## **CUO celebrates 9<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day**

Acclaimed critic Prof. Harish Trivedi delivered the Foundation Day Lecture



The Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated 9<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day at its permanent campus, Sunabeda today. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Vice-Chancellor hoisted the University flag and inaugurated the Foundation Day Programme. On this occasion Prof. Harish Trivedi, former Professor of English, University of Delhi, Distinguished critic, Academic and Translator delivered the foundation Day lecture a Foundation Day lecture on "The Place of Humanities in Higher Education". Prof. Mohanty delivered the inaugural address and presided over the programme.



Prof. Mohanty congratulated all the stakeholders of the University on the 9<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day. He said "Higher education today is at the cross roads. The most important aspect of a University is to cultivate a vibrant cultural and academic atmosphere and to create employability avenues for students. University is a place of self discovery. Times of celebration are also times for reflection". He said, "The University has made good progress in 8 years to provide facilities for all round development in its campus like

Hostels for Boys and Girls, Guest House with state of the art, Library, Electrification, NSS cell, NAAC cell, and Plantation in the campus". The University is also looking forward to the visit of NAAC team due early next month.



Prof. Harish Trivedi stressed on the development of humanities studies in the higher educational institutions in his lecture. He said "Establishing of the University in remote places like Koraput provide scope to students of the region to gain quality education. Humanities study man as a whole. In our culture, the divine and the human had no distinction". He also said "Art cannot be used to make money or material issues. The Idea of higher education is to teach the mind. One should not finalise everything through logic. One should have an open attitude towards education". He urged the gathering to retain a bit of the poet within them.



On this occasion, distinguished guests of district administration, police, PSU, education institutions and different govt. organisation of the region along with media person were

present.



Dr. S.K Palita delivered the welcome address, Prof. Bhabani Prasad Rath, OSD introduced the guests on the dais and Prof. K.C Raut, Dean-Academics proposed the vote of thanks. All students, research scholars, faculty members and staffs with other dignitaries' guests and persons from the media were present at large at the occasion.

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