

# It's Historic: University of Jammu is A++

JOGINDER, MASUMA

Jammu: In a historic achievement, the University of Jammu has secured the coveted A++ grade in the Cycle IV NAAC Accreditation, attaining an impressive CGPA of 3.72 on a 4-point scale—its highest ever.

Marking a significant leap from its previous A+ grade with a CGPA of 3.51 in Cycle III, this accomplishment reflects the University's unwavering commitment to quality enhancement and academic excellence. Expressing his pride, Vice Chancellor Prof. Umesh Rai stated, "This remarkable milestone stands as a testament to our dedication to academic innovation, research excellence, and institutional integrity."

Joined by senior university officials, Prof. Rai credited the collective efforts of the entire University community—faculty, scholars, officers, students, staff, and alumni—for this success. "This A++ accreditation is not merely a recognition; it's a reaffirmation of our shared vision to position the University of Jammu as a global leader in higher education and research," he added.

Prof. Rai highlighted several transformative initiatives that played a pivotal role in this achievement, including the strengthening of interdisciplinary research, enhancement of academic frameworks, and adoption of best institutional practices. "This recognition serves both as a validation of our efforts and as an inspiration to pursue even greater goals in quality, inclusivity, and societal impact," he emphasized.



He also expressed deep gratitude to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Chancellor, Sh. Manoj Sinha, Chief Minister and Pro Vice Chancellor, Jenab Omar Abdullah, Higher Education Minister, Madam Sakina Itoo, and Vice Chairman of the Higher Education Council, Prof. Dinesh Singh for their visionary guidance and continued support.

Prof. Rai extended his appreciation to the NAAC Peer Team, which conducted a rigorous

assessment from December 11–13, 2024, for their thorough evaluation and constructive recommendations. "This milestone is not the end but the beginning of a new chapter in our journey to achieve higher benchmarks in the field of higher education," Prof. Rai remarked.

Dr. Ginny Dogra, Director of the Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance (DIQA), provided a detailed overview of the accreditation process,

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## LG Applauds University for Prestigious A++ NAAC Ranking



Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha extended heartfelt congratulations to the University of Jammu (JU) for securing the prestigious A++ grade in the latest accreditation by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

Sharing his message on microblogging platform X (formerly Twitter), the LG wrote, "The University of Jammu has achieved the prestigious A++ Grade with a CGPA of 3.72 on a seven-point scale by NAAC. Heartiest congratulations to the Vice Chancellor, faculty, staff, scholars, and students for this outstanding accomplishment. You've made J&K proud."

## JU's Goonj 2025: Mega Youth Festival Celebrates Talent, Team Spirit and Tradition

SHAFQAT, JAVAID, NAVDEEP

Jammu: The University of Jammu organized two-day mega youth festival 'Goonj 2025', a grand celebration of student talent, cultural richness, and competitive spirit. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from various colleges and departments, transforming the campus into a vibrant arena of music, drama, debate, art, and sports. The festival was inaugurated by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Umesh Rai, who graced the occasion as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Rai emphasized the importance of such youth festivals in promoting creativity, cross-cultural dialogue, and holistic personality development. He announced plans to further expand the festival next year by involving the university's seven off-site campuses, culminating in a grand finale at the main campus. B.R. Sharma, State Election Commissioner, attended the festival as the guest of honour, while Abdul Majid Butt was present as the special



cial guest.

In the cultural events, Ojasvi from GCW Parade secured the first position in Elocution, while Muskan Thakur from GCW Kathua came second and Manmeet Kaur from Cluster University Jammu took third. In Poster Making, Vanshika Rajput from GDC Bhagwati Nagar bagged the first prize, followed by Aseesabjot

Kaur from GCW Parade and Gurleen Kaur from GDC Bhagwati Nagar. The Department of Journalism, JU, secured the first position in Short Film Making, while GDC Doda and the Department of Political Science, JU, stood second and third respectively. In the Light Vocal Solo competition, Nirmal Kumar from IMFA clinched the top spot,

Mukesh Kumar from Cluster University Jammu was second, and Ankush from GDC Kathua stood third. Shafqat Hussain from the Department of Journalism, JU, won the Self-Composed Poetry event, followed by Gursimar Kaur from GDC R.S. Pura and Ankush Singh from IMFA. The PG Integrated Team from JU took first place in Skit, while CD & OE

JU and Udhampur Campus JU finished second and third. The Department of Law, JU, triumphed in Folk Dance, with CD & OE JU in second place and GDC Bhaderwah in third.

