



Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Handicapped University

Karwi, Chitrakuta, Uttar Pradesh, India – 210204

A journey from *disabled* to *differently-abled*

Presentation at Shri Lakshmi Narayan Temple, Singapore June 19, 2011



A gateway to the sky in Chitrakuta







The first university of its kind





Without eyesight, He had a dream ... and made it come true



A unique university

- First university of its kind
 - In India and the world
- Established in 2001
 - □ By an Act of UP Assembly
- Approved by UGC
 - □ In the list of universities under section 2 F
- Eligible to receive central assistance
 - □ Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956
- Donations exempt from Income Tax
 - □ Sections 80 (G) and 35 (AC) of the Income Tax Act, 1961







Background

- Number of disabled people in India
 - □ 2.1% as per Census 2001, 8% as per Access Ability
 - □ 10% of the world's population is disabled as per *Disability World*
 - □ Only 5% of disabled in India covered under formal education system
- As per NCPEDP, 1.2% of disabled get higher education
- Persons with Disabilities Act 1995
 - Disabled people must have access to education at all levels
- Education a right, not a privilege
- Most educational institutes are not disabled friendly
- An urgent need to address these issues for the disabled





Background (contd.)

- NCPEDP's Research Study on Present Education Scenario
 - □ 0.51% disabled students in mainstream school education
 - □ Only 0.1% disabled students in mainstream university education
- Mere reservations not sufficient
- Need for creating disabled-friendly environment in educational institutions
- JRHU founded exclusively for the disabled
 - Appropriate curriculum
 - Special teaching methodologies
 - □ Aids, appliances and equipment
 - Composite rehabilitation for the disabled







The Beginning

- JRHU Ordinance (UP Ordinance No. 15, 2001)
 - □ Promulgated by the Governor of UP on August 7, 2001
- Classes begin at JRHU on Rishi Panchami, August 23, 2001
- JRHU Act, 2001 (UP Act No. 32, 2001)
 - □ Passed by the UP Legislature on October 5, 2001 to replace ordinance
 - Appointed Jagadguru Rambhadracharya as life-long Chancellor
- First Statutes of JRHU
 - □ Approved by the Government of UP on October 18, 2002
- JRHU Rules (2002), Chitrakuta, UP
 - □ Framed on January 15, 2002 by the Government of UP
- Membership of Association of Indian Universities (Jan 2002)





The Chancellor

- H. E. Jagadguru Rambhadracharya
 - □ Lost his eyesight at the age of two months
- Life-long Chancellor
 - Appointed by the UP State Government Act
- A mission to serve
 - Understands the difficulty and agony of the disabled better
- First dream
 - Establishing a university for the disabled
- Second dream
 - □ Nourishing the university to help the disabled carve a niche







The Emblem of JRHU

- Motto सेवाधर्मः परमगहनः
 - ☐ "The duty of service is most difficult"
- Four types of disabled represented
 - □ Visually impaired (VI)
 - ☐ Hearing impaired (HI)
 - ☐ Mobility impaired (MI)
 - Mentally impaired
- Chancellor in the centre







Vision Statement

To ensure greater participation of disabled in higher and professional education by providing them with disabled-friendly campus, classrooms and courses, in order to prepare students of great character, enriched with traditional and modern knowledge.





Objectives of JRHU

- Accessible, affordable & appropriate education for disabled students
- Provision of home-based learning for persons with disabilities
- Facilitation of access for disabled students from rural and remote areas
- Imparting both traditional and modern knowledge
- Training and research facilities for personnel engaged in rehabilitation and service of persons with disabilities
- Exchange of ideas and experiences regarding new techniques with national and international agencies, organizations, or individuals interested in teaching and research of disabled students
- Spiritual, social and economic development of the disabled by providing suitable education, for their integration with the mainstream
- Exploration of suitable placement opportunities for the disabled graduates





Special features of JRHU

- Basic Sanskrit and Computer Education compulsory
 - □ One mother of all languages, other necessary for modern challenges
- Priority on character building and physical fitness
- Participatory and interactive learning methodologies
- Modern teaching aids suitable to four types of disabled
- Curriculum enriched by seminars, symposia and workshops
- Indoor and outdoor sports facility for disabled students
- Notes in Braille for VI students
- Hostel facility for students with special needs
- Currently VI, HI and MI students admitted





Facilities

- Tuition
 - □ Free for academic courses
 - Subsidized for professional courses
- Boarding: Subsidized for all
- Lodging: Free for VI, subsidized for HI and MI
- Transport: Subsidized for all
- Aids and Appliances: Free (as required)
- Health: Free access to gymnasium
- Counseling and Guidance: Free for students and parents
- Career: Assistance in finding suitable placement in public and private sector



Board of Governors

Jagadguru Ramanandacharya Swami Rambhadracharya	Chairman
B. Pandey, Vice-Chancellor (VC) of JRHU	Member Secretary
Dr. Gita Devi Mishra	Member
Sh. Hemraj Singh Chaturvedi	Member
Dr. Rajnath Singh	Member
Secretary, Handicapped Welfare, Uttar Pradesh Government	Member
Prof. Abdul Wahid, VC of Central University of Kashmir	Member, (UGC Nominee)





