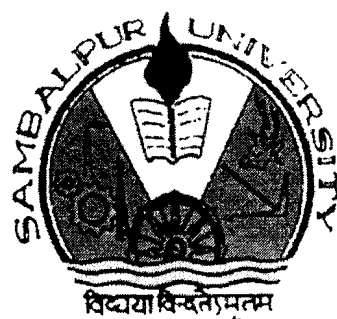


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Annual Report - 2013

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Esteemed Chief Guest, His Excellency Dr. S.C. Jamir, Governor of Odisha and Chancellor of Sambalpur University, Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Prof. B.C. Barik, Gangadhar National Awardee Srijukta Vasdev Mohi, Chairman P.G. Council, Prof. P.K. Tripathy, Distinguished Dignitaries on the Dias, Invited Guests, Members of the Syndicate, Senate, Academic Council, Senior citizens of Sambalpur and Burla, Retired Professors and Employees, Faculty, Students, Employees, Representatives of the Press and Electronic Media, Ladies and Gentleman.

On this auspicious occasion, I deem it a privilege to present before you a brief Annual Report for the year 2013.

Established in 1967 and foundation stone led by Dr. Zakir Hussain, the then President of India, the University offers quality education in various disciplines in Humanities, Science and others Professional courses. The University offers various courses in Computer Sciences, Bio-Technology, Bio-Informatics, Executive MBA, Finance and Control, Environmental Science and Engineering, Geospatial Technology, Social Works, Journalism, Food Science and Nutrition, Food Science and Technology, Translation Studies etc. through self-financing or Distance Education mode. Lajpat Rai Law college, Sambalpur, a constituent college of the University has introduced 5 year integrated BBA. LLB and P.G. Diploma in IRPM on self financing scheme due to its relevance in the present context. The Sambalpur University. Institute of information Technology (SUIIT) offers quality education and research in the field of Information Technology. The excellence of the University has been recognized through DRS status given to three departments by the UGC and FIST status to four departments by DST. The School of Physics is awarded FIST by DST and is entitled for the grant amounting to Rs 1.85 crore. The School of Chemistry has been empowered by DST-FIST (level-II) research programme with a funding about Rs.2.20 crore. The school of Life Sciences is undertaking 09 major research projects worth Rs 2.20 crore funded by different funding agencies like MOEF, UGC, DST & DBT etc..The year started with the celebration of 46th foundation Day on 1st January, 2013. In the Nationalistic tradition of the University noted urdu poet Padmashree Balraj Komal was honoured with the prestigious Gangadhar National Award for poetry – 2011 for his significant contribution to Indian poetry. Prof. Partha Nath Mukharji, President, Indian Sociological Society and former Director, Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai was the Chief Guest on this occasion. Dr. Gopabandhu Rath was felicitated as the eminent person of the region. The retired professors, officers and other employees in the year 2012 of the University were also felicitated on this occasion.

In the best tradition of this university, this year added further leaves in terms of honours, qualitative publications and academic collaborations both National and International. Prof. D.K. Behera, Professor of Anthropology Visited Tueibegin Univesity, Germany in April 2013 under DAAD Fellowship programme. It is our honour and good fortune that Prof. Behera, joined Berhampur University as its Vice Chancellor in August 2013. Prof (Mrs) P. Gahan, Department of Business Administration has been awarded the "National Education Leadership Award "as the best professor in Financial Management by ETNOW Dr. P .Gochhayat, Department of Mathematics joined at the University of Pretoria, South Africa as a Postdoctoral fellow. Dr. S.P. Mishra, School of Life Sciences attended the world Bio Diversity Congress-2013 at Chaing Mai, Thailand in November 2013 and presented a paper. Dr. J. Rath, School of Life. Sciences has been awarded with the Raman Post doctoral fellowship sponsored by UGC at the department of Experimental Therapeutics, University of Texas, USA. He has also received the fast track young Scientist Award by SERB, DST, Govt. of India .Prof. G.N. Dash, Department of Physics Visited Hongkong Polytechnic University, Hongkong in June, 2013 and presented a paper. He has also visited Tribhuban University, Kathmandu, Nepal in December 2013 to deliver a talk. Prof. T.R. Routray, Department of Physics was invited to 3rd international symposium on Nuclear symmetry Energy held at FRIB, East Lansing, Michigan, USA in July 2013. He was also invited to Facultate de Fisica, Department d' Estrutura I constituents de la Materia, University of Barcelona, Spain for scientific collaboration.