The festival also included several sports competitions. In Basketball (Men), the PG Department JU secured the first position, followed by Baskar Degree College Udhampur and GDC Kathua. In Volleyball (Men) and Handball (Men), the PG Department again claimed the top spot. In Kho-Kho (Women) and Table Tennis (Women), the PG Department JU emerged victorious. GDC Marh led in Athletics (Men), while PG Department JU topped in Athletics (Women). The PG Department of Sports, University of Jammu, was declared the overall champion in sports.

Students expressed their joy and pride in participating in the festival. They said, "Standing before such a diverse audience pushed me to refine my ideas and delivery. Goonj has shown us that

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## DYD Demands a Mindset Shift: Omar Abdullah

JAMMU:

Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah attended the inaugural session of a three-day workshop on Capacity Building in Innovation Pedagogy for NEP-2020 at the University of Jammu.

In a post on X (formerly Twitter), the Chief Minister wrote, "Attended the inaugural session of a 3-day Workshop on Capacity Building in Innovation Pedagogy for #NEP-2020 at the University of

Jammu."

Focusing on the core idea of NEP-2020, he stated, "Design Your Degree (DYD) demands a mindset shift, for both students & teachers, empowering learners to shape their own educational journey."

He also highlighted the pressing global issue of climate change, adding, "There is urgent needs to educate people about climate change and the responsibility we, as leaders, have in addressing this global challenge."





# Jammu University is of the students, by the students and for the students: Dr Neeraj Sharma

## JU POST DESK

Embarking on his professional career as an Executive (HRD & Personnel) in Ludhiana based business conglomerate (Vardhman Spinning & General Mills Ltd., currently having a Group turnover of exceeding \$1.1 billion) to play a pivotal facilitative role in steering the University of Jammu towards Academic Excellence. Dr. Neeraj Sharma, the Registrar of the University of Jammu, attributes his inspiring career path to deep sense of organizational belonging with strong devotion and commitment. In a candid conversation with JU post, Dr. Neeraj Sharma shared his emboldening journey and vision for the University.

*Excerpts from the interview...*

**JU Post:** Please tell our readers about your inspiring journey. Let's begin with your early life and educational background.

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: Thank you, I was born and brought up in Jammu, where I completed my initial schooling at Dewan Badri Nath Vidya Mandir School, Jammu. I pursued my Graduation in the non-medical stream from G.G.M. Science College, Jammu, followed by a Law Degree from the Department of Law, University of Jammu in 1991. Though I briefly pursued my career as an Advocate, I soon realized my true calling lay elsewhere. Subsequently, I completed my MBA in

Human Resources (HR) from The Business School, University of Jammu in 1993, which set the foundation for my career in human resource management and administration. I simultaneously pursued my part time PG Diploma in Training & Development from the Indian Society for Training & Development (ISTD), New Delhi in 1998 and later completed my Ph.D Degree in Management from the University of Jammu in 2014.

**JU Post:** Your professional journey spans diverse industries before you joined the University of Jammu. Could you tell us about those experiences?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: After completing my MBA, I joined Vardhman Spinning and General Mills Ltd. in Ludhiana as Executive (Personnel & HRD) in 1994 & gained invaluable hands on corporate HR & administrative experience in the Steel & Spinning Industrial Sector till 1998. Thereafter, I moved to the hospitality industry, serving as Manager (HR) with Central Govt. PSU, India Tourism Development Corporation's (ITDC), the well known Ashok Group at its Heritage Grand

Unit- Laxmi Vilas Palace Hotel, Udaipur. The said property now owned by The LaLiT, another prominent name to reckon with the Hospitality Sector of the Country. Despite the rewarding experiences, my heart remained attracted to my hometown Jammu and I kept exploring job prospects here. In 2003, I got the opportunity to join my Alma Mater, the University of Jammu as an Assistant Registrar, marking the

beginning of my association with this esteemed institution of higher learning and an another turning point in my career.

