

## International Conference on AI, Blockchain and Sustainable Development at SPSU



Sir Padampat Singhania University, Udaipur organised an International Conference on 'Navigating the future, AI, Blockchain and Sustainable Development in the G20 world' on April 19 – 20, 2024. It centered on exploring the potential synergies between AI and

blockchain, their impact on industries and economies, and their role in advancing sustainable development goals.

The conference was inaugurated by the Guest of Honours Mr. Ajay Kumar Saraogi, Deputy Managing Director and CFO JK Cement

and Prof. (Dr.) Narendra Singh Rathore, Campus Director, Geetanjali Institute of Technical Studies, Udaipur. Prof. (Dr.) Prithvi Yadav, the Honourable Vice Chancellor and President, SPSU, in his inaugural speech, highlighting the SDGs emphasized on the collaboration

between technology, sustainability, and global governance for advancing human progress. Dr. N S Rathore reflected on the transformative potential of technology and called on the ethical considerations surrounding AI. Col. (Dr.) Sanjay Sinha, Vice President & Head of Education, Education Vertical - JK Cement, highlighted how AI, blockchain, and cloud computing are driving social and economic development in our nation. The abstract book 'The Essence' was released by the Dignitaries during the inaugural ceremony.

The keynote speakers from USA, Japan, Singapore, Taiwan, NITI Aayog, Qatar,

Thailand, Vietnam, USA contributed their insights on global challenges and collaborative futures. The distinguished speakers Prof. Sivaneesan Bala Krishnan, Singapore Institute of Technology, Mr. Shubham Chatterjee, Head of Education & Academia, SAS India, and Mr. Pankaj Kumar Diwan, Founder and MD, Idealabs, Hyderabad emphasized the imperative of technological integration for sustainable progress and amelioration, resonating deeply with the collective vision for a brighter future.

Over 80 paper presentations from esteemed institutions across the country discussed the integration of AI and

blockchain technologies, economic impacts, role in global sustainable development. The conference resulted in a MoU with Idealabs Future Tech Ventures, Hyderabad for setting up 'Start-up Studio and Incubation Centre' and research collaboration with Singapore Institute of Technology.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Sadananda Prusty, Dean, School of Management acknowledging the collective efforts that led to conference's success. Dr. Prasun Chakrabarti and Dr. Shweta Lalwani were the Conference Co-Chair and Convenor for the conference.

## Workshop on Medical Education Technologies Commences at PMCH

Udaipur: A workshop on Medical Education Technologies for medical educators (fundamental courses in medical education) commenced today at Pacific Medical College and Hospital, Bedla.

The inauguration of this workshop, which will run from April 29th to May 1st, 2024, under the supervision of the National Medical Commission's observer, Dr. Medha Mathur, Associate Professor, Community Medicine, Geetanjali Medical College, was done by the President of PMCH, Dr. M.M. Mangal.



Dr. Gaurav Vadhvani, Coordinator of the Surgery Department, explained that in this workshop, lectures on the nuances of medical education were delivered by the faculty of PMCH. Thirty participants (members of the faculty) are participating in this workshop.

The objective of the workshop was to train the faculty members to teach medical students according to the new competency-based medical education curriculum and to prepare competent doctors who will be skilled and capable of serving our country in accordance with global standards.

## Neerja Modi Wins Gold in Kickboxing Championship

Udaipur: The Rajasthan Kickboxing Organization conducted the fourth district-level kickboxing competition, where students from Neerja Modi School showcased exceptional performances. Adarsh Nagda from class 12, Mandvi Chauhan from class 5, and Varsha Salvi from class 8 displayed their skills. Adarsh



Nagda and Mandvi Chauhan were awarded gold medals for their outstanding performances, while Varsha Salvi received a silver medal, honoring their emerging

talent and dedication. These participants mesmerized the audience with their skills and left a lasting impression. Dr. Mahendra Sojatia, the school's chairman, praised the participants and wished them success in their future endeavors, encouraging them to continue representing themselves and the school with distinction. He emphasized that alongside academic education, active participation in sports could lead to a bright future.

Director Sakshi Sojatia also congratulated the children for their success, encouraging them to maintain their interest in sports and continue practicing. She highlighted that sports not only teach us discipline and patience but also how to perform tasks with skill and efficiency.