Our University was honoured with "Think Odisha Leadership Award for Educational Institute of Excellence 2013" by the times of India and Tefla's Group in August, 2013 in recognition of high quality education.

A number of National and International conferences / Workshops were organised by different P.G. Departments of Sambalpur Unviersity during 2013. The faculty members of different department, have also undertaken different research projects and consultancy works sponsored by National and International organizations. A five day Inspire Science camp sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology, Govt of India was organized by the department of Mathematics and Statistics in the month of April 2013 for +2 science students in order to attract the young talents towards basic sciences. A two day training programme on Environmental Awareness under the state Youth policy – 2013 was organised by the department of Environmental Sciences in collaboration with State Pollution Control Board, Sambalpur in Dec, 2013 for the youth of different colleges, Youth Club & Eco Club. The faculty members of P.G. Departments have also participated and presented papers in different National and International Seminars / Conferences / workshops.

Sambalpur University is part of the interdisciplinary Bridges in Indo-European studies (IBIES) a scholarship scheme for academic exchange between European Union and India in the framework of the European unions Erasmus Mundas programme. Under this programme two students from the department of Anthropology have joined at Aarhus university, Denmark and Warsaw University, Poland for higher studies. Likewise three students from Tuebingen University, Germany are continuing their P.G. in the department of Anthropology.

Appropriate measures are being undertaken to make the e-governance of the University more effective and to introduce e-governance, e-tendering and e-recruitment very shortly. The University Central Library is a part of the UGC- INFONET E-journal consortium and the University community is able to access over 4500 e-journals covering all disciplines. The library has already coordinated production of books and journals published by Sambalpur University. The University also publishes literary journal Saptarshi (Odia) regularly. Eminent literateur and linguist of international repute Padmashree Prof. Debi Prassanna Pattanayak was awarded "Bharat Chandra Nayak Memorial Award" for the year 2012 for his valuable contribution to the literature. The department of English is bringing out a literary journal Sambalpur Studies in Literature and Cultures regularly. It also publishes a monograph annually.

The Academic Staff College of Sambalpur University is discharging its duty since its inception in 2000. It has immensely helped the teachers community through its refresher courses and orientation programmes in all these years. During 2013, it has organised 12 (twelve) refresher courses, 03(three) orientation programmes, 03(three) short term workshops and 03(three) summer / winter schools. It has also introduced yoga classes for the participants of refresher courses and orientation programmes.

The special cell of the University is entrusted with the task of coordinating with different funding agencies for getting the financial assistance for the betterment of SC/ST/OBC students. During 2012-13, 365 SC/ST/OBC students were awarded the Post-Matric scholarships by the Government of Odisha.

The NSS cell has undertaken a number of programmes during the year 2013 where in 246 units of 138 colleges, were actively involved in illiteracy eradication and awareness programme on dowry, malnutrition, AIDS etc in villages. 89 camps were organised by different units of the college in adopted villages. 09 inter college camps were also organized. Special efforts are being undertaken to bring back the school drop outs to the track of education for Gyanalok. Two volunteers of Sambalpur University, Ms. Samapika Rath from the University P.G. Department and Ms. Sweta Kumari,

Women's College, Jharsuguda have been selected to participate in the Republic day parade – 2014 in New Delhi. A contingent of 12 volunteers (6 male and 6 female) of the University participated in the NSS Mega camp at Bangalore during June-July 2013.

The number of colleges affiliated to Sambalpur University has increased to 208. The total number of students in different courses in the 175 general and 33 professional colleges have increased to 95,300 approximately. A total number of 25 research projects were approved and 10 seminars and conferences were held in the affiliated colleges out of the UGC assistance during the year 2013. Academic Calander of the P.G. Departments and the University was perfectly maintained and the year saw timely conduct and publication of various examination results.

Based on the achievements of all sections of the University community, Sambalpur University is endeavoring to further strengthen its academic output and quality administration to emerge as a centre of excellence in future. The success is due to the concerted efforts of our Vice-chancellor, Members of the Syndicate, Senate, Academic council, Faculty, Employees and Students.

I express my sincere thanks to all of them.

Thank you again, Ladies and Gentleman for your kind presence and I wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year 2014.

Thanking you,

'JAI HIND'

REGISTRAR