**JU POST:** You've had a remarkable career progression at the University. Could you share your journey through the various roles you've held?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: It's been a fulfilling journey till now. Starting as Assistant Registrar, I was soon given the role to work as Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. I was later appointed as Deputy Registrar with additional responsibility to function as Principal Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. I was further elevated to the position of Special Secretary to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor besides holding many additional administrative duties of the University of Jammu. In November 2024, I was appointed as Registrar of the University and I have the privilege of connectively working with six Vice-Chancellors of the University and contributing to the University's development at every stage.

**JU POST:** As an important part of the University, you've seen this institution evolving. How would you describe its progress, particularly in terms of rankings and infrastructure?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: The University of Jammu has made significant strides over the years. When I joined, our National ranking was modest. Under the dynamic leadership of our successive Hon'ble Vice-Chancellors, we've climbed to a commendable position among Indian Universities and The University of Jammu is now A++ grade NAAC accredited University with CGPA 3.72 and has also recently stood at 50th place among top 100 Universities of the country under National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). Our target is to be among the top 20 universities.

**JU POST:** The University's outreach to border areas and off-site campuses is commendable. Why is this a priority?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: Offsite Campuses particularly those located in border areas are integral part of our vision of inclusive education. By strengthening off-site campuses, we ensure quality education reaches remote regions. These initiatives promote socio-economic development besides providing remote area students access to the higher education, aligning with our commitment to nation building.

**JU POST:** The University has embraced the National Education Policy (NEP). How is it shaping the academic landscape for students?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: The NEP

2020 has been transformative and has opened new avenues for students, starting from the 12th standard. We are already in the process of starting many skill-based and career-oriented undergraduate Programmes to make students self-dependent and better prepared for meeting the global challenges. The focus is on job creators rather than job seekers through innovation and aligning education with the global demands.

After adoption of National Education Policy, the University of Jammu started its flagship Undergraduate Degree Programme "Design Your Degree" w.e.f. July 2023. This Programme has been initiated under the umbrella of newly established centre called "Skill, Incubation, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Centre (SIIEDC)". This encompasses all necessary features of the National Education Policy-2020.

The "Design Your Degree" aligns perfectly with the institution's core values, fostering a dynamic learning environment that prepares students to be leaders, innovators and problem solvers of tomorrow. The "Design Your Degree" programme shall offer students a remarkable opportunity to craft a personalized, interdisciplinary learning experiment. By allowing students to select courses from diverse fields of study, this four-year undergraduate degree programme equips them with a well-rounded education that nurtures critical thinking, creativity and adaptability—traits essential for thriving in the rapidly evolving global landscape.

The University of Jammu has also established twelve clubs under an umbrella of "Utsaah" – The Clubs Consortium, which denotes the enthusiasm, vigour and vitality in the students. The main objective of establishing these clubs is to provide an extra space outside the structured curriculum, where a harmonious and holistic development of the personality can take place. By participating in the activities organised by these clubs, students will be able to explore their hidden talent and then exhibit it in a free and open ended space. The idea is to enhance their interest in creativity, which can help them in discovering something new within their own self and all this shall be done in an environment of entertainment. As per National Education Policy-2020, Sports and Cultural activities are part of curriculum and these are no more considered as extracurricular activities.

Under the leadership of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umesh Rai, the focus of the Uni-

versity is on the development of off-site campuses as well, considering the importance of border and far-flung areas.

**JU POST:** As Registrar, you interact closely with students. How do you ensure their grievances are addressed, and what's your approach to maintaining harmonious relations?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: Students are the heart beat of the University; it is of the students, by the students and for the students. Today's students are IT-savvy, well-informed and they present convincing arguments. We follow transparency and fairness while addressing their genuine concerns. Since for the past many years, I have been handling the responsibility of Special Secretary to Vice-Chancellor also, my role has been to provide best possible assistance, free from any bias so as to mitigate their hardships as the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat is the last hope for students seeking redressal of their day to day issues and we ensure that their expectations are met with utmost empathy and fairness.

