From Vice-Chancellor’s Desk

The University is the citadel of learning. The education is not a means to an end but the end in itself. Education liberates the mind. It promotes human development and adds to the treasure of social capital. It continuously refines the individual thinking for social capital formation. The soul of education is the education of the soul. Let us be educated for making a meaningful life. School education removes illiteracy while higher education spearheads the inclusive process of social transformation. So it is highly imperative to make the educational system more socially relevant. Let us break the ongoing process of insensitivity and reverse the present trend of discrimination and marginalisation. We have to promote the universal character of our university. Thus we have to undertake inward looking measures and outward looking activities for enhancing the academic visibility and social relevance. The newsletter is expected to create vibrating academic atmosphere by motivating all individuals of this University. I hope the newsletter will immensely contribute to this noble mission.

Kumar B. Das

From Editor’s Desk

The Fakir Mohan University Newsletter takes a new form of bimonthly publication as per the innovative thoughts of our Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kumar B. Das. This Newsletter is expected to play the role of a communicating tool between students and the faculties of the University. This will definitely bring back an intellectual environment in the University campus by stimulating the academic as well as research activities among the young minds of our students. From this Editor’s desk, your comments, new ideas and suggestions are always welcome and for this you please knock our University soft computing tool: newsletter.fmu@gmail.com

Munesh Adhikary
3. Participated in International Conference on “Managing Development in Developing Countries” held during 28th to 30 March 2012 at Bangkok, Thailand.

Dr. Artta Bandhu Jena
1. Participated in the Training program on Capacity Building for Researchers in Consumer Protection and Consumer welfare from 26-28 04 2012 at PG Department of Social Science, FM University, Balasore.
2. Participated in UGC Sponsored National level conference at UNS College Jaipur on Governance in India Capital Market on 8.4.2012.

Department of Information and Communication Technology

Miss Minati Mishra
1. Participated and presented a paper in International Conference on Computer Science, Engineering and Applications (ICCSEA 2012) organized by AIRCC during 25-27 May 2012 in New Delhi, India.

Faculty Participation in Seminars/ Conferences/ Workshops/ Refresher/ Orientation Courses

Department of Social Science

● Organised the seminar on Climate Change and Politics of Development on 19th and 20th of March, 2012, where Prof, K.B Saxena, CSD, New Delhi was the chief guest. Prof, Radhamohan, former Information Commissioner, was the Chief Speaker.

Department of Applied Physics and Ballistics

Flt. Lt. Dr. M. C. Adhikary

Department of Business Management

Dr. B.B. Mahapatro
1. Participated in the Two day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on “Contemporary Management Functions for the Growth of the Nation” organized by Master of Business Administration, Department of Commerce with farm Management, Vidyasagar University, Medinipur, West Bengal held on 13 and 14 March, 2012.

Department of Applied Physics and Ballistics

Flt. Lt. Dr. M. C. Adhikary
3. S.K.Biswal, S.K. Agarwalla, M. C. Adhikary,”Five Dimensional Bianchi Type-V cosmological Models described by a binary mixture of perfect fluid and dark energy with $\lambda$-term”, Astrophysics and space science, (2012) in press

Dr. S. K. Agarwalla
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Dr. A. R. Routray

Department of Business Management

Prof. Bhagaban Das
2. A book entitled “Management Accounting” was published by Person Education India for Commerce students at graduation level

Dr. BB Mahapatro

Dr. P Routray

Ph. D./ D. SC./ D. LITT. AWARDED
1. Er. Ashanta Ranjan Routray was awarded Ph.D. in Computer Science in April 2012 from F.M. University on the Topic: “An Artificial Neural Network Approach to Still Image Compression and Secured Transmission” under the supervision of Flt. Lt. Dr. Munesh Chandra Adhikary.
2. Mr. Gyanedra Mahapatro, was awarded the Ph.d under the guidance of Dr. Abhoy Kumar Panda, F. M. (Auto) College.
3. Mr. N. Rakesh was awarded Ph.D under the guidance of Dr. Debi Prasad Misra, F. M. University, Balasore.
FOREIGN VISIT AND COLLABORATIONS

1. Dr. B. B. Mahapatro, Reader in Business Management has participated in International Conference on “Managing Development In Developing Countries” held during 28th to 30 March 2012 at Bangkok, Thailand.

