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2023-24

University of Delhi

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University at Glance

No. of Faculties:	16
No. of Departments:	86
No. of Colleges:	91
No. of Centres:	21

NAAC Grade: A+
NIRF Rank: 11
QS World Rank: 407

No. of Programmes: ~500

Total number of students: ~7 lakhs

Undergraduates: 218803
Male: 97513
Female: 121290

Postgraduates: 34964
Male: 18096
Female: 16868

No. of students in Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board: 35375

No. of Students in School of Open Learning: 379659

No. of Research Papers Published:

h-index of the University: 280

No. of PhD. Awarded: 660

Total grants:

Total Expenditure:

Total Area: 415.96 Acres

Total built-up area: 105.58 Acres

ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR 2023-24

Notable Highlights of the Year 2023-24

The year 2023-24 has been eventful for the University of Delhi. It witnessed a splendid celebration of the Centennial year, which was studded with several memorable historic moments alongwith the launch of several flagship programmes and initiatives, which will have far reaching impact in the overall growth and development of the University. The strategic steps taken to improve quality of teaching-learning, encourage research publications in high impact journals, increase accessibility to education and recruitment of permanent faculty members in the mission mode has resulted in rise of the University's QS World Ranking by more than hundred positions.

Ranking

International Ranking

The University of Delhi ranked 407th in the QS World Universities Rankings 2024, improving tremendously compared to last year's ranking, which is ranked 521-530. It has been ranked 1st in India (out of 56 Institutions, including IITs) and 220th globally (out of 1,403 Institutions) in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings: Sustainability 2024, with an overall score of 73.4 out of 100. The University's QS World Sustainability ranking moved significantly from 381-400 rank last year to 220th rank globally this year. It is the only Indian Institution in the top 250 globally.

In the QS Asia University Rankings 2024, the University is ranked 94th. The University is ranked among the Top 11% in QS Asia University Rankings 2024. Of the nine indicators, the University has been ranked among 100 institutions globally in three indicators: 16th in Environmental Education, 66th in Environmental Sustainability, and 93rd in Knowledge Exchange. It has also performed significantly well in the Governance indicator, ranking 167th.The University has ranked 801-1000 in the Times Higher Education: World Universities Rankings 2024, improving tremendously compared to last year's ranking, which is ranked 1001-1200.
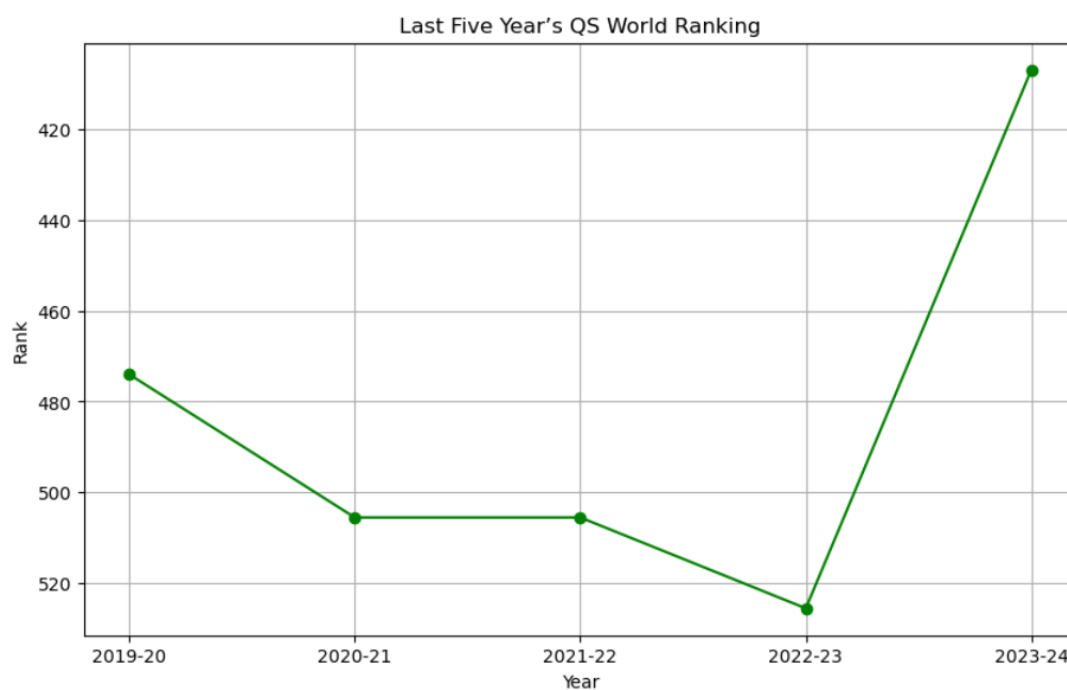
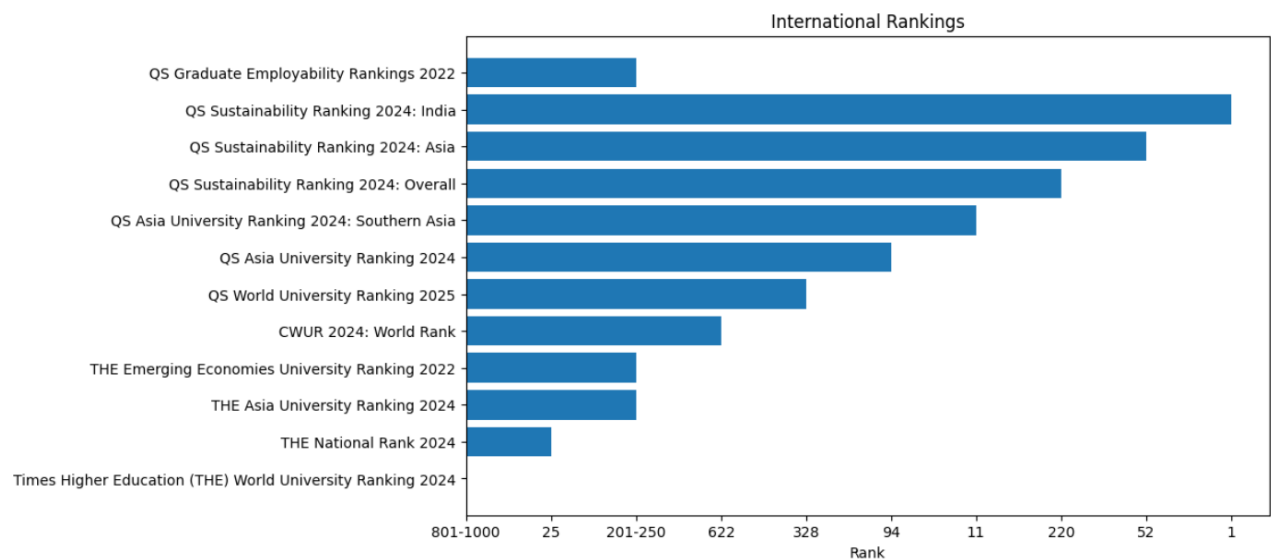**International Rank of the University for the year 2024 published in year 2023**

Ranking Name	Rank
Times Higher Education (THE) World University Ranking 2024	801-1000
THE National Rank 2024	25
THE Asia University Ranking 2024	201-250
CWUR 2024: World Rank	622
QS World University Ranking 2024	407
QS Asia University Ranking 2024	94
QS Asia University Ranking 2024: Southern Asia	11
QS Sustainability Ranking 2024: Overall	220

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QS Sustainability Ranking 2024: Asia	30
QS Sustainability Ranking 2024: India	1

QS World University Rankings by Subject for the year 2024	
Development Studies	43
Anthropology	51-100
Sociology	101-150
Modern Languages	101-150
English Language & Literature	101-150
Economics and Econometrics	151-200
Philosophy	151-200
Geography	151-200
History	151-200
Politics & International Studies	151-200
Business & Management Studies	201-250
Law	201-250
Statistics & Operational Research	201-250

Last Five Year's QS World Ranking

Last Five Year's QS World Ranking

International Rankings

National Ranking

The University of Delhi has improved its ranking in both the Universities Category and the Overall category in the NIRF Rankings 2023. In the Universities category, it has jumped from 13th position (score 58.66) to 11th position (score 61.45), and in the Overall category, from 23rd position (score 57.63) to 22nd position (score 60.24). The University has improved its performance in almost all the parameters, including teaching learning and resources (increase in score by 1.068), research and professional practice (increase in score by 0.447), graduation outcome (increase in score by 1.196), and outreach and inclusivity (increase in score by 0.51). **National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) – India Rankings for Universities**

Year	Rank
2019-20	13
2020-21	11
2021-22	12
2022-23	12
2023-24	11

Admission

The University achieved several milestones through its admission policies in the Academic Session 2023-24. In its efforts of "National Reach", the Admission Branch was successful in registering candidates from across the country, showcasing the University's widespread appeal to the diversity of the country. The achievements of the Admission Branch are provided as under

- A PG Merit Portal was launched and used for admitted candidates to Four Postgraduate Programs through the marks obtained in Undergraduate Level:
    i. M.A. Hindu Studies
    ii. M.A. Chinese
    iii. M.A. Korean
    iv. PG Diploma in Cyber Security and Law

