

## **Editorial**

#### **Celebrating the First Convocation of SBS University**

February at Sardar Bhagwan Singh University was a month of anticipation and pride as the university prepared for its first Convocation. The campus buzzed with excitement, reflecting the collective sense of accomplishment.

Convocation marks the culmination of years of dedication and perseverance. Under the guidance of the Chairman, GBSS, the President of SBSU, and the Vice-Chancellor of SBSU, a well-structured plan ensured meticulous preparations. Banners adorned the campus, rehearsals filled the air, and the spirit of celebration was unmistakable.

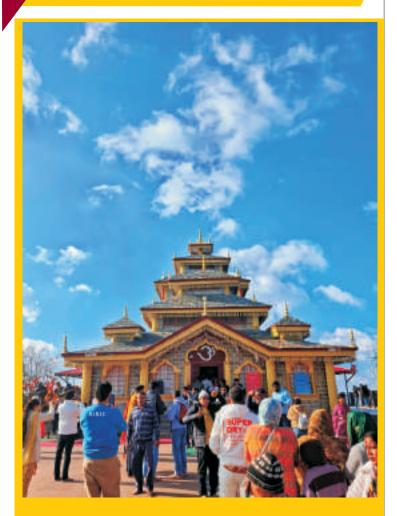
Students, ready to don their academic regalia, stood on the threshold of new beginnings. Faculty members, proud of their mentorship, celebrated the success of their students. The event was a testament to the university's commitment to academic excellence and its role in shaping futures.

As we celebrate this milestone and anticipate future convocations, let us embody the spirit of SBSU—determination, dedication, and distinction.

Congratulations to the degree recipients - may your achievements illuminate the paths ahead!

Happy Reading Editorial Board

#### PHOTOGRAPH OF THE MONTH



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# **SBSU's First Convocation: A Historic Milestone**



Sardar Bhagwan Singh University (SBSU) held its inaugural convocation on February 21, celebrating a significant milestone in its pursuit of academic excellence by honoring graduates for their accomplishments.

The ceremony featured the Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand, Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd.), as the Chief Guest. He emphasized the transformative power of education and encouraged graduates to uphold values of integrity, innovation, and service to society.

Dr. Dhan Singh Rawat, the Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education for Uttarakhand, also spoke, highlighting the vital role of youth in shaping the future and the importance of ethical leadership and continuous skill development.

A total of 944 degrees were awarded across various disciplines, with outstanding students recognized for their achievements through 77 gold and 34 silver medals. The event was a celebration of pride and joy for families and faculty alike.





Prof. (Dr.) J. Kumar, Vice-Chancellor of SBSU, presented the Annual Report, while Dr. Gaurav Deep Singh, President of SBSU, congratulated the graduates, stating that the convocation signifies the beginning of a new journey filled with knowledge and innovation.

The event was attended by notable dignitaries, and proceedings were coordinated by Dr. Deepak Sahni with Dr. Nidhi Belwal serving as the anchor.

The ceremony concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks and the

National Anthem, marking a successful first Convocation and reaffirming SBSU's commitment to academic excellence and societal development.



## **Alumni Reconnect 2025: Bridging Generations, Inspiring Futures**



The university held its Alumni Meet 2025 on February 21, gathering former students, faculty, and distinguished guests for an evening of nostalgia and celebration. The event allowed alumni to reconnect, share experiences, and honor the institution's legacy through discussions and cultural performances.

The evening began with an Alumni Badge Pinning Ceremony, where Prof. (Dr.) Maneesh Arora, Dean of Student Welfare, and other faculty members welcomed alumni and pinned badges as a symbol of pride. Prof. Arora emphasized SBSU's role in shaping future leaders through a blend of academic excellence and skill development.

Vice-Chancellor Dr. J. Kumar highlighted that the true measure of an institution is reflected in its alumni's achievements across various fields, calling them the university's ambassadors. He also acknowledged Dr. Gaurav Deep Singh's significant contributions in establishing the SBSU Old Student Association.



Mr. S.P. Singh, Chairman of Gaurav Bharati Shiksha Sansthan, honoured distinguished members of the Board of Governors for their contributions to SBSU's early years, presenting them with mementoes that celebrated the university's legacy.

A panel discussion, "Navigating Career Transitions – Lessons from Alumni Experiences," featured notable alumni sharing insights on industry trends and the importance of adaptability. Moderated by Prof. (Dr.) Atul Kaushik and Dr. Nidhi S. Belwal, the session fostered engaging discussions among alumni and students.

The evening concluded with vibrant cultural performances, including dance and music by students and alumni, creating a nostalgic and energetic atmosphere.

With over 300 alumni in attendance, the SBSU Alumni Meet 2025 reinforced the university's commitment to maintaining a strong and engaged alumni network that contributes to its

growth and the success of its graduates.



