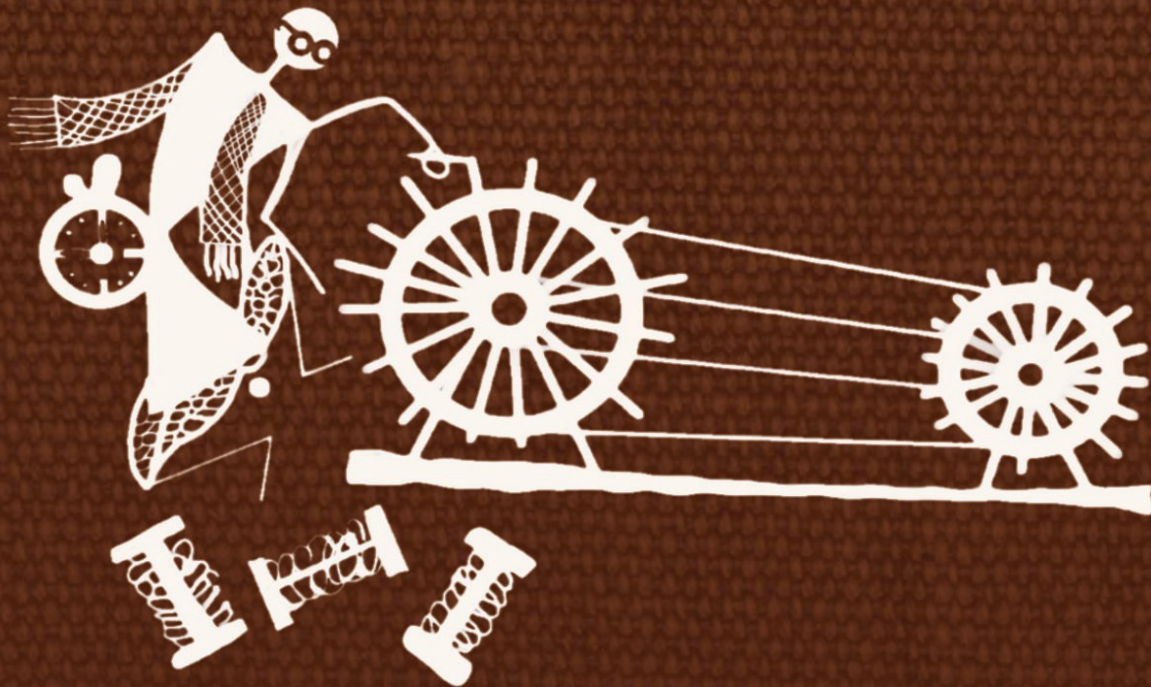




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दिनांक 17 अक्टूबर 2024 को इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के केंद्रीय पुस्तकालय में रखे गए पुरातात्विक महत्व की वस्तुओं की अलमारी/लाकर को खोला गया। विश्वविद्यालय की माननीय कुलपति द्वारा नियुक्त उच्च स्तरीय समिति के समक्ष अलमारी लाकर खोला गया तथा उसमें रखी हुई पुरातात्विक धरोहरों की सूची तैयार की गई। अलमारी में तीन प्रकार की धरोहर प्राप्त हुई हैं :

- पुरातात्विक खुदाईयों से प्राप्त विभिन्न शासको के काल की विभिन्न धातुओं के सिक्के



- एक शाही फरमान जो पर्शियन भाषा में लिखा गया है



- ताम्रपत्र पर अंकित पाली भाषा में विनय पिटक ।



उक्त धरोहरों को इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के संग्रहालय में रखा जाएगा जो शोधार्थियों के लिए शोध सामग्री के रूप में उपयोग में आएगा ।

उच्च स्तरीय समिति के समक्ष समस्त धरोहर सील लगाकर लकार में पुनः रख दी गई है तथा उसे विशेषागों के द्वारा विवरण सहित तैयार करके संग्रहालय की योजना को मूर्त रूप दिया जाएगा।

The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) organized a workshop on the Digital India initiative at the University of Allahabad on 1st October 2024. The 'Digital India Talk Show' was held in collaboration with the ICT Cell of the UoA, highlighting the transformative power of technology in governance.