- A platform for admitting students to the three newly started B.Tech. Programs was administrated. Through this platform students were admitted though the Ranks obtained through JEE.
    i. B.Tech. Computer Science Engineering
    ii. B.Tech. Electronics and Communication Engineering
    iii. B.Tech. Electrical Engineering
- Two Five-year Integrated Programs in Faculty of Law were also started this year, and the students were admitted through the merit scores obtained through CLAT
    i. B.A. LL.B.
    ii. B.B.A. LL.B.
- Two Four-year Integrated Programs in Education have also been started this year in two Colleges (Mata Sundri College and Shyama Prasad Mukherji College. A separate dedicated platform was made to admit students in BA B.Ed. (Secondary) and BA B.Ed. (Middle)

Admission data

Undergraduate Admissions 2023-24

Total Registrations: 246685

Total Admissions: 69622

Post Graduate Admissions 2023-24

Total Registrations: 56325

Total Admissions (including NCWEB): 11174

PG – Merit Based admissions 2023-24:

Admissions to the following programs were made based on Merit scores of Undergraduate levels:

M.A Hindu Studies: 72

M.A. Chinese: 03 have been admitted

M.A. Korean: 15 students have been admitted

PG Diploma in Cyber Security and Law: 32

Admissions to B.Tech Programs 2023-24:

Admission to the following programs was made based on scores obtained in JEE (Mains) Paper I:

Total Registrations: 12075

Admissions:

B.Tech Computer Science Engineering: 146

B.Tech Electronics and Communication Engineering: 162

B.Tech Electrical Engineering: 48

Admissions to five-year B.A. L.LB and B.B.A LL.B. 2023-24

Total Registrations: 1923

Admissions:

B.A. LLB.: 62

B.B.A. LLB.: 56

Admissions to four-year Integrated Teacher Education program (ITEP)
Total Registrations: 346
Total admissions: 137

Admissions to PhD:
Total registrations in Phase I and Phase II: 19899.
Total Admissions in Phase I and Phase II: 1655
Phase III for Departments in Faculty of Sciences has been started on 26.03.2024

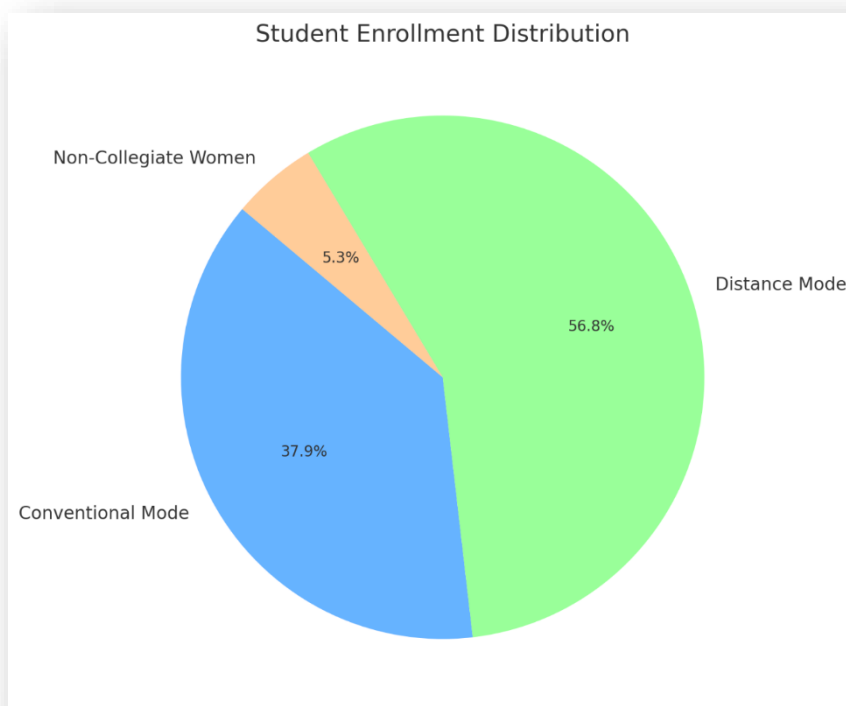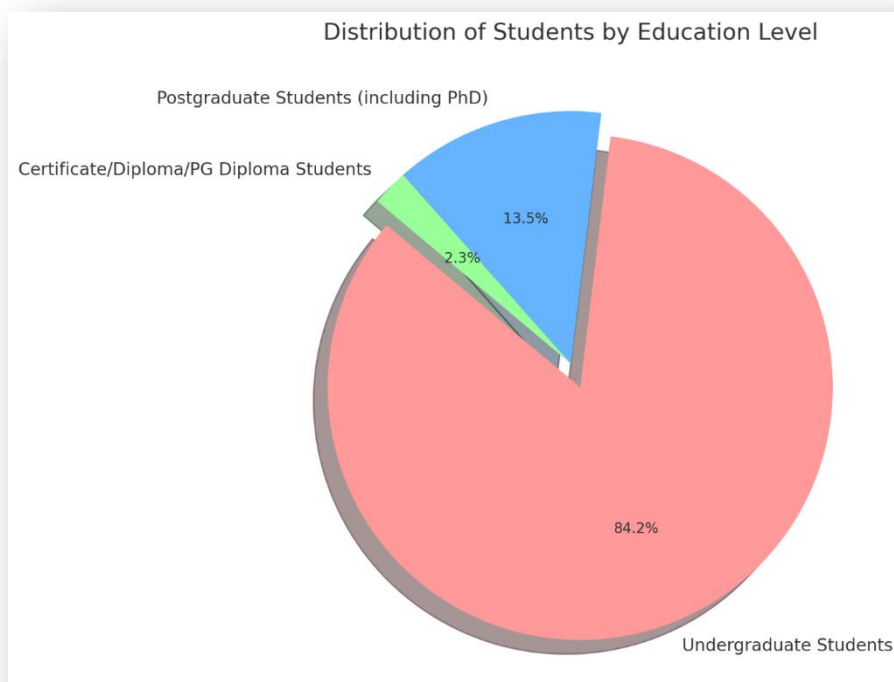Total Orphan Students Admitted:

B.Tech. Programme	=	03
PG at Departments	=	17
UG at Colleges	=	<u>78</u>
	TOTAL =	**<u>98</u>**

A total of <u>1721 Foreign students</u> have been enrolled in the University from as many as 86 countries.

Student Enrollment

As per 2023-24 data, post admission process, the University has **213642** undergraduate and **34229** Postgraduate students, including PhD students and **5896** in certificate/Diploma/PG Diploma on rolls. The total number of students enrolled in conventional mode is **253767**. Additionally, as many as **379659** Students are enrolled in the open distance mode, and **35375** non-collegiate women students also form part of this mammoth University. The total number of students enrolled across conventional and open distance modes was **668801** during 2023-24.

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Distribution of Students by Education Level

Student Enrollment Distribution

Diversity of Students

The University of Delhi receives applications from all over India for admission to the programmes offered by the University. It may be noted that in terms of students' diversity at the national level, more than half of the students come from States other than NCT of Delhi.

The University also promotes foreign students to enroll in various programmes offered by it by providing 10% of the total seats per programme for foreign students. Through such a provision, students from different foreign countries get admitted to the University and its Colleges and pursue their higher studies. A visual representation of the enrolled foreign students and their respective country is provided below:

	Value	Countries
📍	1.0	Burundi Chad Ecuador Egypt Ethiopia Finland Germany Ghana Guatemala Iran Israel Italy Lebanon Lesotho Liberia Madagascar Mexico Niger Palestine Philippines Russia Somalia Taiwan Tajikistan Ukraine Uzbekistan Zimbabwe
📍	2.0	Angola China Kenya Mali New Zealand Nigeria Syria Uganda
📍	3.0	Botswana Democratic Republic of Congo Djibouti Tanzania United Kingdom (Britain) Zambia
📍	4.0	Australia Bhutan Canada Gambia Republic of Fiji Turkmenistan
📍	5.0	Afghanistan Indonesia Japan South Sudan
📍	6.0	Mozambique
📍	7.0	Mauritius Myanmar
📍	8.0	United Arab Emirates
📍	10.0	Yemen
📍	11.0	Iraq Thailand
📍	12.0	Mongolia Republic of Korea
📍	17.0	Sri Lanka
📍	19.0	Vietnam
📍	36.0	Cambodia
📍	37.0	United States of America
📍	90.0	Tibet Origin
📍	96.0	Bangladesh
📍	137.0	Nepal

Examination Details

The 100th Annual Convocation of the University of Delhi was organized on 24th February 2024 at the Multipurpose Hall of DU Sports Complex. The Hon'ble Vice-President of India, Sh. Jagdeep Dhankhar was the Chief Guest at the function, while the University's Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh, presided over the function.

The Details of Medals/Awards/Degrees/D.M. etc. awarded in the Convocation are as under:

Course	No. of Students
Ph.D. Degree	660
DM. M.Ch. Degree	48
Bachelor (Regular and SOL) Degree	149612
Master (Regular and SOL) Degree	10992
M.Phil. Degree	438
LL.B. Degree	2547
M.B.B.S.	650
MD/MS	779
Five-year Integrated Course in Journalism	37
Gold Medal & Prize for Annual Convocation-2024	193

Noteworthy initiatives

The University has been making pioneering initiatives, from time to time, to provide quality and accessible education to learners belonging to different strata of society. Some of these initiatives which have been taken in the centennial year are briefly stated below.

