who presided as the President. Professor Sushant Kumar Baral, Chairman, PGC, Berhampur University, who was the Guest of Hon

Secretary, welcomed the participants and introduced the conference theme. Sakti Ranjan Dash introduced the esteemed guests. In the inaugural session, Shri Patra emphasized the role of education as a crucial pillar for achieving sustainability. He urged businesses to focus on long-term goals rather than short-term gains. Prof. Geetanjali Dash highlighted the importance of the youth, resource utilization, and adopting a green mindset for long-term sustainability.



The luminaries officially released the Department's Newsletter and Conference Proceedings. A panel discussion, moderated by Dr. Rabindra Kumar Swain of Utkal University, featured insights from Victoria V. (Moscow, Russia), Prof. T. K. Pany (Ravenshaw University), Mr. Balaram Behera (Gopalpur Port), and Dr. Sabat Kumar Digal (Rama Devi Women's University).

our Dr. N. M. Leepsa, Arizona State University, USA, who delivered a keynote address. The conference commenced with a symbolic sapling watering, signifying the growth of discussions around sustainability in business. -Dr. Maheswar Sethi, the

The conference's included parallel sessions where researchers presented their research papers and an expert talk by Dr. Manas Kumar Mahannadia, an educator in the UAE government.

SPER (Pharmacy) Team Receives Patent for Innovative "Tablet Dissolution Tester"

The Comptroller General of Patents at the Intellectual Property Office in the U.K. granted a patent for the invention titled "Tablet Dissolution Tester with Piston Pump and Automatic Filter Changer" to the creators from SPER (Pharmacy) at Berhampur University. The inventors, namely Prof. M.R. Sahu, Mr. Chandan Nayak, Miss. Rajlaxmi Patro, and Mr. Prasant Ku. Padhy, have developed this apparatus and equipment, which falls into the category of medical equipment for use by doctors, hospitals, and laboratories.



Certificate of Registration for a UK Design

Design number: 6316917
Grant date: 11 October 2023
Registration date: 05 October 2023

This is to certify that,

in pursuance of and subject to the provision of Registered Designs Act 1949, the design of which a representation or specimen is attached, had been registered as of the date of registration shown above in the name of

Prof. (Dr.) Manoranjan Sahu, Mr. Chandan Nayak, Miss. Rajlaxmi Patro, Mr.

Prasant Kumar Padhy

in respect of the application of such design to:

TABLET DISSOLUTION TESTERS WITH PISTON PUMP AND AUTOMATIC FILTER CHANGER

International Design Classification:
Version: 14-2023
Class: 04 MEDICAL AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT
Subclass: 01 APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT FOR DOCTORS, HOSPITALS AND LABORATORIES

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Dept. of Physics Outreach Extension Activity



An outreach program was organized by CoENSTds, Dept. of Physics, Berhampur University at Odisha Adarsa Vidyalaya, Nimina, Aska, on October 19th, 2023.

International Conference "Ecosystem and Biogeochemistry of North Indian Ocean (EBNIO-2023)"

The P.G. Department of Marine Sciences, Berhampur University hosted the prestigious "Ecosystem and Biogeochemistry of North Indian Ocean (EBNIO-2023)" conference, held on October 5th and 6th, 2023. This significant event brought together esteemed scholars, faculties, and students to explore various facets of marine science. The conference was marked by distinguished speakers and experts who



shared their insights and expertise in marine sciences. The first day featured talks by

eminent speakers, including Dr. Anil Mohapatra, Dr. Kesava Priyan Ramasamy, Dr. Bhaskar Deb Bhattacharya, and Dr. Sourav Paul. These experts delved into various marine research aspects, enriching the participants' knowledge. On the second day, the conference continued with distinguished speakers like Prof Manoranjan Mishra and Dr. Sourav Sil, who explored critical topics concerning Anthropogenic impacts on coastal health and the interplay of physical, chemical, and biological parameters in the coastal ecosystem, particularly along the Odisha coast. The technical session delved into specific areas, including plankton and chemical species dynamics in estuaries, as well as port management under varying ecological conditions. The conference concluded with a valedictory lecture by Shree Sanjay Throat from Gopalpur Port Authority. The event not only facilitated the exchange of knowledge but also provided a collaborative platform for future research endeavours in marine sciences.

Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti by Dept. of Political Science & NSS PG Unit

The NSS P.G. Units and the Political Science Department at Berhampur University came together to commemorate Gandhi Jayanti on October 02nd, 2023. The event featured Prof. Bishnu Charan Choudhury as the chief guest. He shared profound insights into the importance of Gandhian philosophy and values. He underscored the moral compass that Gandhi's principles offer, reminding the audience of the enduring relevance of these ideals in our present times. His words served as a source of inspiration for the students. former NSS Coordinator Prof. Amiya Kumar Parichha as the keynote speaker, and Prof. Jayant Kumar Panda, NSS Coordinator, as the guest of honour. The gathering commenced with a floral tribute to Gandhi's portrait, centring on his biography, principles, and values. Students presented poems and slogans dedicated to Gandhiji.



Dr. Rajesh Seth, the Coordinator of the Department of Political Science, led the event, with the support of NSS Programme Officers including Sakti Ranjan Dash, Dr. Itishree Geeta Kumari, Dr. Shankarsan Malik, and professors from the Political Science Department, including Mr. Sanjay Meher, Dr. Sarada Prasanna Raut, Dr. Kirtimayi Rautarai, and Dr. Saumendra Kumar Mohanty, who collaborated to ensure the event's success. With the participation of over 100 students, the event was a resounding triumph.

P.G. Department of Odia Hosts National Seminar on Ganjam's Role in Shaping Odia Identity

The P.G. Department of Odia at Berhampur University organised a two-day national seminar on October 11th-12th, 2023, titled "ଓଡ଼ିଆ ଜାତିର ଅସ୍ଥିତା ନିର୍ମାଣରେ ଗଞ୍ଜାମ ଜିଲ୍ଲାର ଭୂମିକା" (Odia Jatira Ashmita Nirmanare Ganjam Zillara Bhumika), with funding from the World Bank OHEPEE. The seminar focused on the significant role played by Ganjam in shaping the Odia identity. The national seminar explored the multifaceted contributions of Ganjam towards nurturing the unique Odia identity. VC Prof. Geetanjali Dash shed light on the past glory and sacrifices of Ganjam's freedom fighters, emphasizing the vital role they played in shaping the region's history.

In her presidential speech, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dash underscored the importance of Ganjam's leaders in the establishment of a separate Odisha Province and the Odia language movement during the 19th century. She praised the region's rich heritage and its ongoing contributions in various fields.

My Department My Responsibility



As a part of My Department My Responsibility programme, the Department of Botany engaged in cleaning the surrounding and trying for a plastic free campus engaging students and staffs.

Distinguished Lecture

Centre of Excellence on Climate Change and Disaster Resilience (CECCDR), Berhampur University organized a distinguished lecture series as a part of the observation of International Day of Disaster Risk Reduction on 13th October 2023. Two eminent speakers delivered their talks on 'Disaster Loss and Damages'.



The event was graced by the presence of Prof. Nihar Ranjan Patnaik, the former director of Gov. of Odisha Higher Education, who shared profound insights into Ganjam's historical significance and its contributions to both the pre and post-independence periods. Prof. Prasan Kumar Swain, Vice-Chancellor of Utkal Culture University, honored the event as the guest of honor, adding further academic distinction to the seminar. The two-day seminar served as a platform for scholars and participants to delve into the cultural, historical, and academic significance of Ganjam in the context of Odia identity.

'National cGMP Day' 2023



The first ever 'National cGMP Day' on October 10th, 2023, was observed at SPER (Pharmacy), Berhampur University. Prof. Dr. Manoranjan Sahu delivered the purpose of celebrating the cGMP day, the importance of GMP, regulators' expectations. Mr Chandan Nayak described the role of the pharmacist, on this day, as a part of pharmaceutical industry, we pledge our commitment to proactive adherence to GMP to ensure manufacturing. Ms. Rajlaxmi Patro further added how to improve our adherence to the new GMP standards. More than 30 students from the Department of M.Pharm remain present at this event.

