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Aims and Objectives:

The Edge Ages (TEA) is a fortnightly Online Newsletter of the Department of Commerce, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. It is to focus on academic and other perspectives useful for students and readers, especially for commerce and business. The Newsletter updates the activities of the Department of Commerce, Himachal Pradesh University. It is meant to enrich knowledge and encourage young and enthusiastic students and researchers to contribute their original write-ups as well as to convey updated information which is useful for synergizing knowledge in the field of commerce and is an effort for the benefit of all stakeholders and welfare of the future generations. The information and write-ups can be considered for publication if they ensure originality and recommendations of the reviewers including the editorial board.

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The Edge Ages (TEA) is refreshing and updating young enthusiastic readers every fortnight and connecting business horizons with academia and research. Taking up the progressive approach, the editorial team is stepping forward and has launched the second Issue of the online Newsletter of the Department of Commerce, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. It is equipped with academic, research and other updates of the Department. Not only this, the newsletter encourages exposure avenues for young people with having commerce background as well as academic learning and discussions. The collective effort of the team of Teaching Faculty, Staff, Scholars and students of the Department of Commerce is appreciable especially as the contributors and the entire team have to get engaged for taking updates to be loaded fortnightly on the webpage of the department in the H.P. University website. On the occasion of launching this online issue of the Newsletter, I congratulate the entire team wishing that the Archive of the issues of the Newsletter will acclimate the forthcoming generations to the academic historic contribution of the team of the Department of Commerce.

Professor Devinder Sharma

Chief Editor

As we bring the second issue of this newsletter, we want to take a moment to thank you for being part of our community. We are constantly inspired by your engagement, feedback and enthusiasm. In this edition, we are excited to share all the activities that took place in the Department of Commerce, Himachal Pradesh University from 16th August to 31st August. Our team has worked hard to bring you the latest issue of our newsletter. We are proud to be a part of such a vibrant and dynamic community and will look forward to sharing the many ways in which we continue to push the boundaries of knowledge and foster a spirit of collaboration and inclusivity. Thank you for your continued support and engagement together we are shaping the future, one step at a time.

Best regards,

Scholars Editorial Board

OUR MOTTO

**SPREAD KNOWLEDGE, EXCEL AND PROVE DYNAMIC POTENTIAL IN THE SPHERE OF
DIFFERENT SECTORS AS EXPERTS DEALING WITH COMMERCE BY REFRESHING THE EDGE
AGES OF COMMERCE UPDATES.**

ACADEMIC CALENDAR OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR JULY 2024 TO DECEMBER 2024

HIMACHAL PRADESH UNIVERSITY
(NAAC Accredited 'A' Grade University) Department
of Commerce, Shimla-5 ACADEMIC CALANDER
FOR THE SEMESTER W.E.F. JULY, 2024 TO
DECEMBER, 2024

Month	Dates From- To	Teaching Days	Additional Celebrations	Mode of Celebration
July	29.07.2024 to 31.07.2024	03	Induction Programme*	Themes Decided*
August	01.08.2024 to 05.08.2024	04	Induction Programme*	Themes Decided*
August	06.08.2024 to 31.08.2024	20	7 August, National Handloom Day	Special Lecture
			19 August, World Humanitarian Day	Group Activities on the theme and also on Human Rights Day which is on 10 December
			20 August, Sadbhavna Diwas, 23 August International Day for Remembrance of Slave Trade and its Abolition, 17 October- International Day for Eradication of Poverty, 31 October-National Unity Day	Slogan Writing Activity-Exhibition on 23.08.2024.
			26 August, Women Equity Day and 25 November, International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women	Activity presented by students on 26.08.2024
September	02.09.2024 to 30.09.2024	24	5 September, Teachers Day, 5 October, World Teachers Day	Address by Teachers and celebration by students on 05.09.2024
			8 September, International Literacy Day and 11 November-National Education Day	Declamation on 08.09.2024
			14 September-Hindi Diwas	Hindi Writing Competition on 14.09.2024
			18 September-World Bamboo Day	Presentations by Students
			21 September- International Day of Peace and 26 September- World Environment Health Day	Students Creativity Activities on the Themes
October	01.10.2024 to 30.10.2024	23	1 October- World Vegetarian Day, 2 October- International Day of Non-violence	Group Interactions in the Presence of Teachers on 1.10.2024
			15 October-World Students Day	Students Celebration