Creation of New Programs, Centres, Departments

I.   **New academic programmes introduced in the Academic Session 2023-24:**

1.   Ph.D. in Fine Arts under the Faculty of Music & Fine Arts.
2.   Five Year Integrated Law Programmes by the Faculty of Law
     - B.A. LL.B (Hons.)
     - BBA LL.B (Hons.)
3.   Three B.Tech. Programmes by Faculty of Technology
     - B.Tech. Computer Science & Engineering
     - B.Tech. Electronics & Communications Engineering
     - B.Tech. Electrical Engineering
4.   MA (Hindu Studies) by the Centre for Hindu Studies

5. Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) Shyama Prasad Mukherjee College and Mata Sundri College for Women. It will be implemented by the Faculty of Education and Jesus & Mary College.
6. MA Chinese by the Department of East Asian Studies
7. MA Korean by the Department of East Asian Studies
8. MBA (Business Analytics) by the Faculty of Commerce
9. Starting of BA (Hons.) Russian to be implemented from Academic Session 2024-25
10. Introduction of M. Tech. Computer Science program with an intake of 30 seats in the Department of Computer Science subject to approval from the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
11. Admissions to Bachelor of Fine Arts in College of Art through CUET; CSAS in Academic Session 2023-24.
12. Admissions to Master of Fine Arts in College of Art through CUET (PG); CSAS (PG) in Academic Session 2024-25.

New Medical Courses

(i)   Master of Public Health (MPH) Course at National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW), Baba Gangnath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi-110067 with intake of 20 seats per year from the Academic Session 2023 onwards.
(ii) Starting of DM (Pulmonary Medicine) Course with an intake of 2 (two) seats per year at Maulana Azad Medical College from the academic session 2024-25 onward subject to the approval by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India/ national Medical Commission.
(iii) Starting of M.Sc. Psychiatric (Mental Health) Nursing Course in Institute of Human Behaviour & Allied Sciences (IHBAS) with an intake of 20 seats from the Academic Year 2023-24.
(iv) Starting of DM in Geriatric Mental Health Course with an intake of two (02) seats per year in the Department of Psychiatry at Institute of Human Behaviour & Allied Sciences (IHBAS) from the Academic Session 2023-24 onwards subject to the approval by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India/ National Medical Commission.
(v)   Introduction of Course Curriculum of DM (Geriatric Mental Health) Course.

Establishment of Three New Centres

1 Centre for Hindu Studies – Ordinance XX (AA)
2 Centre for Tribal Studies – Ordinance XX (Z)
3 Centre for Independence and Partition Studies – Ordinance XX (Y)

Financial Support Scheme 2023-24

Taking forward the need for affirmative actions as mandated in the Constitution of India and to extend the benefits of equity, access, and quality in education, both in letter and spirit, to the financially weak

students, the University had initiated a Financial Support Scheme (FSS) in 2022. This scheme is reflected through a fee waiver for economically weak students in the spirit of the Government's motto, "Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas".

In Its first implementation year (2022-23), 1009 students were given financial support amounting to Rs. 1,00,61,057.00 under this scheme.

In the academic session 2023-24, a total of 2044 students enrolled in Departments/ Centres/ Institutes applied for financial support under this scheme. After the scrutiny of the Application forms, recommendations were made based on the criteria listed below:

Sl.no	Family Income (in Rs.) Per Annum	Fee Waiver (percentage)	Remarks
Category 1	Less than or equal to Rs. 4,00,000.00	100%	Actual fee or up to a maximum of Rs. 10,000.00
Category 2	Between Rs. 4,00,000.00 and Rs. 8,00,000.00	50%	Actual fee or up to a maximum of Rs. 8,000.00

A total of 1669 students were awarded financial support; out of which 530 are female students and the rest 1139 were male students. The details of the grant disbursed under this scheme are given below:

Gender-wise quantum of support	Count of Students	Total Grant
Female students	530	3945454
Those received 50% support	120	701022
Those who received 100% support	410	3244432
Male students	1139	8096184
Those received 50% support	218	1050429
Those who received 100% support	921	7045755
Grand Total	1669	12041638

Creation of quota for orphan students

The University has taken a noble step to admit two children (one male and one female) to each programme of study, both at the undergraduate and postgraduate level, who have been rendered orphans. These two seats are supernumerary.

The expenditure incurred for admission and continuance of study of such students, including hostel expenditures in the University or its Colleges, shall be met from the University Welfare Fund or Colleges Students' Welfare Fund, as the case may be. A total of 101 orphan students were admitted under this category in the academic session 2023-24.

Competence Enhancement Scheme

The University launched a new scheme called the Competence Enhancement Scheme (CES) in its centennial year to make higher education more accessible, as envisaged under the National Education Policy 2020.

The Scheme provides opportunities to people from all walks of life to enhance their knowledge/competence by registering for any one or two courses offered in a semester in the University's Colleges and Departments. Such students shall get the flavour of studying in the University along with the regular students of such course(s) without having to enroll for a Programme of study.The number of seats per course prescribed is a maximum of 10% of the class size of such course and these seats are treated as supernumerary seats.

Admission under CES 2023-24 has been conducted for two semesters; July to December 2023 and January to April 2024.

Samarth: e-Gov

The Samarth E-Gov Suite, developed by the University of Delhi, is a purpose-built platform for Universities and HEIs to deploy a digital framework of good governance.
Samarth offers more than 40 automation modules for managing a variety of workflows across 5 critical functional domains of university operations and administration.

Overall Samarth Highlights:
- 2500+ Total HEIs on Samarth (across 32 States/UTs and 412 Districts/Cities)
- 26.8 lakhs Applications for Admissions Processed so far
- 15.2 lakhs Applications in CUET 2023 processed on Samarth
- 1.06 Crore Student Records
- 64.9 Thousand Employee Records
- 1.63 Lakh Salary Statements Processed
- 66 thousand Files Logged and Tracked
- 1.20 Lakh Leave Applications processed.
- 11 Lakh Recruitment Applications processed
- 5 Lakh Digital Degree Awarded to Students
- 202.716 TB Monthly storage
- 61.928 TB / Month network traffic

Roadmap:
1. Extend implementation of Samarth to include 10,000 HEIs under NMEICT Phase – 3
2. Integration of interfaces of other projects of Ministry
3. Localization of software in major Indian languages
4. International outreach – G20, Africa-India

VC Internship Scheme (VCIS)

The 'Vice Chancellor Internship Scheme'(VCIS) aims to provide internship opportunities to its students in the University which will help them to understand the working of different sectors of the University
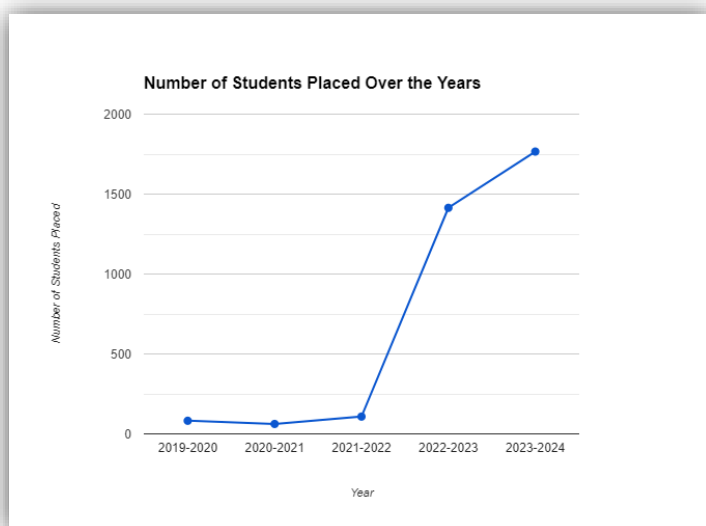
system, in particular, and official functioning in government set-ups, in general. The Scheme also tries to advance the concept of 'Earn while you Learn. The VC Interns who have undergone this internship, got the opportunity to contribute to the University and develop better understanding of the policies and, thus, acted as ambassadors of the University.

