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During this academic session Himachal Pradesh University succeeded to turn complete campus, residential colonies of teaching and non-teaching staff, library and hostels into wi-fi enabled campus. Our library is fully digitalized now and our examination wing is also fully digitalized. We have renovated 11 students' hostels out of total 16 hostels during this session. Himachal Pradesh University has performed on multi-dimensional aspects of academic areas, worked on overall development of students, constructed infrastructure, provided funds for equipment to all the departments, renovated hostels, enhanced capacity of library, introduced technology in every day's working in administrative and examination wings and worked to improve facilities for differently abled students. University has worked to develop its green area and in this process thousands of trees have been planted, ample work has been done to keep the campus and surrounding clean so several cleanliness drives were conducted.

The one area which we have picked up for the specific purpose is "increasing ICT networking and getting best use of it for online teaching". There are multiple disciplines and offices which take care of ICT in the campus like University Institute of Information Technology, Computer Sciences department, Computer center, wi-fi center and web admin of the university website. In University Institute of Information Technology, we have started three different courses during the academic session in civil engineering, electrical engineering and electronics & communication. In the same institute 20 new faculty members were also appointed which provided best of their support to conduct online classes during the pandemic and which is still going on. It is pertinent to mention that this year University has provided 134 new desktops fitted with web cameras to the faculty members who were left without latest computers with web cameras, so the standard and quality of online classes can be improved. We have provided funds for the departments to install smart class room equipment where so ever the smart classroom equipment was of older version or unfit to function. Since the entire university is made wi-fi enabled for the use of students, employees and teachers, so the maximum use of ICT tools can be ensured during the academic year. If we particularly talk about IQAC office, we have instructed all the departments to stop using any kind of paper-based communication to our office and for last more than one-year entire format of NIRF and AQAR of NAAC is received on emails and the queries are sent back to concerned departments to resolve which they do online. In coming times, we are planning to work of some software development to make AQAR submission more effective and easier.

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