2. Dr. M.C. Adhikary, Reader in Physics presented oral papers at International Conference MSAT-7 on Material Science and Technology at Bangkok held during 07-08 June 2012.

OTHER INFORMATION

1. Prof. Bhagaban Das is nominated by UGC as Member of the Advisory Committee to Mysore University for period of five years (2012-2017)

2. Prof. Bhagaban Das was conferred with “Best Teacher and Youth Service Award-2012” organized by VISWASS Group of Institutions, Odisha

3. Dr. S.K. Agarwalla has guided Sri Agnish Dev Prusty, 4th sem, Integrated M. Sc., NIT Rourkela, under summer project entitled “Quantum tunneling in one-dimensional potentials”.

4. Dr. S.K. Agarwalla has guided Manoj Kishore Pradhan, Sapan Kumar Behera, Subrasmita Pradhan, Shakatimayee Jena and Abhilash Patra, 3rd sem, Dept. of APAB under group summer project work part-A entitled "MATLAB code for Spherical Harmonics" and Part-B entitled "Transmission through one dimensional complex potential barrier".

FM UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT CELL

The Placement Cell conducted the Campus Drive -2012 during the month of May-2012 for giving a scope of placement to the University students:

1. Conducted campus selection for M.B.A. students by inviting Emami Paper Industries, where our students are short listed for final joining.

2. Conducted campus selection for Social Science and Population Studies students by inviting the NGO: Harsha, where our students got opportunity to get final placement.

ARTICLE SERIES

Changing Political Scenario in India

Prof. Shyam Sundar Acharya

The Indian political scenario has undergone a lot of transformation due to the advent of the coalitional politics at the centre. It has significant impact on the working of the federal system. Since the coming into force of the constitution till 1967, the centre became more powerful than what it was designed to be under the Constitution, because of the dominance of a single party both at the centre and in most of the states, the emergence of leadership like Nehru, Indira Gandhi on the political scene and the planning commission. But the situation changed after the Fourth General Election when non congress governments came to power in six states. They started speaking the language of conflict and confrontation. The Governor no longer remained a bird in golden cage. His office shot into prominence though at the same time it became controversial. The centre-state debate receded after the restoration of the pre-eminence of congress.

In 1977 again, for a few years non congress government was formed at the centre. However, the situation changed radically after 1996. No doubt coalition politics is marked by an element of instability, yet the agenda has been clearly set by the Indian voters for all parties- more power to states to run themselves.

The country’s political map has been completely altered and the hegemony of one party over three-fourth of the country has been demolished. Regional parties are far more powerful than ever, both at the centre and in states. Now the states can afford to stall the proposal for the formation of National Counter Terrorism Centre (NCTC) to deal with the menace of terrorism. The centre is resisted in making inroads into the domain of the states like maintenance of law and order. No doubt the states are justified in their opposition to the constituting of NCTC within the framework of Intelligence Bureau (IB).

Another notable impact of coalitional politics is the rise in importance of the position of the President. Even the virulent critics can no more call the President a ‘magnificent cipher’. Now the President has sufficient room for manoeuvrability. At present all the parties evince keen interest in the election of the President. Gone are the days when the election of the President of India used to pass off without a ripple. Now it can cause the greatest political storm. Coalitional politics has enough democratic, decentralized and pluralist potentiality. It can take care of diverse peripheries and regions, heterogeneous interests and groups. Simultaneously it runs the risk of catering to the fissiparous, divisive tendencies. However, the heartening development is that the judiciary is found to be more and more active and its activism is manifest in the various pronouncements on wide ranging issues like environmental protection, reservation, disinvestment, corruption etc. People look up to judiciary as the savior of their rights, but at the same time, the role of civil society and the grassroots organizations cannot be glossed over.