

# **CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF ORISSA, KORPAUT**

DEVELOPMENT AND ACTIVITIES AFTER THE JOINING OF PROF. SACHIDANANDA MOHANTY AS THE VICE-CHANCELLOR ON 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2015

The Central University of Orissa was established by an Act of Parliament under the Central Universities Act, 2009 (No. 3C of 2009) at Koraput on 2009.

# **INFRASTRUCTURAL PROGRESS**

Following infrastructure made since 7 August 2015;

- 1. Construction of Approach Road to the Central University of Orissa by R&B Division, Govt. of Orissa has been completed and is fully functional.
- 2. The road side street lighting completed on the campus and is fully functional.
- 3. The internal road network within the University boundary has been completed and is fully functional. The main road is 12 mtr. width and street lighting has been arranged.
- 4. Permanent Power Supply to CUO permanent Campus Sunabeda Campus has been made within 48 hrs. on 20 August 2015. There was no power in the new campus for the past 7 years.
- 5. Water Supply to CUO Permanent Campus, Sunabeda Campus has been made possible on 12.09.2015. There was no water supply in main campus before.
- 6. One GB Connectivity to CUO Campus at Sunabeda NMEICT is an approved and supported project of MHRD. The estimate cost of the project is Rs.2.00 Crore of which the University`s share is 25%. The BSNL has provided I GB connectivity up to campus point at Sunabeda. The connectivity is activated from Bhubaneswar ending with the Sunabeda Campus of Koraput. Wi-Fi connectivity in entire campus.
- 7. Construction of Boundary wall of Girls' Hostel has been completed.
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- 9. Three numbers of Iron Gate have been installed at the entry and exit points of the campus.
- 10. Construction of  $2^{nd}$  Pre-fabricated Academic has been completed and inaugurated on 22.01.2016.
- 12. 24 X 7 Ambulance service for the students have been arranged in the campus of the University.
- 13. As part of green campus drive, a total of 15,000 saplings have been planted in the permanent campus.
- 14. Landscaping of the entire campus completed.
- 15. Street Lighting in the entire campus provided.

- 16. Five High Mast Lights in the campus erected.
- 17. Two lifts have been installed in the Guest House.
- 18. New hi-tech Computer centre with two computer lab, 60 computers with hi-speed internet facilities were inaugurated at Sunabeda campus on 8 April, 2016.
- 19. The boundary walls of Landiguda campus have been spruced up with tribal art.
- 20. Horticulture Programme has been taken up inside the Hostels, Academic Block and Guest House.
- 21. Hostel shifting from the temporary hostel of Semeliguda to permanent campus at the Sunabeda campus has been completed.
- 22. A park 'Nadanam' has been constructed at the Sunabeda campus of the University.
- 23. Drainage system has been completed inside the Sunabeda campus of the University.
- 25. Water Fountain has been built in front of the Academic Block of the Sunabeda campus.
- 26. 600 sq meter parking shed has been constructed and inaugurated on 26.01.2018.

## **ACADEMIC PROGRESS SINCE AUGUST 2015**

The following academic progress has been made from August 2015;

- 1. Introduction of 3<sup>rd</sup> Mid-Semester to provide wider choice for the students.
- 2. Dissertations to be blind reviewed.
- 3. Formation of IQAC Cell.
- 4. Creating history, for the first time in eight years of establishment of the Central University of Orissa, Koraput on 2009, the Central University of Orissa has been accreditated by NAAC with CGPA 2.59 and B+. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) peer team visited the University from 7 September to 10 September 2017.
- 5. Introduction of Pre-Submission Open Seminar for Ph.D. scholars as per the UGC guidelines.
- 6. Peer Evaluation of Teachers by Students (Confidential).
- 7. Seminar Talks in each Department by external experts visiting the University.
- 8. New Academic Ordinance prepared and in place from this Semester Onwards
- 9. On-line Entrance Examination in the catchment areas implemented

Total No. of Centre: 22

Total No. of applicants: 12166

10. Student Counsellors appointed

- 11. Distinguished Lecture Series started in collaboration with HAL.
- 12. MoU's has been signed with HAL, Sunabeda and COATS, Koraput.
- 13. SC and ST Cell have been established.
- 14. OBC cell have been established.
- 15. NSS cell have been established.
- 16. NIRF ranking has been completed of the University.

