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Event Report

National Environment Youth Parliament (NEYP) 2022- University and Regional Level

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) was bestowed with the responsibility of being the regional host of the National Environment Youth Parliament (NEYP) 2022. Organised under the aegis of *Parvayaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi* (PSG) on the theme of 'Environment and Sustainability', NEYP 2022 becomes a first-of-its-kind initiative. The Centre for Research in Social Sciences and Education (CeRSSE) bore the flag of the event in the University.

As the event came to us, I delegated its responsibility to CeRSSE. I knew that the event was in able hands- but I did not know that they would surpass my expectations the way they did. The whole event at both levels was meticulously planned, carefully executed, and diligently managed. I commend CeRSSE for all the efforts and congratulate the team for its success.

--Dr. (Prof.) Raj Singh, Vice-Chancellor, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)

Parvayaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi (PSG), an all-India group dedicated to protecting, analysing, and monitoring the Environment against misuse by human forces, is committed to building, preserving, and sustaining an eco-friendly society and generating awareness among people. Two other leading universities from the region RV University and M. S. Ramaiah Institute of Applied Sciences have been the regional co-hosts partnering with JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) to make the event successful and ensure its greater reach. Green Assocham extended its warm support as the Sustainability Partner. The region comprises the vast geography of Southern India including the states of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana.

The event, designed to be conducted in three levels, had the first two at the University and Regional Levels- in which CeRSSE took prominent efforts. Debangana Chatterjee, Assistant Professor at CeRSSE, shouldered the responsibility of the Principal Regional Coordinator ensuring the smooth sailing of both these levels. While JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) conducted the University Level event online on 12 January 2022, the University hosted the Regional Event on 23 January 2022. Both these dates coincided with and commemorated the birth anniversaries of Swami Vivekananda (also, celebrated as the National Youth Day) and of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, respectively.

Crafted exclusively for the Students of Higher Education Institutions from all parts of the country, the event harped on potential actions in tackling serious Environmental Crises. Students engaged actively with the theme of Environment and Sustainability during the event, shared their perspectives on the matter, and reflected upon the emerging best practices and solutions around it. At this platform, the deliberations, made through the mode of group discussion, were focused on the role of youth as facilitators of change for understanding the environment and thereby, paving the way for national prosperity.

These events at both the levels on virtual Zoom platforms in two rounds- which were further split into break-out rooms to allow better rooms for dialogic engagement. The University Level hosted a total number of 41 participants and was assessed by the JAIN Faculty Members from across the Schools and Centres. At the end of the final round, 8 participants were selected for the regional level. An online felicitation programme was held to celebrate the efforts taken at the University Level by the stakeholders on 21st January 2022 (Friday) and the event was chaired by the honourable Vice-Chancellor of JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) Dr. Raj Singh.

At the Regional Level, a total number of 61 participants took part from across 11 participating Universities of the region. Apart from the host and partnering universities, prominent private universities from the region, viz., Woxsen University (Telangana), KL University (Andhra Pradesh), Mother Teresa Women's University (Tamil Nadu), Dayananda Sagar University (Karnataka), Vels Institute of Science Technology and Advanced Studies (Tamil Nadu), REVA University (Karnataka), and CMR University (Karnataka) were enthusiastically participating in the Regional Event. The participants largely deliberated on the issue of *Alternative and Renewable Energy*. 22-judges from across the country Judges comprising of a bunch of distinguished academicians, entrepreneurs, management experts, and distinguished working professionals graced the occasion with their presence.



Winners from JAIN University

On 28 January a virtual felicitation programme (via Zoom) was held. The felicitation event, presided by the honourable Vice-Chancellor of JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) Dr. Raj Singh, was graced by dignitaries like Dr. HD Charan (Founder Vice-Chancellor, Bikaner Technical University Rajasthan & Chairman, National Committee on Universal human values AICTE Delhi), Dr. N. C. Wadhwa (Director General, Manav Rachna Educational Institutions), Dr YSR Murthy (Vice-Chancellor, RV University), Dr Raul Rodriguez (Vice-President, Woxsen University), Dr. KS Jagannadha Rao (Pro-Chancellor, KLU) to name a few. While everyone emphasised the need for deliberating upon the pressing environmental concerns of the day, they ushered their accolades on JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) for taking sincere efforts in materialising the event. Dr. Raj Singh on the occasion

not only expressed his delight at the enthusiastic participation by the students but also pinned this initiative under the broad framework of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020-inculcating innovative instincts among the students. Dr. H D Charan underlined the need to take more such efforts in the future.



During the Felicitation Event on 28th January- Dr. Raj Singh addressing

All participants on both levels are given e-certificates and winners were given trophies. Ten-selected participants from the Region, of which three are from JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), are to represent Southern India at the National Level, to be held on 15 and 16 April 2022 at the Parliament house premises. The best speakers from both levels are given special cash prizes.

Overall, NEYP 2022 has given JAIN (Deemed-to-be University) an opportunity at expanding its wings by touching the national horizons. We hope the winners at the Regional Level Event bring the laurels back to the Region.

8 Selected Participants from JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)

1	CNMS	M Sc	Aditya Sreejit
2	School of Sciences (CPGS)	MSBT	Chirag G Pradeep
3	School of Sciences	BcGBt A	M.P.Dechamma
4	School of Sciences	CMBt	Pranav Bharadwaj
5	School of Sciences (CPGS)	Msc biotechnology	Pratiksha Raman

6	School of Sciences (CPGS)	Msc biotechnology	Sathwik C Jain
7	SHSS	Commerce	Sooraj Shivakumar

8	School of Management	BBA	Suhas Prakash Srivatsa
Best Speakers from JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)			
1	CNMS	M Sc	Pranav Bharadwaj
2	School of Sciences (CPGS)	MSBT	Chirag G Pradeep
3	School of Sciences	BcGBt A	Sooraj Shivakumar
4	School of Sciences	CMBt	Sathwik C Jain

List of Selected Participants from the Region

CMR University	Karnataka	Rishjvi Singh
CMR University	Karnataka	Mansi Kaveramma
CMR University	Karnataka	Priyanka Raja Reddy
JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)	Karnataka	Pranav Bharadwaj
JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)	Karnataka	Sooraj Shivakumar
JAIN (Deemed-to-be University)	Karnataka	Suhas Prakash Srivatsa
RV University	Karnataka	Pranav Prasanna Devatha
RV University	Karnataka	Sumanth S. Kumar
MS Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences	Karnataka	Adina Koshy
MS Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences	Karnataka	Ranjini S Nadig

