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Centre of Behavioural and Cognitive Science

The Centre of Behavioural and Cognitive Science (CBCS) organized the 12th Annual Conference of Cognitive Science at the prestigious Prof Ishwar Topa Complex from Dec 12-24, 2025. With about 220 delegates from the USA, UK, Spain, and India, the conference conducted the four keynote talks, oral and poster presentations, panel discussion and industry talk. About 220 participants from various Institutions across the country such as IIT Delhi, IIT Kanpur, IIT Bombay, IIT Gandhinagar, IIT Jammu, NFSU, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, National Brain Research Centre, Manesar, University of Hyderabad, IISERs, IIM Indore, IIIT Delhi, IIIT Hyderabad, Christ University and CBCS, University of Allahabad participated in the conference and appreciated the event. We express our deep sense of gratitude to the Honorable Vice Chancellor for her support and encouragement. We are also grateful to DST, Tiden Technologies, and Springer Nature for supporting the conference.



JK Institute

An Educational Tour was conducted by the Department of Electronics & Communication, JK Institute of Applied Physics & Technology, University of Allahabad.



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Rejuvenation and Foundation Stone Unveiling Ceremony of Hindu Hostel

हिंदू छात्रावास में कायाकल्प एवं आधारशिला अनावरण कार्यक्रम समारोह आज दिनांक 17 दिसंबर को मुख्य अतिथि आदरणीय श्रीमती कांता मालवीय जी एवं माननीय कुलपति महोदया प्रोफेसर संगीता श्रीवास्तव जी के करकमलों के द्वारा सम्पन्न हुआ।



Department of Physical Education

The first Batch of Skill Enhancement Course on Applied Yoga, Wellness & Stress Management Assessment for NEP based Graduation First Semester 2025 was successfully completed on December 18, 2025. Despite the cold and foggy weather, the students were enthusiastic. This is a vivid image of resilience and high spirits which is also a real spirit of NEP based theme- 'Learning by Doing'.



Department of Education

Professor U.C. Vashishtha is the former Dean and Head of the Faculty of Education at the University of Lucknow. He delivered an informative and inspiring talk at the Department of Education of the University of Allahabad on 18 December 2025. The interactive session was organized under the Research Circle for departmental scholars. During the event, he shared his extensive experiences across teacher education and higher education policies, alongside general research. He highlighted the significance of educational reforms through the National Education Policy 2020 and the ancient Indian Gurukul system. He illustrated the qualities of an ideal teacher through his own positive experiences with mentors and students. This led him to encourage attendees to be analytical and scientific, as well as visionary, in their career paths. He further discussed global education systems and their impact on the happiness index in developing nations. He emphasized the need for prospective educators to remain introspective, lifelong learners with a positive professional attitude. The event was anchored by research scholar Ayush Sharma. It featured a welcome address by Professor Dhananjai Yadav, and a formal vote of thanks by Doctor Patanjali Mishra.



UNIVERSITY OF ALLAHABAD
Research Circle, Department of Education

Join us for interactive session with

Prof. U. C. Vashishtha
Former Dean & Head, P.T. Lucknow University, Lucknow

Patron: Prof. Sangita Srivastava, Vice-Chancellor, University of Allahabad
Guidance of: Prof. Chananjali Yadav, Head of Department, Div. University of Allahabad

On 16/12/2025, At 09:00 PM
Venue: Seminar Hall, Div. University of Allahabad



MIND MAKEOVER WORKSHOP
Heal Your Emotions, Reprogram Your Subconscious, Shape Your Future

Transformational Session for B.A.-1st Semester Students for skill enhancement through:

- NLP (Neuro Linguistic Techniques)
- Hypnogenic Emotional Healing

WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS

- Emotional Healing Meditation
- NLP Reprogramming Techniques
- Subconscious Visualization
- Confidence-Building Activities
- Future Design & Goal Mapping

BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS

- Stress Relief
- Better Emotional Control
- Positive Thinking Improved Soft Skills
- Facilitator Motivation
- Inner Peace & Clarity

