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Gautam Buddha University stands proud with several prestigious achievements in recent times, including the CSR Top University of India Award, 5th rank in the 2024 Engineering Rankings, recognition among Asia Education Review Magazine's Top 10 Universities, 3rd position among India's Best AI Institutions, and the 5th rank for the School of Management in the CSR-B School Survey 2024. Additionally, the campus has been honoured with the 'Eat Right Campus' title. These accolades serve as challenges in themselves, urging the university to strive for even greater excellence. Gautam Buddha University is continuously expanding its roadmap by introducing new courses, fostering better career prospects for faculty and staff, and enhancing facilities for students. At the very beginning of this year, the university was honoured as the 'Most Prestigious University of 2024' by Academic Insight Journal for its exceptional contributions to higher education. The International Skill Development Council (ISDC) recognized the School of Biotechnology with the ISDC International Excellence Award – Best Biotech Research Institute in India. The Department of Social Work received institutional membership from the National Association of Professional Social Workers in India. Furthermore, several faculty members have been awarded the 'Research Excellence Award 2023' and 'International Excellence Award' for their outstanding contributions.

Gautam Buddha university continues to elevate academic discourse through conferences, workshops, FDPs, and awareness campaigns, including the IEEE International Conference on Cognitive Computing in Engineering, Communications, Sciences, and Biomedical Health Informatics (IC3ECSBHI-2025), a two-day seminar on Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay's Philosophy, workshops on Bioprocessing & Biomanufacturing: From Fundamentals to Industrial Applications and Decoding Transcriptomics, Mindfulness Meditation and Yoga for Well-being, a seminar on The Socio-Ethical Perspective of Buddhist Philosophy in Suttapitaka Pali, FDPs on Cybersecurity, Blockchain, and AI Research Trends, and a National Awareness Program on Intellectual Property Rights. Gautam Buddha University has also undertaken several initiatives such as legal awareness drives, donation drives, and blood donation camps.

With all these initiatives, Gautam Buddha University is marching ahead striving for excellence, setting new milestones, and shaping a future defined by knowledge and innovation.



Vice Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha and Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi with others

New Year Celebration: Gautam Buddha University organized a grand celebration on the occasion of New Year on 1st January. The event was graced by the presence of the university's Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi, along with teaching and non-teaching members from all departments.

During the program, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha highlighted various achievements of the university in 2024. He specifically mentioned the following key accomplishments: the transfer of ₹25 crore out of the ₹50 crore allocated for the AI Center into the university fund; the launch of a Data Science and Business Analytics program in collaboration with IBM; the introduction of Alto-Electronics studies in partnership with the University of Dayton, USA; a record number of student enrolments, and the university obtaining the authority from DGCA to issue Drone Training Pilot Certificates.

This event further strengthened the existing mutual relations within the university community. Faculty members and staff took a pledge to work with renewed enthusiasm and commitment for the New Year.



Savitribai Phule Birth anniversary celebration

Savitribai Phule Birth Anniversary

Celebration: Savitribai Phule Jayanti was celebrated at the Savitribai Phule Women's Hostel on 3rd January. As part of the cultural programs, students presented lectures, dance performances, musical renditions, and a play depicting the life of Savitribai Phule.

The event was attended by the university's Dean of Student Affairs, the chief warden of the men's hostel, the warden of Savitribai Phule Women's Hostel, as well as wardens from other hostels and students. Together, they reflected on the life and contributions of Savitribai Phule.



On the occasion of visit to Kanchan Metal

Visit to Kanchan Metals: A delegation of students and faculty members from Gautam Buddha University visited Kanchan Metals on January 6, as part of their curriculum to gain real-life exposure and practical knowledge of the manufacturing process. Organized by the Department of Food Processing and Technology, the visit aimed to provide insights into the operations of an industrial setup.

During the visit, students were introduced to various stages of production, from raw material procurement to final product processing, including the manufacturing of packaged snacks like Mad Angles and Tedhe Medhe. The visit commenced with an introductory session by Praveen Kumar, a quality analyst, who provided an overview of the company's history, vision, and operations. Following this, the university

team explored different divisions, including the production unit, quality control section, and packaging unit.

The team observed the functioning of advanced machinery, including extruders, and learning about safety protocols that ensure a secure working environment.

GBU faculty coordinators Dr. Nitin Sonkar and Dr. Vinita Sharma emphasized the importance of nurturing young talent and encouraged students to do innovation in the industrial sector. This visit not only served as a valuable learning experience for the GBU delegation but also marked a step toward strengthening industry-academia collaboration.



Subject Expert Rekha Saraswat and students and faculty members of the School of ICT

Five-Day Faculty Development Program :

The School of Information and Communication Technology, in collaboration with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), organized a five-day Faculty Development Program (FDP) in online mode on the theme "Research Trends in Cybersecurity, Blockchain, and AI" on January 7. The initiative aimed at helping faculty members and research scholars stay updated about the critical importance of a secure digital environment and safeguard their vast online communities.

On the first day of the program, several key topics were discussed, including cybersecurity and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act-2023. C-DAC expert

Ms. Rekha Saraswat provided insights into various types of cyber-attacks, explaining malware, its symptoms, and the mindset of attackers. An expert from NIC discussed DoS (Denial of Service) and DDoS (Distributed Denial of Service) attacks and highlighted their impact, along with mitigation techniques for cloud computing security.

The program was led by key patrons, including AIU Nodal Officer Dr. Nidhi Pal, Dean Dr. Arpit Bhardwaj, Professor Sanjay Kumar Sharma, Head of CSE Dr. Arun Solanki, Head of IT Dr. Neeta Singh, Dr. Barkha Singhal, and Dr. Sushil Kumar. Faculty members and students actively engaged in discussions on empowering academic professionals to tackle the evolving challenges of cybersecurity.