Gender-wise total number of students enrolled in VCIS are as follows: -

VCIS	Number of Students
(i) Vice Chancellor Internship Scheme - Part-time- 2023	Females– 87 & Males – 53
(ii) Vice Chancellor Summer Internship 2024	Females – 77 & Males – 58

Placements

The office of Dean Students Welfare facilitated in reaching out to the recruiters/ organisations for providing placement / internships. In the year 2023-24, a total of 15373 students applied for the same and 1766 of them got selected. A graphical representation of number of students placed through the office of Dean Students Welfare is provided below (this excludes departmental level placements)

Data of selected/ shortlisted candidates during the Placement/ Job Mela -2023-24

S. No	Name of Company	Number of Shortlisted Candidates	Date of Placement	Number of Selected/ Shortlisted candidates		Total
1	Alles Health	20	October 26, 2023	Applied (PG- 305 & UG - 790) = 1095		
	Bajaj Allianz	173				
	Axis Classes Pvt. Ltd. (AXIS IIT/NEET)	251				
	Ajex & Turner Wire Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	10		Selected (PG- 127 & UG -508) = 635		
	Swastik Classes (IIT JEE & Foundation)	181				635
		635				
2	Sonalika	4	01.2.2024	Applied (PG- 430 & UG - 860)= 1290		
	My Analytics School	43				
	Expert's Global	2				
	Jitin Chawla's Centre of Career Development	10				
	Indian Masterminds	12				
	Clockwork Media	2				
	MM Nissim	6				
	Marriott International	48		Selected (PG- 88 & UG - 348) = 436		436
	Paisabazaar	56				
	ABP Networks	10				
	HDB Financial Services	243				
		436				
2	Planetspark	164	Job Mela	Applied (PG- 4350 & UG - 8250) = 12600		
	Netrika Consulting India Pvt. Ltd.	4				
	Backbenchers	21				
	Daakroom	6				
	Experts' Careers	2				
	Mitr	129				
	Stubborn Factory LIMITED	3	April, 23-24, 2024	Selected (PG- 135 & UG -540) = 675		
	TCS	162				675
	Infiheal Health Tech Pvt Ltd.	2				
	Infojini Consulting Pvt Ltd.	8				
	Paisabazaar	77				

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Next IAS	1					
Swiss AllesHealth Pvt. Ltd.	1					
EduDag	17					
HDB	78					
	675					
				Applied (PG- 65 & UG - 326) = 391		
3	Innodata		June 11,2024	Selected (PG-11 & UG -9) = 20		**20**
		20				
				Total Selected		**1766**
				Total Participated - 15376		

Internationalization initiatives

The International Relations Office alongwith the office of Foreign Students Registry has been putting efforts towards attracting foreign students to the University, collaborating with Foreign Universities through signing of Memorandum of Understandings with them. Within the last year, the University has strengthened its position by signing 12 new MoUs with various international universities and HEIs. In total, the University has more than 80 active MoUs with around 35 countries around the globe (Among these, we have 07 MoUs with Germany, 08 MoUs with Japan, 12 MoUs with Russia, and 06 MoUs with South Korea).

Though there are already onging MoUs with Foreign Universities, below listed MoUs are signed during the period covered by this Annual Report.

List of MoUs signed during April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024

S.No.	Partner University	Date of Signature
1	University of Seoul, Korea	June 2023
2	Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland (Erasmus+ IIA)	June 2023
3	French Language Assistant Program, Embassy of France (GRS)	June 2023
4	Freie Universitat Berlin, Germany, Erasmus+ IIA KA171	June 2023
5	University of Iceland, Iceland (Chemistry), Erasmus+ IIA KA171	August 2023
6	Freie Universitat Berlin, Germany Erasmus+ IIA KA171	June 2023
7.	Leiden University, Netherlands (Renewal)	September 2023
8.	National Research Tomsk State University, Russia (Librarian)	September 2023

9.	Financial University, Russia (MoU + SEA)	October 2023
10	Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, Iran	October 2023
11	Hiroshima University, Japan	November 2023
12	Niigata University, Japan	December 2023
13	Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan (Renewal, MoU+SEA)	December 2023
14	Erasmus+ IIA, University of Malaga, Spain (GRS)	January 2024
15	Erasmus+ KA 171 Program with University of Pedagogical University of Krakow, Poland	January 2024
16	Russian Foreign Trade Academy (MoU + SEA) (Commerce)	January 2024
17	University of Vienna, Austria (Renewal, GRS)	January 2024
18	Kyungpook National University, Korea	February 2024

Research

- Publication: There has been an increase of 13% (3290 to 3730) in research publications in Scopus Indexed Journals.
- Patents: As many as 11 patents have been granted/ published during this period.
- H-index: The H-index of the University has significantly increased from 230 to 273, indicating enhanced quality of research by our faculty members.

Institution of Eminence

The Institution of Eminence (IoE), University of Delhi, is committed to developing physical infrastructure, establishing and upgrading research laboratories, libraries, Central Instrumentation facilities, and IT & Networking facilities, and prioritizing research at the University. The major achievements/significant activities undertaken by the IoE during the financial year 2023-2024 are as follows:

Physical Infrastructure: To strengthen the physical infrastructure of the University, including the Academic and Administrative Building, Hostel cum transit accommodation, Health Centre, Recreational Facilities, etc., the following initiatives were taken.

- The IoE has released Rs. 70.25 crores to the NBCC for the construction of an Academic-cum-Administrative Building (Rs. 25.76 crores) and hostel-cum-transit accommodation (Rs. 44.49 crores).
- The IoE has released Rs. 17.65 crores for the vertical Extension of the Conference Centre, Construction of the WUS Health Centre, and extension of the Central Reference Library.
- The IoE has sanctioned Rs. 1.8 crores for the infrastructure development at Maharshi Kanad Bhawan for the Faculty of Technology, Faculty of Law, and Department of Commerce.
- The IoE has sanctioned Rs. 5 crores to the Faculty of Technology for infrastructure and laboratory development.

Research Infrastructure: The following steps were taken to strengthen the Central Instrumentation Facilities with high-end and sophisticated analytical instruments for students, researchers, and faculty members of Science Departments at the University and the constituent colleges of the University of Delhi.

- To purchase high-end instruments at the University Science Instrumentation Centre (USIC) at North Campus and Central Instrumentation Facility (CIF) at South Campus, around Rs. 16.33 crores have already been released.
- Financial support of Rs. 2.0 crores have been provided for the NUDE MICE facility to be created at the CIF (South Campus) for biomedical research and drug discovery.

Information Technology & Networking: The following steps were taken to strengthen the Information Technology & Networking, procurement of academic software, and High-performance infrastructure for cloud services at the University and the constituent colleges of the University of Delhi.

- The IoE has released Rs. 11.0 crores to the DUCC to purchase various academic software.
- The IoE has released Rs. 5 crores to the DUCC to establish Network, Augmentation, and Security Infrastructure in the University.
- IoE has released Rs. 5.15 crores to the DUCC for cloud-based services.

Library Resources: The following steps were taken to upgrade the existing library facilities to meet global standards, including e-books, databases, storage, organization, and retrieval of digital library resources among the University's libraries.

- The IoE has provided financial support of around Rs. 26.08 crores to the Delhi University Library System (DULS) for procuring various e-books (Perpetual databases from international publishers) and digital archives.
- The IoE has sanctioned Rs. 4.3 crores to DULS for the purchase of an Audio-Visual System, Computers, stand-alone computers, Kiosks, printers, and Patron Traffic Control.

Computer Labs: The following steps were taken to set up common computing facilities for the growth and development of teaching, research, and academic activities in the University.

- For Information technology Facilities, including computers for Faculties, NCWEB & Libraries, financial support has been provided. Around Rs. 5.72 crores have been released for developing various computer labs at the Faculty of Commerce & Business Studies, Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Mathematical Sciences, Delhi University Library System, and Faculty of Technology.

Research Activities: To strengthen and boost the research work of the faculty members in various Departments/Centres of the University, the Faculty Research Programme (FRP) and Major Research Project (MRP) were launched by the IoE.

- The IoE under the Faculty Research Programme sanctioned projects to the faculty members of the University/Colleges across various disciplines. A total of Rs. 8.0 crore was released.
- The IoE provided financial support in the form of the Major Research Project to the tune of approximately Rs. 0.9 crores to 17 faculty members of the University/Colleges across various disciplines to promote inter-disciplinary research.

Research Publication Awards: The IoE has instituted the Research Publication Award to encourage University researchers to publish their quality research work in top-rated high-impact journals and contribute to enhancing the quality of their scientific research.

- So far, 36 research papers have been selected for the Research Publication Awards, and a sum of Rs. 0.36 crore has been sanctioned. These awards have been given under four categories: Category A (Rs. 5 lakh): 03; Category B (Rs. 2 lakh): 06; Category C (Rs. 1 lakh): 19; Category D (Rs. 0.5 lakh): 08.

Research Fellows and Post-Docs: To create a pool of talent that will help catalyze the high-end research at the University, the IoE has instituted College Fellows and Research Fellowship Programs.

- The IoE has provided financial support of around Rs. 0.90 crores for the post-doctoral fellowship program named Maharishi Kanad Post-Doctoral Fellowship.

Repair, Maintenance and Upgradation: The IoE has embarked on strengthening Central Instrumentation Facilities in the form of upgradation/renovation/maintenance in various Faculty/ Departments of the University.

- For already installed/existing instruments at CIF (North and South) and at CIF (Departments and Centers) financial support of about Rs. 2.5 crores have been provided for repair and maintenance.
- IoE has sanctioned Rs. 21.0 crores for the upgradation/renovation/maintenance in various Faculty/Departments.
- 52 Classrooms in various departments have been equipped with Interactive Panels with financial support of Rs. 2.1 crores.

University of Delhi Foundation

(a) The Alumni Meet at the University of Delhi was organised on 21st April 2023.

(b) The Centenary Year Meet of the Former Faculty of the University of Delhi was held on Thursday, June 15th, 2023.

(c) The University of Delhi Foundation organized the first-ever alumni meet of Delhi University in Mumbai on September 2, 2023. The event, 'Aamchi DU,' was a grand celebration of the University of Delhi, attended by more than 350 distinguished alumni.

(d) The Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India has donated Rs 26,80,202/—to purchase an Ambulance for the University of Delhi's Community. The university has procured the ambulance and will dedicate it to the WUS shortly.

(e) LIC has approved a grant of Chair Professorship to the Department of Commerce, University of Delhi. The modalities are being worked out.