Board of Management

B. Pandey, VC of JRHU	Chairman
Dr. Murli Dhar Tiwari (Director, IIIT Allahabad)	Special Invitee
Dr. Gita Devi Mishra	Member
Sh. Hemraj Singh Chaturvedi	Member
Director, Dept of Higher Education, UP Government	Member
Three senior professors of JRHU (by rotation)	Members
One Professor from each faculty of JRHU	Members
Secretary, Dept of Handicapped Welfare, UP Government	Member
Dr. Avinash Chandra Mishra	Registrar



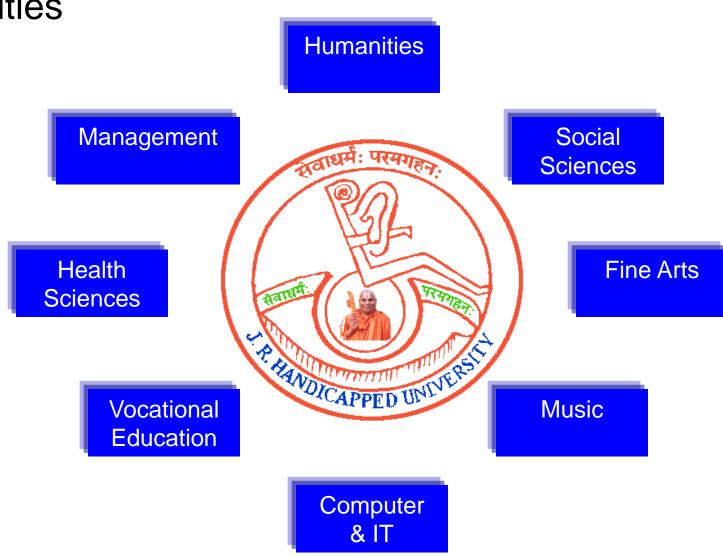


Academic council

B. Pandey, VC of JRHU	Chairman
Dr. Gita Devi Mishra	Special Invitee
Dr. A. K. Purohit, Neurosurgeon, NIMS Hyderabad	Member
Prof. V. D. Mishra, ICHR, New Delhi	Member
Dr. R. Rangasayee, Director, NIHH, Mumbai	Member
Prof. Rajendra Prasad Mishra, Former VC of SSU, Varanasi	Member
Prof. Janak Pandey, VC of Central Univ of Bihar, Patna	Member
Deans of faculty, JRHU	Members
Two Associate Professors of JRHU	Members
Two Assistant Professors of JRHU	(Nominated by Chancellor)
Dr. Avinash Chandra Mishra	Registrar



Faculties





Academic Programmes

- Undergraduate Courses
 - □ BA (Hin, Eng, Sansk, Sociology, Econ, Music, Drawing & Painting, Psychology, History)
 - □ BCA, BBA, BFA, BMus, BEd, BEd Special (for HI and VI)
- Postgraduate Courses
 - ☐ MA (Hin, Eng, Sansk, Sociology, Music, Drawing & Painting, History)
 - ☐ MEd, MEd Special (for VI), MSW
- Diploma Courses
 - □ DIT, PGDIT, Diploma in MS Office
- Doctoral Course
 - □ PhD (Hin, Sansk, Sociology, Drawing & Painting,
 History, Culture and Archeology)







Rehabilitation and Development Centre

- Extension activity catering to rural disabled youth
- Composite rehabilitation through trans-disciplinary approach
- Major Activities
 - □ Rehabilitation & health checkup camps in rural areas near Chitrakuta
 - Vocational training programmes
 - □ OPD facility for HI students
 - ☐ Assistive devices facility (Prosthetics and Orthotics)
 - □ Resource room for VI and HI people
 - ☐ Guidance and placement assistance



