

## Mahatma Gandhi Central University Bihar

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### Message from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor



I feel elated to welcome you to the hallowed portals of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar (“MGCUB”) established with an aim of emulating and reviving legendary standards of academic excellence of historically famed institutions such as the Nalanda and Vikramshila. Indeed, it is a matter of pride that the commencement of this University coincides with centenary celebrations of the launch of the watershed Indigo Movement by the Great Mahatma on the soil of the state of Bihar.

It is about time that the state of Bihar gets its long-deserved dues and recognition on the national and international landscape. For long, the state of Bihar has been perceived in an undesirable manner and I believe the MGCUB would be instrumental in breaking the fallacies,

myths and stereotypes falsely associated with this mystical land of relentless and unfazed perseverance and never-say-die spirit. It is a matter of common knowledge that natives from this state have migrated all over the country (and the world) and proven their unquestionable credentials across various walks of life through their characteristic intelligence, grit and determination in the face of most gargantuan gauntlets. In this regard, I sincerely wish that the MGCUB goes a step beyond by becoming a thriving hotbed cum role model for engaging local and global i.e. ‘glocal’ academia and industry with an innovative outlook and pedagogy.

Against this prelude, the foundation of an autonomous Central University has been initiated with a view to foster highest academic standards, research and rationale amongst the academia that simultaneously serves national and international interest at the micro and macro levels. Through an all-inclusive and an overarching all-encompassing approach, MGCUB aspires to achieve a truly global identity

whereby it would attract widespread cosmopolitan interest from national and international students and faculty from across the world. Over and above conventional teaching and consequent exchange of ideas and insights, it is envisaged that conducive environs of the University would also *inter alia* incubate rational enquiry and thought as part of knowledge sharing and dissemination. True to its name, we promise to strive hard so that this University lives up to the name of the Great Mahatma by acquiring an aspirational value as a shining lodestar emanating from its exemplary and exacting academic standards and intellectual rigour.

On behalf of the MGCUB, I feel privileged as I avail this august opportunity to initiate launch of the “*Parisar Pratibimb*” in service of the promising future of this great institution. As a token expression of our obvious commitment, on our part, we promise to afford all possible support and resources to this news magazine of the university.

I congratulate and wish all success to the Editorial Team of “*Parisar Pratibimb*”.

Jai Hind!

*arvind agrawal*

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## From Chief Editor's Desk



The first words of a child, the first blossoming of a tree, the first drops of rain have a unique charm of their own. The faculty and students of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar will also cherish the memories of its first academic session. It seems like yesterday when the orientation program was held for the first batch on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016. It was a historic moment. Just the day before, the faculty had visited AIIMS Patna, a premier institute of healthcare as part of an MOU. The day before that, a delegation from AIIMS Patna had visited the campus. To quote Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, "Be it

Sunday or Monday, each day has been a working day for the university family". The university staff had worked day and night to turn this dream into a reality.

I am thrilled to witness the enthusiasm and the diligence of my fellow colleagues who are as good in academics as they are in extra-curricular activities. A university should provide wholesome education to its students so that they can readily embrace each facet of life. Therefore, our endeavor is to channelize their energies not only in academia but also in sports and cultural activities. Granted we don't have a playground, nor do we have a working library yet, still the faculty has taken pains to provide students with study materials and the university has provided sports equipments. In a ground adjacent to the university, the students played their cricket match on October 22, 2016. The students participated in the first ever cultural activity organized by the Faculty Club On October 6, 2016.

To document these and many such activities, the university has undertaken a novel initiative which has materialized as *Parisar Pratibimb*, the University Newsletter. True to its name, it will be a reflection of the activities in the university and will be a treasure horde of memories. I am thankful to the encouragement of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and the efforts of the entire team associated with this Newsletter which will be published every month. It goes without saying that it could not have been possible without the support of all the faculty members whose cooperation is the life-blood of this newsletter. This fledgling is too slender to the touch. It has not more than a few pages. But it is just the beginning. With the gradual broadening of the campus, with the steady increase in the activities and achievement of the faculty and students, what form this newsletter will take, only time will tell...

