



## The drivers of change

The present issue of the IQAC newsletter is very important in the sense that on 5th to 7th December 2024 the University will be visited by the NAAC Peer Team for the accreditation process. Assessment and Accreditation process for the HEIs are very important for institutions as it gives an institution not only confidence but also prestige. Depending upon the grade HEIs achieved in assessment and accreditation process the funding for development depends. Which becomes the drivers for quality research, and publication from an institution.

Ranchi University is all set for the NAAC Peer Team Visit and, in the meanwhile, it has beefed up not its academic but also the administrative departments. There has been a massive overhauling of the infrastructure the old iconic administrative building of the Ranchi University got its facelift. The flower of Merigold, Zenia, Dahlia, Rose and others have bloomed to welcome the NAAC Peer Team. The Morabadi Campus, which is known for academic hub-hub, have changed its look as the repair, colour of the building is creating an ambience for enhanced research and academic activities.

There has been augmentation of computers in the e-Learning Centre, Smart classrooms, studios for creation of e-learning materials and auditorium and conference halls have been made state-of-the-art and equipped with latest technology and ICT enabled. Print resources, e-Books and journals have been added to not only in the Central Library of the university but also to all PG Departments Library which is generally called Seminars. Addition of Turn it in software for similarity check has been made available to all the faculty members; enrolled and working research scholars of the Ranchi University. On the other hand, all the libraries of the university have been put on e-Granthalaya the process of digitalization of all the libraries of university. Faculty and scholars are accessing Web of Science and Scopus through their institutional email IDs provided by the university.

The laboratories of different departments are being made state-of-the-art to make them contemporary, subsequently this will help in improving the quality and making them of international standard. These efforts are to make research of the university contemporary and futuristic. Addition of a state-of-the-art Conference Hall for IQAC and efforts to restore the National Knowledge Network in the all the libraries of the university (including e-Learning Centre of the Central Library of the university)

Health and hygiene are another area of concern at the institutes of higher education as the students especially the research scholars and their supervisors (faculty) stay for a longer period in the campus. Hence, setting up of a referral dispensary for immediate medical assistance to the students and faculty members of the university in the Basic and Applied Science building is an effort that is highly appreciable. Although, each department is having their own Sick Room and First Aid facilities. Multi-Gym in the basement and good canteen of the university has made the campus vibrant and making the students and faculty members enjoyable within the campus.

Sports facilities of the university is limited due to space crunch. But indoor stadium and indoor games facilities overcome these limitations. The students at the university utilize the facilities of Birsa Munda stadium and its sports facilities at Morabadi which is easily accessible to them. Here they practice and excel in their sports of interest.

Tribal and Regional Languages comprising of nine departments coupled with Department of Fine Arts (an independent Vocational self-financing programme of the university) has given a platform and has institutionalized which facilitate and promotes the culture and languages of the Jharkhand.

It will be not out of context to mention that identifying drivers and making the vehicle of change to move is only possible because of vision with a visionary person the academic and administrative head of the institution the Vice Chancellor of the Ranchi University Dr Ajit Kumar Sinha.

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## News, Activities and Achievements

### “Closing Ceremony of “Swachta hi Sewa” by NSS, RU”

Ranchi University NSS wing organized "Swachhta hi Sewa" program from September 17 to October 1, 2024, which was sponsored by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. Throughout the event, various cleanliness drives and awareness activities were conducted with enthusiastic participation of NSS volunteers. The program concluded with a ceremony on October 1, 2024, at Aryabhata Auditorium, the event was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Governor Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar. The event was led by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Ajit Kumar Sinha, Ranchi University marking a successful culmination of the university's efforts towards promoting cleanliness and social responsibility.



### “Dainik Bhaskar Education Excellence Award”



Ranchi University, Ranchi, has been honored with the "Dainik Bhaskar Education Excellence Award" by the Dainik Bhaskar group on 05/10/2024. The award was received by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Ajit Kumar Sinha, Ranchi University, Ranchi in recognition of the university's contributions to higher education in academic and research excellence.

This award underscores the university's commitment to fostering educational growth and quality in this region of the Country.



**"Viksit Bharat-Ambassador Youth Connect"**

Ranchi University, in collaboration with NSS, Ranchi University, Ranchi, hosted the "Viksit Bharat-Ambassador Youth Connect" event at the Aryabhata Auditorium on 08/10/2024. The event aimed to inspire and engage young minds of India's development journey. The Chief Guest, Dr. Jitendra Singh Minister of State (Independent Charge) for the Ministry of Earth Sciences and Science & Technology, as well as Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office and the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances addressed the gathering. His presence underscored the significance of youth involvement in shaping a progressive and empowered India.



**"Vice Chancellor's formal meeting with Chancellor"**

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Ranchi University, Dr. Ajit Kumar Sinha, made a formal meeting on 18/10/2024 with the Hon'ble Governor, Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar. During this meeting, Dr. Sinha provided a comprehensive update on the operational status and ongoing developments at Ranchi University. The Vice Chancellor abrest the Hon'ble Chancellor about the ongoing activities of the University, in academic and research.



**"One day sensitization program on women's safety"**



On 21/10/2024, Internal Committee (Women's Grievance Redressal Cell) Ranchi University, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), organized a sensitization program titled "Shakti: Empowering Women" focused on women's safety. The program was held under the Chairpersonship of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Ajit Kumar Sinha. Esteemed speakers included Smt. A. Vijaya Laxmi, IPS, Inspector General of Police (Training), Jharkhand; Smt. Sandhya Mehta, IPS, Deputy Inspector General of Police (CID), Jharkhand; and Adv. Dr. Vandana Singh, a lawyer at Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi. The event aimed to raise awareness and foster discussions around empowering women and ensuring their safety.



**Ranchi University Inter College Sports Tournaments:**

Ranchi University Inter-College Hockey (M) Tournament finals on 03/10/2024 at Birsa College, Khunti between Birsa College, Khunti and Simdega College, Simdega. The winner was Birsa College, Khunti.



Ranchi University Inter-College Kho-Kho (M/W) Tournament finals was on 04/10/2024 at J. N. College, Dhurwa. The winner was Marwari College, Ranchi.



Ranchi University Inter-College Badminton (M/W) Tournament finals was on 17/10/2024 at Samas Badminton Academy, Morabadi organized by S. S. Memorial College, Ranchi.



**"IQAC Mock Drill for NAAC Peer Team Visit"**

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Ranchi University scheduled a mock drill to evaluate the preparation of the University Postgraduate and Vocational departments for the upcoming NAAC Peer Team Visit, set from October 21 to October 23, 2024. Under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Ajit Kumar Sinha, IQAC members conducted visits to each department, meticulously reviewed various aspects, offered suggestions for improvement, and ultimately submitted a detailed report to the committee chair. This exercise aimed to showcase their departments.



**Other events:**

Communication with Food and Agriculture Organization, India for the programme.