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Following the tradition of continuity, consistency and commitment of dcrc Parivar, we are happy to release the eighth issue of our Newsletter, Sanchayan. With the painstaking efforts of all its fellow Navratnas the Centre has been able to mark its salience and credence in both interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research communities over a very short span of time. The increasing participation and integration of students and scholars, social scientists and social activists shows gradual striving of the Centre to the new heights of academic horizons.

The current issue of our Newsletter covers three-month activities, events and programs of the Centre from May 2018 till July 2018.

I extend my gratitude to fellow Navratnas, the revered members of dcrc Parivar (dcrc family) and all others for steering our journey towards pursuit of real knowledge!

DCRC: Faculty and Functioning

Ushering a new phase, presently dcrc has 28 fellows from different disciplines of social sciences. The fellows were appointed through a democratic and transparent process of selection. They are regular faculty and researchers across Universities and colleges and are placed for a period of three years from 2016-2019 on

honorary basis. The fellows have expertise and specialisation in different disciplines of social sciences and are currently engaged with various research activities and projects at the centre.

The Centre has nine committees including Gender, Purchase, Library, Journal, Seminar, Publications etc. headed by different fellow conveners who meet regularly to deliberate on academic and research issues. The Advisory Committee headed by Hon'ble Vice chancellor is the apex decision making body of the Centre while the Fellow Council and Research Committee are academic committees. The Fellow Council and the Research Committee generally meet on the first working Friday of every month and quarterly month respectively.

Major Activities and Achievements

Many academic activities including monthly lecture, celebration of the 'World Environment Day', interactive discourse and academic interface were organised by the Centre in the last quarter.

Monthly Lecture

The Centre organized its Twelfth Monthly Lecture on 31 May 2018 on the theme 'Higher Education in India: Dimensions and Directions' which was delivered by Shri Atul Bhai Kothari Ji, an eminent educationist and Secretary, Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas, Delhi.

The Program was chaired by Prof Umesh Rai, Formerly Director, South Campus, University of Delhi and Major Harsh Kumar, Secretary, NCERT, New Delhi was the Guest of Honour. In his keynote address, Shri Atul Bhai Kothari ji highlighted the need for change in the education system in order to bring about a progressive change in the country.

Emphasising that knowledge must be connected with practical experience, Prof Umesh Rai asked educated people to use their education for the betterment of society. In his address, Major Harsh Kumar stressed on reinterpretation of educational text and Gurukul method of teaching. On this occasion, Prof Choudhary and eminent guests released Centre's Brochure and the next volume of Sanchayan, Quarterly Newsletter of the Centre. The dignitaries also inaugurated the recently renovated Fellow rooms of the centre.



World Environment Day

The Centre celebrated the 'World Environment Day' on 5 June 2018. On this occasion, Prof. Sunil K. Choudhary, Director drc, Guests Shri Sharad, Shri Omkar Nath Pandit and Shri Gaurav, Assistant Registrars, University of Delhi, Fellows and Scholars planted saplings in the premises of the centre. Inaugurating the interactive discourse on the environment. Prof Sunil K Choudhary related nature with human values and emphasised on adopting balanced approach towards environment. Shri Omkar Nath Pandit, Assistant Registrar, University of Delhi pointed out that the population explosion is one of the main reasons for environmental problems. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Bharti Chhibber, Fellow, drc highlighted the contemporary challenge of E-waste and emphasised on an integrated approach of coordination among government, industry and consumers for its management. Shri Sarad Kumar, Fellow drc, pointed out that faulty approach to development has resulted in ecosystem imbalance and stressed on environmental education. Dr Bhuwan Jha, Fellow drc concluded the session by giving a historical perspective to the environmental problems and held men's greed responsible for the global pollution.



Interactive Discourse

The Centre organised an interactive discourse on 'India's Global Engagement: Scripting a Pro-Active Narrative' with Professor Shanta Nedungadi Varma, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi on 31 July 2018.

Professor Varma discussed the changing narrative of India's global foreign policy. The event was attended by faculty, scholars and students of Social Sciences all across the University Colleges and Departments. On this occasion, the Centre also felicitated Professor Shanta Nedungadi Varma for making distinct contribution to the discipline of Political Science during her four decade long teaching career.



Foreign Visitors at the Centre

The Centre regularly host foreign visitors including ambassadors, academics and research scholars. On 23 July 2018, Ms Katherine Storey, Second Secretary (Political), Australian High Commission visited drc for an academic interface to discuss and share her views on 'The Changing Nature of Electoral Democracy in India and Australia'. During her interaction with the Director, Fellows, scholars and students, Ms Storey discussed varied aspects of democracy, parliamentary system, political parties and electoral politics in India and Australia.



Achievements

The Centre feels immensely elated to share that Prof Kaushal Kumar Sharma, Proctor at Jawaharlal Nehru University and Fellow, drc is appointed as Honorary Director, Northern Regional Centre (NRC), Indian council of Social Science Research (ICSSR).



DCRC in Media

• The Centre and its programs under the astounding direction of Professor Sunil K. Chaudhary have received wide coverage in leading national newspapers and media in the previous quarter. Recently Prof Sunil's views on Karnataka elections and the formation of the government were published in the *Dainik Jagran* newspaper.