## Tragedy Strikes Kota as NEET Aspirant from Rohtak Ends Life in Coaching Hostel

**Kota (KD Abbasi):** A pall of gloom descended upon Kota as a medical entrance exam aspirant from Rohtak, Haryana, took his own life in his hostel room while preparing for the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET UG 2024) at a prominent coaching center in the city's Kunhari Thana area. The tragic incident has sparked allegations of negligence against the hostel and coaching institute authorities.

The deceased student, who had been residing in Kota for the past year to prepare for the

competitive exam, was found hanging in his hostel room. Upon receiving information about the incident, the police rushed to the scene and initiated an investigation.

The student's body was taken into custody and kept at the mortuary of the MBBS Hospital. His family members arrived in Kota today, following which a post-mortem examination was conducted.

Mr. Rajesh Kumar Soni, Deputy Superintendent of Police, revealed that the incident occurred around 10:30 PM on Sunday. Shockingly, the

student's room did not have an anti-hanging device installed, despite mandatory directives issued to all PGs and hostel administrators to ensure their installation. Out of the 12 rooms in the hostel, only 10 were equipped with the safety device, with the student's room being among the exceptions.

The father of the deceased, who runs a fabrication business, expressed profound grief upon his arrival in Kota and lamented the loss of his son. According to him, the student had shown no signs of distress



and had been in high spirits in the days leading up to the incident. He stressed that there was

no pressure on his son and reiterated his advice to remain stress-free and focus on the exam.

However, the deceased student's uncle raised suspicions about the nature of the incident, alleging foul play. He pointed out visible injuries on the student's body, including redness and a deep cut on the neck caused by the rope used in the hanging. He questioned how a fall from a stool of one and a half to two feet could result in such severe neck injuries.

Demanding a thorough

investigation into the matter, the uncle emphasized the need for an SIT probe, expressing skepticism about the suicide theory and suggesting the possibility of murder.

He called attention to the emotional trauma inflicted upon families when they entrust their children to institutions in Kota and urged the administration to act responsibly.

It's noteworthy that this incident marks the sixth suicide case in Kota this year, raising concerns about the well-being and safety of students in the coaching hub.



## Outstanding Performance by Udaipur Students in JEE (Main) 2024 Session 2 Results

Udaipur (Shabnam Banu): Leading educational service provider Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) proudly celebrates the exceptional achievement of its 20 students from Udaipur, who have scored above the 95th percentile in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main 2024 session 2.

6 students achieved above the 99th percentile, 9 students above the 98th percentile, and 29 students above the 90th percentile. Notable achievers include Deepash Tiwari, Samyag Kothari, Vedant Shemom, Prayag Kachhiya, Amrita Soni, and Prashant Suthar. Their success is attributed to the dedicated efforts of their teachers and support from AESL. Parameshwar Jha, Regional Director of AESL, congratulated the students, stating, "Their performance is a testament to the excellence of our coaching and innovative teaching methodologies. We take pride in our students' outstanding performance."

## Paras Health Launches Three Health Cards for the Convenience of Udaipur Residents

Udaipur: Paras Health has launched health cards aimed at providing comprehensive healthcare and affordable treatment to the residents of Udaipur. The health cards come in three categories: Privilege Card, Neighborhood Card, and School Card, ensuring access to health services for people at every level. These health cards, launched with core values like compassion, convenience, affordability, and excellence, aim to cater to the diverse healthcare needs of the community.

The launch event organized by Paras Health in Udaipur witnessed the presence of eminent personalities, including Dr. K.C. Jain, Senior Consultant Physician; Bhavar Seth, President of Maharana Pratap Senior Citizens Association; Dilip Singh Yadav, Director of Miranda School; Bhupendra Shrimalli, Sarpanch of Shobhagpura, and other local dignitaries. The program provided detailed information about the importance of health cards and offered appropriate guidance to the attendees. Dr. Abel George, Facility Director of Paras Health, Udaipur, highlighted that these health cards are designed considering the needs of people from all walks of life, ensuring prompt access to suitable and affordable treatment under one roof.

Addressing the audience, he emphasized that the aim of these health cards is to benefit people from all sections of society. While the Privilege Card will provide healthcare benefits to doctors and their families, the Neighborhood Card will extend these benefits to the heads of households and other family members. Additionally, the School Card has been launched to provide health benefits to schoolchildren, teachers, and parents, thereby catering to the healthcare needs of the entire school community.