Institute of Gandhian Thought & Peace Studies

The Institute of Gandhian Thought & Peace Studies (IGTP) organized a special programme, ‘Sab Ke Gandhi, Sab me Gandhi,’ on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti and International Day for Nonviolence on 2nd October 2024. The ‘Gandhi Krishi aur Aushadhi Udyan’ was inaugurated by the special guests — Prof Manmohan Krishna (Chair, Niti Aayog, University of Allahabad), Prof Ashish Khare (Registrar, UoA), Prof Rakesh Singh (Director, IGTPS and Proctor, UoA) and Dr Avinash Srivastava (Coordinator, IGTPS). The guests planted medicinal plants in the garden and shared their views on Gandhi. The programme also witnessed the inaugural release of the Journal of IGTPS, ‘Gandhi Path’, and the ‘Annual Academic Calendar’ by the esteemed guests.

Prof Rakesh Singh and Dr Avinash Srivastava welcomed the guests and the students and thanked the Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof Sangita Srivastava, for her grand efforts and contribution towards academic rejuvenation and administrative and infrastructural progress. The Institute has already started an M.A. Programme in Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies under the visionary leadership of the Honourable Vice Chancellor ma'am, Prof Sangita Srivastava, and Prof Rakesh Singh (Director).



On this occasion, while paying tribute to Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri, Prof Manmohan Krishna reminded the gathering of ‘truth, nonviolence and social harmony’, as espoused by both leaders, as the only viable remedy for countering modern-day violent conflicts and disputes in the present scenario. Peace and not war can truly save humanity today from the scourge of greed and hatred. The programme was conducted by the coordinator, Dr Avinash Srivastava, and the vote of thanks was extended by Dr Toshi Anand, Assistant Prof in the institute, supported by Dr Surendra Kumar, Assistant Prof in the institute. The programme was attended by scores of eminent faculty members, researchers, students and staff of the institute, other departments, and constituent colleges of the University of Allahabad.

The Institute of Gandhian Thought & Peace Studies, University of Allahabad, celebrated “United Nations (UN) Day” on 24th October 2024 by organising various activities, including a lecture, a group discussion and a video screening on the UN’s foundation, history and relevance. Dr Avinash Kumar Srivastava, Coordinator of the Institute, delivered a thought-provoking lecture and emphasised that the ideas and ideals of the United Nations Organization reflect Mahatma Gandhi’s principles of Satya and Ahimsa (Truth and Non-violence). In his address, Dr Atul Narayan Singh, Assistant Professor of Ancient History and Archaeology, highlighted India’s commitment to peace and noted that an excessive focus on economic gains has fuelled a global rat race for arms, complicating the UN’s efforts to mediate conflicts. Dr Surendra Kumar, Assistant Professor of the institute, discussed how ideological clashes disrupt societal harmony and stressed the importance of dialogue for peace. Dr Toshi Anand, Assistant Professor of the institute, showed archival footage of the founding of the United Nations and screened ‘Hymn to the United Nations: Let Music for Peace Be the Paradigm’, a composition by W.H. Auden. She concluded by thanking everyone and encouraging further research on the work and culture of the United Nations.

A special lecture on ‘Gandhi and Nirala: Literature and Politics’ was held as a part of the Prof J. S. Mathur Lecture Series at the Institute of Gandhian Thought & Peace Studies in the august presence of Prof Rakesh Singh (Director). Prof Kumar Birendra, Professor of Hindi and Secretary of the University of Allahabad Alumni Association, was the keynote speaker on this occasion. The Director of the Institute welcomed the guests and presented a detailed report on the achievements and accomplishments of the Institute and shed light on the outline of the academic programmes/ events offered/ conducted by the Institute throughout the year. The Coordinator of the Institute, Dr Avinash Srivastava, critically analysed Gandhi’s and Nirala’s thoughts in the context of the modern world and elaborated on the purpose and relevance of the Prof J. S. Mathur Memorial Lecture Series. Prof Kumar Birendra remarked that Nirala often agreed with Gandhiji on political issues and often disagreed with him on literary issues initially. He further said that when Mahatma Gandhi started the Non-cooperation movement in 1920, Nirala was in Mahishadal, Bengal. Under the influence of this movement, Nirala used to go to the villages around Mahishadal to form farmer organisations and promote Swadeshi. Mahatma Gandhi did corrective and constructive politics, and Nirala, adopting the spirit of righteousness from Gandhi, put in serious efforts to improve the social system in the rural environment of India. In the editorial titled ‘Sanatan Dharma and the Untouchables’ in the 16 November 1933 issue of ‘Sudha’ magazine, Nirala had praised and supported Gandhi’s Untouchability programme. This event was conducted by Dr Toshi Anand, and Dr Surendra Kumar proposed a vote of thanks. On this occasion, the faculty members, students and researchers were present.



