



**Himachal Pradesh University Alumni Association**  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

A meeting of **Alumni Coordinators of Himachal Pradesh University Alumni Association** was held on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 in the Committee Room of the Office of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University. Meeting was chaired by Prof. Sikander Kumar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chief Patron of the HPU Alumni Association. Following Alumni Co-ordinators attended the meeting:

1. Dr. Tikam Ram, Himachal Pradesh Department of Evening Studies, Gandhi Bhawan, The Mall Shimla.
2. Dr. Kusum Chauhan, Himachal Pradesh University Institute of legal Studies, Ava Lodge, Chaura Maidan, Shimla.
3. Dr. Amarjeet Singh, Department of Physics, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
4. Dr. Tek Singh, Department of Economics, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
5. Dr. Alka Sharma, Himachal Pradesh University College of Business Studies, Ava Lodge, Chaura Maidan
6. Dr. Kuldeep Kumar, Himachal Pradesh University Regional Centre, Dharamshala
7. Prof. Him Chatterjee, Department of Visual Arts, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
8. Dr. Yashwant Harta, Department of Lifelong Learning, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
9. Dr. Munish Dutta, Department of Public Administration, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
10. Dr. Sandeep Chauhan, Department of Chemistry, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
11. Dr. Ajay Kumar, Department of Journalism and Mass communication, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
12. Dr. Satyaprakash Pathak, Department of Yoga Studies, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.

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13. Dr. Rajeev Sharma, Department of Music, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
14. Dr. Yogesh Mohan, Department of Computer Science, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
15. Dr. Geetika Sood, Department of Law, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
16. Dr. Pushpa Lata Sharma, Department of Mathematics, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
17. Prof. Reena Gupta, Department of Bio-Technology, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
18. Dr. Narinder Singh Chauhan, Himachal Pradesh University Business School, Gandhi Bhavan, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
19. Dr. Deepak Sharma, International Centre of Distance Education and Open Learning, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
20. Dr. Mini Pathak Dogra, Department of Political Science, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
21. Dr. Roshani Devi, Department of History, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
22. Dr. Shobha Rani, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
23. Dr. Lata Devi, Department of Sanskrit, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
24. Dr. Seema Chaudhary, Department of Geography, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
25. Prof. Khem Chand, Department of Mathematics, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
26. Dr. Ashwani Kumar, Department of Sociology, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
27. Dr. Daisy Verma, Department of English, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
28. Dr. Surya Rashmi Rawat, Himachal Pradesh School of Business Studies, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
29. Dr. Nitin Vyas, Institute of Vocational Studies, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
30. Dr. Joginder Saklani, Department of Political Science (ICDEOL), Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.
31. Prof. P. K. Ahluwalia, President, HPU Alumni Association, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.

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32. Dr. Ramesh Thakur, General Secretary, HPU Alumni Association, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla.

Prof. P.K Ahluwalia Welcomed the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sikander Kumar, and the Alumni Co-ordinators to the meeting and requested Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to address the participants.

(a) Chief patron extended warm welcome to all the Alumni co-ordinators and worthy office bearers of Alumni association present in the meeting. Chief Patron shared his thoughts about the various activities and events which can be planned to strengthen the connect with Alumni and the University. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor exhorted all the Alumni co-ordinators focus on following three elements:

- i. All the Alumni coordinators are the connecting link of the University and its Alumni and they must plan various activities to benefit the current students, departments and the University. A chain of yearlong activities at department level must be planned where alumni can be invited to interact with department to strengthen the bond of the department and alumni. He informed Co-ordinators that University will help departments financially to facilitate such activities and events for the alumni.
- ii. Each department must identify at least 50 notable alumni enrol them as life members and submit the list of these alumni to the office of Alumni Association within a week.
- iii. Each department must maintain a register with all the details of Alumni and must put efforts to register as many as members in the alumni association as life members as possible.

(b) Prof. P.K. Ahluwalia Former Professor of Physics and President of Alumni Association gave a presentation and apprised Alumni co-ordinators about the important role played by the Alumni association and its status vis-à-vis NAAC Accreditation.