*asutosh pradhan*

## MGCUB Abbreviations

<b>MGCUB</b>	<b>Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar: CUBs of Mahatma Gandhi "Bapu ke Savak"</b>
<b>TempCamp</b>	<b>Temporary Campus</b>
<b>Camp Office</b>	<b>Administrative Office, Raghunathpur</b>
<b>Prajna Parisar</b>	<b>Entrance Area</b>
<b>Sanskriti Sankul</b>	<b>Stage Area</b>
<b>Vigyan Veethi</b>	<b>Science Lab</b>
<b>Parisar Pratibimb</b>	<b>University Newsletter</b>
<b>Parisar Pratidhvani</b>	<b>University Wallpaper</b>
<b>Parisar Pratibha</b>	<b>University Magazine</b>
<b>Vidyarthi Vihar</b>	<b>Canteen, ATM, Students' Common Room</b>

## Mahatma Gandhi Central University Inaugurated



The inauguration ceremony of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar took place on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 commemorating the centenary year of Champaran *Satyagrah*. Though the university came into functional existence on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 with the assumption of charge by the First Vice-Chancellor of the university, Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal, the curtains were raised for the citizens of Moti-

hari on this day. The first academic session of MGCUB was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development Shri Prakash Javadekar, the Chief Guest of the occasion in the presence of Shri Radha Mohan Singh, Union Agriculture Minister, a native of Champaran, and Shri Upendra Kushwaha, Minister of State of HRD who were the Guests of Honour. A few members of the Legislative Assembly and Council of Bihar were also present. The guests were felicitated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor with *Madhubani* Paintings.

The occasion was marked by a grand turnout of people of Motihari and inquisitive students of MGCUB. They had come with great anticipation to witness the much awaited historic inauguration of

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the Central University in their very own city. In his address to the public and students as well as the faculty members of MGCUB, Union HRD Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar envisaged MGCUB to be the pedestal of “not only education for all but quality education for all.” Union Agriculture Minister Shri Radha Mohan Singh, in his address to the citizens of Motihari, requested them to take due care of the people associated with MGCUB and tap on the opportunity of making the maximum from the experience and services provided by

the University. He added that the university is not only for the people of Motihari, but also for those far flung villages which have been bereft of quality education for long. It added even more grandeur to the occasion when Shri Radha Mohan Singh granted a token amount of Rs. 1 Crore to the university to procure buses that could run through the rickety lanes of the villages and Motihari town to ferry students to and from the University. Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor of MGCUB, shared his ex-

periences of procuring the building for running the temporary campus and also thanked the citizens and administrators of Motihari for welcoming him and helping him realize his ambition of commencing the full operations of MGCUB in a record time of six months. The curtains were drawn on the celebrations of the day with a vote of thanks by Dr. Sujit Kumar, OSD Administration, MGCUB.

## Induction & Orientation of MGCUBs

The Orientation Program for the first batch of students of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar was held in the premises of its temporary campus at 10.30 AM on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2016. Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. (Dr) Asutosh Pradhan, Academic Coordinator, Dr Sujit Kumar, OSD (Administration), Mr Santosh Kumar, OSD (Finance), Mr Banmali Singh, Administrative Coordinator, Dr Shirish Mishra, Assistant Registrar and Mr Ashwini Kumar, District Program Officer & Liaison Officer deputed by the Government of Bihar, were present on the dais.

The newly recruited faculty members, administrative staff, students, parents and media were also present in the event. The program began with the National Anthem followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp. On this occasion, various administrative staff and other employees were felicitated by Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor for their continuous efforts towards the university. After that, the newly recruited faculty members introduced themselves to the students. While most of the faculty members hailed from prestigious educational institutions, many others spoke of their humble origins and inspired the students to chase their ambitions despite impediments. Ms. Alka Lalhall, Assistant Professor in Management Sciences acquainted the students with the facilities in the Temp-Camp such as the sophisticated classrooms, seminar hall, labs, canteen, lawn and garden. Mr Umesh Patra, Assistant Professor in Eng-

lish, also announced that the university will launch a newsletter titled *Parisar Pratibimb* and a wallpaper titled *Parisar Pratidhvani*. In his address to the students, Prof. (Dr) Asutosh Pradhan, Academic Coordinator of the University shared his vision of a sustainable growth. He laid stress on the necessity of discipline and hard work for the students and the faculty members for the development of the university. Mr Santosh Kumar, OSD (Finance), narrated the toils the employees had taken in turning this dream a reality. Mr Shreedhar Satyakam, Assistant