Patron: Prof. Sangita Srivastava, Honorable Vice-Chancellor, UoA

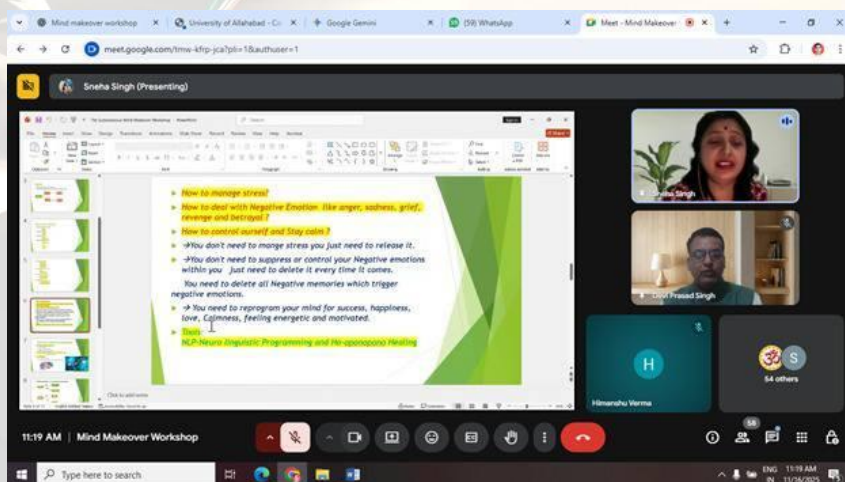
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Facilitator: Sneha Singh, Certified Hypnogenic Healer / Life Coach

Coordinator: Dr. Sarali Yadav, Associate Professor, Department of Education, UoA

Coordinator: Dr. Devi Prasad Singh, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, UoA

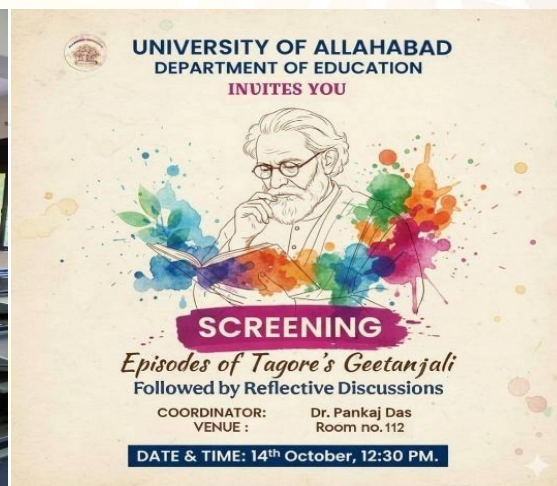
Online Session on 16/12/2025 from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Through Google Meet link: <https://meet.google.com/tmw-kfr-jca?pin=15&authuser=1>
Organized by: Department of Education, University of Allahabad Prayagraj



On 16th November 2025, the Department of Education organised an online workshop titled 'Mind Makeover Workshop: Heal Your Emotions, Reprogram Your Subconscious, and Shape Your Future' for the B.A. Semester I students under the Skill Enhancement Programme. The session aimed at helping the participants to understand the science of emotional well-being and mental reconditioning. The workshop was facilitated by Ms. Sneha Singh, a certified Ho'oponopono healer, NLP practitioner, and life coach. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Saroj Yadav and Dr. Devi Prasad Singh.



The two-day National Seminar on “Innovative Pedagogy: Opportunities and Challenges” was successfully organised by the Department of Education, University of Allahabad, Prayagraj, in blended mode (offline and online) on 14th and 15th November 2025. The seminar was organised under the able leadership of Prof. Dhananjai Yadav, Head, Department of Education, University of Allahabad, and the effective coordination of Dr. Patanjali Mishra, Associate Professor, Department of Education, and Organising Secretary of the seminar. The Programme provided a vibrant academic platform for academicians, researchers, teacher educators, and scholars to deliberate on emerging trends, opportunities, and challenges in innovative pedagogy in the context of NEP 2020. It encouraged critical reflection on the contemporary pedagogical issues, and strengthened collaborative academic engagement among participants.



On 14th October 2025, the Department of Education, University of Allahabad, organised a special screening of selected episodes from Tagore's Gitanjali for the M.Ed. first-semester students. The screening aimed to provide the students with a deeper understanding of the philosophical and educational values embedded in Rabindranath Tagore's poetic vision. Following the screening, students engaged in reflective discussions, sharing their interpretations and insights on Tagore's ideas about humanism, spirituality, and education. The interactive session encouraged critical thinking and personal reflection among participants. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Pankaj Das, Department of Education.

वन्देमातरम पदयात्रा



ICSSR Full-term Doctoral Fellowship 2025-26

36 research scholars from the University of Allahabad have secured the ICSSR Full-term Doctoral Fellowship for 2025-26. The University of Delhi leads with 52 scholars; the students of Allahabad University are in the 2nd position. This achievement is largely attributed to the visionary leadership of our Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sangeeta Srivastava Ma'am, who has fostered a robust research environment at the University of Allahabad.

