

2024 – Events Data

Panel Discussion on Digital Transformation of Health Care

Date: July 19, 2024

Speaker(s): 1. Devanand Kolothodi, Regional CEO @ Aster DM Healthcare
Telangana & Andhra Pradesh
2. Kushagra Tyagi, Head - Product Engineering in BlitzPermits

No. Participants: 25

Report:

We had an enlightening panel discussion on "Digital Transformation of Healthcare" at ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad hosted by Center of Excellence for Digital Transformation, featuring insights from Devanand Kolothodi (Aster DM Healthcare) and Kushagra Tyagi.

The discussion highlighted the transformative impact of telemedicine, AI, and data analytics on patient care and healthcare delivery. We also addressed significant challenges such as data interoperability, privacy, security, and managing change resistance.



Expert Talk on Building HealthCare Brands in the Digital Age

Date: July 19, 2024

Speaker(s) : Dr. N. Krishna Reddy, CEO, ACCESS Health International

Moderator: Prof. (Dr.) Venu Gopal Rao, Director, IBS Hyderabad

No. Participants: 70

Report:

Dr. N. Krishna Reddy, CEO of ACCESS Health International, shared his invaluable insights on Health Care Brand Building in the Digital Age at Digital Transformation Colloquium organised by Center of Excellence for Digital Transformation at ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad.

Dr. Reddy's experience in building CARE Hospitals, Quality CARE India Limited and Relisys Medical Devices Limited offered a wealth of knowledge to our MBA students and faculty. The session underscored the critical role of digital transformation in healthcare branding and provided practical strategies for success in the digital age.



Panel Discussion on AI-Driven Healthcare Innovations and DPI-Enabled Patient-Centric Systems

Date : November 28, 2024

Speakers:

1. Ms. Romita Ghosh, Founder and CEO of iHeal HealthTech;
2. Mr. Jojo Mehra, Chief Product Officer at eGov Foundation;
3. Mr. Atul Gupta, Consultant on DPI and DPG initiatives at eGov Foundation

Moderator: Ms. Uma Aysola, Global Director of Communications at AccessHealth International

No. of Participants: 125

Report:

The Center of Excellence for Digital Transformation at IBS Hyderabad hosted a thought-provoking panel discussion on AI-Driven Healthcare Innovations and DPI-Enabled Patient-Centric Systems. The distinguished panel comprised Ms. Romita Ghosh, Founder and CEO of iHeal HealthTech; Mr. Jojo Mehra, Chief Product Officer at eGov Foundation; Ms. Uma Aysola, Global Director of Communications at AccessHealth International; and Mr. Atul Gupta, Consultant on DPI and DPG initiatives at eGov Foundation. The session highlighted the transformative potential of AI and Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) in



addressing healthcare challenges, particularly for underserved populations. Ms. Ghosh emphasized the role of AI-driven solutions in tackling specific health issues, such as musculoskeletal conditions, and the importance of accessible and affordable care to bridge systemic gaps in healthcare. Mr. Mehra elaborated on leveraging AI and DPI to enhance early diagnosis, personalized treatments, and resource allocation. His insights underscored how scalable solutions could create a more inclusive healthcare ecosystem, ensuring essential care reaches marginalized communities. Ms. Aysola shared how AccessHealth International integrates AI and DPI to optimize real-time data analysis and equitable resource distribution, prioritizing affordability and inclusivity in health systems worldwide. Mr. Gupta emphasized predictive analytics, real-time diagnostics, and personalized care delivery enabled by AI and DPI. He highlighted the importance of interoperability across public health systems to ensure equitable access to essential services. The panel discussion concluded with a shared vision of creating resilient, patient-centric healthcare systems. The event served as an enriching platform for understanding how technology and inclusivity can address healthcare disparities and empower communities globally.