Mr. Narinder Singh Jasswal addressing the gathering

Innovators Meet-2025 : The Innovation Council of Gautam Buddha University (IIC-GBU) organized the "Innovators Meet" on January 8 to discuss innovation, entrepreneurship, and funding opportunities for startups and grants.

The keynote speaker, Engineer Narinder Singh Jassal, Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR-CSIO (Central Scientific Instruments Organization), Chandigarh, provided insights into the PRISM scheme (Promoting Innovations in Individuals, Startups, and MSMEs), under which startups and innovators can receive an unconditional grant ranging from ₹10 lakh to ₹70 lakh.

Other notable speakers included Dr. Vishal Suresh Chandane, Scientist, Business Development Group, CSIO, and Dr. Navdeep Singh, Director, World Space Council, Kurukshetra, who shared valuable suggestions

on transforming innovative ideas into reality. The chief guest, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, motivated innovators, emphasizing that India is developing a strong ecosystem for startups, and young innovators should take advantage of these opportunities. Additionally, Dr. Shakti Sahi, Head of the IPR Cell at Gautam Buddha University, highlighted the importance of patents in India and available grant opportunities. Dr. Satish K. Mittal, Head of AIC-GBU Incubation Center, provided insights into various grant schemes offered by the Government of Uttar Pradesh and the Government of India.

The event was coordinated by Dr. Nidhi Pal Singh, from Department of Electrical Engineering and was attended by faculty members like Dr. Indu Upreti, Dean, Planning & Research; Dr. Kirti Pal, Dean, School of Engineering; Dr. Ombir Singh Dahiya, Head, Department of Economics; along with other esteemed faculty members and students.

The Innovators Meet served as a platform for discussions on innovation, entrepreneurship, and various government schemes and funding opportunities, fostering a culture of research and startup development at GBU.



Two-Day Seminar on the Philosophy of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya

Two-Day Seminar on the Philosophy of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya: A two-day seminar on the philosophy of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya was successfully organized on January 10-11 under the leadership of Prof. Bandana Pandey, Dean, School of Humanities

& Social Sciences. On this occasion, Padma Shri Rambhadrur Rai, Chairman of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, stated that the essence of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya's philosophy lies in awakening the 'self' of India, as our future is shaped by our vision and determination. He emphasized that Upadhyaya's philosophy promotes the mantra "Reformation through Recognition," advocating for continuous refinement and evolution of the present system.

Dr. Pooja Vyas, Director of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, remarked that such successful seminars dedicated to Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya's philosophy help in advancing India's intellectual traditions through the principles of Integral Humanism.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, emphasized that discussions on Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya's ideas should not be limited to the humanities and arts faculties but should also serve as inspiration for science and other disciplines.

The second day of the seminar was dedicated to Swami Vivekananda, featuring a panel discussion and a documentary film on his philosophy. The panel discussion was chaired by Mr. Prafulla Ketkar, Editor of *Organiser* magazine, and included distinguished scholars such as Prof. Santosh Kumar Singh (JNU), Prof. Bhuvan Jha (Delhi University), and Dr. Vedmitra Shukla.

The seminar witnessed participation by Head of The Department of Hindu Studies Dr. Vivek Kumar Mishra, head of the Department of Political Science and International Relations Dr. Pankaj Deep, Head of the Department of Psychology and Mental Health Dr. Anand Pratap Singh, and faculty members from various departments like Dr. Vineet Kumar, Miss Karuna Singh, Dr. Vimlesh Kumar, Dr. Kumar Priyam, Dr. Pratima, Dr. Manjri Suman and Dr. Bipasha Som, among other faculty members.

Roadmap to Big Tech: The Department of Computer Science & Engineering organized a specialist lecture, titled "Roadmap to Big Tech," on January 13.

The keynote speaker for this event was Mr. Ankur Malik, a professional working at a leading IT company in London. During his lecture, Mr. Malik provided valuable insights into academic preparation, strategies for interview readiness, mastering the interview process, strengthening professional profiles, and staying updated with the latest industry developments.

The event was attended by coordinator Dr. Shiraj Khurana, along with Dr. Raju Pal, Dr. Arun Solanki, Dr. Gaurav Kumar, Dr. Vinay Litoria, Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Ms. Jyoti, and around 100 students.



Lohri celebration in School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Lohri Celebration at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences: The School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Gautam Buddha University hosted a vibrant Lohri celebration with warmth and enthusiasm under the guidance of Dean Prof. Bandana Pandey on January 13. Faculty members participated enthusiastically, showcasing their talents through song performances and poetry recitations. The event fostered a warm and festive atmosphere, celebrating cultural traditions with joy and camaraderie.

Glimpses of IEEE IC3ECSBHI-2025 International Conference



IEEE IC3ECSBHI-2025 International Conference Successfully Organized: The three-day IEEE International Conference on Cognitive Computing in Engineering, Communications, Sciences, and Biomedical Health Informatics (IC3ECSBHI-2025) was successfully organized at Gautam Buddha University from January 16 to 18. The conference served as a platform for researchers, academicians, and industry professionals to discuss advancements in

cognitive computing and its applications in various fields.

The event was graced by eminent people, including Director of IIITM Gwalior Prof. S.N. Singh, as the Chief Guest, and Vice-Chancellor of INTI International University, Malaysia Dr. Y.E. Leong; Hudson Distinguished Professor, Duke Kunshan University, USA Prof. Kishor S. Trivedi; Dr. Anchit Bijalwan from British University, Vietnam; Dr. Ajay Sharma from University of Malta, Belgium, Europe; Former Vice-Chancellor, IIIT Solan Prof. Vinod Kumar, and Director General, National Institute of Solar Energy, Prof. Rehan as distinguished speakers.