### **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

Following regional development activities has been taken after August 2015;

- 1. Under the *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan*, programme of Govt. of India Five villages adjacent to the University have been adopted by the University for its socio-economic Development. They are Chikapar, Chakarliput, Rajpalama, Nuagada & Balda.
- 2. Preliminary services undertaken in each village.
- 3. On 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015, first health and hygienic awareness programme conducted in the adopted village Rajpalama.
- 4. On 9th January 2016, the health check-up and awareness camp conducted in the adopted village Chakaraliput.
- 5. The art and craft training programme was conducted in the Prathamika Sevashram, Rajpalma on 6th January 2016.
- 6. The village cleanliness programme was conducted in the adopted village Chakaraliput on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016.
- 7. The University provided drinking water facilities by three deep bore well in surrounding villages.
- 8. Bonus Points for scheduled area candidates: i. 5 marks of bonus points will be awarded to the candidates belonging to scheduled areas if he/she claims in the application form specified.
- 9. Involving local people on wage basis several activities were also carried out such as cleaning of weeds and bushes, plantation in the University and its surroundings.
- 10. Local people are working in the Construction works of the University.
- 11. On request of Govt. of Odisha the University adopted Govt. College, Malkangiri.
- 12. With the help of the state administration electricity and sanitation facility has been provided to the villages.

#### **EVENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY**

University have instituted the following Distinguished/Special Lectures:

- 1. A lecture programme on 'Dr. B. R. Ambedkar and the Constitution of India' was organized on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2015. Former Professor of Political Science, Utkal University Prof. Surya Narayan Mishra delivered the lecture.
- 2. A lecture programme on 'Relevance of Swami Vivekananda's Teaching for the Youth Today' was organized on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2016. Prof. Amulya Ranjan Mohapatra, founder of Ramakrishna Ashram in Koraput and an eminent writer cum social thinker delivered the lecture.
- 3. A Special Lecture in Communication on "Media and Public Diplomacy" was organized on 9 March, 2016. Former Indian Ambassador to Hungary, Shri. Malaya Mishra, IFS (Retd.) delivered the lecture.
- 4. CUO-HAL Distinguished Lecture on 'Globalization and Contemporary International Relations' was organized at Bhanja Mandap, HAL Township, Sunabeda with the collaboration of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited on 21 March, 2016. Prof. Rajen G. Harshe, former Vice-Chancellor, University of Allahabad and currently Professor at South Asian University, New Delhi delivered the inaugural lecture.
- 5. A special lecture on "Tagore and the Feminine" was organized on 28 March, 2016. Prof. Malashri Lal, Dean of Colleges and Dean, Academic Activities and Projects, Delhi University delivered the special lecture on the above topic.
- 6. CUO-HAL Distinguished lecture on "in Search of Sita: Revisiting Mythology" was organised by the Central University of Orissa in collaboration with the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited at Bhanja Mandap, HAL Township, Sunabeda on 29 March, 2016. Prof. Malashri Lal, Dean of Colleges and Dean, Academic Activities and Projects, Delhi University delivered the distinguished lecture.
- 7. On the occasion of the Hindi Divas Samaroha-2016, Central University of Orissa organized a special lecture on 'Rashtra Bhasha Hindi Ki Chunautiyan aur Sambhavanae' at its Sunabeda campus.
- 8. National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) Cell of the University was established on 22 January, 2016 at the University.
- 9. Department of Teacher Education of the Central University of Orissa, Koraput organized a Craft exhibition at University's campus, Sunabeda on 3 February, 2016.
- 10. CUO-HAL Distinguished Lecture on 'Swaraj and the Divided Republic: Sri Aurobindo's Dream of a New India' in collaboration with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Sunabeda at Bhanjamandap, HAL township Sunebeda on 11.08.2016. Eminent academician Prof. Makarand R. Paranjape, Professor of English, Centre for English Studies, School of Language, Literature, and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi delivered the lecture as a Chief Speaker on the Occasion.