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Department of Mathematics

On December 22, 2025, the Department of Mathematics, Allahabad University, organized a national seminar on the occasion of National Mathematics Day to commemorate the birthday of India's great mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan. Quiz competitions for students and a seminar on "Mathematical Contributions of Indian Mathematicians" were organized. The keynote speaker, Prof. D.S. Ramanna (HRI Allahabad), shared his views on the Euler-Maclarin formula. The chief guest Prof. S.I. Rizvi, Dean, Faculty of Science, Allahabad University, also shared his views.

The program formally began with the address of the Head of the department Professor Satya Dev who welcomed the guests and garlanded the portraits of Goddess Saraswati and Ramanujan. Professor P.K. Singh highlighted Mathematics Day. Present on the occasion were Professor S.S. Shukla, Dr. B.K. Sharma, Dr. Sapna Devi, Dr. Avnish Kumar Chaturvedi, Dr. G.C.S. Yadav, and other faculty members, as well as research scholars, undergraduate and postgraduate students. Dr. Anoop Kumar Singh, Dr. Harendra Singh, and Dr. Rahul Kumar Maurya coordinated the entire event and conducted the seminar. Among the winners of the quiz competitions, Arun Pachal secured first place in the undergraduate category, Amrit Mudgal second, Saurabh Kumar Pal and Shashank Shekhar third. Among the postgraduates, Mohammad Rashid and Priyanshu Kushwaha secured the first place, Arun Prajapati and Sandeep Singh second, and Rupa Kumari third. The winners of the symposium competition were Garima Tripathi, Bhavesh Pandey, and Riya Yadav. Prizes and certificates were presented to the winners by the chief guest and keynote speaker. The program concluded with the welcome address of Dr. Sachin Pathak.



Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Training Programme

The University of Allahabad successfully and enthusiastically conducted the two batches of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Large Scale Jan Seva Programme at the Department of Physics, Faculty of Science. The programme fostered a vibrant atmosphere of collaboration, reflecting a shared commitment to strengthen a culture of public service across the university. The training was led by a dynamic team of Master Trainers Dr. Saroj Yadav, Dr. Ravindra Pratap Singh, Dr. Archana Singh, Dr. Vikas Sharma, Dr. Pratibha Arya, and Dr. Sujeet Kumar Singh whose interactive, hands-on modules ensured active engagement throughout the sessions.



A total of 244 employees from the diverse academic and administrative units participated with remarkable enthusiasm. Faculty members and non-teaching staff from the Departments of Earth & Planetary Sciences, Physics, Botany, Zoology, English, and the centres including Biotechnology, Materials Sciences, Environmental Science, Atmospheric & Oceanic Studies, Food Technology and Gandhian & Peace Studies actively contributed. Teams from the Vice-Chancellor's Office, NAAC Office, Language Labs, Ishwar Topa Complex and Placement Office also took part, engaging in discussions, activities, and reflective exercises. Their spirited involvement highlighted a strong commitment to enhancing efficiency and service-oriented functioning within the university.

The programme received the valuable encouragement and support from Prof. K. N. Uttam, Head, Department of Physics; Prof. Neelam Yadav, Director of Institute of Professional Studies Prof. A. K. Rai, Head, Department of Earth & Planetary Sciences; Prof. Shanthy Sunderam, Coordinator, Centre of Biotechnology; Prof. Ravindra Dhar, Coordinator, Centre of Materials Sciences; and Prof. Umesh Kumar, Coordinator, Centre of Environmental Science, which further enriched the learning experience. Prof. Neelam Yadav highlighted the importance of Rashtriya Karmayogi Program and praised the efforts of Karmayogi Facilitators.



The participants expressed heartfelt appreciation for the initiative, commending the organisers and trainers for their inspiring leadership. Many emphasized that such continuous capacity-building programmes are essential for nurturing the true spirit of Jan Seva and for building a more responsive, people-centric institutional framework. With the successful completion of these training batches, the University of Allahabad takes a significant step forward in advancing the objectives of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Mission, reaffirming its commitment to excellence, accountability, and public-spirited governance.

Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Training Programme

The University of Allahabad successfully organised three parallel batches of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Large Scale Jan Seva Training Programme, creating a dynamic and goal-oriented learning environment on the campus. The programme was conducted at the Department of Education and Political Science, and aimed at reinforcing the principles of public service, responsibility, and effective governance among the university personnel.

