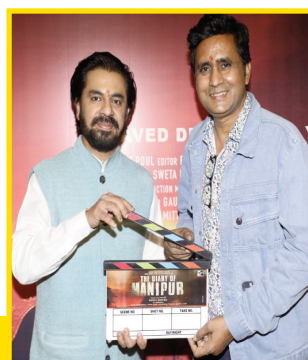


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SPSU Embarks on Global Excellence Journey with QS I-GAUGE

Udaipur: Sir Padampat Singhania University (SPSU), committed to academic excellence and holistic development, has announced its collaboration with QS I-GAUGE, a nationally recognized evaluation agency for academic and institutional performance. The announcement was made at SPSU's city office on the ground floor of Lake City Mall, in the presence of SPSU

President and Vice-Chancellor Prof. Prithvi Yadav, QS I-GAUGE Managing Director Mr. Ravin Nair, Associate Director Mr. Cyril Benz, and Client Relations Associate Director Ms. Sejal S. Jodhvat. SPSU is the first university in Udaipur to undertake this initiative.

This partnership aligns with SPSU's commitment to achieving international standards in

education, research, and innovation. Through QS I-GAUGE's evidence-based methodology, which analyzes over 100 indicators across teaching, research, innovation, and student support, SPSU aims to identify its strengths and areas needing improvement. Visionary Leadership and Commitment to Excellence

Expressing his delight, Prof.

Prithvi Yadav said, "Joining the QS rating framework is a step toward empowering future leaders.

It is also a natural extension of our vision to make SPSU a global hub for education. This journey reflects our unwavering dedication to academic and research excellence and underscores our proactive approach to enhancing the educational ecosystem. The insights gained through this evaluation will drive institutional improvements and holistic progress in all domains."

Benefits for Students and Institutional Growth
Prof. Yadav emphasized

that the QS I-GAUGE rating will serve as a valuable resource for students by showcasing the university's reputation for quality and competitiveness, helping them make informed academic decisions. Insights from QS I-GAUGE Leadership

Mr. Ravin Nair, Managing Director of QS I-GAUGE, highlighted, "QS I-GAUGE is a leading rating agency dedicated to evaluating and benchmarking academic institutions across India. By adhering to global standards, we enable institutions to enhance their quality, visibility, and competitiveness. Our engagement with SPSU reflects our shared

commitment to advancing educational quality. The QS I-GAUGE rating process empowers institutions to identify their strengths and areas for improvement while acting as a powerful tool for students." He further added, "Our data-driven insights reveal each institution's unique attributes, enabling students to make decisions based on what matters most—whether it is program quality, faculty expertise, or campus facilities.

It is important to note that our ratings are not designed for direct comparisons but to highlight institutional strengths and opportunities for growth. I congratulate SPSU on adopt-

ing this quality assessment, reflecting their commitment to providing quality education to their students."

Ms. Sejal S. Jodhvat, Associate Director of Client Relations at QS I-GAUGE, noted that "Benchmarking excellence fosters a culture of continuous improvement. Our collaboration with SPSU is poised to deliver transformational outcomes by combining global standards with local priorities, promoting transparency and accountability, and driving continuous progress in rankings and academic excellence." A Landmark Decision for SPSU

SPSU's decision to undergo quality assessment highlights its commitment to aligning with national standards and fostering a culture of excellence.

This initiative is seamlessly aligned with the university's long-term vision to emerge as a leader in India's higher education landscape.

By partnering with QS I-GAUGE, SPSU marks a decisive moment in its journey toward academic and institutional excellence, reaffirming its dedication to delivering world-class educational experiences and setting benchmarks for quality in higher education.

Shilpgram Festival 2024: A Celebration of Art and Culture

The much-awaited Shilpgram Festival is set to commence on December 21, 2024, promising a grand celebration of art, culture, and heritage. Organized by West Zone Cultural Centre, Udaipur, this festival will showcase the rich diversity of India's traditional crafts, music, and dance.

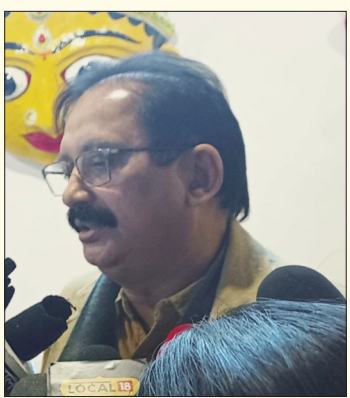
This year, the event will feature over 800 talented artists from 20 states across the country.

Visitors can explore a vibrant display of hand-crafted products, experience traditional performances, and indulge in regional cuisines. The festival serves as a platform to support artisans, offering them an opportunity to exhibit and sell their creations.