Professor in the Department of Economics and Planning also shared his experiences with the students and he was followed by Ms. Svati Kumari, Assistant Professor in the School of Commerce and Management Sciences who said that the greatest glory for a teacher is the success of his/her students. Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal addressed the gathering and briefly narrated the journey of the university and spoke of his desire to make MGCUB a uni-

versity of international repute. **Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor explained his vision behind the name MGCUB which means the Cubs of Mahatma Gandhi.** The name reflects his resolve to implement the ideals of Gandhi in the university named after him. He spoke of various amenities the students and faculty will enjoy such as free medical treatment, travel grants, fee waiver to meritorious students and many others through the university’s memorandum of understanding with national and international bodies. At the same time he minced no words in accentuating the need for punctuality, discipline, attendance and decorum. He also thanked his staff for their relentless efforts against the constraints of time and encouraged the faculty and students to work diligently towards the welfare of the university which can ensure a cent percent placement of the university students. Dr Sujit Kumar, OSD (Administration) offered a Vote of Thanks. The orientation session ended with the National Anthem after which the students dispersed to their respective classrooms where they were briefed about the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), academic curricula. and the rules and regulations of the university. They were sensitized towards issues concerning gender and ragging. The students were also provided with their first unique identity cards by their departments.

## A Visit by AIIMS Director

A team of delegates from All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Patna led by Dr G.K. Singh, Director, AIIMS, came to visit Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2016. The guests were welcomed at the TempCamp by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal. The purpose of the visit was to introduce the newly appointed faculty members of MGCUB to the team of AIIMS and also to discuss the work to be undertaken by

both the institutes under the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the two.

All the faculty members of MGCUB introduced themselves to Dr G.K. Singh and his team so that they have an idea regarding their respective areas of specialization. AIIMS, Patna intended to take help of the expertise and teaching services of MGCUB in establishing their Department of Public Health. The meeting concluded in an hour and was followed by a press conference which was attended by all the senior faculty mem-

bers and administrative staff of MGCUB including, Prof. (Dr) Asutosh Pradhan, Dean, School of Social Sciences and Academic Coordinator of the University.

A decision was taken that all the faculty members who were interested in giving their teaching services under this MOU for the Dept. of Public Health, AIIMS, Patna shall accompany the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor MGCUB, to visit AIIMS Patna the next day and attend an introduction and orientation session on its premises.



## A Visit to AIIMS, Patna: Where Education Meets Healthcare

Just the day after a team of delegates from AIIMS, Patna visited MGCUB, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor led the young faculty of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar to AIIMS

Patna. The visit took place on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), this was the second meeting between the Heads of the Institutions and the young faculty. The visit addressed the prime concerns of the MOU. The MOU is seen to be a visionary investment in education and healthcare. It is addressing two important indices of HDI under one um-

brella term. MGCUB and AIIMS Patna are premier institutions dedicated to the public good and committed to educate masses.

AIIMS Patna, dedicated to healthcare, has introduced a full time Masters in Public Health program (MPH). The new MPH program extends the understanding of disease not merely as normative but as a pragmatic concern. The faculty of MGCUB attended a detailed orientation of the course structure, syllabi, intended recipients and impact of the MPH program in detail.

Under the MOU, the Central University is responsible for lending academic support and intelligentsia for the teaching of the MPH course. In return, AIIMS, Patna

meets the requirement for appropriate health care support on priority basis for the university employees. As the part of the MOU, it has been planned that a telemedicine center for online consultation will be established in the university along with medicos. The visit strengthened the mutual ties. The course curriculum of MPH was discussed by Dr GK Singh, Director of AIIMS, Patna. Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MGCUB spoke of the necessity of such courses in the present time and highlighted how this covenant is a unique example of mutual promises and efforts. The institutional partnership between MGCUB and AIIMS, Patna is a vital attempt in utilizing resources and establishing symbiotic culture of co-operation.

MOU With AIIMS at a glance

## Lecture by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor

The students of the Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology were in for a big surprise when Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal took a class of the students on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 on the topic of culture. In this class he defined culture through various perspectives and also talked about cultural lag. He especially stressed on M J Herskovits's definition who said that "culture is a manmade part of environment".

In his lecture, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor distinguished between material culture and non-material culture. While the former refers to

the physical objects and institutions established by people such as temples, synagogues, schools, churches, mosques etc, the latter refers to the ideas, beliefs, norms, superstitions with which people of the same culture identify. Material culture advances early and the non-material culture, which is rooted to the traditions lags behind.