विधि संकाय

इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के विधि संकाय में "विधिक सहायता एवं सेवा केंद्र" के पुनरुत्थान कार्यक्रम में विधि संकाय प्रमुख प्रो. आदेश कुमार द्वारा

ज़िला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के सचिव दिनेश कुमार गौतम अपर जिला जज प्रयागराज, को आमंत्रित किया गया। इस अवसर पर इन्होंने "कार्यस्थल पर महिलाओं के यौन उत्पीड़न से संबंधित कानून और समान पारिश्रमिक अधिनियम 1976" पर व्याख्यान दिया।



Department of Geography

The Department of Geography embarked on its first field outreach activity on 18th October, 2024, visiting Chaubara Duban and Koharan villages in Chaubara Gram Panchayat, Soraon. Undergraduate, postgraduate, and research students, along with faculty members, conducted an extensive survey to assess the rural landscape surrounding Prayagraj. The focus areas included socio-economic factors, level of development, environmental state, awareness levels, and the impact of distance on various geographical attributes. The outreach activity also included a plantation drive, distribution of stationary materials, displaying handmade posters, a survey, and environmental awareness activities. The department extended its heartfelt gratitude to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for providing this opportunity and extending invaluable logistic support.



Department of Chemistry

Under the esteemed guidance and mentorship of visionary Hon'ble Vice Chancellor 61 students of 10th standard, along with teachers and staff of Rajkiya High School, Mooratganj, Kaushambi visited the Chemistry Department for an educational tour on 21st October, 2024. All the faculty members, along with the HoD, Prof. Dinesh Mani, enthusiastically demonstrated and explained certain concepts of chemistry to the keen students, which thoroughly motivated and inspired them to pursue higher



Department of Education

On 18th October 2024, the Department of Education, under the aegis of the IQAC cell, organized outreach activities in Kotwa village, Prayagraj. Faculty members and students from the M.Ed., M.A. (Education), and Ph.D. programs visited local primary and elementary schools to focus on school interventions. During the visit, students learned about the history of the University of Allahabad, notable alumni, and alumni from Kotwa village. They were informed about the curricular and co-curricular activities offered by the Department of Education, with the aim of encouraging collaboration between the schools and the university for intervention and research programs. Workshops were conducted on menstrual hygiene for girls and drug abuse prevention for all elementary school students to raise awareness of health and social issues. Primary school students participated in activities addressing safety and healthcare concerns, including lessons on good touch and bad touch as well as handwashing techniques. The Department expresses its sincere gratitude to the Honorable Vice Chancellor, Madam, for granting this valuable opportunity and for providing essential logistical support.



Department of Education

As part of the 'Neki ka Manch' initiative started by the Department of Education in 2023, the M.Ed. 3rd semester students, mentored by Dr. Sonia Sthapak, visited Mother Teresa Orphanage in Mumfordganj. On 26th October, 2024, students were filled with joy and a sense of purpose as they interacted with the children and adults residing there.

The students distributed food packets, chocolates, gifts, and essential items, bringing smiles to their faces and a sense of warmth to their hearts. The Diwali celebrations were particularly special, as the students lit sparklers, shared laughter, and created lasting memories. The experience was a humbling reminder of the importance of kindness, empathy, and giving back to the community. As future educators, this visit reinforced the importance of empathy and social responsibility. It highlighted the significant role that education plays in shaping compassionate and responsible individuals. By witnessing the lives of these children, the students were inspired to strive for excellence in our own academic pursuits and to dedicate themselves to creating a better future for all.



Department of Family & Community Sciences

On 25th October, 2024 students of Rajkiya Vidyalaya, Rawatpur, Fatehpur visited the Dept. of Family and Community Sciences.



Incubation Centre, University of Allahabad

Incubation Centre, UoA, in collaboration with the Centre of Food Technology, organized a workshop on 23rd October, 2024 on 'Building Blocks: Essential Steps To Start Your Company' for the students and the startups under its 'Campus to Startup' Programme. The objective of this workshop was to motivate the participants towards entrepreneurship. Chief Guest, Prof S.I. Rizvi, Dean R&D motivated participants towards innovative thinking. Prof Neelam Yadav, Coordinator, CFT spoke about the opportunities of entrepreneurship in the domain of food technology. Dr Himanshu Srivastava, key resource person, spoke about company formation. Dr. Shefali Nandan, Incubation Centre Coordinator, gave the welcome address and briefed the audience about the objectives and programmes of the Centre. Dr Rohit Singh gave vote of thanks. The workshop was coordinated by Dr Cherita. Other members of the Incubation Cell, Dr Simant Srivastava, Dr Rajesh Kuamri and Dr Chakadola Panda were also present to motivate the students.