Visit to AkshayaKalpa Organic Farm Visit: Exploring Sustainable Innovation

Faculty Guide: Shailendra Singh Bisht

No. of Participants: 58

Report

The visit to AkshayaKalpa Organic Farm on December 22, 2024, was an enlightening experience for 58 participants, including students, faculty, and professionals from the Center of Excellence for Digital Transformation. The visit aimed to explore sustainable farming practices and understand the role of digital transformation in agriculture. AkshayaKalpa, a pioneer in the organic food and dairy sector, integrates technology and eco-friendly methods on its 60-acre farm, with a 30-acre research facility focused on advancing organic farming. Participants observed innovative practices like precision farming, automated irrigation, and biogas production, which highlighted how technology enhances productivity and sustainability. The farm prioritizes chemical-free food production, catering to the rising consumer demand for organic products, and implements sustainable practices such as water conservation, renewable energy, and closed-loop waste recycling systems to enrich soil fertility. The farm offers diverse products, including A2 milk, flavored yogurt, paneer, unprocessed honey, and virgin coconut oil, as well as unique plant varieties like diabetes-friendly Sitaphal and Sky fruit. A network of 1,200 farmers collaborates with AkshayaKalpa, earning an average annual income of INR 14 lakh. Participants enjoyed a farm tour, where they witnessed efficient milking processes and energy-saving innovations such as motion-sensor streetlights. A key highlight was the organic lunch, complemented by a tasting session of the farm's freshly produced cheese and flavored yogurt. An interactive session by co-founder Shashi Kumar emphasized the importance of branding, consumer influence, and building trust in business strategies. The visit underscored the role of sustainable agriculture and technology in transforming farming practices. Participants gained valuable insights into promoting similar models, fostering partnerships between farms and technology providers, and raising awareness of organic products to drive market growth. The experience inspired advocacy for innovative, eco-friendly solutions that integrate sustainability and technology.



A Panel Discussion on Digital Transformation of Indian Agriculture

Date: December 20, 2024

Speakers:

1. Mr. Shashi Kumar, Founder and CEO, AkshayaKalpa Organic;
2. Mr. Anantha Krishnan R K, Principal Consultant, Emerging Technologies, ITEC Dept., Govt. of Telangana

Moderator: Shailendra Singh Bisht

No. of Participants: 156

The panel discussion on the Digital Transformation of Indian Agriculture brought together Mr. Shashi Kumar, Founder and CEO of AkshayaKalpa Organic, and Mr. Anantha Krishnan R.K., Principal Consultant, Emerging Technologies, ITEC Department, Government of Telangana, moderated by Prof. Shailendra Singh Bisht. The session began with a tribute to Dr. Manmohan Singh, honoring his contributions to India's economy and agriculture. Mr. Kumar shed light on the systemic challenges smallholder farmers face, including aging farmer demographics, unsustainable input-driven farming, and limited control over key factors such as market prices, soil health, and water management. He advocated for a return to ecological farming practices, emphasizing crop diversification, soil conservation, and self-reliant inputs such as seed-saving and organic manure. His vision underlined the importance of aligning scientific advancements with traditional wisdom to create sustainable farming



systems. Mr. Krishnan presented Telangana's Agriculture Data Exchange (ADEX), a pioneering Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) designed to integrate data from multiple government departments into a unified platform. This initiative facilitates access to crucial information for startups, researchers, and financial institutions, enabling solutions tailored to farmers' needs. A notable example is ADEX's collaboration with HDFC Bank, allowing crop loans to be processed within two days, addressing delays that often forced farmers to rely on exploitative moneylenders. The discussion concluded with a call for collective action, urging students and professionals to leverage digital technologies and contribute to making agriculture sustainable, inclusive, and resilient. Both speakers emphasized the critical role of innovation, policy, and community involvement in transforming Indian agriculture and securing its future.

Seminar on Uniform Civil Code in India: Legal and Social Implications

Date: January 25, 2025

Speakers:

1. Prof.(Dr.) Y.F. Jayakumar, Professor at University College of Law Osmania University
2. Shri. Justice L Narasimha Reddy, Former Chief Justice of Patna High Court

No. of Participants: 45

The Guests discussed UCC's controversial aspects, referencing landmark cases like Shah Bano and Shaira Bano. He proposed five tests for UCC: reasonableness, child welfare, gender equality, international human rights standards, and constitutional principles.

They emphasized UCC's historical foundation under the Directive Principles of State Policy, its role in national unity, and its potential to empower women and children. Citing the example of Uttarakhand for their proactive approach suggested other states also to initiate similar efforts.