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) Agrawal defined cultural lag in plain language and through examples picked from the day to day occurrences in the Indian context. For example, he talked about a lady professor of Physics, who despite her

knowledge of the astronomical beings in the digital age still continuously observing the rituals on *Karwa Chauth* (a festival observed by married Hindu women for the well being of their husbands). In her life and practice, the apparently paradoxical phenomena of traditional culture and the modern knowledge simultaneously exist. In his one-hour class, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor inspired the students to analyze their day today experiences with subtle care and encouraged them to work hard in academics.

## Students' Activities

### Interaction Session with Mr. Rohit Bharti of Bihar Rural Livelihood Project-Jeevika

On 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the first batch students of Master of Social Work (MSW) in the Department of Interventional Development and Social Work had an interactive session with Mr Rohit Bharti of Bihar Rural Livelihood Project, Jeevika in the university premises.

Mr Bharti shared his experiences of working with Self Help Groups (SHGs) in Bihar. He elaborated upon the vari-

ous aspects of working in communities and touched upon the skills required for social work practice. He asked the students to diligently focus on classroom lectures and field work. The session was followed by a question and answer round where Mr. Bharti answered the queries related to the social work profession and its scope. The faculty of the Department were also present in the session.



## The First Cricket Match Organized by Sports Committee

On 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2016 (Sunday), a number of students and faculty gathered in the field adjacent to MGCUB campus and played a friendly game of cricket. The students had been informed earlier about the match by the members of the Sports Committee. Prior to the game, the students and faculty ran the full circle of the ground and did warm up exercises for about 15 minutes. After that, two teams were formed among the

interested students and the captains were decided among the team members. Mr Amitabh, convener of the Sports Committee conducted the toss. He also encouraged students to participate in sports and athletic events and spoke of the university's resolve to help students in their all round development. He also announced that the Sports Committee will spot talent and send teams to participate in different state level and

national level tournaments. After that the new cricket kit was unveiled and students were excited to be the first beneficiaries of the items.

The team which won the toss chose to bat first. It was match of 15 overs. The remaining students and teachers stayed in the gallery and cheered for both the teams. Mr Amitabh and Dr Pawan Kumar did the umpiring.

## Cultural Night at MGCUB

A perfect beginning to the festive season as well as the upcoming *Chatth* festival holidays was marked by a Cultural Night at Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016. It was a small yet spectacular event organized by the faculty and staff of the University with the help of newly admitted students of MGCUB. *Sanskriti Sankul* which is the stage area of TempCamp witnessed its first ever cultural activity on this night. While the entire arena was shimmering with strings of gleaming *diyas*, the colors of *rangoli* added to the adornment of *Sanskriti Sankul*.

The celebrations began with some

lively singing performances of students of MGCUB. The moonlit evening under the open sky became even more embellished when the faculty members came up with their performances. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal, who was the Chief Guest of this event congratulated the faculty and staff for organizing the first cultural event of MGCUB despite the constraints of limited resources. He also wished all the students as well as faculty members a happy festive season and blissful holidays with family and friends.

Apart from the students, faculty members, the administrative staff including

the Officers on Special Duty, Administration and Finance, Assistant Registrar, Deputy Registrar also participated in this event. The curtain was drawn on the festivities with distribution of sweets and light snacks among the students, faculty members as well as the administrative and non-teaching staff of the university. Thus with the sweetness of *kaaju Katli* on their tongue, rapture of light music in their hearts, twinkling of *diyas* and radiance of colorful *rangolis* in their eyes, the MGCUB family departed from the campus to celebrate the upcoming festivals with their families and loved ones.

## Paper Published by Faculty



**Mr Bhanu Pratap Singh**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics and Planning published a paper titled "**Predicting probability of default of India companies: A market based approach**" in the journal, *Theoretical and Applied Economics*, Vol XXIII, No. 3(608), Autumn, pp. 197-204. The paper is based upon credit risk and models default probabilities of Indian companies in a Black-

Scholes-Merton framework. The major finding of the study shows that the objective probability of default (PD) estimates are found to be higher for the firms registered with Board of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction. The proposed method can be applied to obtain direct PD estimates of companies to track their default status, calculate credit capital and corporate pricing by investors and financial institutions.

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**Research Interests:** Operations Research, Optimization, Fuzzy Set Theory and Fuzzy Logic, Fuzzy Optimization.