The conference featured 12 tracks and 34 special sessions, attracting more than 350 participants from India, USA, Vietnam, Belgium, Oman, Qatar, Bangladesh, and other nations. Over 325 high-quality research papers were presented on topics such as Artificial Intelligence and Industry 4.0, Mobile Robotics, Brain-Computer Interfaces, Modern Game Development, Edge Computing for Industrial Applications, Wireless Communication in Two-Wheeler Vehicles, and Cloud-Based Data Visualization for Oil Pipelines. The discussions primarily focused on leveraging cognitive computing solutions to tackle complex challenges in engineering, communications, science, and healthcare.

Addressing the gathering, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha emphasized the significance of the conference, stating, "IC3ECSBHI-2025 holds historical importance, setting benchmarks in research and promoting IEEE awareness and networking in the Uttar Pradesh region." Conference Convenor Dr. M.A. Ansari highlighted the academic value of the event, remarking, "This three-day conference has featured crucial research contributions, fostering innovation in engineering and setting new academic standards."

Adding to the vibrancy of the event, students from the GBU Cultural Council presented a spectacular cultural program on the first evening. The closing ceremony on January 18 featured Dr. Dharendra Bansal as the Chief Guest, Prof. Ikram Khan as the Distinguished Guest, and Dr. Y.E. Leong as the Honored Guest.

The conference was successfully coordinated by Dr. M.A. Ansari, along with Dean, School of Engineering Dr. Kirti Pal and Head, Electrical Engineering Department Dr. Omveer Singh. The enthusiastic participation of faculty members, researchers, and students from various disciplines at Gautam Buddha University contributed significantly to the success of IC3ECSBHI-2025, marking it a major milestone in the field of cognitive computing research and academic collaboration worldwide.



Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha and others in the FDP

Faculty Development Program on Bioprocessing and Biomanufacturing: A Faculty development Program (FDP) on "Hands-on Workshop on Bioprocessing and Biomanufacturing: From Fundamentals to Industrial Applications" was successfully organized by the School of Biotechnology at Gautam Buddha University from January 20 to 24. The event was conducted in collaboration with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC). The program focused on key areas such as bioprocessing, biomanufacturing, bioreactor operations, bio-innovation modelling and optimization, and advanced downstream processing techniques.

Prof. K.J. Mukherjee, a renowned scientist from the Department of Biochemical Engineering and Biotechnology, IIT Delhi, attended the program as the distinguished guest and emphasized the crucial relationship between fundamental and translational research as well as the significance of interdisciplinary collaboration in bioprocessing technologies and industrial applications. Vice Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, highlighted the importance of technological advancements, innovation-driven education, and practical training to equip participants for industrial and research advancements in the bio-industry. Dean of the School of Biotechnology, Prof. N.P. Melkania, stressed the need for interdisciplinary collaboration to promote sustainable development. Additionally, Nodal Officer (AIU), Dr. Nidhi Singh, elaborated on the role of AIU and AADC in organizing this workshop as a platform for collaboration and research insights.

The FDP featured prominent experts, including Dr. K. Narsimhulu from NIT Warangal, Dr. Ramgopal Rao S. from Biocon Academy, Bengaluru, Prof. Nidhi Choudhary from Amity University, Noida, and Dr. Karan Kumar from Industrial Systems Biotechnology Group, Germany. The organizing committee, led by Dr. Barkha Singhal, Dr. Rekha Puriya, and Dr. Nisha Gaur, along with faculty coordinators Dr. Iti Sharma, Dr. Jitendra Singh, and Dr. Vikrant Nain, ensured an enriching learning experience. The program provided comprehensive hands-on training and expert discussions on contemporary challenges and advancements in biomanufacturing, making the sessions highly insightful and impactful for all participants.



Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha addressing the gathering

Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp at Gautam Buddha University: Gautam Buddha University successfully organized a one-day Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp in collaboration with the Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India on January 22. The event aimed to equip students with knowledge about government initiatives and the importance of entrepreneurship in driving economic growth.

The distinguished guest, Dr. R.K. Bharti, Joint Director, MSME Okhla, provided insights into various government schemes and emphasized that success is driven by the four D's—Desire, Direction, Discipline, and Dedication. Associate Director Dr. D.S. Tomar elaborated on the detailed benefits and opportunities offered under the MSME ministry's initiatives. In his keynote address, Vice Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha, engaged with students, urging them to become entrepreneurs who can build innovative Indian products comparable to Google and Microsoft. He highlighted that India's large population presents immense business opportunities, and that risk management, creativity, and financial literacy are essential for entrepreneurial success.

The event commenced with a welcome address by Dean of the School of Management, Dr. Indu Upreti, who encouraged students to actively participate in entrepreneurship. Program coordinator, Dr. Naveen Kumar stressed that for India to become a developed nation, self-employment must be prioritized. He emphasized that greater student involvement in entrepreneurship will strengthen the nation's economy.

The camp also featured expert speakers, including Dr. Amit Sehgal from Sharda University, entrepreneur Vivek Kumar, Indu Jaiswal from Canara Bank, and faculty members from Gautam Buddha University such as Prof. Shweta Anand, Dr. Varsha Dixit,

Dr. Satish Mittal, Dr. Vinay Litoria, Dr. Lavi Sarikwal, Ms. Ragini, and Ms. Archana. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students and successfully instilled awareness about entrepreneurship, inspiring them to explore self-employment opportunities.



Dr. Balamati Chaudhuri with faculty members of the School of ICT

Expert Lecture on Scientific Writing at School of ICT on: On January 22, The School of ICT successfully organized an expert lecture on scientific writing, featuring Editorial Director at Springer Nature Swati Mehrishi, and Principal Scientist at CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Dr. Balamathi Choudhary, as distinguished speakers. The lecture aimed to educate students on the ethics, methodology, and critical aspects of scientific writing, with a special focus on enhancing research publications within the School of ICT. Dean, School of ICT, Dr. Arpit Bharadwaj described the session as highly interactive and impactful. He also emphasized the institution's commitment to fostering a strong research culture through similar future lectures. The event was coordinated by Head of the ECE Department, Dr. Vidushi Sharma, Head of IT Department, Dr. Neeta Singh and Head of CSE Department, Dr. Arun Solanki along with with Dr. Annu Singh and Daisy Singh serving as co-coordinators. Throughout the session, speakers highlighted the importance of maintaining integrity in scientific writing and research. The event

provided an insightful platform where students actively engaged in meaningful discussions, gaining valuable knowledge to refine their academic and research writing skills.