- 11. An invited talk on "Biodiversity & Conservation" was organized by the department of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Orissa, Koraput on 10 February, 2016. Prof. Shailabala Padhy, Director, Centre for Environment Studies, Govt. of Odisha, delivered the talk.
- 12. Central University of Orissa organised a Distinguished Lecture on 'Eye Diseases: Bench to Bedside Journey'" at its permanent campus Sunabeda on 24 April, 2016. Prof Geeta K Vemuganti, Prof & Dean, School of Medical Sciences, University of Hyderabad delivered the distinguished lecture on the topic.
- 13. International Women's Day 2016 was celebrated on 8 March, 2016. Ms Lalita, a class 9th Standard student from Delhi Public School, Damanjodi who was the recipient of the Scientific American's Community Impact Award at the Google Science Fair was the Guest of Honour for the event.
- 14. Classical Odia Language Day Celebrated at Seminar Hall, Central University of Orissa, Sunabeda on March 11, 2016. Noted literary figure and language expert Prof. Khageswar Mohapatra address the programme as a Chief Speaker.
- 15. The Yoga Fest celebrated by the Central University of Orissa, Koraput at the University campus, Landiguda, Koraput on 25 May, 2016 to create awareness of Yoga among the University students and staff.
- 16. The freedom fortnight Azaadi 70-Yaad Karo Kurbani was celebrated by Central University of Orissa from 9 -23 August 2016.
- 17. A seminar on the topic 'Facing Life's Challenges with Confidence' was organized. Dr. Sruti Mohapatra, eminent social worker, Bhubaneswar, founder of SWABHIMAN, delivered the lecture.
- 18. Swachhta Pakhwada was observed by the University from 1 Sep, 2016 to 15 Sep, 2016. On this occasion University create awareness about cleanliness around its premises villages. Essay competition on this occasion was organised by the University on 'To be clean is to be civilized' in Odia, Hindi and English languages and prizes were distributed to the winners.
- 19. As part of the Swachha Bharat Abhiyan, the boarders of the Boys' Hostel, Central University of Orissa has organized a Swachhata Abhiyan on Cleanliness and Sanitation, an initiative towards Swachhata here on 17.09.16.
- 20. A Poetry Club at the University was inaugurated on 24.10.16 to provide platform to the young student poets of the varsity.
- 21. A Drama Club at the University was inaugurated on 21.11.16 aims to reinvigorate the skill of theatre art among the students.
- 22. The "Constitution Day" was celebrated on 26.11.16. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated the programme and delivered the Special Lecture on 'The importance of Fundamental Duties enshrined in the Constitution of India'.

- 23. On the occasion of Sanskrit Divas a special lecture on 'Sanskrit: The Foundation of Indian Culture' has been organized on 21.09.2016. Prof. Raghunath Panda, Retd. Professor and Head, Department of Sanskrit, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar delivered the special lecture.
- 24. A special lecture in social sciences on 'Framing Social Economy: An Alternative Approach to Development' was organized on 5.8.2016. Prof. Anup Kumar Dash, Eminent Sociologist, Board of Directors, NABARD & Consultant to ILO, Geneva, delivered the special lecture.
- 25. A seminar on "Innovation and Creativity-How to have Innovation in Everyday life" was organised on 21.10.2016.
- 26. A seminar on 'Role of HR Manager in managing Change' held on 11 February, 2017, Mr. T. Vidyasagar, General Manager (HRD), J.K. Paper Mills Ltd, Rayagada delivered the speech as Chief Guest of the seminar.
- 27. Symposium on 'Relationship between yogic practices and life goals' was organized on 16-17 Feb, 2017. Prof. Prakash Ch. Swain, VSSUT, Burla, Sambalpur was the resource person on this occasion
- 28. A Symposium on 'The Relevance of Sanskrit in Twenty First Century' held on 17.02.2017. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty inaugurates the programme and delivered the inaugural speech. Prof. Gopal Krishna Dash, Retd. Professor, Department of Sanskrit, Utkal University, Orissa was the chief speaker on this occasion.
- 29. Orientation programme on 'Decentralized Governance and Youth Development' was held from 17 to 19 of February.2017 in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumbudur.
- 30. A symposium on '21<sup>st</sup> Century Odia Literature: Aim and Objectives' was organized on 20 February, 2017. Prof. (Retd.) Baishnab Charan Samal, Former professor of Odia, Visva-Bharati and Shri Dash Benhur, Eminent Odia writer address the Symposium.
- 31. Matrubhasha Divas (Mother Tongue Day) was celebrated on 21.02.2017. Prof. (Retd.) Baishnab Charan Samal and Shri. Jitendra Narayan Dash (Dash Benhur delivered the lecture as the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour respectively.
- 32. National Science Day was observed on 28.02.2017. Prof. Dr. Shakti Prasad Das, Director, Swami Vivekananda National Institute of Rehabilitation, Training and Research (SVNIRTAR),Olatpur Cuttack delivered the talk on "Science and Technology for Specially Abled Persons"as Chief Guest on this occasion.
- 33. A symposium on "Canon and Beyond: Literary Studies Today" was held on 02.03.2017 at its Sunabeda campus. Professor Ajit Kumar Mukherjee, Director, School of Languages, KIIT University was Chief Guest on this occasion. Prof. E. Raja Rao was the Guest of Honor on this occasion.
- 34. A Symposium on 'Diversified Agricultural Development in Odisha with Special Reference to Koraput Region' was held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Prof. (Retd.) Sudhakar Panda, Former professor, Department of A & A Economics, Utkal University and