**Awards/Scholarships:**

NBHM Post Doctoral Fellowship

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M.Sc. (Mathematics, 2003) from Patna University, Patna (Bihar)

M. Phil.(Mathematics, 2010) from University of Delhi, Delhi

CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 5 Years 2 months

**Research Interests:** Algebra

**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Junior Research Fellowship

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B.Sc. (Mathematics, 2003) from V.B.S. Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh

M.Sc. (Mathematics, 2007) from BHU, Varanasi

Ph.D. (Mathematics, 2012) from IIT-BHU, Varanasi

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 1 Year

**Research Interests:** Solid Mechanics, Fluid Mechanics and Differential Equations

**Awards/Scholarships:**

Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship

## School of Physical &amp; Material Sciences

## Department of Chemistry

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 M. Sc.: 1998(Chemistry), Christ Church College, Kanpur (CSJMKU), U. P.  
 Ph. D.: 2004 (Synth. Org./Med. Chem.), CSIR-Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow/DBRAU, Agra  
 Post Doc (2003-2006) from University of Georgia, USA/University of Gottingan, Germany

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 12 years**Research Interests:**

- Synthetic organic chemistry
- Medicinal chemistry (drug design and synthesis of biologically potent molecules).
- Natural products chemistry
- Total synthesis of biologically active natural products
- Development of novel synthetic strategies/ methodologies for biologically potent scaffolds.
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**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Senior Research Fellowship

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 Ph.D. (Chemistry, 2007) from University of Kalyani, West Bengal, India  
 Post Doc (2007-2008) from University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg  
 CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 9 Year 6 months**Research Interests:** Synthesis of nanomaterials, Catalysis, Organic Synthesis**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Junior Research Fellowship

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B.Sc. (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics) H. N. B. Garhwal University, U. K. (2002)  
 M.Sc. (Chemistry) H. N. B. Garhwal University, U. K. (2004)  
 M.Tech.(Material Science) Barkatullah University, Bhopal (2007)  
 Ph.D. (Materials Science & Engineering);National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan (2010)  
 Post Doc (2011-2014) Toyota Technological Institute, Nagoya, Japan & Saga University, Saga, Japan

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 6 Years**Research Interests:**

- Synthesis of carbon based Materials (Diamond, Graphene, Carbon Nanotubes, Graphene Oxide and reduced Graphene oxide)
- Crystal growth of thin film
- III-V semiconductor material
- Carbon based nanomaterials for water purification/desalination

**Awards/Scholarships:**

Inspire Faculty Fellow

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 Ph.D (2008) from IIT, Kanpur  
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**Teaching & Research Experience:** 1 Year**Research Interests:** Organic Synthesis, Organometallic Chemistry**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Senior Research Fellowship

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 Ph.D. (Organic Chemistry, 2014) from University of Jadavpur (Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science), Kolkata.  
 Post Doc (2016) from Calcutta University  
 CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 2 Years 9 months

**Research Interests:** Crystal Engineering, Supramolecular Gel, Co-crystal, Metal Organic Frameworks (MOF) and Covalent Organic Frameworks (COF).

**Awards/Scholarships:**

D. S. Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowship  
 CSIR Research Associate-I

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 M.Sc. (Chemistry, 2011) from Banaras Hindu University, Uttar Pradesh  
 Ph.D. (2015) from University of Delhi, New Delhi  
 CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 1 Year

**Research Interests:** Bioorganic Chemistry, Medicinal Chemistry, Synthetic Organic Chemistry.

**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Junior Research Fellowship  
 Svaagata-Erasmus Mundus fellowship, Belgium

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 M.Sc. (Physics, 1999) from Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh  
 Ph.D. (Physics, 2006) from Tezpur University, Assam

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 10 Years 4 Months**Research Interests:**

- Utilization of different bio-waste materials to synthesize activated charcoal
- Synthesis of polymer electrolytes, conducting polymer electrodes, nano materials and composites for their applications in water treatment and energy storage/conversion devices including
- supercapacitors, batteries, fuel cells, solar cells and sensors.

**Awards/Scholarships:**

ISCA Young Scientist Award in Material Science  
 Prof. Suresh Chandra Medal  
 Fast track young scientist scholarship

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 M.Sc. (Physics, 2000) from Department of Physics, Banaras Hindu University, Uttar Pradesh  
 Ph.D. (Physics, 2005) from Department of Physics, Banaras Hindu University, Uttar Pradesh  
 Post Doc (2009) from University of Wuerzburg, Germany

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 8 Years 6 Months**Research Interests:**

- Study of molecular interaction, receptor-peptide interaction using spectroscopic techniques (Raman, Resonance Raman, IR, UV-Visible, Fluorescence) and DFT calculations
- Temperature induced phase transitions in liquid crystal-line system and solids
- Surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS) of biologically relevant molecules, nano-structured materials and CNT's
- Study of flexible organic semiconductor material for device applications

**Awards/Scholarships:**

Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship  
 DST-Fast track young scientist scholarship

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M.Sc. (Physics; 2007) from D.D.U. Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur (U.P.)

