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Governor

It gives me immense pleasure to learn that Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar is publishing its 47th Annual Report in which the University's year long achievements, programmes and significant academic and extra-curricular events from the year 2016 have been highlighted. I feel honoured to share that in 2016 the University has been declared one of top ranking institutions of the country by the National Institutional Ranking Framework of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India (GOI).

The University has been declared as "University with Potential for Excellence" and two "Centres of Potential for Excellence in Particular Areas" were sanctioned by UGC. It has received special grant from Department of Science and Technology, Government of India under the PURSE programme. The faculty of the University has been bringing laurels to the institution by publishing books and research articles in journals of national and international repute. They have also attained prominent grants and fellowships for excellent research work. Since the University vows to inculcate in students, higher objectives of the human race, like national harmony, communal righteousness, and secularism etc. , it is playing a very important social role by engaging students and faculty in various programmes like the "Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan" and "Open Houses" for the school students to familiarise with the University education system. More than six hundred and fifty students from the University and Regional Campuses have been recruited in internationally renowned Indian multinational IT companies.

My heartiest congratulations to the University on its achievements and best wishes for many more to come. I am sure that the 47th Annual Report will prove to be a useful document for evaluation, monitoring and documentation of the various programmes.

[V.P. Singh Badnore]

Message



Vice-Chancellor

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Guru Nanak Dev University — symbolizing humanism, tolerance, and rationalism — has shown marvellous progress and growth by keeping its commitment to impart quality education, research and training to its students. In 2016, the National Institutional Ranking Framework of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India (GOI) in its first ranking process has awarded 25th rank to Guru Nanak Dev University in the country amongst all universities and institutions (both Government and Private).

Unceasing efforts of the faculty and the grit and determination of students is playing a crucial role in shaping and ensuring that our students not only graduate with professional degrees but are also ready to face the challenges of the occupational world. As a research oriented institution, we aim to fortify and stimulate the vein for exploration to achieve global distinction and excellence.

On the academic front, the University is taking special measures to promote interdisciplinary studies, to disseminate advanced knowledge and scientific approach among students and also to familiarize them with the corporate world. Our teachers have published well in journals with high impact factors and have received several grants for their research work. University provides facilities to the national and international candidates to participate in its academic programmes, seminars, international conferences, public lectures and other extra-curricular activities. During this year, the faculty from varied departments attained prestigious projects from apex funding bodies like the DBT, CSIR, BARC, UGC, DST and other organizations worth crores of rupees. University continues to fascinate teachers from all over India to participate in its academic programmes like the General Orientation Courses, Refresher Courses, Workshops etc. Thirteen General Orientation Courses, Refresher Courses and Short Term Courses were successfully organised and completed under different faculties by UGC HRDC of the University. The intake of students in numerous courses at the University Campus, Regional Campuses and the Constituent Colleges has crossed twenty thousand.

In 2016, the University signed MoUs with various institutions. The objective of MoUs is to boost enhanced academic interaction and R&D collaboration amongst institutes of National repute. We have digitized almost all the technical processes of the University. The admission process and fee collection is completely online. Giani Joginder Singh Vedanti, former Jathedar, Sri Akal Takht Sahib, Dr. Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi and Prof. S.S. Johl, Chancellor, Central University of Bathinda delivered academic lectures on “Teachings of Guru Nanak and the present scenario of education” on the 47th Foundation Day of the University, 2016.

This Annual Report for 2016 is an evidence of the University's ceaseless labour to meet the goals stated in the Guru Nanak Dev University Act 1969. It could also be taken as a proof of all the accomplishments and of the promise of the staff and the students of University to achieve likewise success and excellence in every field in future as well.

[Jaspal Singh Sandhu]



Dean Academic Affairs

Since its inception in 1969, Guru Nanak Dev University has witnessed holistic development and has very deservedly achieved the status of University with Potential for Excellence in addition to excellent grading by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). It is very heartening to note that the synergistic of all stake holders of the University: academicians, employees, students etc. has contributed to the realization of the goals and expectation set forth in the Guru Nanak Dev University Act-1969, where the major emphasis was laid on teaching and research in learned professions including, but not limited to, sciences, applied science, humanities, life sciences, Art and social sciences, sports, economics, business, education, engineering and technology, religious studies and above all teaching of Guru Nanak Dev ji and promotion of Punjabi language. Guru Nanak Dev University has also played pivotal role in promoting education and upliftment of the underprivileged classes in the border belt adjoining Pakistan as well as other rural areas within its jurisdiction.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell has been working with all dedication to meet its objectives since November 2009. I am happy to learn that the Annual Report for 2016 is being released. I am confident that this annual report will be a useful treatise reflecting detailed account of activities of the teaching departments, academic set up of University as well as all institutions associated with Guru Nanak Dev University. I extend my best wishes to all members of Internal Quality Assurance Cell.

[Kamaljit Singh]

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Registrar

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Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar has made a mark not only at national level but also at international level on the basis of its achievements in the forty seven years of its glorious history. The University has achieved new heights in academics, sports and cultural activities. It has carved a niche for itself on the academic map of India and has now become an excellent centre of learning for students from rural, urban and border areas not only of the State of Punjab but also of neighbouring states. The University Grants Commission acknowledged our University's contribution in teaching and research in humanities and sciences by awarding the state of "University with Potential for Excellence". The University has been accredited with CGPA of 3.51 on a four point scale and awarded 'A++' Grade by NAAC on the basis of its academics, research, sports and cultural achievements.

The University provides pleasant, natural and a healthy learning ambience. Students get suitable and conducive academic atmosphere for their studies. We are always committed and dedicated towards maintaining the achieved standards.

Under the professional and competent leadership of our esteemed Vice-Chancellor, the University is doing its utmost to meet the expectations of the people and is committed to bring new innovations to further elevate the academic and research standards in the days to come.

[K.S. Kahlon]