सेंटर फॉर थिएटर एंड फिल्म

एक अक्टूबर 2024 को इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के सेंटर फॉर थिएटर एंड फिल्म के स्टूडियो परिसर में सीटीएफ क्लब के छात्रों ने मुंशी प्रेमचंद कृत हास्य कहानी "रसिक संपादक" का नाट्य रूपांतरण प्रस्तुत किया। दो महीने की पूर्वाभ्यास प्रक्रिया में अभिनेताओं ने असिस्टेंट प्रोफेसर डा. अनिर्बान कुमार के मार्गदर्शन में अभिनय कार्यशाला पद्धति में कथानक को परिकल्पित किया। "रसिक संपादक" एक संपादक की इशकाना वृत्ति पर व्यंग्य है, संपादक साहब महिला लेखिकाओं के प्रति कुछ ज्यादा ही उदारता रखते हैं। वह डाक से आई कृतियों के आधार पर एक कल्पित लेखिका पर सम्मोहित हो जाता है। पत्राचार से उनके अरमान और परवान चढ़ते हैं, लेकिन साक्षात्कार होने पर वह उस कल्पित लेखिका को अपनी कल्पना के बिलकुल विपरीत पाते हैं। विश्वविद्यालय के शिक्षकगण ने अभिनेताओं की हौसला अफजाई की। सीटीएफ के कोऑर्डिनेटर डा. मनोज कुमार ने इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के अन्य विभागों के छात्रों को लाभान्वित करने हेतु इस वर्ष सीटीएफ क्लब की स्थापना की। सीटीएफ क्लब समय समय पर संवाद, गोष्ठी, फिल्म प्रदर्शन, कार्यशाला और नाट्य प्रस्तुतियों का आयोजन करता है।



Department of Commerce and Business Administration

A progressive initiative was undertaken by the Department of Commerce and Business Administration, University of Allahabad for the betterment of research environment wherein the enrolled research scholars were provided a platform for dissemination of research. The event Shodh Samvad was held at the Rajshekhar Hall (MONIRBA, UoA) on 27th of September, 2024 with the primary theme of dissemination of research knowledge and inculcation of learning environment. The event was successfully coordinated by Dr. Sarita Maxwell (Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce & Business Administration) in the presence of our respected Dean, Faculty of Commerce Prof A. K. Malviya, Coordinator of the Department, Prof G. B. S. Johri, faculty members, research scholars and students. The event started with a warm welcome speech by the coordinator of the event

Dr. Sarita Maxwell, wherein she subtly highlighted the importance of communication (Samvad) in research (Shodh) and how the programme is meant to benefit the research environment of the d Department. Thereafter, the Coordinator of the department Prof. G. B. S. Johri was cordially invited to share his invaluable insights. He stressed that the relevance of the research is only when it is capable of bringing something new to the present body of knowledge.

This was followed by the speech of Dean Faculty of Commerce, Prof. A. K. Malviya. He extended his well wishes to the coordinators of the programme for initiating such a progressive leap for the advancement of research and knowledge.

Other faculty members of the Department deliberated on the far-reaching consequences of such an innovative move which would not only benefit the scholars but the Department as well. Exchange of communication (samvad) can be an effective means of improving the quality of research.

The presentations were followed by an interactive session with research scholars and faculty members, wherein the depth of the research work was explored. The scholars gained practical insights into the details and dimensions of their research.

With this, the event formally came to an end and the Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mr. Dhiraj Kumar.



हिंदी एवं आधुनिक भारतीय भाषा विभाग

विभाग द्वारा प्रतिष्ठित निराला व्याख्यानमाला में 24 सितम्बर 2024 को 'भर्तृहरि : काव्य एवं लोक-संदर्भ' विषय पर व्याख्यान का आयोजन किया गया। जिसमें मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में श्री महेश कटारे उपस्थित थे।