From left Dr. Rahul Kapoor, Prof. Bandana Pandey, Dr. Anand Pratap Singh and Dr. Vimlesh

Department of Social Work Receives Institutional Membership of NAPSWI:

The Department of Social Work at Gautam Buddha University was awarded institutional membership by the National Association of Professional Social Workers in India (NAPSWI) on January 23. This prestigious membership now qualifies the university to host the Indian National Social Work Conference, the largest annual conference in the field of social work in India.

This recognition marks a significant achievement for the Department of Social Work, strengthening its academic and professional standing while opening new opportunities for collaboration, research, and dialogue in the field of social work at a national level.



Dr. K K Dwivedi addressing the gathering

National Girl Child day: The School of Law, Justice & Governance celebrated National Girl Child Day on January 24 with great enthusiasm. The event was jointly organized by the Cultural Committee, Free Legal Aid Center, and Pro Bono Club, focusing on the rights and empowerment of girls.

The celebration began with a welcome speech by Dean of the School of Law Justice and Governance, Dr. K.K. Dwivedi, who emphasized the significance of the day. He highlighted Article 15(3) of the Indian Constitution, which safeguards women's rights, and stressed the need for empowering and protecting girls. Following this, a motivational video showcasing the achievements of pioneering Indian women was presented to inspire the audience.

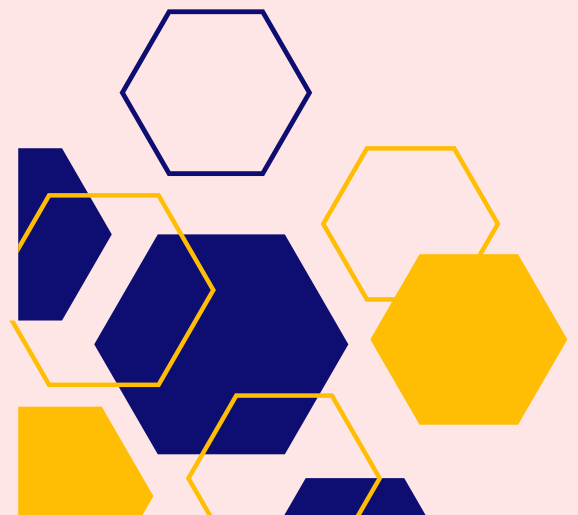
A legal awareness session was conducted by Dr. Vikram Karuna, from The School of Law, who delivered a thought-provoking speech on laws related to girls' rights in India. He addressed critical issues such as property rights, stridhan (women's wealth), sexual harassment, domestic violence, abortion rights, and other legal provisions safeguarding girls.

The event featured several cultural performances by students. First-year students Tarini and Divyanshi captivated the audience with a melodious music performance, while Riddhima's poetry recitation showcased her creativity. A theatrical performance, inspired by Malala Yousafzai's story, was presented by Prapti and Shambhavi, which highlighted the importance of raising one's voice and fighting for girls' rights.

To promote self-defense awareness, a special training session was organized by the Pro Bono Club, where boxing expert Raghav Pathak and martial arts expert Gauri Rana skilfully demonstrated self-defense

techniques. Additionally, a campus-wide self-defence training drive was launched for students and women. A video clip on gender equality, emphasizing the importance of breaking traditional gender roles, was also screened.

The event concluded with a panel discussion on the status of Indian women, where faculty members and students deliberated on topics ranging from women's rights in the Vedic era to present constitutional amendments and government policies supporting women's empowerment. The discussion saw the participation by Head of Department Dr. Santosh Kumar Tiwari, and faculty members include Dr. Priyanka Singh, including Dr. Mamta Sharma, Dr. Rama Sharma, Dr. Akshay Singh, Dr. Satish Chandra, Dr. Prakash Chandra Dilare, Dr. Poonam Verma, Dr. Sumitra Huidrom, Dr. C.B. Bharas, Mr. Sagar, Mr. Habib, Ms. Soumya, Ms. Sujata, Dr. Anita Singh, and Dr. Akhilesh Yadav. The program was skillfully hosted by first-year students Palak and Soumya. The celebration served as an essential platform to discuss legal rights, self-defence techniques, cultural representation, and policy measures, fostering awareness and empowerment among students.





NCC Cadet Mansi

NCC Cadet Mansi Selected for Republic Day Camp (RDC) 2025

Ms. Mansi, a B.Sc. Chemistry (Hons.) student at Gautam Buddha University and an NCC cadet from the 31 UP Girls Battalion, has been selected for the Guard of Honour during the Republic Day celebrations 2025 in Delhi. She was chosen to represent the Uttar Pradesh (UP) contingent at the prestigious Republic Day Camp (RDC) 2025. Notably, she is the only cadet from the 31 UP Girls Battalion selected for the Guard of Honour, making her achievement even more remarkable.

Mansi underwent rigorous training at the month-long Republic Day Camp (RDC) in Delhi as part of her preparation. GBU's NCC CTO, Dr. Bhavna Joshi, expressed immense pride in Mansi's selection, stating that it is a historic achievement for the university, as it marks the first time an NCC cadet from GBU has been selected for this prestigious national-level

camp. Dr. Joshi further highlighted that participating in the RDC is a dream for every NCC cadet, but only a select few from across the country get this opportunity. The selection process for RDC is extensive and highly competitive. It begins with the best cadets being shortlisted at the battalion level, who then compete at the Inter-Battalion Selection. The next stage involves competing at the Directorate level through Inter-Group Camps (IGC), which includes three phases of training and selection. Finally, the most outstanding cadets are selected through the Pre-RDC selection process to participate in the Republic Day Camp (RDC).