**JU POST:** You've emphasized time management and seizing life time opportunities. How do you instil these values in students and staff?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: I firmly believe that opportunity never knocks twice in life. Effective time management, setting targets, staying focused, overcoming shortcomings and capitalizing on one's own strengths are critical for attaining success. I always encourage students to cultivate these habits and act timely to seize opportunities coming their way as they may never come again. This mindset is essential for personal growth as well as the Institutional progress.

**JU POST:** Finally, what's your message to the youth and the University community?

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: To the youth, I say: You are the backbone of the Nation, embrace moral and ethical values, stay updated, aware & well informed. You need to be professionally elevated & techno-savvy to meet over changing global requirements. To the University community, let's all work together, transcending region and religion, to build an inclusive and progressive environment. Our collective strength lies in unity and social harmony.

**JU POST:** Thank you for sharing your insights and vision. Your journey is truly inspiring, and your leadership continues to shape the University's future.

Dr. Neeraj Sharma: Thank you, JU POST, for providing me an opportunity to share my thoughts on my Alma Mater.

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### JU's Goonj 2025:

thoughtful speech still matters in 2025."

Another student shared, "Winning is wonderful, but sharing the stage with musicians from all over J&K was the real reward. We learned from each other's styles."

They said, "Training together for weeks built bonds that go beyond sport. Taking the title for JU feels like a victory for every woman on campus." Similarly, another student said, "Our act blended humour with a message on mental health. Festivals like this give theatre real purpose—sparking conversation."

In his closing remarks, Prof. Rai encouraged students to carry the spirit of Goonj beyond the festival — into classrooms, labs, and the broader community. He hinted at launching new inter-campus competitions, student mentorships, and cultural exchanges in the next edition. With vibrant performances, emotional speeches, artistic brilliance

and sporting excellence, Goonj 2025 reaffirmed the University of Jammu's commitment to nurturing well-rounded, culturally aware, and socially responsible youth.

### It's Historic: University

outlining the various Key Performance Indicators assessed by NAAC.

Dr. Dogra proudly noted that the University scored full marks in Infrastructure & Learning Resources, Governance, Leadership and Management, and Institutional Values & Best Practices.

Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, Dean of Research Studies, also highlighted the University's recent initiatives in translational and transdisciplinary research, which received high praise from the NAAC Peer Team for their quality and citation impact.

With this achievement, the University of Jammu joins an elite group of A++ accredited institutions in India, valid for a period of seven years.



# Journalism Department holds 3-day long Workshop on Post-Production Techniques

ABHAY

Jammu, March 3, 2025: The Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu, organized a three-day skill development workshop on Post-Production Techniques, aimed at providing students with hands-on experience and practical skills essential for the evolving media industry.

The inaugural session was graced by Anil Gakkhar, Resident Editor of Dainik Jagran, Jammu, who attended as the Chief Guest, and Prof. Durgesh Tripathi, Dean of the School of Media, Indraprastha University, New Delhi, who delivered the keynote address.

Welcoming the guests, Prof. Garima Gupta, Head of the Department, highlighted the department's dedication to narrowing the gap between academic instruction and industry expectations. She emphasized that the workshop is in alignment with Vice-Chancellor Prof. Umesh Rai's vision of fostering skill-based education as envisioned in the National Education Policy (NEP).

In his address, Anil Gakkhar shared professional insights into post-production in print media, underscoring the significance of editing and layout in shaping impactful news presentation. Prof. Durgesh Tripathi emphasized that mastery of post-production skills is indispensable in today's digital-first media landscape, calling it a foundational skill for aspiring journalists and media professionals.

Prof. Alka Sharma, Chairperson of SIIEDC, University of



Jammu, also spoke on the occasion, stressing the growing demand for industry-ready graduates in media education. Dr. Ajay Gupta, former Director of ICSSR and Guest of Honour, discussed the relevance of post-production techniques in improving research communication and publication quality.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Dushyant Kumar Rai, while the session was smoothly conducted by Ms. Kumerjit Chajgotra, who served as the moderator.