One of the key highlights will be the prestigious Komal Kothari Award ceremony, honoring individuals who have made significant contributions to the preservation of Indian folk arts. Additionally, the festival will include captivating live performances, workshops, and interactive sessions with artisans and performers.

Shilpgram Festival is more than just an event; it is a celebration of India's cultural unity and artistic brilliance. Whether you are an art enthusiast or someone looking to explore the beauty of Indian traditions, this festival is a must-visit. Mark your calendars and join the festivities at Shilpgram, Udaipur, from December 21 onwards!

- Mohisina Banoo



Udaipur Bar Association Presidential Candidates Present Their Agendas

"High Court Bench Must Become a Public Movement" – Satyendra Singh Sankhla



Satyendra Singh Sankhla emphasized the pressing need to transform the demand for a High Court bench in Udaipur into a mass movement. According to him, achieving this goal requires collective efforts

from both lawyers and the general public. He urged everyone to unite and raise their voices to ensure that Udaipur gets its long-awaited High Court bench, which would bring justice closer to the people of the region.

"Enhanced Facilities Needed for Women, Young, and Senior Lawyers" – Chandrabhan



Chandrabhan highlighted the necessity of improving infrastructure and facilities within the court premises to cater to the needs of women, young, and senior lawyers. He promised to prioritize the development of a supportive and efficient work environment, ensuring better resources and opportunities for all legal professionals. His agenda focuses on creating a modern and inclusive court infrastructure.

"Advocate Protection Act Will Be My Priority" – Shiv Ji

Shiv Ji pledged to work towards the implementation of the Advocate Protection Act if elected. He stressed the importance of ensuring the safety and security of lawyers, who often face various threats in the course of their duties. Shiv



Ji assured the legal fraternity that he would advocate for their rights and take firm steps to guarantee their protection.

"Lack of Political Willpower for High Court Bench" – Sandeep Shrimali

Sandeep Shrimali pointed out the absence of political

determination as the primary obstacle in establishing a High Court bench in Udaipur. He criticized the reluctance of political leaders to address this crucial issue and vowed to push for concrete actions. Shrimali expressed his commitment to working alongside the legal community to bring this long-pending demand to fruition.



Candidates Focus on Key Issues for Udaipur Bar

The Udaipur Bar Association presidential election has seen four prominent candidates—Satyendra Singh Sankhla, Chandrabhan, Shiv Ji, and Sandeep Shrimali—presenting their detailed agendas. Each candidate has vowed to address pressing issues faced by the legal fraternity, ranging from infrastructure improvements and lawyer safety to the establishment of the High Court bench in Udaipur.

Elections

Their agendas reflect a strong commitment to uplifting the legal profession and ensuring justice and equality within the court system. This election is expected to be a defining moment for the Udaipur Bar Association, as the candidates' promises resonate with the hopes and aspirations of lawyers across the region.

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Professor Sharma Re-Elected UNESCO Chairperson

Udaipur: Professor Bhagwati Prakash Sharma of Pacific University has been re-elected as Chairperson of UNESCO's MGIEP for 2025-2026. During the December 5-6 Governing Board meeting, delegates from countries like the U.S., Japan, and Sri Lanka unanimously supported his reappointment. The meeting approved the institute's annual work plan and budget, with Professor Sharma emphasizing strategic planning and enhanced coordination with UNESCO Headquarters.

MGIEP, a "Category A" institute, focuses on education in kindness, biodiversity, and sustainable development. Last year, it trained over 230,000 learners. His re-election underscores global trust in his vision for peace and education.

Adani Family's Grand Pre-Wedding Festivities in Udaipur

The Adani family is gearing up for Jeet Adani's pre-wedding celebrations in Udaipur, scheduled for 10th and 11th December. Luxury hotels, including Lake Palace, Leela Palace, and Udaivilas, have been reserved for the grand occasion, hosting the families and distinguished guests of Jeet and his fiancée, Diva Jaimin Shah, daughter of a prominent diamond merchant. Following his brother's birthday celebration in Jodhpur, Gautam Adani has been actively overseeing these preparations. The family previously visited Udaipur to finalize arrangements, reflecting their connection with the city known for lavish events.

This month, Udaipur will also host badminton star PV Sindhu's wedding on 22nd December, adding to its reputation as a premier destination for grand celebrations. With these star-studded events, Rajasthan continues to shine as a hub of opulence and cultural heritage, offering an unmatched backdrop for extravagant weddings. Independence and sustainable progress for society.

Dialysis Center Boosts Community Healthcare

Udaipur: Lions Club International President Fabricio Oliveira, along with his wife Emariilas Oliveira, will inaugurate Rajasthan's first Lions-operated dialysis center on December 11. The state-of-the-art facility at Lions Bhavan, Hiran Magri Sector 4, built for ₹80 lakh, is equipped with six advanced dialysis machines and will provide free services to underprivileged and BPL kidney patients.