Mansi's selection is a testament to her dedication, discipline, and excellence, bringing immense pride to Gautam Buddha University and inspiring future NCC cadets.



Prof. Ravindra Kumar and others during the flag hoisting

76th Republic Day Celebration at Gautam Buddha University: The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Gautam Buddha University. On this occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha hoisted the national flag, instilling a sense of pride among the university community. The event was attended by faculty members, staff, and students, who actively participated in the grand celebration.

The program commenced with a Guard of Honor presented by NCC cadets and security personnel. Following this, Prof. Sinha addressed the nation, emphasizing the significance of Republic Day. He highlighted the values of justice, equality, and fraternity enshrined in the Indian Constitution, stating that Gautam Buddha University upholds these principles with utmost dedication, fostering an exemplary academic and cultural environment.

In his speech, Prof. Sinha reflected on India's historic achievements, discussing the Lahore Session and the significance of Purna Swaraj. He acknowledged India's remarkable advancements in artificial intelligence, science, and technology, reinforcing the country's global leadership. Quoting former President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, he inspired students to strive for excellence and innovation. Additionally, he shared the university's recent accomplishments, highlighting its progress in academics, research, and industry collaborations.

Registrar, Dr. Vishwas Tripathi, paid tribute to the national heroes, emphasizing their invaluable contributions to India's freedom and democracy. The celebration concluded with a mesmerizing patriotic musical performance by the students, filling the atmosphere with nationalistic fervour.



Farewell Ceremony for Finance Officer

Farewell Ceremony for Finance Officer upon Retirement: Shri Neeraj Kumar, the Finance Officer of Gautam Buddha University, retired after long years of dedicated service on 31st January. Before joining the university, he served in various departments of the Uttar Pradesh government, playing the crucial role of the Chief Treasury Officer. During his tenure at Gautam Buddha University, Shri Neeraj Kumar made significant contributions to financial administration and often went beyond his regular responsibilities to ensure the smooth functioning of financial operations. His approachable nature and commitment to work earned him admiration from both the senior administration and subordinate staff.

At the farewell ceremony, Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi shared his personal experiences and extended best wishes for Shri Neeraj Kumar's future endeavours. Dean Academics Prof. N.P. Melkania, Prof. Shweta Anand, Dr. Vivek Mishra, Dr. Manmohan Singh, Dr. Sushil Kumar, Dr. Neeta Singh, Dr. Shubhojit Banerjee, Dr. Amit Awasthi were present in the programme and wished him well. Ms. Richa Wadhwar, Dr. Suruchi, Ms. Neetu Singh, Dr. Sandeep Dwivedi, Mr. Mudit, Mr. Amit, and Mr. Shiv Khatri, praised his contributions.

On this occasion, Shri Neeraj Kumar also shared his experiences, reflecting on his journey and expressing gratitude to his colleagues and the university administration.



Wardens and students In basant Panchami celebration

Basant Panchami and Saraswati Puja Celebration:

The festival of Basant Panchami was celebrated by the Girls hostel residents at Gautam Buddha University on February 2. The students organized a Saraswati Puja and Havan to seek the blessings of Goddess Saraswati. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students across all hostels, along with their wardens.



Workshop on 'Decoding Transcriptomics'

Workshop on 'Decoding Transcriptomics': The School of Biotechnology at Gautam Buddha University organized a hands-on workshop titled 'Decoding Transcriptomics: A Comprehensive Hands-on Workshop on NGS Tools and Techniques' from February 4 to 8. This event was conducted in collaboration with Sentile Biotech Corporation, ComputGenomics, Genomics BioLab, and SolRes Lab. The workshop aimed to provide a deep understanding of transcriptomics and next-generation sequencing (NGS), covering essential concepts such as transcriptome data acquisition, gene expression analysis,

variant calling, and emerging technologies in the field. The highlight of the event was the practical training sessions, designed to equip participants with hands-on experience.

The keynote speaker and founder of ComputGenomics, Mr. Kapil Ravi, introduced the CARE model, emphasizing the synergy between natural and artificial intelligence. He remarked, "Natural intelligence is not only superior to AI but also its best collaborator." Additionally, he introduced SMART-ONE (Sequence and Meta-Analysis Research Toolkit), a platform designed to facilitate genomic data analysis in clinical settings.

Several distinguished experts shared their knowledge during the workshop, including Mr. Kapil Ravi (ComputGenomics), Dr. Akshay Dinesh and Mr. Piyush Tiwari (Sentile Biotech), Dr. Homira Sonha (Central University of Haryana), Dr. Vijender Kumar (SolRes Research Lab), and Dr. Bheem Pratap Singh (NIFTEM, Sonipat). Their sessions focused on NGS-based genomics, personalized healthcare, and rare disease diagnostics.

Prof. N.P. Melkania, Dean of the School of Biotechnology, highlighted the significance of academia-industry collaboration in research and development. He emphasized that a balanced blend of knowledge and skills is crucial for individual, professional, and national growth. Dr. Vikrant Nain outlined the structure of the workshop, discussing emerging challenges in biotechnology, digital innovations, and the role of advanced computational tools.

The event saw active participation from faculty members, including Dr. Deepali Singh, Dr. Rekha Puriya, Dr. Pradeep Tomar, and Dr. Meenakshi Choudhary, who engaged in discussions on practical training, latest research trends, and industry-driven strategies in transcriptomics and NGS technology. The workshop successfully provided participants with in-depth insights into this rapidly advancing domain.



Dr. Manmohan Singh Sisodia paying tribute to Ramabai Ambedkar

Rama Bai Ambedkar Birth Anniversary Celebration: The Rama Bai Ambedkar Women's Hostel at Gautam Buddha University celebrated Rama Bai Ambedkar Jayanti on February 7 with great enthusiasm. The event featured cultural performances, including dance, music, and speeches on the life and contributions of Rama Bai Ambedkar.