Later in the day, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Umesh Rai interacted with resource persons and participants, reiterating the importance of experiential and practical learning to prepare students for contemporary industry challenges.

Over the course of the workshop, students will engage in hands-on sessions focused on editing, content refinement, and understanding the impact of post-production techniques on both media production and academic research.

The first session included live demonstrations by Yogesh Manhas, a noted photographer, and Dr. Sachin Bharti, Associate Professor at the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University.

The workshop witnessed active participation from faculty and students. Among the attendees were filmmaker Sh. Brajesh Mishra, Dr. Pardeep Singh Bali, Dr. Ramiyan Bhardwaj, and other faculty members of the department, who lauded the initiative for its focus on practical media education.

# University Organises First-Ever Inter-Zonal 'Display Your Talent' 2024-25

ARYAN, SUHAIL

Jammu: University of Jammu organized first-ever Inter-Zonal Display Your Talent (DYT) 2024-25, with great enthusiasm and celebration at the university's main campus. Held under the aegis of the Department of Students Welfare (DSW), the event featured 27 competitions in the fields of music, dance, literature, fine arts, and theatre, providing a vibrant platform for students from affiliated colleges and university departments to showcase their creative abilities.

This year, the University of Jammu introduced an inter-zonal format, conceptualised by Vice Chancellor Prof. Umesh Rai, marking a transformative step in the structure of the event. The colleges affiliated to the university were divided into five zones—Tawi, Pir Panjal, Devika, Ravi, and Chenab—with zonal-level competitions successfully organised across these zones. The winners of each zonal event qualified for the inter-zonal level, which was held at the university campus, significantly increasing partici-

tion, particularly from far-flung areas.

The valedictory function of the Inter-Zonal DYT 2024-25 was graced by Shri Suresh Gupta, IFS, Principal Secretary, Department of Culture, J&K UT, as Chief Guest, and Prof. Anju Bhasin, Dean Academic Affairs, University of Jammu, as Guest of Honour. The winners were felicitated by the dignitaries during the ceremony.

In his address, Shri Suresh Gupta congratulated his alma mater for creating such enriching opportunities for students and urged the youth to remain physically fit, mentally alert, and spiritually uplifted. He underlined the importance of recognising one's individual talent and following it with passion and sincerity.

Prof. Anju Bhasin appreciated the efforts of the Vice Chancellor and the Department of Students Welfare for the innovative restructuring of the event. She commended the students for showcasing their creative courage and artistic expression.

Prof. Prakash Antahal, Dean Students Welfare, welcomed the



guests and expressed satisfaction over the active and enthusiastic participation from all zones. He emphasised that students who made it to the inter-zonal round were already winners of their respective zones. He also acknowledged the contributions of Prof.

Arvind Jasrotia (Rector, Kathua Campus), Prof. Yash Pal Sharma (Rector, Udhampur Campus), Prof. K.K. Sharma (Principal, GPGC Rajouri), and Dr. Adit Gupta (Director, MIER) for organising zonal events with dedication.

Prof. Monika Chadha, Chairperson of the Campus Cultural Committee, presented a comprehensive report on the new format of DYT, while Prof. Sarika Manhas, Co-Chairperson, proposed the vote of thanks.



# Journalism Department, IGNCA Celebrate Women's Power and Perseverance

SANCHIT, PREETIKA

Jammu: The Department of Journalism and Media Studies, University of Jammu, in collaboration with the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Jammu, celebrated Shakti Parv to honour the strength, resilience, and achievements of women across diverse sectors.

The event brought together a vibrant mix of scholars, speakers, and students who engaged in compelling discussions and storytelling sessions focused on the vital role of women in shaping society.

Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar, was the Chief Guest, while Devyani Rana attended as the Special Guest. In his address, Ramesh Kumar highlighted the persistent challenges women face due to societal stereotypes and called for year-round efforts to promote true gender equality, not just symbolic gestures on select days.

Devyani Rana shared her personal journey in breaking media industry stereotypes and stressed the importance of inclusive storytelling and the need for diverse voices in journalism.