Ph.D. (Physics; 2013) from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi (U.P.)

Post Doc (2013-2016) from Institute of Semiconductor Optics and Functional Interfaces, University of Stuttgart, Germany

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 2 Years 4 Months**Research Interests:**

- Layered Magnetic Heterostructures for Spintronics
- Growth & characterization of transition metal oxide nanostructures on various substrates
- Pre-structuring of substrates using polystyrene (PS) spheres for the synthesis of aligned nanostructures
- Ferromagnetic metal/Semiconductor interfaces for 'Spintronic' applications
- Exchanged coupled structures for 'Spintronic' applications
- Swift Heavy Ion Induced modifications of materials
- Diluted Magnetic Semiconductors (DMSs) for Spintronics
- Low temperature electronic and magneto-transport studies across layered magnetic heterostructures

**Awards/Scholarships:**

Dr. D.S. Kothari Postdoctoral Fellowship by UGC

CSIR Senior Research Fellowship

Research Fellowship in Science for Meritorious Students by UGC

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M.Sc. (Physics, 2013) from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-U.P.

Ph.D. (Physics, pursuing) from BHU, Varanasi-U.P.

CSIR NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Graphene Nanomaterials and its Energy Applications in various fields like: Electromagnetic interference (EMI) shielding applications, Hydrogen Energy Application (Hydrogen Storage), Supercapacitors based graphene nanomaterials as electrode, Water Purifications.

**Awards/Scholarships:**

MNRE JUNIOR PROJECT FELLOW

DST-PURSE SRF

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M.Sc. (Physics; 2004) from C.S.J.M. University, Kanpur (U.P.)

Ph.D. (Physics; 2016) from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi (U.P.)

CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 1 Year

**Research Interests:** Synthesis and studies of Electrical, Optical, Mechanical and Thermal properties of Bulk/thin films of amorphous semiconductor and chalcogenide glasses  
Studying the effect of Laser irradiation on Thermal, Optical and Electrical properties of amorphous chalcogenide glasses.  
Low temperature electrical and thermal transport studies of amorphous semiconductors and chalcogenide glasses.

**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Junior Research Fellowship

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B.Sc. (Physics, 2009) from Patna Science College, Patna

M.Sc. (Physics, 2011) from Patna University, Patna

Ph.D. (Physics, 2016) from IIT, Patna

CSIR NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 1 Year 3 Months

**Research Interests:** Condensed Matter Physics

**Awards/Scholarships:**

CSIR Junior Research Fellowship

**School of Social Sciences**  
**Department of Economics**

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B.A. (Hons) Economics (2009) from Ravenshaw University, Cuttack  
M.A. Economics (2011) from University of Hyderabad  
M.Phil Economics (2014) from JNU, New Delhi  
Ph.D. Economics (Pursuing) from JNU, New Delhi  
UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Macro Economics, Monetary Economics, Experimental Economics

**Awards/Scholarships:**

UGC Junior Research Fellowship

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B.A. (Mathematics & Economics, 2013), Ramjas College, University of Delhi  
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UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** International Trade, Quantitative Economics & Econometrics, Environmental Economics

**Awards/Scholarships:**

UGC Junior Research Fellowship  
ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship

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B.A. (Economics, Geography and English Literature, 2007), University of Allahabad, Allahabad (U.P.)  
M.A. (Economics, 2009) University of Allahabad, Allahabad (U.P.)  
Ph.D. (Thesis Submitted), University of Allahabad, Allahabad (U.P.)  
UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Dairy Economics and Environmental Economics

**Awards/Scholarships:**

UGC Junior Research Fellowship

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Ph.D. Economics (Submitted on 29th June 2016) from University of Hyderabad.  
UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Econometrics, Financial Economics, Development Economics

**Awards/Scholarships:**

UGC Junior Research Fellowship

## Department of Interventional Development & Social Work

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MA Social Work (1988), Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

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UGC NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 25 Years

**Research Interests:** Domestic Violence, Social Capital, Transnational Social Work, Social Work Education

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PhD in Social Work from University of Delhi (2014)

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**Teaching & Research Experience:** 3 Years 4 Months