व्याख्यानमाला के संयोजक प्रो. संतोष भदौरिया ने स्वागत वक्तव्य में कहा कि हिंदी विभाग में यह व्याख्यानमाला डॉ. रामकुमार वर्मा की अध्यक्षता में प्रारंभ की गई थी। इस व्याख्यानमाला में सुमित्रानंदन पंत, प्रभाकर माचवे, अज्ञेय, नामवर सिंह, त्रिलोचन, श्रीलाल शुक्ल, अशोक वाजपेई, अनामिका जैसे ख्यातनाम साहित्यकारों ने व्याख्यान दिए। इसी क्रम में वरिष्ठ कथाकार एवं नाटककार महेश कटारे के बारे में बताते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि महेश कटारे की कहानियों में भारत और इंडिया का फ़र्क साफ़-साफ़ दिखाई पड़ता है। जहां इंडिया चमक-धमक का पर्याय है जबकि महेश कटारे भारत के लेखक हैं। उनकी कहानियों की स्त्री-पात्र सशक्त और संघर्षशील हैं।

व्याख्यानदाता श्री महेश कटारे ने अपने वक्तव्य की शुरुवात करते हुए कहा कि 2024 का साल हिंदी विभाग का शताब्दी वर्ष है और निराला व्याख्यानमाला का यह मंच गौरवमयी रहा है। निराला को स्मरण करते हुए यह कहा जा सा कहता है कि आधुनिक हिंदी में तो सिर्फ एक कवि है, जिसे महाप्राण की संज्ञा प्राप्त है। आज हम महाकवि भर्तृहरि को याद कर रहे हैं। अपने उपन्यास 'भर्तृहरि: काया के वन में' का जिक्र करते हुए वह भर्तृहरि को थोड़ा और विस्तार से सामने रखते हैं। इस बात को रेखांकित करते हैं कि भर्तृहरि का काव्य लोक भाषा में न होने बावजूद भी लोक में व्याप्त है।

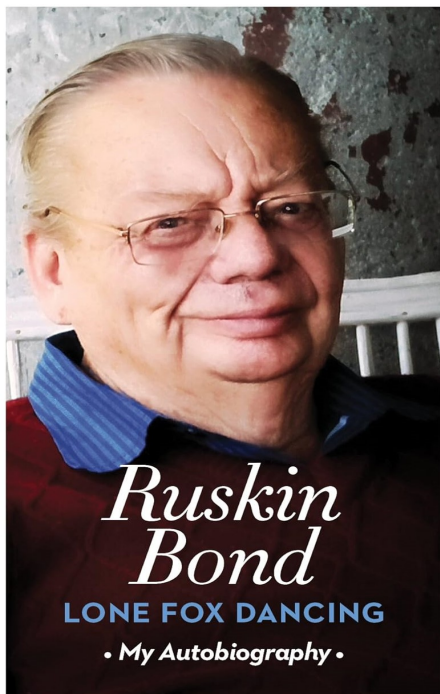
अंत में अपना अध्यक्षीय उद्बोधन देते हुए प्रो. लालसा यादव ने बताया कि विश्वविद्यालय के 137 वर्षों के साथ-साथ हिंदी विभाग भी अपने 100 वर्ष पूरे कर रहा है। इन सौ सालों में अनेकों व्याख्यान तथा व्याख्यानमालाओं में यह भर्तृहरि के काव्य तथा लोक-संदर्भों से संबंधित व्याख्यान भी आज जुड़ गया है। उन्होंने 'भर्तृहरि: काया के वन में' उपन्यास पढ़ने का आग्रह भी सभी से किया ताकि भर्तृहरि को और अच्छी तरह से समझा जा सके।

व्याख्यान के बाद धन्यवाद ज्ञापन प्रो. चंदा देवी ने किया। इस कार्यक्रम का संचालन डॉ. अमृता के द्वारा किया गया। इस अवसर पर विश्वविद्यालय तथा महाविद्यालयों के विभिन्न आचार्य-नगर के सुधीजन वरिष्ठ कवि हरीशचंद्र पांडे, श्रीप्रकाश मिश्र, संजय पाण्डेय, मनोज पांडेय, आनंद मालवीय, प्रियदर्शन मालवीय तथा बड़ी संख्या में शोध-छात्र एवं परास्रातक-छात्र उपस्थित थे।



BOOK OF THE EDITION

Lone Fox Dancing: My Autobiography



MOVIE OF THE EDITION

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A grid of nine circular images showcasing various university memorabilia items. The items include: a coffee table book, a pen stand with the university logo, a memento trophy, a wall calendar, a flower pot, a pink t-shirt, a file folder, small jute bags, and a large jute bag. At the bottom of the grid is the university logo and the text 'Memorabilia Shop Available at Vizianagaram, Science Faculty University of Allahabad'.

Coffee Table Book

Pen Stand

Memento

Wall Calendar

Flower Pot

T-Shirt

File Folder

Small Jute Bags

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