Seminar on Explaining Modern Relationship Dynamics and Intimacy Choices

Date: September 10, 2024

Speaker(s):

1. Dr. Vivaswan, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Institute of Mental Health
2. Dr. B Soujanya, Gynaecologist

No. Participants: 120

Report

On September 10, 2024, our club CWD & CLUB AAINA had the pleasure of hosting a guest lecture by Dr. Vivaswan, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Institute of Mental Health and Dr. B Soujanya, Gynaecologist at the Seminar Hall. The event was organized by Center for Women Development, aiming to provide students with insights into modern relationship dynamics and intimacy choices

The speakers explored the intricate dynamics of relationships and intimacy, delving into how these aspects are closely tied to individual mental health. They emphasized the importance of open communication, emotional vulnerability, and understanding one's own boundaries in fostering healthy relationship dynamics. The discussion also highlighted how mental health struggles, such as anxiety and depression, can significantly impact intimate relationships and vice versa, with unresolved emotional issues often manifesting in relationship conflicts.



Conclave- FEMINAXCEL CONCLAVE 1.0

Date: November 24, 2024

Speaker(s):

1. Dr. Lavanya NJP, IPS, DCP, Women Safety Wing, Hyderabad
2. Ms. Anusha Mandavilli, CEO of Safe Spaces
3. Ms. Vanita Khatter, Leadership Coach,
4. Ms. Mitalee Agrawal, CEO, Cybersecruity Telanagan
5. Ms. Rashmi Arya, Senior Programme Manager, Microsoft
6. Ms. Apola Bhattacharyya, Co-Founder & CEO Craftspark Foods & Beverages Private Limited
7. Ms. Shanthala Veigas, Associate Director Strategy & Partnerships, WE Hub Hyderabad
8. Ms. Monika Misra, Founder & CEO, iKeva
9. Ms. Deepthi Nathala, CEO & Founder of Alyner (Raising funds)
10. Ms. Subhadra Dravida, founder and CEO of Transcell Biologics
11. Ms. Anita Singh, Senior Manager, Cushman & Wakefield
12. Ms. Srividhya Deshpande, Vice-President, Talent Management, Egen
13. Ms. Sangam Dubey, Technology Consulting Manager, Accenture
14. Ms. Sreelatha G, Founder & Director, Synergy Global Logistics

No. Participants: 120

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The Women’s Conclave at IFHE Hyderabad, organized by the Center for Women Development (CWD), IFHE, and Club Aaina, successfully brought together prominent panelists from various fields to discuss and explore crucial topics related to women’s roles in entrepreneurship, safety, and technology. This event aimed to create awareness, inspire collaboration, and offer actionable insights for promoting women’s empowerment in modern society. The event was divided into four insightful panel discussions, each addressing crucial topics related to women’s empowerment and leadership.

The Panel discussion were held on

1. Redefining Women’s Safety: Safeguarding Spaces Inside and Outside the Workplace
2. How women can take on leadership roles in the technology industry
3. Enabling Women Entrepreneurship
4. Bridging the Skill Gap in Modern Workspace

Each discussion brought valuable ideas on women’s empowerment in different areas. The felicitation of the speakers at the end of every panel was a gesture of gratitude and appreciation. The discussions weren’t just for women but for everyone who believes in a world where safety, equality, and opportunities are for all. This conclave showed how powerful it is when voices come together for a common cause. They panelists in their discussions

1. Emphasized the need for stronger laws and awareness to tackle safety concerns and rising cybercrime, urging vigilance and offering her email to support anyone in need.
2. Women can lead and succeed in technology by being confident and innovative
3. emphasized the importance of creating workplaces where women feel supported and confident
4. Encouraged women to stay determined and innovative in their entrepreneurial journey



Greenovation 2.0 in collaboration with Re-Sustainability Limited and IFHE Innovation & Entrepreneurship Council

Date: Nov 8-9,2024

Speaker(s):

