

**15<sup>th</sup> of August, 2018**

The 72<sup>nd</sup> Independence Day of India, was celebrated at the University of Jammu with great enthusiasm & patriotic fervour it was attended by a huge gathering of teaching faculty, officers, staff and students of University of Jammu. **The important aspect of this year's Independence Day celebrations at University of Jammu was the installation of 135 feet high National Flag on the University Campus. The University of Jammu has become one among the few institutions of the Country where National Flag of this much height is installed.** Prof. M.K. Dhar, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu unfurled the National Flag at the Fountain Plaza and released the Tri Colour Balloons. Prof. Dhar, while greeting the University fraternity, spoke about the spirit of nationalism, integrity, peace and brotherhood. He asserted that Educational Institutions, particularly Universities have a larger role in shaping the future generations for a progressive Nation. Earlier Prof. Parmeshwari Sharma, Dean Students Welfare, delivered the welcome address. She invoked yearlong patriotism and belonging for the Nation and Institution and also to be particular about our duties. At the arrival of the Vice-Chancellor, Guard of Honour was presented by the Jammu University Security Guards led by Capt. S.R. Dubey, Security Officer. On this occasion, Cultural items were presented by the wards of University employees. Kanya Langer and Manmeet Kour recited self-written poems. Suneedhi, Manika and Suhani presented one group song and a beautiful patriotic group song was presented by the students of Institute of Music and Fine Arts which was composed by Suraj Singh. Prof. S.K. Pandita, Chairman Campus Culture Committee presented the formal Vote of Thanks whereas the programme was conducted by Ifra Kak and coordinated by Sumeet Sharma. The National Flag was unfurled in presence of Prof. Jigar Mohd. (Dean Research Studies), Prof. Keshav Sharma (Dean Academic Affairs), Prof. Rajni Kant (Director, College Development Council), Prof. Parmeshwari Sharma (Dean Students Welfare), Dr. Meenakshi Kilam (Registrar), Dr. B.K. Bajaj (Associate Dean Students Welfare) Dr. Anil Gupta & Dr. Garima Gupta (Assistant Deans Students Welfare), Sh. Suresh Sharma (Ex.En) teaching faculty, members of Campus Cultural Committee, officers, staff and students of University of Jammu and members of the civil society.