Distinguished Lecture on Gender and Sensitisation

On October 04th, 2023, a distinguished lecture was held at New Conference Hall, Berhampur University, organized by P.G Dept of Women's Studies. The talk titled "Gender and Sensitization: Issues and Perspectives" given by Prof. Rekha Pandey. Prof. Pandey is a feminist historian and was instrumental in setting up centres for women's studies at Hyderabad University and Maulana Azad National Urdu University.

Prof. Rekha Pandey highlighted issues concerning society and women. Concepts of socialization, patriarchy, gender roles, gender violence, and gender mainstreaming were touched upon. Honourable Vc Prof. Geetanjali Dash discussed how the gendered division of labour started during early civilization and evolved with economic



development. She emphasized that abolishing the culture of silence and violence will be crucial to establishing gender equality and parity in society.

Inclusive Development of Tribal Communities

The Centre for Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSEIP) at Berhampur University, Bhanja Bihar, organized an enlightening Extramural Lecture Series on "Inclusive Development of Tribal Communities" on October 11th, 2023. The distinguished Lectures were delivered by Prof. P.C. Mohapatra, Director, Council of Analytical Tribal Studies (COATS), Koraput and Prof. S.N. Tripathy, Former Professor and Head of Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy (CSSE & IP), Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune.



"National Education Policy 2020 and Indian Knowledge Tradition"

On October 5th, 2023, university hosted an insightful Extramural Lecture. The event featured distinguished speaker Professor Sanjeev Kumar Sharma, a renowned expert in political science from Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, and Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar. Professor Sanjeev Kumar Sharma delivered a thought-provoking lecture on "National Education Policy 2020 and Indian Knowledge Tradition". His expertise and insights shed light on the significant reforms and implications of the National Education Policy 2020 and its alignment with India's rich knowledge traditions.



Brahmapur University NSS Wing and Rotary Club Join Hands for a Tobacco-Free Campus



In a significant step towards promoting a healthier campus environment and raising awareness about the dangers of tobacco consumption, Brahmapur University's National Service Scheme (NSS) organized an Anti-Tobacco Workshop on Wednesday, October 18th, 2023. The workshop was inaugurated and presided over by the Honorable Vice-Chancellor of Brahmapur University, Prof. Gitanjali Dash. In her opening remarks, Prof. Dash emphasized the importance of creating a "Tobacco-Free Campus" where all stakeholders work together to eradicate tobacco usage. Prof. Dash called upon all participants to pledge their commitment to making Berhampur University a tobacco-free campus. Eminent chest specialist Prof. (Dr.) Narayan Mishra, chief guest

delivered a comprehensive presentation on the adverse effects of tobacco consumption and the various diseases it can cause. Under the supervision of NSS Programme Coordinator Dr. Jayant Kumar Panda, more than two hundred students and faculty members from various departments actively participated in the workshop. The event included tobacco awareness sessions and free Health and lung checkups for attendees. NSS Program Officer Shakti Ranjan Das moderated the workshop, with Dr. Itishree Geetha Kumari providing valuable assistance. Dr. Sankarshan Mallick delivered a vote of thanks and extended heartfelt gratitude to the organizing team for ensuring the workshop's success.

NSS Celebrate Unity Day at University Primary School

NSS PG Departments Unit-I,II& III, Brahmapur University celebrated Unity Day at University Primary School. The Programme officers of NSS visited the school encouraged the school children regarding importance of Unity Day and the contribution of Sardar Ballav Bhai Patel, they have also conducted a quiz among the students as well distributed prizes.



Berhampur University's NSS PG Unit Takes Up Prime Minister's "Sharmdaan" Call for a Clean and Green Campus



NSS PG Unit Embarks on "One Hour, One Family, One Earth" Cleaning Drive

Responding to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call for "Sharmdaan" (voluntary contribution) for cleanliness, the NSS PG Unit of Berhampur University embarked on a massive cleaning drive on October 1st, 2023. Under the slogan "One Hour, One Family, and One Earth, Make It Clean and Green," this initiative aimed to foster a sense of unity and promote cleanliness within the campus. The cleaning mission was spearheaded by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash. The cleaning drive extended from the University NALCO gate to the SBI Gate, covering a substantial area of the campus. Over 200 enthusiastic volunteers enthusiastically participated in the initiative, united by a common goal of making the campus cleaner and greener. Volunteers diligently cleaned various areas, removing litter and contributing to an overall enhancement of the university's cleanliness.