## Orientation Program on 'Cultured Health Services and Medical Ethics'@PMCH



Udaipur: In a collaborative effort between Pacific Medical University, Pacific University, University Association of Indian Universities, and the State Institute of Medical Sciences, Greater K, a four-day orientation program on "Cultured Health Services and Medical Ethics" commenced today. Dr. M.M. Mangal, President of PMU, delivered a lecture on surgical ethics during the inaugural session. Dr. Mangal emphasized the importance of human values in a successful physician, stating that one's behavior reflects their character. He highlighted the significance of providing medical services to patients without harm and welcoming them warmly, resulting in more than half the battle won against illness. Furthermore, he stressed the necessity of conducting essential tests before opting for surgery in diseases that can be treated with medication. During the program, Dr. Atulabh Vajpayee, Professor and Head of the Department of Neuroscience, provided insights into spirituality based on neurological and scientific grounds. He explained how our emotional quotient (EQ) complements our intelligence quotient (IQ), setting the standard for mutually affectionate relationships. Dr. Vajpayee elucidated that EQ is controlled by the left brain while IQ is primarily influenced by the right brain. When both brains work in harmony, spiritual intelligence is developed, which signifies a form of heightened wisdom. He attributed the cultivation of spiritual intelligence to the practices of yoga, meditation, and pranayama. Ethics for paramedical personnel was discussed by Dr. Harish Kumawat and ethics in medical investigation by Dr. Ritu Bhatnagar. On the final day, April 25th, Dr. Pushpakant Shaktwipi will deliver a lecture on Human Resource Management and the Role of Emotional Intelligence in Managing Healthcare Services. Additionally, Dr. Jayanti Bhai Bhadesiya will present his inaugural address on Ancient Healthcare Systems as a distinguished speaker. This orientation program aims to enlighten participants on the significance of ethics and humanity in medical services, fostering a culture of compassion and integrity in healthcare practices.

## Triumph Unfolds: MPUAT Waves the Banner of Success for Third Consecutive Time

Udaipur: Madar and Hunadar villages, administered by the Badi Gaon Panchayat Samiti, have once again clinched the prestigious title of Smart Villages under MPUAT for the third consecutive time. This remarkable feat has earned accolades from the Governor and acknowledgment from the University's Chancellor, Dr. Ajeet Kumar Karnataka.

MPUAT's transformative endeavors have effectively metamorphosed these villages into Smart Villages, in alignment with the University's Social Responsibility initiative. A thorough review of the innovative initiatives and activities undertaken from January to March 2024 has garnered praise from the highest echelons of governance.

Dr. Ajeet Kumar Karnataka commended the various teams of MPUAT for their grassroots interventions, which have not only bolstered agriculture but also brought about significant socio-economic and educa-



tional transformations. Under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), projects exceeding Rs. 1.5 crore have been implemented, visibly enhancing the rural landscape.

Today, both villages celebrate every international day as a festival, symbolizing their changing fortunes. Both the Vice Chancellor and Governor have borne witness to the evolving face of these villages.

Dr. Karnataka highlighted the collaborative efforts between MPUAT and the villages, resulting in a plethora of skill training and integrated farming activities for livelihood

opportunities and economic empowerment.

The University's scientists and officers have inspected the implementation of action plans during 42 visits. Additionally, 36 one-day training sessions have benefited 2311 farmers and farmwomen. Dr. R. A. Kaushik, Director of Prasara, revealed the impact of MPUAT's collaboration with national agricultural programs, showcasing improved wheat varieties and vegetable production in exhibitions held on 6 farmers' fields. Afforestation initiatives, supported by Gram Panchayats and the Forest

Department, saw the planting of 175 trees of neem, karanj, jamun, subabul, and moringa. Veterinary camps vaccinated 360 animals and treated 590 sheep and goats. Medical camps treated 93 patients and provided free medicines. Notably, drones were used for nano-area application on wheat crops, demonstrating innovation in agricultural practices.

The presence of Vice Chancellor Dr. Ajeet Kumar, Dr. R. S. Rathore, Coordinator Smart Village, and fertilizer vendors' trainees marked the success of these initiatives.