**Social Media Connect:** He requested all the Co-ordinators to use social media to reach out to the Alumni. They were informed about the Facebook page of HPU Alumni Association and its role, He suggested that in the first instance they should request for becoming part of this page and then invite alumni of their departments/ institutes to become members of the Facebook page. He invited their valuable suggestions and feedback to make page most happening place to post good news about the University and create posts about the programs, research highlights and other events to reach out to the Alumni to facilitate meaningful dialogue, mentorship and crowd funding initiatives for their departments in particular and University in general. Prof. Ahluwalia also shared the present statistics of Facebook of Himachal Pradesh University Alumni Association with all the Alumni Coordinators

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underlining the effort required to increase the footfall on the face book page of the Alumni Association.

- a. **Enrolment of Members:** Prof. Ahluwalia also encouraged all the members present to initiate a campaign to register more alumni as life members to achieve the set target of 10,000 members in next 2 months by following the slogan "*each one reach ten for ten weeks*" slogan.
- b. **Planned Activities Around Alumni:** He highlighted the various activities undertaken in the recent past and being proposed under the Aegis of HPU Alumni association. He informed them that Following programs have been approved by the Governing Council of Alumni association which are likely to go a long way in making the association a vibrant forum to initiate debates and dialogues to improve the quality of education and reach of the University to stakeholders.
  - i. Golden Jubilee Lecture Series by eminent personalities
  - ii. My University My Memories
  - iii. Meet and Greet the Teacher

Idea is to generate ideas for the students and faculty, get a record of the oral history and photo archives of the Universities last 50 years journey and Association acting as a bridge between its past teachers alumni and present students by arranging dialogue between past teachers and students.

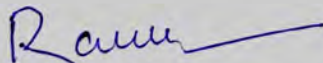
- (c) Dr. Ramesh Thakur, General Secretary of the Alumni Association suggested that pictures of 50 notable alumni of each department should be put on the website of the alumni association. He also suggested that more and more alumni should be reached, and efforts must also put to raise funds for the association also as this is very important aspect with respect to NAAC and other Accreditations. Further he added that a greater number of alumni should be identified at the departmental level and we must plan certain activities and events for the Alumni. He further suggested that each department must plan induction Programme for the freshmen where alumni can be invited as a special guest.
- (d) All the alumni coordinators keenly participated in the discussion and gave their valuable suggestions. The following were some of the notable suggestions given by the alumni coordinators:
  - i. The alumni coordinators and the members must take initiatives on urgent basis to increase the members of Alumni Association.
  - ii. The good publicity of the association must be done through different platforms including social media with some good has tag # lines such as #Ilovehpu
  - iii. We must acknowledge our alumni on different occasions and must send them Greetings and Birthday Wishes by showing the respect and once again creating the bond with the University.
  - iv. Short videos for "My University My Memories" should be recorded and posted on the Facebook page of Alumni Association. The display screens which are to

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be installed in the university campus can also be used to display these videos and other news of the association.


- v. Efforts must be put on sharing good news of the University at different platforms
- vi. Monthly lecture series under the aegis of alumni association must be planned at department level
- vii. All the teachers in different departments should be requested formally and informally to become life members as provided in the constitution of the association. The data of the alumni PhD scholars can be created from records in the departmental offices as well as from their respective supervisors so that they can be approached to be the life members of the Association.
- viii. The official WhatsApp groups of alumni batches can also be used to get information about alumni of previous batches.
- ix. The existing students can be made members of alumni association at the department level and data of each batch should be recorded and kept both in print form and in soft form safely so that the data can be accessed any time when in need.
- x. Dr. Surya Rashmi Rawat, Joint Secretary of Alumni Association asked all the coordinators to follow the principle of 3 I's - *Identify, Invite and Involve*. She insisted to identify the alumni from different walks of life. These alumni can be invited on different occasions and events and must seek their help in infrastructure development by creating an Alumni Corpus fund. This will help University in various fronts including NAAC and other Accreditations.

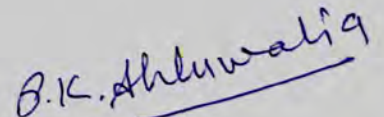
Meeting was very lively and went ahead as per the expectations of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



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