The training was delivered by a team of distinguished Master Trainers comprising Dr. Saroj Yadav, Prof. Neetu Mishra, Dr. Ravindra Pratap Singh, Dr. Archana Singh, Dr. Pratibha Arya, and Dr. Sujeet Kumar Singh. Using interactive sessions, group activities, and practical exercises, the trainers encouraged active participation and facilitated constructive dialogue throughout the programme. Approximately 260 teaching and non-teaching staff members from a wide range of academic departments and administrative offices participated in the training. The attendees included representatives from K. Banerjee Centre of Atmospheric and Ocean Studies; Departments of Botany, Hindi, and Music; along with personnel from the office of Finance and Accounts, Vice-Chancellors Office, Central Library, Engineer's Office, Security Office, and several other university units. Their involvement demonstrated a shared commitment to improving institutional performance and public-facing service delivery.

The programme also benefited from the support and guidance of senior faculty members and administrators, including Prof. Shailendra Rai, Coordinator of K. Banerjee Centre of Atmospheric and Ocean Studies; Prof. Satya Narain, Head of the Department of Botany; Dr. B. K. Singh, Librarian, University of Allahabad; and Mr. Piyush Kumar Mishra, Law Officer. Participants responded positively to the training, describing it as inspiring and informative. Many emphasized that such continuous capacity-building initiatives are essential for cultivating a service-driven outlook and strengthening citizen-oriented practices within higher education institutions.

By hosting this large-scale training programme, the University of Allahabad has once again demonstrated its commitment to the objectives of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Mission, highlighting its focus on professional competence, transparency, and the values of public service.



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Closing ceremony of Rashtriya Karmayogi Large Scale Jan Seva Training Programme

The University of Allahabad marked the successful conclusion of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Large Scale Jan Seva Training Programme with a formal Closing Ceremony and Concluding Session, bringing to an end all 27 structured training sessions conducted under the programme. More than 1500 permanent employees of the University has been trained during the sessions.

Today before the closing ceremony, the training was implemented through two parallel batches, fostering a vibrant, interactive, and goal-oriented learning environment across the university campus. The programme, aimed at strengthening the principles of public service, accountability, and effective governance, was delivered by a team of all 07 Master Trainers including Dr. Saroj Yadav, Prof. Neetu Mishra, Dr. Ravindra Pratap Singh, Dr. Archana Singh, Dr. Pratibha Arya, Dr. Sujeet Kumar Singh, and Dr. Vikas Sharma. Through engaging lectures, interactive discussions, group activities, and practical exercises, the trainers ensured active participation and meaningful reflection throughout all sessions.

Two parallel sessions were held at the Department of Political Science and Department of Education with 85 teaching and non-teaching participants, representing a wide spectrum of academic departments and administrative offices such as the Registrar Office, Controller of Examination, Finance and Accounts, Engineer's Office, Estate Office, Department of Hindi, and the Department of Medieval and Modern History. Their enthusiastic involvement reflected a collective commitment to enhancing institutional efficiency and improving citizen-centric service delivery.

The programme was further strengthened by the presence and support of senior university functionaries and faculty members, including Prof. Ashish Khare, Registrar; Prof. Himanshu Srivastava, Finance Officer; Mr. A. K. Kanojia, Controller of Examination; Prof. Lalsa Yadav, Head, Department of Hindi; Prof. Sanjay Srivastava, Head, Department of Medieval and Modern History; Prof. Ajai Jaitly, Head, Department of Visual Arts; and Er. Naveen Kumar, University Engineer.

During the concluding session, participants shared the positive feedback, describing the Karmayogi Sessions as insightful, motivating, and highly relevant to their professional roles.

Many emphasized the importance of such continuous capacity-building initiatives in nurturing a service-oriented mindset and reinforcing ethical, transparent, and responsive administrative practices within higher education institutions.

The Karmayogi Sessions were formally concluded with the closing remarks by the Prof Khare, Registrar, University of Allahabad, who commended the active participation of all trainees and trainers, and underscored the significance of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Mission in transforming public service delivery through competence, integrity, and commitment to national service.

With the successful completion of all 27 sessions without hampering the academics, the University of Allahabad reaffirmed its dedication to the ideals of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Mission, emphasizing professionalism, transparency, and the enduring values of public service in academic and administrative governance.