(f) Donations Received through the University of Delhi Foundation:
Through the University of Delhi Foundation, a total amount of Rs 1,61,59,202/- has been raised till 25.03.2024 which has been deposited in the Endowment Fund of the University of Delhi.

(g) The University of Delhi Foundation recently designed two projects: the *Sashakt Beti* Project and the *e-Drishti* Project.

Sashakt Beti Project aims at empowering the female orphan students and single-parent girl students (with a yearly income of less than Rs 4 Lakh) of the University of Delhi and its constituent colleges and departments by giving free branded new laptops. In the first phase, it is proposed that Rs 5 Crores (1,000 x 50,000) be raised for the same.

e-Drishti Project aims at empowering Visually Impaired students of University of Delhi and its constituent colleges and departments by giving free tablets along with a specially designed AI-driven application. In the first Phase, it is proposed to raise Rs 2.5 Crores (1,000 x 25,000) for the same.

BSES Discoms (BRPL & BYPL) of Reliance Power has approved giving 300 laptops and 300 e-tablets (Total cost being Rs 2.25 Crore).

Udhmodya Foundation

Udhmodya Foundation has incubated 5 companies out of the identified 24 start-ups from the Start-up Accelerator Programme (SAP held in 2023). Funds have been sanctioned to 3 of these start-ups, to be disbursed in tranches. Another 6 start-ups are in the pre-incubation stage. Udhmodya Foundation has launched a special call for Start-ups under the Social Sustainable Category on 01st Jan 2024 under the Viksit Bharat Scheme.
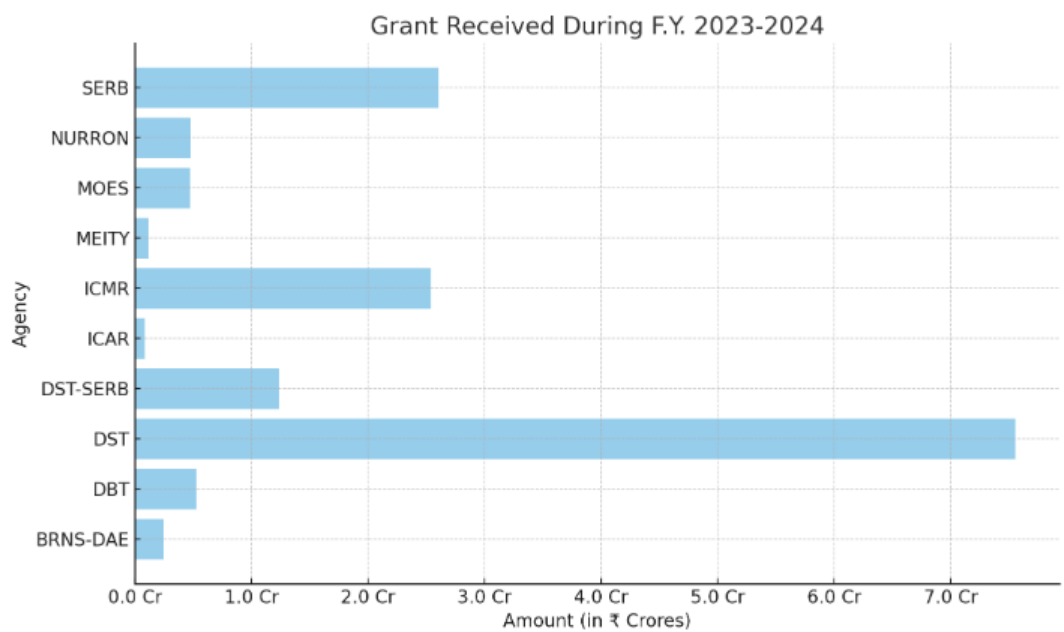
Financial data

Amount of Grants Received from the funding agency is as follows:

Year 2023-2024	Amount of Grant Received 2023-24	Amount of Expenditure 2023-24
Salary Head (OH:36)	44974.00	44614.33
Recurring Head (OH:31)	31865.00	49738.15
Capital Assets (OH:35)	1000.00	1160.16

The quantum of Internal Resource Generated was 23459.00 Lakhs.

Extramural Grants

The faculty members of the University have been able to secure grants for research from several funding agencies. The cumulative amount of grants so received from the funding agencies are represented in the graph below:

Grant Received During F.Y. 2023-2024

GIA: Rs. 778.39 Crores Allocated for 2023-24 + Rs.32.83 Crores under EWS for Infrastructure Development against allocated amount of Rs.120.00 Crores.

HEFA: Rs. 938.33 Crores funding from HEFA approved by the Ministry of Finance for 7 Projects. The university has applied to HEFA for sanction of two projects amounting to Rs. 261.33/- Crores.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Rs 1,61,59,202/- collected through the University of Delhi Foundation

PROJECT FUND: Rs.137.00 Crores

Institution of Eminence (IoE): IoE has sanctioned Rs. 381.19 Crore for research projects/ medical equipment /IT Infrastructure/ upgradation/ construction activities of the University.

Girls Hostel: Smt. Smriti Irani, Union Minister of Women and Child Development, has sanctioned Rs. 272 crores for Residential Accommodation for girls and working women pursuing higher education at the University under the Nirbhaya Fund. This project will provide 1000 beds with enhanced security, CCTV surveillance and gender-sensitive amenities.

The University is also going to receive sanction of funds from the following:
- The Ministry of Minority Affairs has approved the proposal from the University of Delhi to establish the 'Centre for Advanced Studies in Buddhist Studies' at the University at an estimated cost of approx. Rs. 35 crores under its scheme viz. Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) and "Buddhist Development Plan" (BDP)
- The Union Ministry of Minority Affairs has also sanctioned Rs 25 crore for the establishment of the "Centre for Gurumukhi Script" at the Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Khalsa College of the University under the 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram' (PMJVK).

Renovation / Construction

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Major Special Repair and Renovation:

Name of the Project	Amount	Remarks
A. Arts Faculty	4 Crores	Likely to be Completed
B. Gwyer Hall	2.4 crores	Likely to be completed
C. Jubilee Hall	4 Crores	Likely to be completed
D. Record Room of University	2 crores	Likely to be completed
E. Convention Hall of Arts Faculty, Tagore Hall, Shankar Lal Hall	11 crores	Work has been awarded & likely to be completed.

Constructions:

	Name of the Project	Amount	Remark
1.	Construction of Computer Centre	87 crores	Likely to be completed.
2.	Vertical Extension of Physics and Chemistry Block	17 crores	Likely to be completed.
3.	Pragyan Bhawan near Faculty of Management Studies	29 crores	Likely to be completed.
4.	WUS Health Centre Building	36 crores	Likely to be completed.
5.	School at Maurice Nagar	27 crores	Likely to be completed.
6.	Building of IoE at Maurice Nagar	330 crores	Likely to be completed.
7.	Extension of Library	110 crores	Phase-I likely to be completed.
8.	Faculty of Technology	195 crores	Likely to be completed by December 2025
9.	Student Activity Centre at North Campus near Satyakam Bhawan	7.5 crores	Likely to be completed by March 2025

Details of Statutory Meetings

The University has conducted the following meetings in 2023-24:

NAME OF THE STATUTORY BODY	NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD
University Court	01
Executive Council	06
Academic Council	05
Finance Committee	03
Standing Committee on Academic Affairs	08
Standing Committee on Students	05

Recruitment & Promotion

(i)   4556 Assistant Professors/ Associate Professors/ Professors/ Principals/ Directors have been appointed in various Colleges/ Departments of the University.

(ii)   6388 cases of teachers in the University/ Colleges have been processed, and subsequently, teachers have been promoted.

(iii)   A total of 1494 Non-Teaching staff have been appointed/ promoted /granted MACP in the University and Colleges.

Centenary Celebrations

A year-long Centenary Celebrations was successfully conducted where more than 40 programmes were organised at the University level and similar number of programmes were organised at the level of the Departments and Centres. A glimpse of the programmes held during the period covered by this Report is provided below.

International Conference on Academic Libraries & Transforming Academic Libraries: Evolution, Innovation, Quality, Transfiguration

The University organised a three-day International Conference on Academic Libraries (ICAL-2023) as part of centennial celebrations starting from 05th April 2023. The conference aimed to develop a vision for the next generation libraries and provide an international forum to all stakeholders to deliberate, dwell and brainstorm upon the diverse and enormous role that academic libraries may play in enhancing the higher education landscape in developed and developing countries with special reference to India by 2030. The scope of the conference was: Knowledge Sharing, ICT Management, New Education Policy 2020, Digital Repository, Indian Knowledge System, Library and Research Ecosystem, Library-Faculty Collaborations, and User-centric Services.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh inaugurated the conference. Prof. Singh emphasised that knowledge should be in an open system only then can it be accessible to all. He further said that India had a tradition of learning by-heart during that period which kept that knowledge and source of knowledge alive. He also said that today we have modern systems of

written storage of knowledge. He also informed that the government has established the National Digital Library of India. Soon all the libraries in the country will be connected.

Dr Vadim Duda, DG, Russian State Library was present as the keynote speaker. He also said that knowledge should not be held back but should be shared. He said that intellectual property is the greatest wealth and the meaning of digital is not only to convert books and papers into PDF form but to mould them completely in digital forums. He further said that in order to save knowledge wealth for future generations, we have to set new standards for the system of libraries.