The project, supported by the Lions Club International Foundation, Pacific College and Hospital, and 25 local donors, is managed by Pacific Medical College and Hospital, with care led by Dr. Ashutosh Soni's team. On December 11, an honor ceremony at Hotel Ramada Encore will recognize donors and members. President Oliveira will also meet Lions leaders and visit City Palace on December 12, before departing for Bengaluru on December 13. This initiative exemplifies Lions Club's commitment to grassroots service and healthcare innovation.

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar's Village to Become a Cleanliness Role Model

Kithana Village, the birthplace of Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, is set to become

a cleanliness role model for the nation. The village, part of the Shekhawati region, will soon be recognized for its commitment to cleanliness and environmental preservation.

KK Gupta, the State Coordinator for the Swachh Bharat Mission Gramin, visited Kithana and pledged to make it the cleanest village in India. During his visit, villagers raised concerns about cow dung accumulation due to the large number of livestock, which causes unhygienic conditions.

Gupta suggested installing biogas plants in every household to eliminate the piles of dung, provide organic fertilizer, and generate cooking gas at no extra cost, as these plants are subsidized.

Gupta also encouraged villagers to plant two trees outside each home and take responsibility for maintaining them. He assured that regular visits would be made to ensure Kithana's development as a cleanliness role model.

The ongoing cleanliness initiatives in the village, including waste collection and efforts to eliminate plastic, were praised. KK Gupta also emphasized the importance of managing plastic waste to prevent harm to animals and the environment. His role as a legal friend for local municipalities also helps ensure regular cleanliness reviews.

- Niti Goipendra Bhatt

DMFT Spends ₹296 Crore on 1468 Projects in Udaipur, Dungarpur, and Pratapgarh Districts

Udaipur: Under the Prime Minister's Mineral Area Welfare Scheme (PMKKKY), the District Mineral Foundation Trust (DMFT) has approved 1468 projects in Udaipur, Dungarpur, and Pratapgarh districts of Rajasthan, with a total expenditure of ₹296 crore by September. The information was provided by Union Minister of Coal and Mines, Shri G. Kishan Reddy, in response to a question raised by Udaipur MP Mannalal Ravat in Parliament.

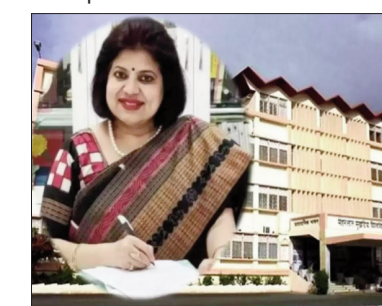
In his inquiry, MP Ravat asked whether the PMKKKY was being implemented in Rajasthan, specifically in the districts of Udaipur, Salumber, Dungarpur, and Pratapgarh. He also sought details about the funds allocated to Rajasthan and the district-wise expenditure over the past three years, including the current year.

In response, the Ministry of Coal and Mines stated that District Mineral Foundation Trusts (DMFT) have been established in 33 districts across Rajasthan, including Udaipur, Dungarpur, and Pratapgarh. While a separate DMFT for Salumber is not yet set up, it is currently managed under Udaipur's DMFT. The DMFT is financed through the statutory contributions from mining leaseholders, with no budgetary allocations from the central or state governments. In the last three years and the current year, 3173 projects were approved under PMKKKY, with 1468 completed, costing ₹296.5 crore.

- Prakesh Sharma

Visionary MLSU Board Meeting Led by Prof. Sunita Mishra

Udaipur: A transformative meeting of the Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU) Board of Management was held under the chairmanship of Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sunita Mishra on Tuesday. The meeting focused on progressive reforms in academic recruitment, administrative infrastructure, and operational policies.



Discussions included the long-pending Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) for faculty promotions. However, sealed envelopes containing promotion details could not be opened, as Financial Controller Seema Yadav emphasized the need for thorough document verification per government guidelines. A month-long deadline was set to complete the process, with a follow-up meeting scheduled. Approval was granted for the recruitment of 88 new academic positions, contingent on financial clearance from the government. Furthermore, employees under the Self-Finance Board will now be appointed and compensated under the RTPP Act, effective January.

The board also sanctioned the construction of a state-of-the-art administrative complex, including a multi-purpose examination hall and new buildings for the Food & Nutrition Department, Law College, and Engineering College.

While significant strides were made in academic and administrative domains, concerns arose as student-centric issues remained unaddressed. Participants, including lawmakers and senior faculty, expressed optimism for these forward-looking initiatives to shape MLSU's future.

The meeting underscored the university's commitment to excellence and growth while highlighting the need for a balanced focus on student welfare.

- Shabnam Bano