Dr. Manmohan Singh Sisodia, Dean of Student Affairs, highlighted Rama Bai's significant role in Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's life, emphasizing her unwavering support and sacrifices in his journey. Chief Warden of the Boys' Hostel Dr. Subhojit Banerjee, along with Dr. Renu Yadav and Dr. Bipasha Som, wardens of the Rama Bai Ambedkar Women's Hostel, engaged in a discussion on women's empowerment. On this occasion, students who excelled in various hostel committees and were winners of music, dance, and art competitions were honored with certificates.



Students in the blood donation camp

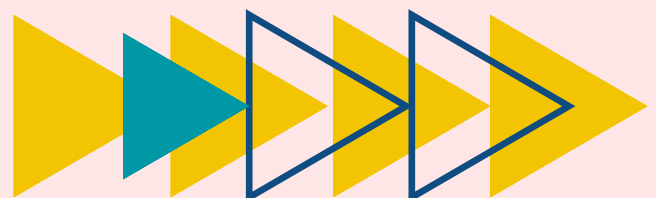
Mega Blood Donation Camp: The NSS team of Gautam Buddha University organized a Mega Blood Donation Camp on February 7 at the School of Management in collaboration with Shri Ashok Gupta from Lakshmi Narayan Mandir Charitable Trust under the guidance of NSS Program Coordinator Dr. J.P. Moyal, and Program Officer Dr. Ajay Kansal. The event saw enthusiastic participation from faculty members, staff, and students, who contributed to this noble cause.

A medical team from GIMS, Greater Noida, actively participated in the camp, further strengthening the initiative. Dr. Priyanka Goyal and Dr. Vibhavari, along with university students and staff, set an outstanding example of social contribution, reinforcing the university's commitment to national service.



Governor Smt. Anandiben Patel with NCC cadets

Governor's Gold Medal at RDC-2025: Following the successful completion of RDC-2025, Gautam Buddha University's NCC Cadet UO Mansi was honoured to meet Uttar Pradesh Governor Smt. Anandiben Patel and received gold medal from her. It is noteworthy that Cadet Mansi of 31 UP Girls Battalion (GBU) was the sole cadet selected from her battalion to participate in the prestigious Republic Day celebrations.





Prof. Shweta Anand and others

Gautam Buddha University Students Visit Reserve Bank of India:

Students of Gautam Buddha University visited the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), New Delhi, as part of an educational tour on February 14. A total of 40 students along with three faculty members—Dr. Shweta Anand, Dr. Vinay Litoria, and Dr. Naveen Kumar—participated in the visit.

Dr. Naveen Kumar from the School of Management highlighted that “the objective of this visit was to familiarize students with the functions and operations of the RBI, helping them understand its critical role in monetary policy, inflation control, interest rates, and currency management.” RBI representatives provided in-depth insights into the institution's functions. During the visit, key officials including Ms. Aditi Gupta (Deputy GM, FIDD), Mr. Mayur Pandey, Ms. Poonam Nayyar, Mr. Vikas Tyagi, and Mr. Babasagar engaged with students, discussing various monetary policies, currency management issues, and the concept of financial inclusion.

The visit offered students a valuable opportunity to understand how the Reserve Bank of India influences the country's economy and promotes financial inclusion. In particular, they gained a deeper insight into the significance of monetary policy and the operations of currency management. The visit proved to be an enriching and inspiring experience for the students.

Legal Awareness Campaign: On February 14, students from the Justice Bandhu (Nyaya Bandhu) and Free Legal Aid Centre of Pro Bono Club, GBU conducted a legal awareness campaign in Jaganpur village. The initiative aimed to educate villagers about their legal rights and inform them about the availability of free legal aid services.

Dean of the School of Law Justice and Governance, Dr. K.K. Dwivedi, flagged off the campaign, allowing students, under the leadership of Head of the Department Dr. Santosh Kumar Tiwari, to engage with the villagers. The students explained various aspects of the law and guided them on how to seek legal assistance. The campaign was coordinated by Dr. Anita Yadav and Dr. Soumya Barnwal, who supervised the sessions and ensured that students effectively conveyed ideas about various legal rights to the villagers.



Donation drive for migrant workers

Donation Drive for Migrant Workers: The Department of Social Work successfully organized a donation drive for migrant workers employed at Gautam Buddha University's construction sites on February 15.

Faculty member Dr. Rahul Kapoor, along with students Brightson and Santosh, led the initiative. Students from the Department of Social Work set up donation boxes across the campus, encouraging faculty and students to contribute winter clothing, bags, shoes, blankets, and other essential items. The collected donations were distributed directly to the migrant workers at the construction site

10-Day Basic Hybrid Program on Yoga and Mindfulness Meditation for Well-being: The Yoga and Meditation Club in collaboration with Gautam Buddha University organized a 10-day basic hybrid program on Yoga and Mindfulness Meditation for Well-being from February 17 to 27. In today's fast-paced world, this transformative journey was carefully designed to harmonize the mind and body, fostering mindfulness, resilience, self-awareness, and holistic well-being. The program aimed to provide foundational knowledge and practical skills in yoga postures, pranayama (breathwork), and mindfulness meditation to enhance physical health, mental resilience, and emotional balance.



Life Skills Training

Life Skills Training: Elilos Management Consulting Limited conducted a Life Skills Training program for the students of The School of Management from February 18 to 21. This training was designed to equip final-year undergraduate and postgraduate students with essential life and professional skills, thereby enhancing their employability and career prospects.



Shivaji Maharaj Birth Anniversary Celebration

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On February 19, Shivaji Maharaj Birth Anniversary was celebrated under the aegis of Shri Narayan Guru Hostel. On this occasion, the hostel warden, Dr. Akshay Kumar Singh, commemorated Shivaji Maharaj and highlighted the struggles and valour of his life. The hostel students also engaged in discussions on the life and legacy of Shivaji Maharaj.