International Conference on Mahatma Gandhi and Gandhism Today: Energising India's Relations with Africa

The Department of African Studies organised a two-day International Conference on '*Mahatma Gandhi and Gandhism Today: Energising India's relations with Africa'*. Diplomats from Ghana, Gambia, Zimbabwe and Madagascar participated in the Inaugural programme on the 6th of April 2023. The presidential address by Prof. Yogesh Singh oriented the foreign dignitaries with the historical significance of the Vice Regal Lodge as the abode of the Viceroys of India, and the venue of the Gandhi-Irwin pact in 1931. He touched upon the contemporary relevance of Gandhi and his ideals, and the role played by Africa in making Gandhi a Mahatma. He highlighted the scope of mutual benefits that could be reaped out of strengthening India-Africa relations by way of economy, trade and even university exchange programs.

Inaugural session of *International Conference on Mahatma Gandhi and Gandhism Today* presided by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof Yogesh Singh

The keynote speaker Ms. Reema B. Robbie, a diplomat from Mauritius, spoke about the myriad ways in which Gandhi inspired leaders like Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King Jr. She highlighted the political and economic partnerships between the two nations in the realm of trade, blue economy, education, healthcare, and technology, among others and emphasised the deep-rooted ties between the two countries in the fight against apartheid; cooperation for food security; digital and scientific research and public healthcare. Dr. Richa Sharma, Deputy Director, ICSSR elaborated on Gandhian jurisprudence and his perception of the legal profession.

Centenary Alumni Evening

A Centenary Alumni Evening was organised on April 21, 2023 at Vice-Regal Lodge to celebrate the achievements and contribution of the innumerable alumni who had passed out of the University over hundred-years of its journey and had made the University proud by their achievements.

The programme was attended by many eminent alumni of the University from diverse walks of life. Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Housing and Urban Affairs, Govt. of India, and an alumnus of the University was the Chief Guest at the function. Shri Hardeep Puri fondly recalled his days as a student at Hindu College, and the role that the University had played in shaping him and his peers. He lauded the vital role played by his alma mater in generating many distinguished luminaries from multiple domains, who had been greatly instrumental in the overall development of the country. He also complimented the University for establishing the 'University of Delhi Foundation', which is a not-for-profit company incorporated under Section 8 of the Indian Companies Act 2013.

The programme also saw the unveiling of the logo of University of Delhi Foundation and the launch of its website. In his Presidential Address, Prof. Yogesh Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor elucidated the glorious hundred-year journey of the University, as also the plethora of new initiatives that the University was embarking upon to establish the University among the most premier universities of the world. This was followed by an engaging interaction wherein many alumni shared their experiences and nostalgic memories of their student days and recounted the contribution of the University in evolving them. The evening concluded with a reunion dinner at the historic lawns of the Vice Regal Lodge.

Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Housing and Urban Affairs, Govt. of India, and an alumnus of the University, addressing the august gathering

'Mann Ki Baat: Empowering Divyangjan" A Dialogue on Social Transformation

A programme on 'Mann Ki Baat: Empowering Divyangjan" A Dialogue on Social Transformation was organised on April 27, 2023 at the Convention Hall of the University. The event was organised as a dialogue on the social transformation originating from the radio programme, Mann Ki Baat, addressed by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi Ji. The programme is an expression of various pertinent issues which concern the citizens of country in large. The event started with the welcome address of Registrar, Dr. Vikas Gupta, where he elaborated upon the genesis and context of Mann ki Baat. He elaborated upon the vision of the programme as to create a two-way dialogue between the Prime minister and the community at large. This was followed by Prof. Bipin Tiwari, Nodal officer, Persons with Disability (Divyangjans), giving the keynote address.

Dr. Sunita Singh, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, University of Delhi, presented two papers, titled 'Impact of Mann ki Baat on Divyangjans: A case study of Divyang University', published in Delhi University and 'Social Transformation in Divyangjans' lives through community reflections', published by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). The session was concluded by the address of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Yogesh Singh, who started with congratulating Dr. Sunita Singh for the topic and well-articulated presentation. He stated that the Hon'ble Prime Minister used the platform of Mann ki Baat only to share positive thoughts and never let it become a political platform, while providing a voice to the common people to give suggestions and feedback. He stated that a programme which has an audience of 23 crore people is bound to have an impact. He added that feedback give a reality check to the systems functioning for the people.

Panchang and Bhartiya Gyan Parampara

The University launched its Hindu Calendar, also known as Panchang, and distributed more than 1000 copies of it, on April 28, 2023 at the Convention Hall. A Panchang is the annual compilation of the planetary movements. The event was presided by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Yogesh Singh and Shri Ramlal Ji was the Guest of Honour. During the launch, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Yogesh Singh shared his thoughts that the Pachang will be awakening self-respect among Indians. He elaborated that detailed information about all festivals, eclipses, dates etc. has been given in the Panchang, further adding that the National Education Policy 2020 too is based on the Indian knowledge tradition. Prof. Niranjan Kumar elaborated the Indian Pachang has tithis, Vaars, Karan, Nakshatra and Yoga as well as festivals and important dates in addition to the regular feature of a calendar.

DU Centenary Smart Village Project

The Thematic Committee for Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR), convened by Prof. Pankaj Arora, Dean Students' Welfare, assumed the responsibility for spearheading several social initiatives to mark the Centenary Year. As part of its Institutional Social Responsibility, the University adopted the Jaunti village community with the aim of developing it as a smart village, with special focus on education. Jaunti village is located in the Kanjhawla Sub Division in the North West District of Delhi and is 32 kms away from the North campus.

The University Smart Village team-initiated work in the month of March 2022. With the primary objective of setting up a *Yuva Urja Kendra* (Career Guidance Centre), the team set out to mobilize the village youth to become its members. The Yuva Urja Kendra is intended to act as an information hub for students' pursuing competitive tests such as CUET, JEE or NEET. Informative sessions on CUET have been held. The Kendra will also motivate students, especially girl students, to pursue higher education. Efforts are also on-going for establishing a Community Knowledge Centre in the village.

The process entailed meetings with RWA members and local people; engagement with village functionaries, school administration and school children. A medical camp, wherein the CDMO Dr Meenakshi and NSS volunteers, under the leadership of Prof. Mamta Sharma, Principal, Aditi Mahavidyalaya, helped in generating awareness about health. Several infrastructural development initiatives have also been undertaken with community participation, such as the repair and paint of the Panchayat Bhawan.

Educational Awareness & SDG-4

The Youth Leadership Program catered to undergraduate students of colleges, and through this many national and international trainers-oriented students on life skills, leadership techniques and youth employability, among others. Under the University School Interface, senior students from government schools were oriented to the idea of sustainable educational awareness and critical life skills. The University Community Interface established a core link with a nearby community and augured need-based intervention in conjunction with the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. Through this interface, Peer Youth Leadership Training, focusing on developing

digital competencies, commercial skills, health care and awareness, child care and education, family and societal welfare, communication, critical thinking/problem-solving, and self-management was developed. These programmes with university and community stakeholders are intended to further resonate with the spirit of India's G20 leadership.

Magic Show

The Culture Council organized a Magic Show on May 3, 2023 as a part of the Centenary Celebrations. It was presided by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof Yogesh Singh and attended by a large audience and was a remarkable fusion of science and ancient arts. The magician, Jadugar Samrat Shankar, captivated the audience with his exceptional performance. Utilizing a combination of card tricks, disappearing acts, and illusions, he left the spectators mesmerized and spellbound.

Centenary Cricket Match

Yet another event that was held to symbolize the festive spirit of the Centennial Celebrations and to foster the essence of team spirit and sports in the University arena was the Centenary Cricket Match. Held on May 12, 2023 at the Rugby Stadium in the University Sports Complex,

it was played between the Vice Chancellor XI and the Alumni XI teams. The Vice Chancellor XI was captained by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh and included notable officials of the University, such as Prof. Balaram Pani, Dean of Colleges, Prof. Rajni Abbi, Proctor, Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar, Prof. Pankaj Arora, DSW, among others. The winning Alumni XI, led by Nitin Malik, Registrar, AUD, Siddharth Sahib Singh, Ranji Player & DDCA Secretary, Himanshu Rana, Under-19 India Captain, Ankush Bains, Under-23 India Captain, Prof. Chandra Sekhar Dubey, VC, K.R Mangalam University among others.

On the occasion, Prof. Yogesh Singh emphasized the importance of sports in human life and advocated for its inclusion in the curriculum at all levels of education. Renowned commentator Padma Shri Dr. Ravi Chaturvedi, who began Hindi commentary on All India Radio in 1961, was honored during the event, along with other distinguished sports achievers such as Shri Manjit Dua, Shri Jagmendra Singh, Shri Bhanu Sachdeva, Shri Bhupendra Dhawan, and Ms. Anju Luthra. In a closely contested match, the Alumni XI emerged as the victors, chasing down a target of 129 runs set by the Vice Chancellor XI. The match greatly energized the participants and the spectators and provided multiple entertaining moments.

Centenary Year Meet of the Former Faculty of the University

The Centenary Year Meet was a celebratory get-together of the former faculty members across the departments and colleges of the University. The Meet was organised on the evening of June 15, 2023. It was ordained to be a special tribute to honour the collective enterprise, dedicated efforts and invaluable contributions of the esteemed former teachers in enabling the University to chart such an illustrious trajectory of one hundred years.

