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Traditional Havan Ceremony 1st August

Indus International University (IIU) kicked off the year with a spiritually uplifting Havan ceremony, symbolizing a new chapter of learning and growth. The event, held on [specific date], witnessed a vibrant gathering of new and returning students, faculty and staff, all coming together to seek divine blessings and create a positive atmosphere for the year ahead. Dr. Bahl in his address emphasized the importance of beginning the academic year with reverence and positive intentions. Registrar Dr. Rana expressed similar sentiments, highlighting the importance of unity and spiritual well-being in academic success. The ceremony was marked by traditional chanting and oblations into the sacred fire, as students and staff participated in the ritual with devotion and enthusiasm. The event was not only a religious ritual but also a celebration of IIU's vibrant community and its shared commitment to a fulfilling academic year. The havan was followed by a welcome session where students were introduced to the University's vision and academic opportunities. The University's commitment to providing a supportive and enriching environment was evident as faculty and staff engaged with students, providing guidance and encouragement. As the new session begins, Indus International University looks forward to another year of academic excellence and holistic growth, buoyed by the blessings and positive energy generated by this auspicious beginning. Indus International University, known for its rigorous academic programs and commitment to holistic development, continues to be a leading institution as the only University in Una. With a focus on blending tradition with modern education, IIU strives to equip its students with the skills and values required for success in a rapidly evolving world.



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Free Medical Camp 5th August

Indus International University once again demonstrated its unwavering commitment towards community welfare by hosting its third free medical camp at Bathri Village. Under the expert guidance of Dr. Birbal Sharma, Subedar Balbir Singh and Mr. Pankaj Rana, the event turned out to be a grand success. The medical camp provided essential healthcare services to 22 patients, providing them with comprehensive checkups and expert consultation. The initiative not only addressed immediate health needs but also highlighted the University's dedication towards improving health outcomes in rural areas.



dedication towards improving health outcomes in rural areas. Dr. Birbal Sharma, a driving force behind the camp, said, "Our mission is to make healthcare accessible to everyone, regardless of their location or financial status. This camp reflects our dedication towards enhancing the health and well-being of local communities." Subedar Balbir Singh emphasised the importance of the camp, saying, "Such initiatives are crucial in bridging the healthcare gap in underprivileged areas. It is encouraging to see the positive impact on the overall health of the villagers." Mr. Pankaj Rana said, "This camp represents much more than just medical treatment; it is about creating health awareness and promoting proactive care." The benefits of free medical camps are substantial: they provide immediate healthcare access, increase awareness of health issues and build trust within the community. For many villagers, these camps are a rare opportunity to receive professional medical assistance without financial assistance free medical camps serve as a vital bridge between healthcare services and underprivileged communities, providing invaluable support to those who may otherwise lack access to necessary medical care. These initiatives not only provide immediate health interventions but also promote long-term wellness by increasing awareness of preventive care and healthy practices. By removing financial barriers and bringing professional healthcare directly to the doorstep of rural or economically disadvantaged populations, free medical camps empower individuals to take responsibility for their own health, reduce the prevalence of untreated conditions and promote a more equitable society where everyone has the opportunity to live a healthy life. Given the success of this camp, Indus International University is keen to extend its services to more communities. Gram Panchayats across Una district are encouraged to be interested in organizing similar free medical camps.

Orientation Program 9th August

Indus International University today warmly welcomed its new batch of students with an insightful and inspiring orientation program. Held at the University's state-of-the-art auditorium, the event featured a compelling address by Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl and concluded with remarks by Registrar Professor Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana. Professor Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl began the event with a warm welcome to the incoming students, setting an optimistic and encouraging tone for the year ahead. In his address, Dr. Bahl shared a series of valuable insights designed to prepare students for both



academic and personal success. Dr. Bahl began by emphasizing the important skill of time management. He emphasized that managing your time effectively is essential not only for academic achievement but also for maintaining a balanced lifestyle. "Time management is not just a strategy for academic success; it is a life skill that will serve you well beyond these university walls," said Dr. Bahl. He also spoke about the importance of approaching challenges with a positive and proactive mindset. "University life will throw obstacles at you, but your approach to these situations will define your journey. Accept challenges as opportunities for growth and find solutions rather than focusing on problems," he told the students. Respect for your parents was another important topic discussed