1. "Innovation & Entrepreneurship in Indian HEIs" by Prof. M. Sainath, Executive Director of IIEC, IFHE Hyderabad
2. "Leveraging Technology for Sustainable Development" by Mr. Jayen Desai, Founder of Sustainability Ecosystem Collaboration
3. "Global Trends in Sustainability and the Circular Economy" by Mr. Amit J. Sharma, Head of Business Excellence at Re-Sustainability

No. Participants: 100

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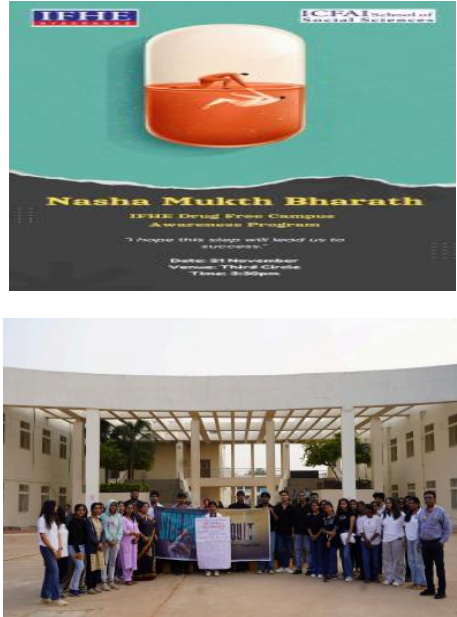
The keynotes revolved around the central themes of sustainability and green and circular economy, emphasizing building solution-oriented startups. The talks were encouraging and inspirational, with Prof M Sainath stating the role of MBAs in building and growing businesses to Mr. Jayen Desai's call to action, along with Mr. Amit's story of his startup's journey to Asia's largest enactor of circular economy.





Greenovation 2.0 was more than an event at ICFAI Business School's Campus. It was a culmination of ideas and passion for making a better future through sustainable solutions and encouragement of the entrepreneurial mindset in the minds of Indians. The event also allowed the participants to showcase their products/ideas/business models to the public. On both days of the pitch presentations, the various startups' displayed their stalls, interacted, and networked with each other. The atmosphere was uplifted, and people's spirits were inspired.





Explaining Modern Relationship dynamics and intimacy choices

<p>Blood Donation</p>			
<p>Cancer Awareness Programme</p>			
<p>Global Grace Cancer Run</p>			

Anti-Ragging Day	Aug 12,2024	YES Club	<p>The event was aimed to raise awareness among students about the serious implications of ragging and to foster a safe and respectful campus environment. It reflected the institution's dedication to ensuring a ragging-free environment where every student feels secure and supported.</p>	
Anti- Drug Awareness Programme	Nov 21,2024	YES Club	<p>The event aimed to educate students about the dangers of drug addiction and inspire them to make informed choices for a healthier future.</p> <p>1st year students of BA Economics and BSc Psychology played skit revolving around a young individual's descent into drug addiction and their eventual recovery through self-realization and family intervention</p>	

Drug Abuse Prevention Programme	Aug 13, 2024	On August 13, 2024, a drug abuse and prevention seminar was conducted, the session was led by distinguished speaker, Ms. Devika Rani, a very Renowned person in the field of Psychology and the founder of the Amrita Foundation. She has also carried out many projects for the welfare of society, provided valuable insights on dangers of drug abuse and strategies for prevention	
Sahaja Yoga			
Blood Run	Oct 25, 2024	The Asana Club organized "Blood Run" to encourage community participation and spreading the message about the importance of blood donation.	
Blood Donation Camp	Oct 29, 2024	The Asana Club, together with the Red Cross, organized a successful blood donation camp on campus on October 29, 2024. The camp drew a strong response, with 167 people coming forward to donate blood. This event allowed students, staff, and community members to contribute to a life-saving cause, reinforcing the spirit of social responsibility on campus.	