The programme was jointly organised by the University of Delhi Foundation and Centenary Celebration Committee of the University and was attended by almost 350 former faculty members. It was chaired by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh. A few former teachers shared their nostalgic memories, narratives and expressed their appreciation for the University for organizing the first ever event of the former teachers in its historic Centenary Year. Shri Jagdish Mukhi ji, Former Governor of Assam and an alumnus of the University was the Chief Guest. Recounting his choicest memories of his student days, he congratulated the University fraternity for its vibrant celebratory spirit and multiple advancements being undertaken in its Centenary year. Many distinguished former faculty members were felicitated by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh on this occasion. Indeed, the Meet served as a platform for the reunion of esteemed academicians; an occasion to celebrate their accomplishments; and an opportunity to foster meaningful connections between generations of teachers.

Centenary Valedictory Ceremony

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Sh. Narendra Modi visited the University on June 30, 2023 to mark the historic Valedictory Ceremony of the Centenary Celebrations of University of Delhi. It was a magnificent sight to witness the much-anticipated moment when the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India & Union Education Minister graced the occasion with their vivacious presence. The Hon'ble PM laid the foundation stones of 3 new buildings viz., Faculty of Technology, Delhi University Computer Centre & Academic Block with a total estimated cost of over ₹700 crores.

The event was also attended by notable DU alumni, eminent academicians, Heads, Deans, Principals and over 2000 plus newly recruited faculty members from various colleges of DU. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity for everyone to be a part of this extraordinary occasion.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh, delivered the welcome address. He began his speech by greeting the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, the Minister of Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and the ecstatic audience. He emphasized on the two ways which made the day even more special. He stated that the University of Delhi has completed 100 years and the Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi visited the university on this auspicious day. The twin occasions will forever be etched in the history of this University for all times to come. He extended his warm welcome and gratitude to the PM, whose courageous, benevolent and selfless persona has inspired and strengthened the country. He praised the PM for personifying the DU slogan "निष्ठा धृतिः सत्यम्" which stands for dedication, steadfastness, and truth – the three major attributes of the University of Delhi. He congratulated the Minister of Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan for the successful implementation of the mammoth and ground breaking NEP-2020 at the University of Delhi. He thanked the PM for his unflinching support to conduct the recruitment drive in mission mode. He recalled the constant contribution of the University of Delhi in nation building. Since the times of independence struggles, University of Delhi has been on the forefront by producing freedom fighters, scientists, doctors, bureaucrats and most importantly responsible citizens. The VC assured that University of Delhi is going to contribute to nation building tirelessly for all times to come. He emphasised on the role of the teachers in creating a Viksit Bharat by the year 2047 which is the mission of the Prime Minister and motivated the teachers in taking up this responsibility. Citing the extraordinary prowess of the teachers and the central role they play in building a strong nation, the VC said that the hope of the future lies with them. He ended his speech by extending his warm gratitude to the Hon'ble PM, Minister of Education, and the audience for being present on this glorious day.

Greeting the Minister of Education, Vice Chancellor, hundreds of eminent DU Alumni and newly recruited faculty members, the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi shared his joy of visiting the University of Delhi. He stated that for youth, being a DU student is considered as a huge milestone. The PM said that coming to DU is equivalent to being a part of DU fests and the expressed his immense happiness in being a part of this festive season as DU celebrates its 100 years of existence in its Centenary Year. He congratulated the University of Delhi on completing 100 years and celebrating its Centenary Year at a time when Bharat is celebrating its Amrit Kaal. Recalling the glorious history of the University, the PM congratulated all the stakeholders of the university for being a part of this centennial moment.

Striking an immediate chord with the DU Alumni and students, the PM spoke on the beauty of university life and the little joys of campus life like scrolling with friends and colleagues. He talked about the famous recreational spots around North Campus like Kamla Nagar, Hudson Lane and Mukherjee Nagar; and the area of Satya Niketan in DU South Campus which are cherished by every DUite in their student days. While reflecting upon the motto of DU "निष्ठा धृतिः सत्यम्", the PM said that the motto serves as the guiding lamp for the students.

Taking his address forward, the PM said that it is only knowledge which is true bliss and true happiness and called knowledge as the essence of life. The PM evoked the golden past of Bharat, with its universities in Nalanda and Taxila as the guiding source of wisdom for the whole world. Ancient Bharat was prosperous and contributed vastly to world GDP until Bharat came under foreign rule which slowed down our progress. After Independence the Universities

played a vital role in creating a resilient youth and he mentioned that DU has played a key role in this.

He reminisced about the history of University of Delhi, from consisting only 3 colleges in 1922 to having more than 90 colleges today 100 years later. The growth of DU is reflected in its gender ratio as well where the number of female students has increased exponentially over the years. He emphasized on the interconnection between the growth of a country and strong roots of its universities and other educational institutions and said that our next mission is to create a Viksit Bharat by 2047. Talking about the increasing influence of Bharat at the world stage, he mentioned that Indian values of democracy, equality and mutual respect are now becoming the humanistic parameters for the world at large. PM also mentioned how leading multinational companies are looking towards us as an investment haven owing to the recent policies of the Government of India.

The PM said that Indian teachers have created their own niche in the field of education and how Indian teachers are renowned all over the world. He drew light upon the new holistic idea of education introduced by NEP 2020 which makes the education student-centric and allows them to choose what they want to learn. At the same time, he spoke on the role of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) in keeping the quality of educational institutions intact and make improvements within the education sector. It is a result of these futuristic policies and implementation of NEP-2020 that has led to increase in reputation of Indian universities throughout the world. This reflects in the number of Indian universities being increased from 12 in the year 2014, to 45 in the QS World Rankings. Growing interest of youth in entrepreneurship has also played a great role in it with an increased number of over 1 lakh startups. The position of India has scaled up from 80 to 46 in the Global Innovation Index. The PM also spoke on the growing opportunities in the field of technology, AI, AR/ VR, Robotics as well as arts, heritage, culture and tourism. He informed the audience about the growing interest of foreigners to learn more about the legacy and rich culture of India, especially since its successful strategy to deal with covid crisis and help other nations as well along with India's presidency of G20 summit.

The Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi concluded his speech by motivating the teachers to inculcate the qualities and values which can make the students persistent citizens having the temperament of facing and resolving challenges. He emphasized on the need for the University of Delhi to create a roadmap to be a top-ranking university when it celebrates its 150 years completion, while at the same time keeping alive the essence of its rich and vibrant campus culture. Again, congratulating the entire University of Delhi upon completing 100 years, the PM expressed his strong belief that DU will continue achieving its high ideals in the future.

The highly spirited speech by the Hon'ble PM was followed by an equally cheerful applause as the huge gathering stood up on their feet to honour the PM who had so kindly accepted the invitation to come to the University despite pressing work commitments. It was a golden moment for the entire University of Delhi.

Interactive Session with the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

Upon the successful completion of the Valedictory Ceremony of the Centenary Celebrations, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Yogesh Singh invited all the stakeholders for an interactive session on July 4, 2023 in the Council Hall, Vice-Regal Lodge, University of Delhi. Members of Centenary Celebrations Committee and other various thematic committees along with several administrative officers and other stakeholders attended this interactive session.

At the outset, all the Committee members gave a standing ovation to Prof. Yogesh Singh, the visionary Vice Chancellor of the University of Delhi, for his guidance and enthusiasm in ensuring that the Centenary Celebrations are forever etched in history by extending the highest support and motivation. In his address, Prof. Yogesh Singh, extended his gratitude to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Sh. Narendra Modi for accepting the invitation as the Chief Guest on the Valedictory Ceremony of the Centenary Celebrations of University of Delhi. He said that the Prime Minister's presence at the ceremony was a golden and memorable day for the University. Prof. Singh expressed his desire to create an archival record comprising of all the events that took place as part of Centenary Celebration of the University.   He praised the Centenary Celebrations Committee and all the stakeholders involved in making the yearlong Centenary Celebrations a grand success. He extended his gratitude to the various Departments and constituent Colleges of the University in contributing to the yearlong celebrations wholeheartedly.