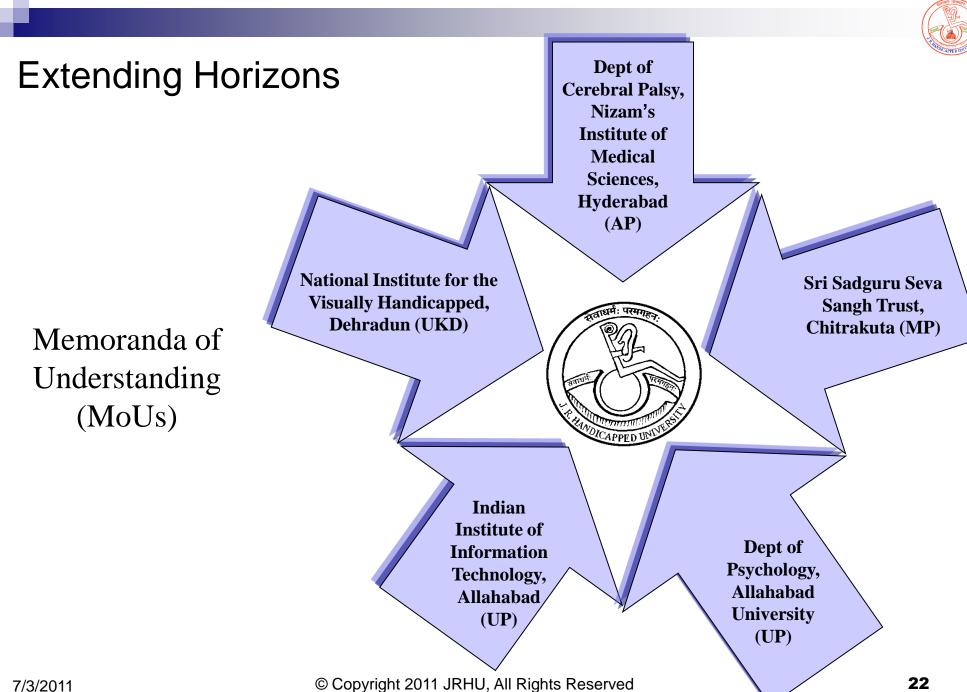


Instrument Maintenance Facility (IMF) Centre

- Setup as per UGC guidelines
- Repair and maintenance of scientific instruments and computer hardware
 - □ Effective and economic service
- Capacity development of staff through training
- Opportunity to exchange experience with other IMFs in India

Guidance and Placement Centre

- Exploration of career opportunities for disabled graduates
- Creation of awareness about needs of disabled in higher education
- Provision of equal opportunities to disabled in higher education
- Monitoring implementation of legislation pertaining to higher education of disabled students

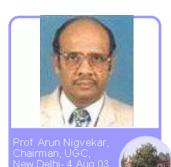




Distinguished Visitors



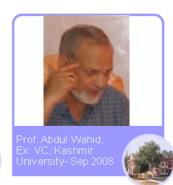






























How you can contribute

- Financial help
 - □ Funds solely from Katha programmes of Jagadguru Rambhadracharya
 - □ By donating funds Both one-off and regular donations welcome
- Placement Help
 - □ Business owners by recruiting students from JRHU
 - □ Employees by helping JRHU connect with HR in public/private firms
- Technical Help
 - □ IT Entrepreneurs by helping JRHU in website hosting/maintenance
 - □ Programmers by volunteering for regular work on JRHU website
- Spreading the message
 - □ Publishers/Media by presenting JRHU in press/Internet
 - □ Writers/Translators by contributing on Wikipedia, Facebook





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Internet resources

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Chancellor's website: www.jagadgururambhadracharya.org

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Thank You!





A Journey in Photos



The beginnings





Laying of Foundation Stone Apr 2, 2001

Inauguration July 26, 2001



The beginnings (contd)



Bhumi Pujan of Girls' Hostel by Dr. Gita Devi Mishra



Girls' hostel after completion



Entrance Examination for BEd





Computer Learning for VI using JAWS®







Classes









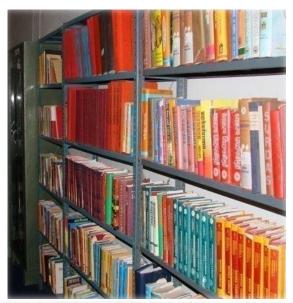






Central Library











Gymnasium and Physical Fitness





















Centre for Rehabilitation and Development













Sports













National Consultation on Women with Disabilities – October 26-28, 2004





Health Camp for Mobility Impaired – Sept 3-4, 2005











Play Performance – October 2, 2005





Performing the Sanskrit play Raaghvaabhyudayam composed by the Chancellor



Training on Sanskrit Language, November 21-25, 2005



A CAPPO WATER

Seminars on Teaching Braille (Nov 05), Sign Language (Feb 06) and Women's Judicial Literacy (Mar 06)











Celebrating Hindi Day – September 14, 2007





Celebrating Sanskrit Day – September 18, 2007











National Workshop on Art – March 25-29, 2008













37th Meet of Hindi Council (Allahabad), Sept 6-7, 2008







National Workshop on Science Fiction Writing for Children and Youth, 23-26 September 2008









Seminar on Bhringadutam – November 17-18, 2008





National workshop on Awareness of Science & Technology through Cultural Activities, 26-30 Nov 2008













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Celebrating World Disability Day – December 3, 2008















Students of JRHU at Innerscape (International Event for disabled), December 19-21, 2008











Rang Shade – January 7-14, 2009 National Camp on Contemporary Painting

















Innauguration of Academic Session 2009-10









Celebrating Tulsidas Jayanti – July 28, 2009







Free distribution of aids for disabled – July 29, 2009













Celebrating World Disability Day - December 3, 2009

















Second Convocation – March 7, 2010















Second Convocation – March 7, 2010 (contd)



















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Third Convocation – January 14, 2011











Thank You!