by Dr Bahl. He highlighted the importance of maintaining strong and respectful relationships with family members, recognising their important role in supporting students throughout their academic journey. "Your family's support is the basis of your success. Show them gratitude and respect, and keep the lines of communication open," he urged. Dr Bahl also touched upon the vision of "Vikas Bharat" (Developed India), encouraging students to consider their role in contributing to the country's progress. He called upon them to use their education as a means to make a positive contribution to society. "Your achievements here are steps towards the larger goal of national development. Use your skills and knowledge to bring about a change," he said. The Vice Chancellor also encouraged the students to get actively involved in sports and National Cadet Corps (NCC) programmes offered by the University. "Participation in sports and NCC is not only about physical fitness but is helpful in building teamwork, leadership and discipline," he explained. Further, Dr. Bahl urged the students to take advantage of the expertise and support provided by the University faculty. "Our teachers are a tremendous resource. Do not hesitate to seek their guidance and take full advantage of their knowledge and experience," he advised. In closing, Dr. Bahl provided a broad perspective on the current world scenario, emphasizing the importance of staying informed and adaptable in a rapidly changing global environment. "Understanding the global context will help you navigate your academic and professional paths more effectively," he concluded. The orientation programme was concluded by Prof. Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana, Registrar, Indus International University. Dr. Rana delivered the closing address which reinforced the themes of Dr. Bahl's address and expressed optimism for the students' future successes. "As you embark on this new academic journey, remember that your time here is a precious opportunity. Make the most of it, and contribute to making a positive impact in your regions and communities," encouraged Dr. Rana. The event concluded with a reception that allowed students to interact with faculty, staff, and their peers, fostering a sense of community and excitement at beginning their studies at Indus International University.



Independence Day 15th August

Indus International University celebrated India's Independence Day with an event that combined patriotic celebration with a visionary approach and environmental consciousness. The day was graced by the presence of the distinguished Chief Guest, Col. S.C. Sharma, who was welcomed by Vice Chancellor Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl and Registrar Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana. The event began with Dr. Bahl and Dr. Rana extending a warm welcome to Col. Sharma. Vice Chancellor Dr. Bahl's address was centered

on the theme "Developed India 2047", urging the university community to envision a vibrant and progressive India by the time we celebrate the centenary of Independence. He highlighted the transformative role of education in shaping this future and advocated innovative pedagogy and leadership to drive the nation's progress. Col. S.S. Sharma, a distinguished officer of the Indian Army, was commissioned into the Jat Regiment on 17 December 1984 after his education at the Military School, Ajmer. His illustrious career saw him serve at important locations such as Siachen during IPKF missions in Sri Lanka, Jammu and Kashmir and at the High Altitude Warfare School in Gulmarg. Renowned for his mountaineering skills, Col Sharma led and participated in the ascent of over 20 important peaks including Sia Kangri, Trisul and Mana. He also held the prestigious post of Director at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports in Manali on deputation from the Army. Col Sharma, a photography enthusiast, retired on 31 March 2016 and has since devoted himself to farming at Nangal Khurd. The speech of Registrar Dr Jagdev Singh Rana complemented Dr Bahl's viewpoint by highlighting the significance of Independence Day from the educational and environmental perspectives. Dr Rana addressed the gathering in an impressive manner and presented a powerful analogy between India's freedom struggle and the contemporary need for environmental management. He emphasised the importance of preserving our planet as a testament to our freedom and collective responsibility. Dr Rana's address took a poignant turn when he urged everyone to participate in environmental

conservation by planting a tree. He framed this act in a broader philosophical context, referring to the Earth as a mother goddess and highlighting the inherent beauty of the planet and the need to protect it. "Just as we cherish our freedom and our journey towards a better future, we must also cherish and nurture our environment," said Dr Rana. His call to action was a reminder of the interconnectedness of freedom, education and environmental sustainability. Col SK Sharma's speech emphasised the themes of sacrifice, progress and responsibility. He lauded the university's initiatives in promoting both educational and environmental values and encouraged students to honour their freedom by making positive contributions to society and the planet. The celebration included a symbolic flag hoisting, a cultural performance by the university troupe and a collective commitment to both national and environmental goals. The tree planting by the attendees was a concrete step towards realising Dr Rana's vision of a greener, more sustainable future. The Independence Day event at Indus International University was a compelling blend of patriotic pride, educational ambition and environmental responsibility. It underscored the importance of envisioning a prosperous future for India while actively engaging in the preservation of our beautiful planet for generations to come. On Independence Day, Col SK Sharma delivered an impressive speech that emphasized the importance of discipline, organization and passion in achieving one's future goals. He urged the students to adopt discipline and structured living as essential components for success, encouraging them to stay focused on their goals and develop a passionate drive towards their objectives. The event was organized by Subedar Balbir and Navdeep Dhiman, with NCC Acting Cadet Gaurav Jaswal overseeing the Independence Day activities. Cadet Anu, Radha and Cadet Rahul proudly wearing their NCC uniforms added a significant touch to the celebrations. Col Sharma's address inspired the students to reflect on their personal development and commitment to their future ambitions.