# Campus News

#### **Educational Visit**

Students from the Department of Applied Chemistry and Basic Sciences, including those in the M.Sc. Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Chemistry, and B.Sc. programs visited the Indian Institute of Petroleum (IIP) in Dehradun on February 7. This visit provided them with practical exposure to research and development in the energy and petroleum sectors.

Dr. Kulkarni conducted an interactive session, where he addressed student queries and highlighted career opportunities in research and development. The visit, supervised by Dr. Deepa Mishra and Dr. Rajbeer Singh, was an enriching experience that bridged academic learning with industrial applications.



#### **SBS Physio Team Supports 3rd Inter-Department Badminton Tournament!**

The SBS Physio team, together with MPT Sports students, provided on-field support to players during the 3rd Inter-Department Badminton Tournament 2024-25. This event, organized by the Irrigation Department, took place on February 8th and 9th, 2025, at the Pro Negi Badminton Academy. The tournament was broadcast live on Set Sports, highlighting the incredible sportsmanship and dedication of all participants.





#### **Faculty Achivements**

Congratulations to Dr. Nikki Nautiyal for receiving the "4th Vigyan Sancharak Samman" from the Society of Pollution and Environmental Conservation Scientists (SPECS) on the occasion of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science, celebrated on February 11, 2025. Her commitment to scientific communication, environmental awareness, and sustainability continues to inspire many. This honor recognizes her significant contributions to bridging the gap between science and society.



#### **Rotaract Club**

The Rotaract Club of Sardar Bhagwan Singh University, in collaboration with the Rotary Club Chandigarh Central, successfully organized a Menstrual Hygiene Awareness event. The goal of this initiative was to break the stigma surrounding menstrual health and promote proper hygiene practices.

During the event, sanitary pads were distributed to those in need, ensuring access to essential menstrual products. This impactful gathering underscored the importance of menstrual health education and empowered individuals to maintain proper hygiene.

A big shoutout to our volunteers and supporters for making this event a success! Let's continue to work towards better menstrual health awareness and accessibility



## **Educational Visit**

Sardar Bhagwan Singh University actively participated in the 2-day Mega Startup Summit held at the Dr. Nityananda Himalayan Research and Study Centre on the Doon University Campus in Dehradun. This prestigious event was organized by the Department of Higher Education, Uttarakhand, under the DevbhoomiUdyamita Yojana (DUY), with the aim of fostering a culture of entrepreneurship and innovation. The summit provided an excellent platform for students and aspiring entrepreneurs to connect, learn, and grow.



### **Memorandusm of Understanding**

Sardar Bhagwan Singh University has partnered with Bhaichung Bhutia Football Schools through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to create exceptional training and placement opportunities for physiotherapists. Here's what this means for our students:

- On-field exposure for interns
- Opportunities for postgraduates in sports rehabilitation
- Advanced skills and expertise in sports physiotherapy

This collaboration is a game-changer, providing a valuable pathway for aspiring sports physiotherapists to work with top athletes and shape the future of sports rehabilitation!



# **National Science Day**

Sardar Bhagwan Singh University proudly celebrated National Science Day on February 28, 2025, with the theme "Empowering Indian Youth for Global Leadership in Science and Innovation for Viksit Bharat."

The event featured engaging activities, including an exciting Science Quiz Competition, where students showcased their scientific knowledge and problem-solving skills.

**Winners:** Kashish (BMLT), Siddharth Kumar (BPT), Himani Tyagi & Krut Yagnik (MPT) – School of Physiotherapy & Allied Health

Runners-up: Ojas Ghildiyal, Siddhant Semwal, Sakshi Gusain & Shobhit Kothari – School of Agricultural Sciences

Third Place: Sejal Rawat, Prathivya Parashar, Mehak Rautela & Yogita Petwal – School of Life Sciences

Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) J. Kumar emphasized the importance of scientific curiosity and innovation, while Shri G.S. Rautela (Advisor, Science City) inspired students to contribute to India's scientific progress.

The event witnessed participation from esteemed dignitaries, faculty, and students, reinforcing SBSU's commitment to fostering scientific excellence.



#### The Magic of Science

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A tiny particle, unseen to the eye,
Holds the world in a space so sly.
Deep in atoms, mysteries untold,
A universe of wonders, bright and bold.

The dance of motion, the rhythm of light, Chemical bonds and nature's might. Colliding particles, galaxies far, Science ignites dreams like a shooting star.

Within a cell, life finds its way,
DNA scripts the past to stay.
Nano worlds, biotech dreams,
Science powers the future's streams.

Beyond the stars, past cosmic doors, Rockets take us to Martian shores. In the dark, quantum games, Light unveils nature's frames.

Every discovery sparks a new quest,
Time runs fast, no moment to rest.
Science is magic, science is might,
Shaping the world with knowledge and light

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