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ICFAI UNIVERSITY, JHARKHAND LAUNCHES PhD PROGRAMME IN MANAGEMENT

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Today, the ICFAI University, Jharkhand (IUJ) launched its Ph.D. (Part time) in Management program at Faculty of Management Studies, Ashok Nagar campus in Ranchi.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. D.N. Ojha, Director (Higher Education), Dept. of HRD, Govt. of Jharkhand, Ranchi, Chief Guest for the inaugural function, emphasized the need for quality research work in management.

Welcoming the first batch of PhD Scholars, Prof. ORS Rao, Vice-Chancellor of the University, highlighted the need for speeding up pace of Research in management in India, as currently only about 700 PhD's are awarded annually by all Universities in India, put together and it is inadequate, considering the requirements of academics and industry. "At the same time, major shifts in economies and markets have taken place in the last decade, driven by factors like Mobility, Social Networking and ever increasing risks and hence there is demand more research, to address the opportunities and challenges", added Prof Rao. Highlighting the genesis of the part-time PhD program, Prof Rao explained that it was designed to encourage working professionals (from industry, banking, government, academics etc) to pursue research in contemporary areas.

Dr. K. K. Nag, Sr. Academic Advisor, FEDUNI and a Member of Research Advisory Council of the University, advised the PhD Scholars to select topics for research carefully and work passionately on the topics.

Outlining of the profile of the PhD scholars of first batch, Dr BM Singh, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies & Registrar mentioned that over 63% of the participants are from industry and the balance from academics. "While 18% are from Jharkhand, it is heartening to note that vast majority are from other states, which include West Bengal, Orissa, Delhi, Karnataka and Maharashtra", added Prof Singh. "The students have to appear for contact sessions for two weeks during the first semester at the University, wherein Course Work is covered. After successful completion of the same, the students can work on the Research Topic at their own pace. Besides the contact sessions, the university plans to leverage technology (like video conferencing, Tele conferencing etc) to interact with the PhD scholars, on a continuous basis", added Dr. Singh.

Prof AS Prasad, Dr SC Swain (co-ordinator for PhD program), Prof Priya Srivastava, Prof Rakesh Pathak, other faculty members, University officials and other invitees participated in the function.

About the ICFAI University Jharkhand:

The ICFAI University, Jharkhand (IUJ) belongs to the ICFAI University Group (IUG), which pioneered Higher Education in India. IUJ was established under ICFAI University Act, 2006 (Jharkhand Act 08, 2007), which was passed by the State Legislature of Jharkhand and was notified by Government of Jharkhand on 17th June 2008. The University was empowered by UGC vide its letter dated 1st Dec 2009 to award degrees under Section 22 of UGC Act, 1956.

IUJ offers a range of vocation oriented Under Graduate and Post Graduate programmes, which include B Tech, BBA, BCA, MBA and Ph.D. (Management). Besides excellent infrastructure like well furnished class rooms, laboratories, workshops and library, IUJ has well qualified and experienced faculty members. More details on IUJ can be found by visiting its website at www.iujharkhand.edu.in