पंडित मदनमोहन मालवीय जयंती

भारतरत्न पंडित मदनमोहन मालवीय जी की जयंती के अवसर पर दिनांक 27 दिसंबर, 2025 सुबह इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के सीनेट हॉल परिसर स्थित उनकी प्रतिमा पर माल्यार्पण कर शिक्षकों, छात्रों और शोधार्थियों ने उनका स्मरण किया। प्रोफेसर कुमार वीरेंद्र ने मालवीय जी के राजनेता और शिक्षा विदरूप पर प्रकाश डाला। प्रोफेसर अर्चना चहल ने काशी हिंदू विश्वविद्यालय के महत्व पर अपनी बात रखी। इस दौरान इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय से जुड़े संघटक कॉलेज के शिक्षक और शोधछात्र भी उपस्थित रहे।



इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के विधि विभाग में आयोजित कार्यक्रम को संबोधित करते डा. श्लेष गौतम ● सौ. संस्वाज

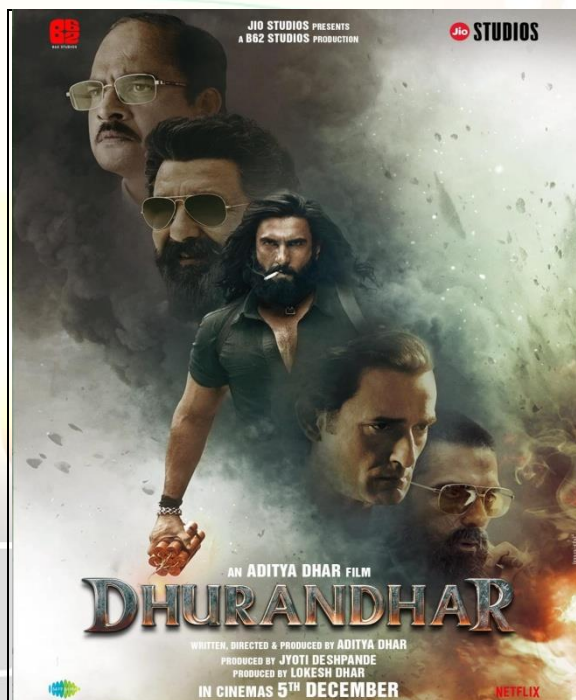
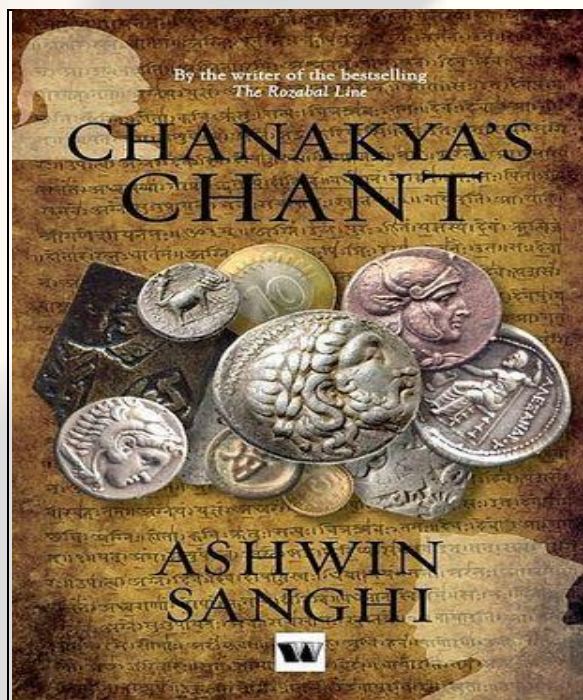
अधिकारों की रक्षा में संविधान की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका

प्रयागराज : इलाहाबाद विश्वविद्यालय के विधि संकाय स्थित विधि सहायता एवं सेवा केंद्र द्वारा वीर बाल दिवस के अवसर पर बच्चों का विधिक एवं संवैधानिक संरक्षण विषय पर व्याख्यान का आयोजन किया गया। मुख्य अतिथि इलाहाबाद डिग्री कॉलेज के सहायक प्रोफेसर डा. श्लेष गौतम ने वीर बाल दिवस के ऐतिहासिक महत्व पर प्रकाश डालते हुए साहित्यजादों के अद्वितीय

बलिदान को स्मरण किया। स्वागत भाषण विधि सहायता एवं सेवा केंद्र के संयोजक डा. संजीव कुमार ने दिया। विद्यार्थियों में अभिषेक शुक्ला, भावेश प्रताप राय, पुलकित सिंह तथा विश्वास नारायण तिवारी ने वीर बाल दिवस के महत्व पर अपने विचार प्रस्तुत किए। कार्यक्रम का संवादन अनन्या मिश्रा एवं जादवी तिवारी ने किया। विभागाध्यक्ष प्रो. अंशुमान मिश्र उपस्थित रहे। वि.

Book of the Edition: Chanakya's Chant- Ashwin Sanghi

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