Vidhyadhan	Oct 29,2024	On october 29, the aksharabhyas Programme, in collaboration with the paritantra club, organized an annual event titled ' vidyadhan: the book donation drive ' aimed at supporting underprivileged students in nearby Zilla Parishad High Schools, Maharajpet,Ranga Reddy Dist, Hyderabad	
Fitness workshop	Nov 19-21, 2024	The Asana Club hosted a three-day workshop aimed at promoting fitness and wellness among students. The event included fitness, yoga, and Zumba sessions, providing an opportunity for students to engage in physical activities and learn the importance of a healthy lifestyle. The event was open to all students, fostering inclusivity and community engagement.	
Nukkad Naatak Day	Nov 21, 2024	Nukkad Naatak on Drug Awareness, organized by Spotlit Club, was conducted as part of an ongoing campaign to inform against the dangers of drugs and substances. The highlight was the actors' portrayals of real day-to-day scenarios where it was showcased just how easy it is for everyday students to fall into the trap of drugs, and how even one wrong step can lead to massive failures and dangers.	
Cyber frauds & Cyber crimes	Jan 23,2025	Awareness Programme on Cyber Frauds & Cyber Crimes	 <p data-bbox="1203 1944 1406 2007">23-Jan-2025 16:53:20 IFHE Telangana</p>

<p>Bamboo workshop and exhibition</p>	<p>Nov 5-7, 2024</p>	<p>Three-day workshop on Making Bamboo Furniture and Artefacts was held at the IFHE Hyderabad campus. The workshop aimed to teach students about sustainable design practices through hands-on experience. Over the three days, students worked with bamboo, learning to create eco-friendly furniture and decorative items. This event helped students gain valuable skills while promoting the use of sustainable materials in design.</p>	
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Anti-Ragging Awareness Programme	Aug 12, 2024	Cultural Club - FOL	400	
Know Your Rights	Aug 14-15,2024	The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School,IFHE	25	
World Wildlife Week (essay writing, extempore, poster making, photography)	Oct 7-8, 2024	GAIA Club ICFAI Law school	—	Extempore 1 st - Varun Chakilam 2 nd - Nyayapath i Bhanu Teja 3 rd - Anantha Krishna Athreya Poster making 1 st – Megha kumari 2 nd – himaja Malka 3 th - Suryanjali PHOTOGRAPHY 1 st - Md Ahsan Khan 2 nd - Adib a Sulta na 3 rd - N. Aruna Priya Essay writing 1 st - Khushubu sharma 2 nd – Rusheetulya 3 rd - MD AHSAN KHA N
Environmental awareness Programme at ZPHS Government school in Shankarapally	Nov 16, 2024	GAIA Club ICFAI Law school	25 students	
Drug-Free Campus Awareness Programme	Nov 20,2024	Cultural Club- FOL	300	

<p>Anti-Ragging Awareness Programme</p>	 
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Know Your Rights



Speed Mentoring on Child Trafficking in ZPHS Janwada



Street play on Drug Abuse and Alcoholism in Gopularam Village



CSR club	Engaging in community service and impactful initiatives.	Dr. Sudindra VR and Dr. Poornima Josh
Environment club	Promoting sustainability and environmental advocacy through innovative projects and campaigns.	Dr. Geetha V Sharma
Yoga & Meditation Club	Promoting mental well-being and holistic health through regular yoga sessions, mindfulness practices, and guided meditations to foster inner balance and stress management among students.	Dr. Sofi Dinesh

Mr. Sanjib Dutta	FDP	Dec 17,2024	Dec 17,2024	One-day FDP on Case Writing at National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE)	15	–
Dr. M Srinivasa Reddy and Sarit Chanda	ATAL FDP	Jan 20, 2024	Jan 25, 2024	Resilient Infrastructure for disaster Preparedness and Recovery	102	In Collaboration with Indian Building Congress

Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty	Chairman and Founder of Narayana Health	Sep 19, 2024	IFHE's 14th Foundation Day Lecture - Transforming Healthcare through Digital Health	320
Dr. Sriram Birudavolu	CEO, Cyber Security Centre of Excellence, Data Security Council of India, Hyderabad	Nov 21,2024	Cyber Security Laws and Regulations: Issues and Challenges	75
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MoU signed with William & Mary Law School and Widener University- Delaware Law School

ICFAI Law School, a constituent unit of The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad, signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with two leading US Law Schools- William & Mary Law School and Widener University- Delaware Law School during the International Academic Leaders Meet held on 4th September, 2024 at the ICFAI Campus, Hyderabad. The MoU will explore mutually beneficial academic and research activities like Students exchange, Faculty Exchange and Joint Research Collaborations.