			20 October- World Statistics Day	Special Presentation
November	1.11.2024 to 30.11.2024	24	26 November-Constitution Day of India	Celebration in Patriotism Mode
December	02.12.2024 to 07.12.2024	06	2 December- National Pollution Control Day and International Day for Abolition of Slavery	Group Presentations and Simulation on 2.12.2024
			14 December- National Energy Conservation Day and 24	Students Presentations on 07.12.2024
			December, National Consumer Rights Day	
Total Days		104	14	
Less Days due to Celebrations		14		
Effective Class Days (For M.Com I & III)		90		
Preparatory Days	08.12.2024 (Sunday) to 15.12.2024	One Week		
Proposed Semester Exam	From 16.12.2024 Onwards			
Additional Academic Calendar for Ph.D. Course Work Students				
December	9.12.2024 to 31.12.2024	18	Presentations	
Total Days		104+18=122		
Less Days due to Celebrations		14		
Effective Class Days (For Ph.D. Course Work)		108	They will have to attend the Viva-Voce presentations of Ph.D. Scholars	
Attendance of M.Com. students and Ph.D. Scholars with the approval of the Chairman, in the Seminar/Workshop/Special Lecture in the Semester, will be considered for Academic Attendance Count as per Norms.				

INTERACTIVE SYSTEM

- First Issue of the Department of Commerce Fortnightly Newsletter: THE EDGE AGES (TEA) Launched on 16.08.2024 covering updates between 01.08.2024 to 15.08.2024.



- For interaction and updates, Notices and circulars are circulated regularly offline on the Notice Board and Online through the University Web system.
- Students filled up the documents online regarding Anti-ragging drive and submitted hard copies.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Open (online) PhD. Viva-Voce of Ms Vinta Devi under the supervision of Professor Arti Dhawan Department of Evening Studies was held on 23rd August 2024 in the Department of Commerce.



Open PhD. Viva-voce of Ms. Neetika under the supervision of Retd. Prof. Maneet Kumar Mahajan on the topic “An evaluation of selected rural employment schemes in Punjab”. The viva voce was conducted by Retd. Prof. Umesh Holani from Gwalior was held on 27th August 2024 in the Department of Commerce.



Open PhD. Viva-Voce of Mr. Sanjay Kumar under the supervision of Prof. Kulbhushan Chandel on the topic “Developmental schemes in Tribal region of Himachal Pradesh: An Evaluation”. The Viva-voce was conducted by Retd. Prof. Umesh Holani from Gwalior was held on 27th August 2024 in the Department of Commerce.



Placement Drive

The students of M.Com. 3rd semester actively participated in the awareness and placement drive held on 29th August 2024 at the University Auditorium, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. The event, organised by the Dean of Students' Welfare in collaboration with the Reserve Bank of India, provided valuable insights into career opportunities. The students engaged with representatives from RBI and other companies, gaining knowledge and exploring potential career paths, making the event highly beneficial for their future endeavours.



ACADEMIA

Classes of M.Com. and Ph.D. Coursework is running regularly. The Fellowship holder Research Scholars have given presentations during course work of the new PhD scholars. The presentations have been given in the Conference Room of the Department of Commerce.



INTERACTIVE SYSTEM

WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY CELEBRATION

On 19th August 2024, the department proudly celebrated World Humanitarian Day, highlighting the importance of global solidarity and compassion. The students of M.Com. 1st semester actively participated by creating and presenting insightful posters that reflected various humanitarian themes. Their creative work not only showcased their understanding of the significance of this day but also inspired meaningful discussions among their peers and faculty. The poster presentation was a vibrant and engaging part of the celebration, making the event both educational and impactful.



SADBHAVNA DIWAS AND INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SLAVE TRADE AND ITS ABOLITION

On 20th August 2024, in honour of Sadbhavna Diwas, and on 23rd August 2024, marking the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition, the students of M.Com. 1st semester enthusiastically engaged in a Poster Making and Slogan Writing activity. Their creative expressions captured the essence of these significant days, resonating with themes of unity and historical reflection. To further enrich the experience, Prof. Raj Kumar Singh and Dr. Manoj Sharma graced the event as esteemed members, offering their blessings, inspiration, and guidance to the students. Their presence not only encouraged the participants but also added a profound sense of purpose and motivation to the occasion, making it a memorable and impactful event.



CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY FOR THE ADD-ON SKILL-BASED PROGRAM ON TALLY AND GST.

On 27th August 2024, the Science Hall at Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, hosted a certificate distribution ceremony for the Add-on Skill-based Program on Tally and GST. The event was led by Professor Devinder Sharma, the Chairman of the Department of Commerce and Nodal Officer. Faculty members from the Department of Commerce contributed significantly to the success of the event, both in their roles as hosts and in supporting the organisation. The ceremony began at 11:00 am and concluded at 12:30 pm, with research scholars Aditi Sharma, Palak Sidhu, Vishal Kaushal, Satish Kumar, Sunil Kumar, Aniket Bachlass, Tarini Kanwar, Sheetal Sharma, Swati Kaushal, Sandeep Kumar, and Alisha Sharma from the department playing an important role in managing the arrangements. Their efforts ensured that everything ran smoothly, making the ceremony a well-organised and enjoyable occasion for everyone involved.