NCC Army Enrollment 21st August

Indus International University recently hosted an important enrollment event for the National Cadet Corps (NCC) Army Wing, which was a momentous occasion for aspiring cadets. The enrolment drive was conducted under the leadership of Col. R.K. Saini of 6 HP (I) Company and witnessed active participation and support from various dignitaries and NCC

officials. Col. R.K. Saini Commanding Officer meticulously led the recruitment process which began with ground activities that tested the physical stamina and discipline of the cadets. This was followed by a written test and personal interview that assessed the academic knowledge of the candidates and their suitability for NCC training. A total of 42 first year cadets of Indus International University participated in the rigorous selection process. The event was further enhanced by the presence of Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl and Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana, Vice Chancellor, Indus International University who offered encouragement and guidance to the prospective cadets. Dr. Bahl emphasized the importance of dedication and discipline in NCC and encouraged the students to give their best during the enrolment process. Apart from the Commanding Officer and University officials, the event was attended by a number of prominent personalities. Subedar Satish Kumar, Havildar Kulwinder Rana, and Havildar Munish Rana, all of whom played a key role in the recruitment, were present to monitor the activities and assessment. The event also saw the participation of ex-servicemen Subedar Balbir Singh and NCC Caretaker Gaurav Jaswal, Lady Caretaker Vishali Vashisht, who provided additional information and support. Among those who demonstrated exceptional commitment and enthusiasm during the selection process were Cadets Anu Rana, Rahul, Aryan, Mohit, Radha, Ayush, Sunakshi, and Kriti. Their performance was carefully assessed along with that of their peers as part of the comprehensive recruitment process. The NCC recruitment process at Indus International University offered a mix of rigorous assessment and motivational support, setting a high standard for future aspirants. As the cadets await final selection, the event underlined the commitment of NCC and the University in promoting disciplined and competent leaders for the future.



Pharmacy Webinar 22nd August

Indus International University recently hosted a highly successful webinar titled "Next-Generation Pharmacy: Education and Beyond" which was attended by an impressive 268 participants. The event was graced by Dr. Anju Goyal, Professor and Dean, University School of Pharmaceutical Sciences from Mohali as the Chief Guest Speaker. Dr. Goyal's keynote address provided an in-depth insight into the future of pharmacy education with an emphasis on the integration of advanced technologies and innovative

methodologies. Her insights into the emerging landscape of pharmaceutical sciences enthralled the audience and created a visionary atmosphere for discussion. The webinar was organized under the expert guidance of Dr. Mandeep Singh, Principal, Department of Pharmacy with significant contributions from Mr. Sandeep Singh Kalsi, Mrs. Rajni Sharma and Mrs. Monika Kapoor. Their meticulous planning ensured a smooth and impactful event. Participants had the opportunity to engage in dynamic discussions and gain valuable perspectives on the future directions of pharmacy education. The successful execution of this webinar underscores Indus International University's commitment to advance pharmaceutical education and promote professional development. Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl, who also attended the webinar, lauded the initiative of the Department of Pharmacy in organizing such an impressive event. His appreciation highlighted the importance of webinars in advancing knowledge and promoting professional development. Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana also delivered a motivational message, encouraging both students and staff to actively participate in organizing such educational webinars. He emphasized the importance of taking advantage of opportunities to learn from prominent dignitaries and constantly staying abreast with advancements in the field.



Teej Celebration 27th August

The vibrant festival of Teej, celebrated with great enthusiasm across India, marks the advent of monsoon and is dedicated to Goddess Parvati. Traditionally celebrated by women, Teej is a symbol of joy, devotion and nurturing of cultural traditions. The festival is characterised by elaborate rituals, fasting and colourful celebrations that honour the bond between husband

and wife as well as the overall sense of togetherness and community. In a spectacular display of cultural pride and organisational excellence, the girls and women staff of Indus International University recently organised a memorable Teej celebration. The celebration witnessed enthusiastic participation of women students from all departments who engaged in a number of cultural activities. These included traditional dance performances, singing folk songs and creating intricate rangoli designs. Each activity not only showcased their artistic talents but also highlighted the importance of maintaining cultural heritage in the contemporary educational environment. Vice Chancellor Dr. Sanjay Kumar Bahl and Registrar Dr. Jagdev Singh Rana were present at the function. They took the opportunity to address the students, emphasizing the importance of festivals like Teej in enhancing the educational experience. The highlight of the celebration was the crowning of Miss Teej, an honour which went to Anu of B.Tech CSE, winner of the Miss Teej title. Their poise and participation was symbolic of the vibrant spirit of celebration and the active involvement of students in preserving and celebrating their cultural heritage. All the women staff and students participated in various events like ramp walk, mehndi, sohni jutti, sohni ghuta, nail art, dance, singing, speech and poetry competition. The event was organised by the entire women staff of the university with the support of the students. The Teej festival at the university was much more than just a celebration; it was a learning experience that underlined the role of cultural practices in the context of modern education.