The MOUs on behalf of the two US Universities were signed by Prof Eileen Greena , Assistant Dean of Widener University- Delaware Law School and Prof Catherine E Stahl, Director, LLM Programs, William & Mary Law School .

International Academic Leaders from the reputed Law Schools like Texas A&M School of Law, University of New Hampshire -Franklin Pierce School of Law, William & Mary Law School, Widener University- Delaware Law School, Tilburg Law School, SOAS London and Georgetown Law participated in the event . The visiting international guests had an engaging session with the students and were impressed with their knowledge and curiosity to learn new things.

Dr.K.Hariharan , Associate Professor welcomed the guests and briefed about the ambitious plans of ICFAI Law School to be a globally renowned institution. Addressing the participants, Prof. L.S. Ganesh, Vice Chancellor, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, emphasised the need for synergy between global and Indian Higher Educational Institutions, especially in the era of waning geo physical boundaries, with the advent of technology. He also highlighted the importance of the deep dive approach in building mutually beneficial associations, covering academics and research so that students as well as faculty members of both the intuitions are benefited.

Dr. P. Ravisekhararaju, Director of the ICFAI Law School highlighted that the collaboration with the reputed US Law Schools is a step towards internationalisation of Legal Education, thereby opening up a plethora of opportunities for all the academic stakeholders, which eventually will benefit the students' community. Prof. Y.Pratap Reddy, Dean, Prof. Akbar Khan and other faculty members, students and guests participated in the event.

The ICFAI Law School is a significant segment of the ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Declared as a Deemed-to-be University established under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956. Established in the year 2010, the Law School has successfully completed a decade in professional teaching. It offers BBA LL.B (Hons) BA LL.B (Hons) five year integrated courses and two year LLM courses recognised by the Bar Council of India. It also offers PhD Program in Law and Certificate Programs.

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The agreements were signed during International Academic Leaders Meet held on September 4 at ICAFI Campus in Hyderabad.

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ఉన్నత భారత్ అభియాన్ కార్యక్రమంలో భాగంగా తీసుకున్న ఇక్కాయి యూనివర్సిటీ

విశాఖ, శంకర్ పల్లి: ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలల్లో చదివే నిరుపేద విద్యార్థులకు విశ్వవిద్యాలయం తరఫున సామాజిక కార్యక్రమాలను నిర్వహిస్తున్నట్లు దౌతాస్పల్లి ఇక్కాయి విశ్వవిద్యాలయం రిజిస్ట్రార్ డాక్టర్ విజయలక్ష్మి పేర్కొన్నారు. రంగారెడ్డి జిల్లా చేపల్లె నియోజకవర్గం శంకర్ పల్లి మండలం దౌతాస్పల్లి వద్ద గల ఇక్కాయి విశ్వవిద్యాలయం ఆవరణలో భారత ప్రభుత్వ మానవ వనరుల అభివృద్ధి మంత్రిత్వ శాఖ ప్రారంభించిన ఉన్నత భారత అభియాన్ కార్యక్రమంలో భాగంగా ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలలను దత్తత తీసుకున్నారు. శంకర్ పల్లి మండలంలోని ఆరు ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలలు దత్తత తీసుకోగా.. పాఠశాల విద్యార్థులకు సుమారు 300 మంది విద్యార్థులకు ఆదివారం నాటు వృక్షకాలు పంపిణీ

చేశారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా విశ్వవిద్యాలయం రిజిస్ట్రార్ డాక్టర్ విజయలక్ష్మి మాట్లాడుతూ.. మారుతున్న కాలానికి అనుగుణంగా నూతన సాంకేతిక ఆవిష్కరణలను గ్రామీణ ప్రాంత విద్యార్థులకు పాఠశాల స్థాయి నుంచి అందించేందుకు ఉన్నత భారత్ అభియాన్ కార్యక్రమం ఎంతో దోహదం చేస్తుందని పేర్కొన్నారు. నూతన ఆవిష్కరణల ద్వారా గ్రామీణ ప్రజల జీవన ప్రమాణాలను మెరుగుపరిచే ఉద్దేశంతో ఈ కార్యక్రమాన్ని కొనసాగిస్తున్నట్లు తెలిపారు. మండలంలోని మహారాజ్ జేట్, దౌతాస్పల్లి, గోపలూరం మోకిలా, పొద్దుటూరు, టంగుటూరు తదితర గ్రామాల్లో పలు కార్యక్రమాలను చేపట్టనున్నట్లు తెలిపారు. తమ కళా కాలలోని కొంతమంది అధ్యాపకులు ఒక బృందంగా ఏర్పడి కార్యక్రమాల



మాట్లాడుతున్న విశ్వ విద్యాలయం రిజిస్ట్రార్ డాక్టర్ విజయలక్ష్మి

ను ముందుకు కొనసాగిస్తారని తెలిపారు. అందుకు ప్రజలు, విద్యార్థులు, తల్లిదండ్రులు, ఉపాధ్యాయులు సహకరించాలని ఆమె విజ్ఞప్తి చేశారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో మహారాజ్ జేట్ జిల్లా పరిషత్ ఉన్నత పాఠశాల ప్రధానోపా

ధ్యాయుడు అంజయ్య, మాజీ సర్పంచ్ దోసాడ సరసింహారెడ్డి, మాజీ వార్డ్ మేంబర్ బద్రి శ్రీకాంత్, మహిళా స్వయం సహాయక సంఘం అధ్యక్షులు పద్మ, ఉపాధ్యాయులు విద్యార్థులు గ్రామ ప్రజలు పాల్గొన్నారు.

India's SDG focus and its human development issues

In September 9-10, 2023, New Delhi hosted the G-20 Summit, which resolved to accelerate the full and effective implementation of the UN Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development. On September 18-19, 2023, an "SDG Summit" was convened at the United Nations headquarters to follow up and review the implementation of the Agenda and the progress of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). A "Summit of the Future" took place on September 22-23, 2024, at the UN headquarters to build upon the SDG Summit 2023 and its commitments by member nations.

In this context, examining India's progress in human development since 1990, based on the UNDP's latest Human Development Report (HDR), is valid. As said by Nobel laureate Amartya Sen in his book, *Development as Freedom*, 'development is a process of expanding the real freedoms that people enjoy'. In his 'capability approach', the basic concern of human development is 'our capability to lead the kind of lives we have reason to value'. Freedom from hunger and ill-health on the one hand and gender and income equality, and access to quality education on the other hand lead to the achievement of human development, and, consequently, to sustainable development.

Development and the SDGs

The Human Development Index (HDI) developed by the UNDP has three dimensions: long and healthy life (measured by life expectancy at birth); knowledge (expected years of schooling and mean years of schooling), and a decent standard of living (income per capita). All the three dimensions are much related to some of the key SDGs: SDG-3 (good health); SDG-4 (quality education); SDG-5 (gender equality); SDG-8 (decent work) and SDG-10 (reduced inequality). Clearly, countries aspiring to achieve sustainable



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Countries that aspire to achieve sustainable development need to take steps to boost human development

development need to take appropriate measures to boost human development.

The HDR 2023-24 places India in the 'medium human development category' with a human development index (HDI) value of 0.644. India ranks 134 out of 193 countries. The HDI value was stagnant in 2019-20, at 0.638, and fell to 0.633 in 2021. It improved to 0.644 in 2022. In this report, some of India's neighbouring countries have better HDI ranks – Malaysia (63); Thailand (66); China (75); Sri Lanka (78); Indonesia (112); Bhutan (125), and Bangladesh (129).

The HDR also presents interpolated consistent data which can be used to compare HDI values across years and countries. India saw its HDI value increase by 48.4%, from 0.434 in 1990 to 0.644 in 2022. As for HDI rankings, during 2015-2022, India improved by four ranks, while neighbouring countries such as Bangladesh and Bhutan improved by 12 and 10 ranks, respectively. China improved by 18 ranks. India's human development initiatives lagged behind during 2015-22. One of the reasons for the slow growth is the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on dimensions of human development such as education and income.