Volunteers at the NSS camp

NSS Unit's Seven-Day Camp: The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Gautam Buddha University organized a seven-day special camp dedicated to spreading digital literacy and awareness about cyber crimes among youth from February 19 to 25.

As part of the initiative, NSS volunteers visited Jaganpur village and conducted various activities at the primary school, creating handmade posters promoting digital literacy. These posters were later carried in a rally, where students chanted motivational slogans and engaged with villagers to spread awareness. The volunteers conducted door-to-door visits, collecting educational data on families and

encouraging parents to ensure complete education for their children. They also interacted with villagers to understand structural, social, and economic barriers that hinder education. The camp was guided by GBU faculty members and NSS Program Officers, Dr. Ajay Kansal and Dr. Alpa Yadav, with valuable contributions from primary school teachers, Ms. Pradeepta and Ms. Soni Gupta. The entire initiative was carried out under the supervision of NSS Coordinator, Dr. J.P. Moyal. This special NSS camp was conducted with the vision of "Mera Yuva Bharat and Digital"



From left Dr. Shakti Sahi, Dr. B.P singh, Dr. Amrendra Kumar Ajit and Ms. Nishi Shabana

National Awareness Program on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR): On February 21, the IPR Cell of Gautam Buddha University organized a National Awareness Program on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR). The keynote speaker, Dr. G.R. Raghavendra, a senior scientist from DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, highlighted the emerging field of artificial intelligence and its interrelation with intellectual property, discussing patents, copyrights, and ownership in India, and emphasizing the importance of protecting IPR. In her inaugural address, the renowned scientist Dr. Sangita Nagar from the Department of Science and Technology (TIFAC) shed light on the global landscape of patent filings, noting that intellectual patents are a valuable asset and that, following fee reductions, academic institutions have seen an increase in patent applications—with nearly 100,000 payment applications filed by India in 2023-24. She further explained how IPR stimulates research and development, attracts funding and

partnerships, and facilitates technology transfer and commercialization, while also underscoring its role in preserving and promoting innovation and creativity in academic institutions.

Dr. Amardeep Kumar Ajit from the Faculty of Law at Delhi University discussed the challenges and issues related to IPR in biotechnology innovations, covering topics such as the patentability of biotechnology innovations, exceptions under the Indian Patent Act, the use of AI in biotechnology, the Nutralink project, nano-robotic surgery and medicine, new experiments with synthetic DNA, and AI and 3D printing of body organs. The program's coordinator and Head of the Law Faculty, Dr. Santosh Kumar Tiwari, stated that the aim of the event was to raise IPR awareness among academic institutions and equip them with the essential knowledge to protect their intellectual property in today's competitive world.

Dr. Vishwas Tripathi, the University Registrar, commended the proactive efforts of the IPR Cell, while Prof. N.P. Melkania highlighted the university's commitment to promoting IPR awareness. Dr. Shakti Shahi, the nodal officer of the IPR Cell, emphasized the importance of understanding and safeguarding intellectual property rights in today's globalized world.

The event also included a panel discussion on resolving the complexities of intellectual property protection, which included insights from Dr. B.P. Singh, former Chairperson of the Intellectual Property Appellate Board, and Ms. Nishi Shabana, Founder of Lume Legal, Gurgaon. The discussion focused on the challenges, opportunities, and adaptations required to protect intellectual property in the rapidly evolving global landscape. This session saw active participation and contributions from

students and faculty members including Dr. Vikrant Nain, Dr. Vinay Litoria, Dr. Tanvi Vats, Dr. Poonam Verma, Dr. Prakash Chandra Dilare, Dr. Priyanka Singh, Dr. Vikram Karuna, Dr. Anita Yadav, Dr. Akhilesh, Dr. C.B. Bharas, Dr. Bhaswati Banerjee, Dr. Asha Pandey, and Dr. Nitin Sonkar.



International Mother Language Day

International Mother Language Day Celebration: The Cultural Committee of the School of Law, Justice & Governance enthusiastically celebrated International Mother Language Day on February 21. On this occasion, Assistant professor, Dr. Priyanka Singh, delivered a thought-provoking speech on the history, significance, and utility of the Hindi language. Students showcased their literary talents through story reading, poetry recitation, shayari, and ghazals. Students of BA LLB (First Year) Palak, Avni, and Gargi captivated the audience with their creative stories, while Raghav, Radhika, and Jyoti mesmerized everyone with their powerful poetry recitations. A special tribute was paid to renowned Urdu poets Faiz Ahmed Faiz, Bashir Badr, and Dushyant Kumar through soulful renditions of their shayari and ghazals. The event also featured a discussion on India's diverse linguistic and cultural landscape, with participation from Dean Dr. K.K. Dwivedi, Head of the Department Dr. Santosh Kumar Tiwari, Dr. Prakash Chandra Dilare, Dr. Akhilesh, Dr. Anita Yadav, and students.



Workshop on "Social and Ethical Perspective of Buddhist Philosophy in Sutta Pitaka Pali"

Two-Day Workshop : On February 24-25, a two-day workshop on "Social and Ethical Perspective of Buddhist Philosophy in Sutta Pitaka Pali" was organized under the joint aegis of the School of Buddhist Studies and Civilization, Gautam Buddha University, and the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi. The keynote speaker, Prof. Bimlendra Kumar from Banaras Hindu University, and the distinguished guest, Prof. C. Upendra Rao from Jawaharlal Nehru University, highlighted the significance of the Pali language.

Prof. Bimlendra Kumar emphasized the necessity of understanding the disciplines present in Pali literature in the era of globalization, particularly the development of Adhyatma Vidya (spiritual knowledge) among the five great disciplines. Prof. C. Upendra Rao discussed the concept of knowledge in Pali literature and underlined the contemporary relevance of Gautama Buddha's teachings. Prof. Harishankar Prasad stressed the importance of a morality-based life, explaining how Buddha's teachings can aid in ethical conduct in modern life. Prof. M. V. Ram Ratnam suggested that Buddha's teachings, especially the principles outlined in the Sutta Pitaka, can be adopted as case studies to address contemporary challenges.