आइए देखें अंतिम लेखों में जोड़ा

विश्व को परिभाषित करने का है। यह केवल मनुष्य का विषय ही नहीं, बल्कि लोकतांत्रिक मानवता का भी है। इस दृष्टिकोण से दुनिया में आधुनिक लोकतांत्रिक (पथ) होना है। यह विचार मनुष्यता को, जनता के हितों का वास्तविक हवाला देता है। मानव में यह हवा सदा सदा से है और कभी-कभी केवल वही है। कोशिश में नेताओं को तो भ्रम है, लेकिन नृत्त और दृष्टिकोण नहीं दिख रहा। क्षेत्रीय दृष्टि पर तो अपना अंधविश्वास बनाया का संकर खड़ा हो रहा है। अपने कले दिनों में हल्ला और बहाने करते हैं।

मोदी ने दिला देश को विश्व में नई पहचान
प्रो चौधरी ने कहा कि एक समय भारत को सोवियट रेट के रूप में जाना जाता था। (अन्तर्गत में नई मोदी ने इस अवस्था को बदल दिया है। और भी, नौदली, सैनिकी दृष्टिकोण, लोकतांत्रिक विचार और सहित्य मामलों में जिस प्रकार का कुछ डेढ़ संस्कार ने दिखाया, उसके बीच रक्त पर भारत की छवि खड़ा फेरता लेने वाले देश के रूप में नहीं है।



जागरण विमर्श
साप्ताहिक विमर्श पर विचार-विमर्श की प्रक्रिया को बढ़ा देने के लिए हम प्रतिभाशाली डॉक्टर और अतिरिक्त स्तर पर अग्रणी दृष्टिकोण-विकास करते हैं। जागरण विमर्श के तहत हम विशेषज्ञ अतिथि के माध्यम से विश्व विविध पर उनकी राय जानते हैं और इससे आगे बढ़ी भी प्रेषित करते हैं। (ग्रुप) अपने प्रतिक्रिया pathaknama@nda.jagran.com पर भेजें।

• The celebration of the 'World Environment Day' by the Centre was reported in many of the daily newspapers including *Hindustan*, *Lok Satya* and *Dainik Jagran*.

विकासशील राज्य शोध केंद्र में पौधरोपण

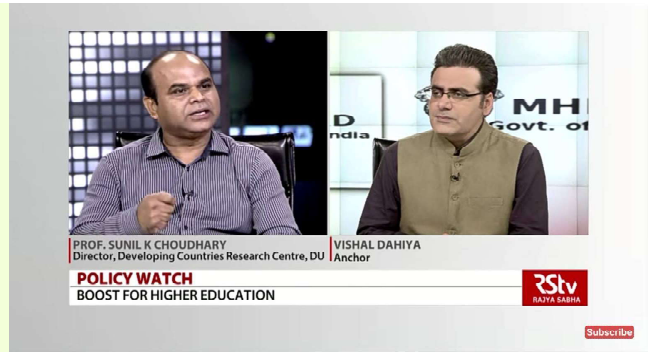
जागरण संवाददाता, नई दिल्ली: दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय (डीयू) के विकासशील राज्य शोध केंद्र में मंगलवार को पौधरोपण कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस के अवसर पर आयोजित इस कार्यक्रम में केंद्र के निदेशक प्रो. सुनील कुमार चौधरी, विश्वविद्यालय प्रशासन के कुलसचिव बा छात्रों ने भाग लिया।



पौधरोपण करते प्रोफेसर सुनील कुमार चौधरी प अग्र्य बा जागरण

कुलसचिव औरकार नाथ पंडित ने कहा कि बढ़ती जनसंख्या दबाव पर्यावरणीय समस्याओं का प्रमुख कारण है। छात्र भारतीय डिजिटल ने ई-कचरे से होने वाले नुकसान पर विचार रखें। छात्र शरद कुमार

• Professor Sunil K. Choudhary was also invited by the 'Rajya Sabha TV' for a panel discussion on the topic 'Policy Watch: Higher Education Financing Agency [HEFA]' on 5 July 2018.



• Our students Garima Sharma, Preeti Yadav, Srishty Pal, Nisha Kumari, Jaya Ojha, Rakhi Dagar, Rajni, Aashish Kumar Shukla, Arun Kumar, Kuaver Pranjal Singh, Nishant Yadav, Pankaj also participated as audience in the 'Rajya Sabha TV' panel discussion on the 'World Population Day' on 11 July 2018 and asked pertinent questions from the panelists.



Future Vision and Mission

• With the changing times and an enterprising Director, the Centre is aiming high to reach new horizons by recreating a global institution that represents academic forte of the university and engages its epistemology with the global concerns. The tradition of monthly lectures and interactive discourses will continue in the coming months.

• The Centre also aims to collaborate with other research organisations at national and international level.

• Apart from yearly Annual Report, Quarterly Newsletters, Annual Calendars and Brochures, the Centre is also coming out with its Biennial Journal, *GlobaLense: Journal of Social Science Research* which will be unveiled very soon. The Centre is also working towards publication of 'Samiksha 2017: UP Elections Survey' Project.

• The Centre is planning to undertake Lok Sabha Elections-2019 Survey covering all 543 constituencies under 'Samiksha Lok Sabha 2019'.