NSS PG Units Empower Volunteers with Inspiring Orientation Program

The National Service Scheme (NSS) PG Units at Berhampur University organized an impactful volunteer orientation program on October 9th, 2023, with the theme "Not Me, But You." This initiative was held in honour of Utkalmani Pandit Gopabandhu Das, a revered freedom fighter, social reformer, and journalist known as the Jewel of Odisha. The event, hosted in the New Conference Hall of Berhampur University, was attended by eminent dignitaries who provided valuable insights into the goals, objectives, and functions of the NSS. The orientation program paid tribute to Utkalmani Pandit Gopabandhu Das, a legendary figure in Odisha's history, commemorating his contributions to society. Vice-Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash graced the event as the chief guest, adding to the program's significance. National Service Scheme ETI Training Officer Nirod Baran Khuntia served as the Guest of Honor, sharing valuable insights into the mission and functions of the NSS. The program also had



the privilege of hosting Mr. Anuj Das, a Senior Correspondent Kanak News, as a guest of honour, further enriching the event. The orientation program was executed efficiently under the supervision of NSS Bureau Coordinator Dr. Jayant Kumar Panda. Over 200 students from various departments enthusiastically joined the NSS and pledged to become dedicated NSS volunteers. The newly inducted volunteers were trained on various aspects of the National Service Scheme, including its objectives, motto, and duties.

Mega Blood Donation Camp at Berhampur University

Collects 106 Units of Blood

NSS PG Units of Berhampur University organized a Mega Blood Donation Camp on Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, at the New Conference Hall. The event received thumping 106 units of blood. The mega blood donation camp was inaugurated by the honourable Vice-Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash and the Founder of CYSD, Mr. Jagdanand. The blood donation camp was held in collaboration with the Blood Transfusion Department of MKCG Medical College, Berhampur. Prior to the camp, NSS volunteers undertook a robust awareness campaign on the campus to educate students about the importance of blood donation and its benefits. Volunteers visited various departments, spreading the word about the noble cause and encouraging participation. Under the supervision



of NSS Bureau Coordinator, Dr. Jayant Kumar Panda, an impressive total of 127 students, NSS volunteers, faculty, and staff voluntarily registered to donate the blood. Following a series of medical tests to ensure the safety of donors, 106 individuals successfully donated blood.

Berhampur University's NSS PG Units Join Hands with NGO Kranti to Combat Breast Cancer

The NSS PG Units of Berhampur University, in collaboration with the NGO Kranti, organized an impactful awareness and sensitization program on Breast Cancer. The event, which took place on October 12th, 2023, brought together students, volunteers, and esteemed speakers to shed light on the significance of early detection and understanding of the intricacies of this prevalent ailment. Dr. Susanta Ku. Behera, Assistant Professor of MKCG Medical College, elaborated on the causes and symptoms of Breast Cancer, as well as the methods of diagnosis. Dr. Suman Das, a senior consultant in radiation oncology at Apollo Cancer Centres, Visakhapatnam, captivated the audience with a compelling presentation on breast cancer, using a case study to illustrate the complexities of the disease interactively. Breast Cancer survivor Mrs Tapaswini Mishra shared her journey, narrating her struggles served as a beacon of hope and resilience, showcasing that it can overcome this challenge with determination and the proper support. Executive Director



of NGO Kranti, Dr. Debananda Dash, highlighted the need for widespread awareness and emphasized the crucial role of NSS Volunteers in disseminating the message of early detection and education about Breast Cancer.

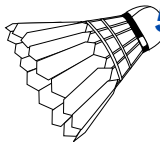
The entire program was expertly organized under the supervision of NSS Programme Coordinator, Dr. Jayanta Kumar Panda, and witnessed the active participation of over 300 volunteers and students. The event commenced with a warm introduction by NSS Program Officer, Dr. Sankarsan Malik, and was efficiently moderated by Dr. Itishree Gita Kumari. The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by NSS Program Officer, Mr. Sakti Ranjan Dash, expressing gratitude to all the guests for their valuable contributions.



Sports Gala



Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash inaugurated the 53rd Inter College Badminton Tournament. The event has attracted participation from over 90 players representing 21 colleges



Berhampur University Football team went to West Bengal , to participate in Inter University Tournament.



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