Registrar, Dr. Vishwas Tripathi, in his presidential address, shared his insights on the relevance of Buddhist philosophy as described in Pali literature.



Vice Chancellor Prof. Rana Pratap Singh welcomed by Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi

Prof. Rana Pratap Singh Assumes Charge as Vice-Chancellor of Gautam Buddha University on February 25, Prof. Rana Pratap Singh took charge as the Vice-Chancellor of Gautam Buddha University. Prof. Singh is a distinguished academician, researcher, and administrator with over 24 years of teaching experience and 31 years of research expertise, particularly in the fields of cancer biology, tumour therapeutics, and integrative medicine.

Honour/Award

Research Excellence Award 2023: Gautam Buddha University has taken a new initiative to promote world-class research. In the academic year 2023, faculty members and researchers who have published the highest number of internationally recognized, high-standard research papers in top-tier journals were honored with certificates of appreciation and awards by the university.

Dr. Vishwas Tripathi and Dr. Rekha Puriya published the most research papers at the international level. Dr. Vishwas Tripathi had

previously been awarded for his outstanding research on COVID-19 during the pandemic. For the Research Excellence Award, the university invited applications from researchers through an official notification. A high-level committee rigorously evaluated the submitted applications based on predetermined standards, ultimately selecting eight researchers for the award. Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi, received the highest recognition, having published a maximum of three international research papers in a year. Additionally, Dr. Rekha Puriya, Dr. Jitendra Singh Rathore, Dr. Vivek Shukla, Dr. Vidushi Sharma, Dr. Kirti Pal, and Dr. Shiv Shankar were also honored with the Research Excellence Award.



Registrar Dr. Vishwas Tripathi receiving award from Prof. R.K Sinha

School of Biotechnology Receives 'ISDC International Excellence Award'

The prestigious India International Centre, New Delhi, hosted the first Skill Development & Research Innovation Summit, organized by the International Skill Development Council (ISDC). The summit focused on the theme: "Evolving Dimensions in Skill Development & Research Innovation: Bridging Global Gaps."

At the closing ceremony, the School of Biotechnology, Gautam Buddha University, was honored with the ISDC International Excellence Award for being recognized as the "Best Biotech Research Institute in India." This award acknowledges the university's significant contributions to skill development and research. Dr. Naveen Kumar and Dr. J.P. Moyal received the award on behalf of the School of Biotechnology. This achievement is a matter of pride for the university's students and faculty, paving the way for new opportunities in research and innovation. Additionally, around 20 students from the School of Biotechnology participated in the event, presenting their work through poster and oral presentations. Harpreet Kaur Walia, a research scholar, won the Second Best Poster Award for her outstanding presentation.



Dr. Naveen Kumar and Dr. J.P. Moyal receiving the award



Dr. Vidhushi Sharma receiving the award on behalf of GBU

Gautam Buddha University Honored as 'Most Prestigious University of 2024' Gautam Buddha University has strengthened its position as a leading institution in higher education through remarkable achievements in academics, leadership, and research over the past year. Recognizing its outstanding contributions to higher education, Academic Insight Magazine has selected Gautam Buddha University in the category of 'Most Prestigious University of 2024'.

The university received this prestigious award at the Education Excellence Awards & Summit held in Bengaluru on January 18, 2025. Dr. Vidushi Sharma, Head of the Department of Electronics and Communication, School of Communication Technology, accepted the award on behalf of the university.



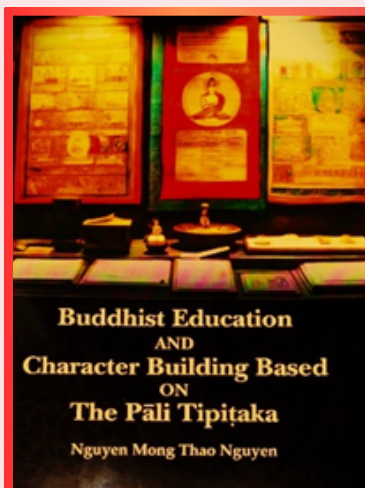
International Excellence Award: Dr. Gaurav, a faculty member in the Department of Computer Science, has been honoured with the International Excellence Award for his innovations in the field of cybersecurity and security awareness. He received this award during a conference at the Indian International Centre, Lodhi Road.

For the past five years, Dr. Gaurav has been actively running awareness campaigns on cyber fraud, security, and online precautions. Through schools, colleges, universities, and social media, he has reached over 300,000 people so far.



Dr. Gaurav receiving his award

Books



Nguyen Mong Thao Nguyen, a research scholar in the Department of Buddhist Studies and Civilization, has published a research book titled Buddhist Education and Character Building Based on the Pali Tripitaka, focusing on Buddhist philosophy and Dhamma.



Dr. Renu Yadav, Assistant Professor in the Department of Indian Languages and Literature, has published a short story collection in Bhojpuri language titled Khukhdi. The book was launched at the book fair on February 4.

Ph.D

In the months of January-February, the following researchers were awarded their Ph.D. degrees: Nguyen Thi My Chi from the School of Buddhist Studies and Civilization, Gaurav Kumar Mannat Chandel and Varun Dixit from the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Mukul Singh from School of Engineering, Sandeep Kumar from School of ICT, K. Anita from the School of Biotechnology.

Placement

Dixon Technologies (India) Ltd., High-Technext Engineering and Telecom Pvt. Ltd., Addverb Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Cloud Analogy Softech Pvt. Ltd., Polycab India Ltd., Physics Wallah Ltd., Jungle Games India Pvt. Ltd., Piramal Enterprises Ltd. (PEL), and PDM Technology conducted placement drives for the 2024 and 2025 batches. More than 30 students were selected through these placement drives.





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