Gender gaps

The HDR also presents the Gender Development Index (GDI) for 193 countries. It measures disparities in human development by gender. The report contains HDI values estimated separately for women and men, the ratio of which is the GDI value. The closer the ratio is to one, the lesser the gap there is between women and men.

Among the 42 'medium human development countries' to which India belongs, there are only seven with low equality in HDI achievements between women and men. These countries, with absolute deviation from gender parity of more than 10%, are India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Uganda,

Morocco, the Syrian Arab Republic, and Kiribati.

India has one of the largest gender gaps in the Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) a 47.8 percent points difference between women (28.3%) and men (76.1%). Female labour force participation rate in India is very low when compared to many countries, more so when one compares it with India's neighbouring countries where in China it is 53.6 %, Bhutan 53.5 %, and Bangladesh 39.2%.

In the latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) -2022-23, published by the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation, around 37% females of working age (15 years and above) were in the labour force in 2022-23; it was 23.3% in 2017-18. However, there is a huge gap in female labour force participation in rural and urban areas. While the female labour force participation rate in rural areas increased from 24.6% in 2017-18 to 41.5% in 2022-23, there is only a marginal increase in urban areas (from 20.4% to 25.4%). This is a matter of concern that requires further research and in-depth study aimed at feasible policy initiatives.

Income inequality

In addition to the gender gap in income, inequality of incomes is also on the rise. India is one of the countries where income shares held by the richest 1% is very high (21.7%) compared to Bangladesh (11.6%), China (15.7%), Bhutan (18.1%), and Nepal (9.7%). Income inequality in India is also higher than the world average of 17.5% and the South Asia average of 19.6%. Most importantly, income inequality is also higher than other regional groups such as East Asia and the Pacific (16.5%) and Europe and Central Asia (15.7%).

India needs to address these gender development issues and increasing inequality in order to achieve the SDGs.

Type of Activity	Title of activity	Coordinator	Date/Time Held	Mode	No. of Participants
Training programme for Indian Forest Service Officers	Intellectual Property Rights, Certification, and WTO Accountability: Scope of Patentability	D.V.N Murty	December 18-22, 2023	Offline	6
Three-day workshop for IFS officers	Safe Workplaces- Fundamental understanding of POSH Act, Gender Sensitisation, Legal Framework, Policies and Process	D.V.N Murty	May 6-8, 2024	Offline	20

ICFAI Tech organizes Workshop on Climate Change and Awareness



ICFAI Tech, Hyderabad in collaboration with Paritantra, its official Environmental Club, hosted a day-long workshop on "Climate Change and Awareness" at the ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education campus on 7th January 2025. The workshop aimed to educate participants about the urgent global challenges of climate change.



Mr. Rituraj Phukan, Director, Human Climate Interaction Initiative, provided a comprehensive overview of climate change, its global and national impacts, and the urgent need for decarbonization efforts in alignment with international agreements like the Paris Accord. His talk underscored the importance of immediate and collective action to mitigate climate challenges.

Addressing South Asia's escalating water crisis, Mr. Karunakar Reddy, Founder and CMD of SMAAT India Pvt. Ltd., and Chief Editor of IMO, delved into the socio-economic implications of water scarcity and offered sustainable management strategies. His inspiring commitment to nurturing a plant for 1,000 days served as a call for personal responsibility in environmental conservation.



Dr. Soumitra Das, Chairman and Executive Director of the Human Climate Interaction Initiative, delivered thought-provoking talk on understanding climate change and innovative climate interventions. He discussed cutting-edge solutions, including reflective materials and stratospheric aerosol injection, stressing the importance of technological advancements and collaboration in combating climate issues. The workshop also featured interactive group discussions where participants brainstormed practical solutions to real-world climate challenges.

Prof L S Ganesh, Vice-Chancellor of ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education in his opening remarks, emphasized the critical role of academic institutions in driving environmental consciousness. Prof.S. Vijaya Lakshmi, Registrar discussed about the climate change in day-to-day scenario. Dr K L Narayana, Director of ICFAI Tech, highlighted the university's commitment to sustainability and its vision for empowering future generations.

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