CURRICULUM UPDATE

The Board of Studies (PG) of Commerce meeting was held on 20th August 2024.

EDITORIAL LEARNING

Qualities of Good Research Process:

Students pursuing research sometimes are not clear about the characteristics, qualities or conditions to be followed or developed for successful and efficient research. Apart from understanding of research methods and research methodology, researcher must understand and develop such qualities while pursuing research. Consequently, due to such qualities possessed by the researcher, errors or fallacies would be avoided and the research would be considered ethically strong. The contents and steps of research consist of a series of qualities. In the following discussions, the qualities are pinpointed. Broadly the main qualities of a good research are explained as:

- Good research problem is clearly defined and identified not for self-interest, enlightenment, only for data compilation or correlation but for seeking answer of the research question in a wider interest or to accomplish the research objectives.
- Statement or title of the research must reflect the complete content of work. The researcher should avoid starting title with articles to the maximum possible level. The titles can be started as 'Evaluation of ...' 'Analysis of....' instead of 'An Evaluation of..' 'An Analysis of...'. The researcher should try to avoid use of articles at the start of writing script to the maximum possible level.
- On the front page immediately after the title, students mention 'A THESIS' 'A DISSERTATION' 'A PROJECT' instead 'THESIS' 'DISSERTATION' 'PROJECT' as it represents work of the candidate and is singular. So 'A' is not required.
- Complete originality of script and research process should be ensured. In case information or data is taken from any source, the same should be stated and acknowledged.
- Students start chapter with the quotation and reference of renowned person or legend. Except the rarest instances where quotations from some epic or extreme legendary historical quotation is felt mandatory, quotations should be avoided because generally

quotations can-not be considered as the proved facts or theoretical concepts and may be considered under research by some researcher. In case, the quotations of some renowned person match with the conceptual explanation of the researcher, the quotation can be placed where it falls in the sequence of explanation in the chapter and the reference of such quotation should be appropriately given.

- References, bibliography and script should be presented as per standards.
- Reports, data or information taken as evidence should be annexed.
- Good research sources must be relevant and must be in compliance of the research problem.
- Use of data and information by the researcher must be without any kind of personal prejudice or bias.
- Approximation or estimation has no place in research. The researcher should not present the information in approximation by using 'about', 'huge', 'many' etc or their use must be minimized.
- Language or semantics must be clear, compact and correctly interpreted so that the reader may understand the explanation in perspective of the researcher.
- The researcher should use passive voice and should not address the sentences by 'I' 'We' 'us' 'you' etc.
- Develop understanding of where to use abbreviations and symbols etc. Preferably these should be used within brackets. The terminology related with the abbreviations or symbols should be explained in the first instance and thereafter it is not necessary to re-depict it in the complete form.
- There is relevance of objectivity and subjectivity should be avoided which is the ethical condition of research but it doesn't mean that the researcher presents anything without consideration of constitutional and legal norms. The research process should be within the legal norms and presented without harming interest of any class or group.
- The researcher should avoid giving examples.
- Decision of the person in Governance, administration or authority should not be addressed by name but should be addressed by position.
- Researcher should not come to the conclusion at own level. Even if the answers are reflected, the researcher must test them by applying appropriate methods. Only the results must be conclusive though they match with the apprehension of researcher or not.
- The research design should be thoroughly planned.
- The objectives must be correctly pin-pointed as per the research problem and must be clearly defined.
- The emphasis of literature review must be with regard to diagnosis and treatment stated in the existing relevant literature and the presentation of literature review by the researcher should be such that it reflects the outcome stated by the authors and not of the researcher.
- The need of research must be to justify each objective of the study.
- Limitations faced during the research process must be frankly revealed.
- Research findings must have answers of each research objective and the research problem.
- The scope of study must be representing the idiographic or nomothetic research considerations.
- The researcher must have clear understanding and use of sampling.

- The researcher must recommend suggestions based upon findings related with each objective i.e. the suggestions must be related with each objective of the research.

The research must be meant for accomplishing research objectives for knowledge enrichment or in the interest of research problem or strata of population, system, innovation, governance or agency.

CAREER UPDATES

Time Gap Arrangement requirement of One teaching faculty of Commerce at St. Bede's College Shimla required for the session 2024-2025

Teaching Faculty of Commerce at Bahra University required for the session 2024-2025, Applications invited by Bahra University, Wahnaghat, Himachal Pradesh.

It's the beginning to update.....