former chairman of Odisha Finance Commission, Bhubaneswar was the Chief Guest on this occasion. Dr. Jagabandhu Samal, Professor of Tribal Studies, COATS, Koraput and Dr. P.C Mohapatra, Director COATS, Koraput was present on this occasion.

- 35. A Symposium on 'Biodiversity Conservation: A Multidisciplinary Approach' was organized on 22 March 2017 at its Sunabeda Campus. Prof. Sushil Kumar Dutta, Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore and Prof. Pradeep Kumar Chand, Director, Human Resource Development Centre of Utkal University delivered the lecture.
- 36. Symposium on "The Role of Soft Power in India's Foreign Policy" was organized on 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2017. Dr. Jitendra Nath Mishra, IFS (Retd.), former ambassador to Portugal delivered the symposium lecture.
- 37. A Campus Recruitment programme for the students of Journalism and Mass Communication held on 27.03.2017. Eenadu Television Pvt. Ltd. One of the leading Media Organization in India from Hyderabad conducted campus recruitment for Reporter and Content writers.
- 38. University supported the Vittiya Sakhsharata Abhiyan (VISAKA) campaign launched by the Hon'ble Minister of HRD.
- 39. A team of World Bank visited the University headed by the Principle secretary of Higher Education of Govt. of Odisha.
- 40. International Women's Day observed on 08.03.2017.. Prof. Mohanty felicitate Dr. Pritidhara Samal, poet, and Odia Lecture at Govt. Women's College, Koraput, Dr. Sarala Behera, poet and Teacher at Aeronautics Govt. High School, Sunabeda, Dr. C. Savitri, Principal V.D (Autonomous) College, Jeypore and Smt. Raimati Ghiuria, Tribal women leader and social worker for their contribution in women empowerment in this region.
- 41. A Cultural Function was organized by the CUO on 18.03.2017 at its Sunabeda campus. Students, Research scholar of the University preformed various cultural activities on this occasion. Prof. Mohanty awarded the certificates and prizes to the winners of the various competitions organized by the University.
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- 45. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput and The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Sunabeda has signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance the cooperation in the regional development on 29.05.2017 at Sunabeda. On behalf of the CUO Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, CUO and on behalf of the HAL, Sunabeda, Er. Debasish Deb, Executive Director, HAL signed the MoU in presence of the top officials of the CUO and the HAL. The scope of the MoU.
- 46. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput and The Council of Analytical Tribal Studies, Koraput signed a historic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance the cooperation in the higher educational sector and tribal research development on 25.07.2017 at Koraput. On behalf of the CUO Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, CUO and on behalf of the COATS, Koraput, Prof. P.C Mohapatra, Director, COATS signed the MoU.
- 47. The Third National Handloom Day was celebrated at the permanent campus of the Central University of Orissa, Sunabeda on 07.08.2017. The programme was organized by the Directorate of Field Publicity, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in collaboration with the Central University of Orissa, Koraput and the Ministry of Textile, Government of India. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated the programme as the Chief Guest and delivered a talk. On this occasion Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Mohanty felicitated six eminent weavers of the region.
- 48. On the auspicious occasion of 71<sup>st</sup> Independence Day a pledge taking ceremony was organized by the Central University of Orissa, Koraput in both the campuses of the University (Landiguda & Sunabeda) at Koraput on 9 August, 2017 to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> year of 'Quit India Movement' launched by Mahatma Gandhi against the Imperial Rule on August 9 in 1942 and 70<sup>th</sup> year of India's Independence.
- 49. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated 71<sup>st</sup> Independence Day in a befitting manner at its Sunabeda campus.
- 50. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput inaugurated the National Service Scheme (NSS) cell on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2017 at Sunabeda campus. Sh. Sujit K Mohanty, Lecturer on Contract, Dept. of J&MC was nominated as Program Cocoordinator, NSS along with members of the teaching and student community.
- 51. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated 9<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day at its permanent campus, Sunabeda on 29.08.2017. On this occasion a Foundation Day lecture on "The Place of Humanities in Higher Education" was organized. Prof. Harish Trivedi, former Professor of English, University of Delhi,