**Research Interests:** Working with Communities, Management of Development Organisations

#### Awards/Scholarships:

UGC Junior Research Fellowship

Gold Medalist in M.A. (Social Work)

University Teaching Assistantship, University of Delhi

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Ph.D. (2012), Jain VishvaBharati University, Ladnun, Rajasthan

MA Social Work (1996), Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

B.A. (1994) Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Post Doc (2014-2016) from Central University of Himachal Pradesh

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 6 Years

**Research Interests:** Aging, Domestic Violence, Family & Children, Social Work Education

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#### Educational Qualifications:

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M.A. Social Work (2007) from ISSW, DAVV,

M.Phil. Psychiatric Social Work, RINPAS, Ranchi University, Ranchi.

UGC NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** : 3 Years

**Research Interests:** Medical & Psychiatric Social Work, Labour Welfare and Personnel Management



## Department of Political Science



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#### Educational Qualifications:

B.A. (Political Science, 2004) from BHU , Varanasi  
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UGC NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 3 Years 8 Months

**Research Interests:** State politics, Indian Government And Politics , Gandhian Studies

#### Awards/Scholarships:

UGC Junior Research Fellowship



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Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh  
M.A. Public Administration (2010) from BHU,  
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Ph.D. Pursuing from Patna University, Patna,  
Bihar.  
UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Indian Government & Politics,  
Public Administration

#### Awards/Scholarships:

Gold Medalist in M.A. (Public Administration)



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M.A. (Political Science & International Relations,  
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MPhil (Russian and Central Asian Studies, 2014)  
from JNU, New Delhi.  
Ph.D. (Pursuing) from JNU, New Delhi.  
UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** International Relations and  
Area Studies, Russian and Central Asian Studies,  
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## Department of Sociology & Social Anthropology



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Jaipur in 2006  
Ph.D. (Sociology) from University of Rajasthan in  
2011  
Post Doc (2012-2014) from University of Rajasthan  
UGC NET Qualified

**Teaching & Research Experience:** 5 Years 8 Months

**Research Interests:** Social Exclusion, Community  
Development.

#### Awards/Scholarships:

ICSSR Post Doctoral Fellowship



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M.Phil. (Sociology, 2009) Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi  
Ph.D. (Sociology, Pursuing), Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi  
UGC NET Qualified

#### Teaching & Research Experience: 5 Years

**Research Interests:** Sociological Theory, Indian Society, Gender, Development

#### Awards/Scholarships:

UGC Junior Research Fellowship  
Graduation Topper  
Intermediate Topper  
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UGC NET Qualified

**Research Interests:** Anthropological Theories, Research Methodology, Medical Anthropology, Ecology and Development, Urban Anthropology, Comparative Religion, Visual Anthropology.

#### Awards/Scholarships:

UGC Junior Research Fellowship



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Ph.D. Sociology (Pursuing) from JNU, New Delhi.  
UGC NET Qualified

#### Teaching & Research Experience: : 2 Years

**Research Interests:** Agrarian Sociology, Caste and Politics, Sociology of Migration

#### Awards/Scholarships:

Ambedkar Chair Fellowship during M.Phil

## Orientation Session for the Newly Recruited Faculty

The Orientation session for the newly recruited faculty was conducted on 15th October 2016. Miss Alka Lalhall, Assistant Professor in the School of Commerce and Management Sciences presented a PowerPoint Presentation featuring the University's history, process of its establishment, the available facilities in the newly established University in the TempCamp. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal welcomed all the faculty members in the MGCUB family and described in detail the vision and process of the establishment of the second Central University in Bihar. He also

shed light on the role of this budding university in the national scenario. He said that MGCUB is one of the ramifications of the vision of making India a global power by strengthening its education sector.

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor inducted the faculty members into the University procedure. He also described in detail the salient features of the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) prescribed by the UGC and instructed the faculty mem-

bers to implement the same in letter and spirit.

He also sought the cooperation of the faculty members in delegating additional administrative duties which will be crucial for the university in the incipient stage. He encouraged the faculty members to undertake the challenge of contributing to the university in the making which will be enshrined in history.

## Footprints on Campus



**Shri Prakash Javadekar**

**Shri Prakash Javadekar** graced the campus of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar by his presence as the Chief Guest on its Inauguration Day on 4th October 2016.