Welcoming the guests, Prof. Garima Gupta, Head of the Department of Journalism and Media Studies, said, "Shakti Parv is a tribute to the indomitable spirit of women who continue to inspire change and challenge societal norms—along with the men who support and enable their empowerment. Together, we can build a truly inclusive society."

Shruti Awasthi, Regional Director, IGNCA Jammu, emphasized that cultural narratives and academic dialogue are essential in highlighting women's leadership and contributions through the ages.

A highlight of the event was the felicitation of women security guards, auto drivers, and shopkeepers—recognizing their grit, determination, and integral role in community life.

Renu Gupta, Chairperson of MIER Group of Institutions, called for intensified efforts toward gender parity, while



renowned singer Aasha Kesar shared her story of navigating social restrictions to pursue her passion.

Nirmal Vikram spoke on women's empowerment as a gradual evolution, while Fozia Akhtar addressed common misconceptions around Islam and women's rights,

emphasizing the religion's empowering teachings.

Rolie Khanna, a prominent journalist, discussed the changing landscape for women in media, outlining challenges and solutions to combat gender bias in newsrooms.

The event was also attended by Prof. Dushyant Kumar Rai, Prof. Shallu Sharma, Dr. Pardeep Singh Bali, Dr. Ramiyan Bharadwaj, and Ms. Kumerjit Chajgotra, who all contributed to the meaningful discourse on gender, media, and representation.

## 'Abhivyakti 2025' – A Celebration of Talent Beyond Classrooms



SHUBHAM CHOUDHARY

Jammu: In a refreshing showcase of creativity beyond academics, the University of Jammu organized a one-of-its-kind cultural festival, "ABHIVYAKTI – 2025", exclusively for its employees. The event, held in a competitive format, was organised by the Department of Students Welfare (DSW) to celebrate the artistic flair, expression, and cultural vibrancy of the university's teaching and non-teaching staff.

The festival drew a packed audience comprising faculty, officers, scholars, students, and civil

society members, all of whom enjoyed the diverse performances and artistic presentations.

Events at Abhivyakti 2025 featured Antakshari, Solo Singing, On-Spot Painting, On-Spot Photography and Poetry Recitation (Self-Composed). A long list of enthusiastic participants from across university departments displayed remarkable talent. Among them were, Dr. Neeraj Sharma, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Prof. Vishav Raksha, Dr. Vijay Saigal, Prof. Komal Nagar, Dr. Hema Gandotra, Dr. Chinmoyee Maharana, Dr. Meghna Dhar, Dr.

Hina Saxena, Dr. A.R. Manhas, Dr. Sumita Sharma, Nipun Kohli, Prince Pratap Singh, Pushpinder Singh, Neelam Bhagat, Dr. Saranjeet Kaur, Ms. Supriya Sharma, Gulshan Kumar, Madan Magotra, Dr. Purshottam Kumar, Dr. Vikram Sahi, Dr. Bhagwati Devi, Swarndeep, Dr. Monica Narang, Sunita Bhan, Dr. Neeta, Komal Bakshi, Dr. Padam Dev Singh, Dr. Neelam Chowdhary, Dr. Pritam Singh, Dr. S.R. Dubey, Tushar Bhardwaj, Dr. Deepak Anand, Partap Singh, Tarsem Singh, Mr. Tinku, Mr. Pankaj, Jatinder Kaur, Rimpay Bala, Sugandha

Sharma, Anu Sharma, Dr. Shallu Sharma, Kundan Singh, Akanksha Sharma, Tanv Sharma, Sushma Devi, Alka Gupta, Dr. Pallavi, Dr. Abhinandan Khajuria, Lalit Sharma, Vijay Kumar, Dr. Apoorva Jamwal, Suresh Kumar, and Vijay Bhat.

The crowd-favourite Antakshari event was brilliantly conducted by Dr. Kuldeep Raina, while Dr. Harleen Kaur and Dr. Ankit Mahajan served as event in-charges. Ritesh Kharyal and Sunny Tupno provided live musical accompaniment.

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