- Distinguished critic, Academic and Translator delivered the foundation Day lecture.
- 52. Creating history, for the first time in eight years of its establishment of the Central University of Orissa, Koraput on 2009, the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) peer team had visited the University from 7 September to 10 September 2017. The NAAC peer team consisted of four (04) members headed by renowned academician and former Vice-Chancellor of the North-East Hill University. The three day visit of the NAAC peer team concluded with the exit meeting on 10.09.2017 at the Sunabeda campus of the University.
- Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi, addressed all the higher- education institutions including Central University of Orissa, Koraput through webcast from the Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on the occasion of 125<sup>th</sup> year of Swami Vivekanand's historic speech at Chicago and centenary celebration of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay on 11.09.2017. The theme of the programme was "Young India, New India A Resurgent nation: From Sankalp to Siddhi".
- 54. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated Hindi Divas in a befitting manner at its Sunabeda campus on 18.09.2017. On this occasion a Special Lecture was organized on 'Hindi: in the age of globalization'. Dr. Ganga Sahaya Mina, Associate Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi delivered the special lecture. The programme was organized by the Dept. of Hindi, CUO.
- 55. The Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated Sanskrit Divas in a befitting manner at its Sunabeda campus on 19.09.2017. On this occasion a Special Lecture was organized at the Sunabeda campus.
- 56. 'Rashtriya Ekta Divas' the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhai Patel was celebrated in a biffiting manner at its Sunabeda campus on 31.10.2017. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor was the Chief-Guest on this occasion.
- 57. The NAAC Bangalore in its 28<sup>th</sup> standing committee meeting held on 30 October 2017 has given accreditation to the CUO along with CGPA 2.59 and B+.
- 58. National Press Day was celebrated by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication of Central University of Orissa at its Landiguda campus on 16.11.2017. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty was the Chief Guest on this occasion.
- 59. A seminar "Place of Mathematics and Statistics in Science education" was organized by the Department of Statistics, Central University of Orissa, at its main campus Sunabeda on 15. 11.2017. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty was Chief Guest. Prof. Swadhin Pattanayak, Founder Director, Institute of Mathematics and Applications was the chief speaker and Prof. Somnath Bagh, Emeritus Professor, Department of Statistics, Sambalpur University, was the guest of honor on this occasion.
- 60. National Seminar on "Tribal Rights: Issues and Challenges" organized in collaboration with COATS, Koraput from 8-9 January, 2018.

- 61. Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was celebrated as National Youth Day-2018 on 21.01.2018 at the Sunabeda campus.
- 62. Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated 69<sup>th</sup> Republic Day on 26.01.2018 at its Sunabeda campus in a befitting manner.
- 63. Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat launched by the University from 22.01.2018 to 29.01.2018.
- 64. Hon'ble Prime Minister address CUO along with higher educational institution on handling examination stress and making exams fun on programme 'Pariksha Par Charcha' through Live Telecast on 16.02.2018.
- 65. Central University of Orissa, Koraput celebrated Matribhasha Divas at its Sunabeda campus on 21.02.2018.
- International Women's Day-2018 was celebrated at the Sunabeda campus by the Internal Complain committee (ICC) of the University on 08.03.2018.