Shri Javadekar is a Bharatiya Janata Party politician and is the incumbent Union Minister of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India. He is also a veteran spokesperson of BJP. He was elected to the Rajya Sabha as a Member Parliament from Maharashtra in 2008 and reelected from Madhya Pradesh in 2014. Before assuming office of the Union Minister of MHRD, Shri Javadekar has held offices of the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Information & Broadcasting, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Environment, Forests and Climate Change portfolio, Union Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs among others.



**Shri Radha Mohan Singh**

**Shri Radha Mohan Singh** graced the campus of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar by his presence as the Guest of Honour on its Inauguration Day on 4th October 2016.

Shri Radha Mohan Singh is a Bharatiya Janata Party politician and is the incumbent Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India. He has been elected five times to Lok Sabha, and has held prestigious offices under Government of India such as Member, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Railways, Member, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Member, Rajbhasa Committee, Ministry of Surface Transport and Ministry of External Affairs. A native of Champaran and a popular leader of the masses, Shri Singh is passionate in his service towards the marginalized people in the rural provinces of Bihar.



**Shri Upendra Kushwaha**

**Shri Upendra Kushwaha** graced the campus of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar by his presence as the Guest of Honour on its Inauguration Day on 4th October 2016.

Shri Kushwaha is the incumbent Minister of State for Human Resource Development, Government of India. Prior to his current position, he has served as the Leader of Opposition of Bihar Assembly and later became the Bihar Chief of National Congress Party. He also served as the Rajya Sabha Member and became member of Committee of Agriculture in 2010. In 2013, he founded his own political party, Rashtriya Lok Samata Party. After the massive victory of BJP in the 16th general election, Shri Kushwaha, became a Minister of State for Rural Development, Panchayati Raj, Drinking Water and Sanitation Ministry, Government of India. In November 2014, after cabinet reshuffle, he has been appointed as Minister of State of Human Resource Development.

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*The Mahatma Gandhi Central University was established under the Central Universities (Amendment) Act 2014 [No. 35 of 2014] of Indian Parliament, which received the assent of the Hon'ble President of India on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014. The University became functional w.e.f. 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 with the assumption of charge by Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal as its First & Founder Vice-Chancellor.*

*The Mahatma Gandhi Central University is located at Motihari, District – East Champaran, Bihar. Motihari is the “KARAMBHOOMI” of the father of the nation, where he successfully experimented with the idea of “SATYAGRAH” during the “NEEL ANDOLAN” at Champaran in 1917. Establishment of Mahatma Gandhi Central University commemorates centenary of the Gandhi’s Satyagrah and stepping on this land.*

*The salient feature of the University is its unique and innovative curricular framework which is comparable to the best Universities of the world. All Programmes of Studies are planned to be modular with lateral exit and entry and are inherently multi-disciplinary, thereby enabling students to make their own basket of courses to complete their chosen Programme of Studies. The University has adopted Semester System incorporating Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) and Comprehensive Continuous Internal Assessment. The focus is to help students realise their full potential and acquire knowledge, values and skill sets and develop aptitude required for the contemporary world of work.*

*The University presently has seven Schools and fifteen Departments offering various twelve Undergraduate (UG) and two Postgraduate (PG) Programmes of Studies.*

*The University will have its own campus on 302 acres of land near Bankat-Bairiya village at Motihari, District – East Champaran (BIHAR) to be made available by the State Government of Bihar.*

*The present Academic Programmes and activities of the University are being run from Temporary Campus (TempCamp) in the premises of Zila School at Motihari provided by the State Government on rent basis. The Administrative functions of the University are run from hired building named as ‘Camp Office’ at Raghunathpur, Motihari.*

*The University assures its students and their parents of course offerings that would have thriving linkages with the industry and the world of work. An all pervasive and converging focus is on building competencies that matches the best human resources and talent in the world.*

## Scholar on Campus



**Dr. G. K. Singh**

**Dr G. K. Singh** has recently completed his term as Director of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna. Dr Singh came to MGCUB campus as a member of the AIIMS delegation.

Dr G. K. Singh is an alumnae of King George’s Medical College where he topped his batch. He joined the King George’s Medical College as a lecturer and taught there for three decades. Dr G. K. Singh was a Fellow of the International College of Surgeons and has been the advisor at B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences in Nepal.

Dr G. K. Singh has spread awareness among rural people of Bihar by his program of Masters in Public Health whereby professional doctors are trained to teach simple measures of healthcare. An Orthopedist by profession and a sympathetic personality, Dr Singh has not only healed individual ailments but has also made tremendous impact upon society at large.