Faculty Awards and Honors

Departments

- Tanuja Nesari, Director of the **All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)**, was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by AIASPGA (All India Ayurveda Specialist PG Association) for her contribution to Ayurveda.
- Sujata Rajan of **Ayurvedic & Unani Tibia College** received ISSN International's best research award for the article "The Soothing Effects of Shirodhara: Alleviating Stress through an Ancient Ayurvedic Technique".
- Manoj Shamkuwar of **Ayurvedic & Unani Tibia College**, along with other authors, has been awarded a copyright for "Standard Operating Procedure of Pizhichil," Reg no L-137211/2023, dated 06/12/2023.
- Mridula Gupta of **Department of Electronics** International Research Awards on Advanced Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology under the category of Best Researcher Award in December 2023.
- P. Koteswara Rao of the **Department of Electronics** has been awarded a Research publication award for his paper, "Core-shell heterojunction interface in green synthesized Sm3+ ions doped ZnO nano-particles to promote the charge separation for efficient photocatalytic applications."
- Manoj Prasad of the **Department of Genetics** has been awarded a DST-SERB-sponsored J.C. Bose National Fellowship.
- Anil Grover of **Department of Plant Molecular Biology** is awarded a INSA Senior Scientist fellowship given by INSA in the year 2023
- Girdhar K. Pandey of **Department of Plant Molecular Biology** is awarded a Prof. Shri Ranjan Memorial Award by National Academy of Sciences (NASI) in the year 2023
- Cholaraja M. of **Campus Law Centre** was Honored with the "Indo-Thai Educational Excellence Award for the Best Teacher and Researcher in Law" at the WIRIC - SBPM - HLLSE - 2024 conference held on January 27-28, 2024, at Phranakhon Rajabhat University, Bangkok, Thailand.
- Anita Yadav of **Campus Law Centre** received an international fellowship from the United Nations to attend the fifty-seventh International Law Seminar (ILS) session at the United Nations Office, Geneva, from July 3 to 21, 2023.
- Vivek Suneja of the **Department of Business Management and Industrial Administration** received the Odhini Leadership Award for excellence in life for FMS in 2023.
- Chandra K. Jaggi of the **Department of Operational Research** received the Distinguished Educator Award in Mathematics from the Operational Research Society of India on December 8, 2023.
- T.V. Manikandan of the **Department of Music** received Life Time Achievement Award (Sangeeta Vidwan) given by Sangeetha Samajam (Regd.), KRJ Music School, Madurai - New Delhi.
- Smriti Tripathi of the **Department of Music** received Swar Kokila Lata Mangeshkar Samman – 2024 from Sampark Kranti Pariwar, Noida, U.P., held on 16.03.2024.
- S.M. Patnaik of the **Department of Anthropology** was Selected as Senior Vice President, International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES), 2023 - 2027.

- S.M. Patnaik of the **Department of Anthropology** was Appointed as a member of the Steering Committee of the World Anthropological Union (WAU), 2024 - 2027.

- P.R. Mondal of the **Department of Anthropology** was appointed Honorary Professor of the Centre for Multi-disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Karnataka (INDIA)

- Diwan S. Rawat of the **Department of Chemistry** was Appointed Vice Chancellor of Kumaun University, Nainital.

- M. D. Milton of the **Department of Chemistry** was appointed as an Associate to the American Chemical Society (ACS) Committee on Chemical Safety (2024).

- Shailender Kumar Verma of the **Department of Environmental Studies** was awarded a Newton International Fellowships Alumni award by the Royal Society (London), United Kingdom (2023). Global Outreach-Contributing member of the American Society for Microbiology, USA (2023).

- Inderjit of the **Department of Environmental Studies** was Awarded the JC Bose National Fellowship grant. He also received an Excellence Award conferred by the University of Delhi to recognize outstanding service and contributions to research and academic activities at the University.

- Sourav Sur of the **Department of Physics & Astrophysics** was a Visiting Associate at the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) -- continuing in 2023-24 till 2025.

- R. K. Negi of the **Department of Zoology** has been conferred an Honorary Fellowship (FHFSTC) Award: Himalayan Forum for Science and Technology Communication by Shoolini University, Solan (HP), India in 2023.

- Anindita Datta of the **Department of Geography** was awarded the prestigious Jan-Monk Service Award 2023 by the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Feminist Geography Specialty Group, for her contributions to feminist geography and service to women in geography in India.

- Sanjoy Roy of the **Department of Social Work** was awarded Dr B R Ambedkar National Award 2023 for outstanding performance in the field of Social Work by Dr. B R Ambedkar Sports Foundation (Organization in Special Consultative Status with United Nations' Economic and Social Council) at Indira Gandhi Sports Complex, New Delhi, India.

- Asha Tyagi of **Department of Anaesthesiology & Critical Care (UCMS)** was awarded the Fellowship of Indian College of Anaesthesiologists (FICA) for "mastering the art and science of Anaesthesiology and pioneering advancement of the speciality" at the 4th International and 14th National conference of the Indian college of Anaesthesiologists; Bengaluru;

- Ashok Kumar Saxena of **Department of Anaesthesiology & Critical Care (UCMS)** was awarded 'ISA Ratna" by ISA National on 25th November 2023.

- Renu Chauhan of **Department of Anatomy (UCMS)** received an award of excellence in Healthcare on the occasion of National multidisciplinary medical Conclave on 23.4.2023. She also received an award by Physicians Forum of India on doctors' day for teacher and mentor par excellence on 28.6.2023.

- Rakhee Sharma of the **Department of Anatomy (UCMS)** received the Best Young Excellence award on 5th January 2024 at the 31st annual conference of NAI.

- Ankana Saha of the **Department of Anatomy (UCMS)** received Best Teacher Award 2023 (Higher Educational Institution level) by the InSC Institute of Scholars.

- Sankat Mochan of the **Department of Anatomy (UCMS)** received the Dr H.J. Mehta Memorial Award for the published article in the 70th NATCON, 2023, at Arunachal Pradesh.

- Vikrant Mohanty of **Department of Dental Sciences, Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences** was awarded the FAIMER Fellowship.

- Harpreet Grewal of **Department of Dental Sciences (UCMS)** awarded Fellowship of World Federation of Orthodontists.

- Vibhu Mendiratta of **Department of Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy (LHMC)** was awarded VN Sehgal award by IADVL for special achievements in Dermatology in 2023 in the National Conference of Dermatology at Mumbai.

- Rashmi Sarkar of **Department of Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy (LHMC)** was elected as Regional Director of International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS) of South Asia, Middle East and Africa in 2023.

- Satish Kumar Verma of **Department of Forensic Medicine & Toxicology (UCMS)** was awarded with Distinguished Research Award by INSO, April 2023. He was also awarded "Vishishth Chikitsa Ratan" by the Delhi Medical Association, Delhi, on the occasion of Doctor's Day, 2023. He was also awarded "Chikitsa Guru Samman" by the Indian Medical Association, East Delhi, on Teachers Day, 2023.

- Kirti Nirmal of the **Department of Medical Microbiology (UCMS)** received distinguished service in the field of Academics on Doctors Day on National Doctors Day award at IMA Headquarters on 1/7/2023. She also received Vishit Seva Rattan award on Doctors Day on 02/07/2023 organized by IMA EDB.

- Amitesh Aggarwal of the **Department of Medicine (UCMS)** received Fellowship in Indian Society of Chronomedicine.

- Anshuman Srivastava and Shiva Narang of the **Department of Medicine (UCMS)** received a Fellowship from the Indian College of Physicians. Shiva Narang also received the State award for Exceptional work for persons with disability.

- Om Prakash of **Department of Opthalmology (LHMC)** received an award of 'Outstanding Ophthalmic Teachers of India' at 7th national assembly of Forum of Ophthalmic Teachers of India (FOTI), Delhi 6-7 Jan 2024.

- Sarita Beri of the **Department of Opthalmology (LHMC)** was awarded the honorary 'FAICO in Vitreo-retinal Surgery'. She was also awarded the Gold medal in Teachers of Future Session at AIIMS Delhi on 11 March 2024.

- Piyush Kumar Ramavat of the **Department of Opthalmology (LHMC)** was awarded 'FAICO in Glaucoma' by the All India Ophthalmological Society on 12 May 2023.

- Neelima Gupta of **the Department of Otolaryngology (UCMS) was awarded the Health Icon Award by the** Integrated Medical Association on 2nd December 2023. She was also awarded the Top Reviewers Award at the Annual AOICON, Bangalore, for Reviewer of IJOHNS for outstanding review history.

- P. Dewan of the **Department of Paediatrics (UCMS)** was appointed Editor-in-Chief for Indian Pediatrics, the official journal of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics, for 2024-2026 w.e.f. 1/1/2024.

- Raj Kumar of the **Department of Pulmonary Medicine (VPCI)** was conferred the Outstanding Allergy Scientist Award 2023 from Bengaluru Allergy Foundation Bangalore, India, on 21st September 2023. He was also conferred Fellow, Royal College of Physicians of London, 2023.

- Natasha Gupta of the **Department of Radiology, Radiotherapy, Radiodiagnosis & Radiation Medicine (UCMS)** received the President Appreciation Award at the 76th Annual Conference of Indian Radiological & Imaging Association (IRIA) at Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, in January, 2024 (for Outstanding and Meritorious services rendered to the IRIA).

- Asmita Rathore of the **University College of Medical Sciences** was awarded the FOGSI Excellence Award 2023.

- Piyush Gupta of the **University College of Medical Sciences** was awarded the Outstanding Faculty Award. He was awarded the Top 50 Researchers award in India, Careers 360, Prime Minister Museum, New Delhi, October 3, 2023.

- Satendra Singh of the **University College of Medical Sciences** was Awarded the National Annual Award for Medical Humanities 2023 by the Pauranik Academy of Medical Education on 16 December 2023 in Delhi for championing the medical humanities movement in India.

- Shiva Narang of the **University College of Medical Sciences** received State award in 2023 for Exceptional work for persons with disabilities at Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital.

- Madhu Khanna of the **Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute** received the IVS Fellow award for eminent contribution to Medical Virology from the Indian Virological Society at VIROCON – 2023, ICAR-National Research Centre for Banana, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu on December 1, 2023.

- Bhawna Solanki of the **Delhi School of Journalism** was awarded the "Bharat Vibhushan Award-2023" by the National Book of Records.

- Sunit K. Singh of **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Centre for Biomedical Research** was elected a Fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences India in recognition of his work in Molecular Virology. He was also awarded the Prof. CNR Rao Education Foundation Award.