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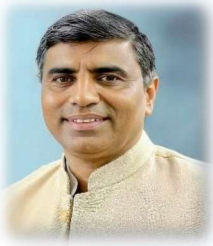
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## NEP Excellence Awards 2025 Ceremony




Hon'ble Education Minister Haryana conferred the Haryana State NEP 2020 Implementation Excellence Awards on 29th December 2025 to 20 Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in recognition of their outstanding progress in implementing the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 in a function organized by Haryana State Higher Education Council at Panchkula. Instituted to encourage structured, measurable, and outcome-driven reforms,the awards aim to promote excellence across key domains such as academic flexibility, multidisciplinary education, innovation, governance reforms, quality assurance, and student-centric initiatives aligned with NEP priorities.

A total of 36 universities and colleges from across the state participated in the awards. The nominations were evaluated through a rigorous and transparent assessment framework based on key parameters derived from NEP 2020 recommendations. The process ensured objectivity and comparability of institutional performance. Based on overall scores and demonstrated impact, institutions were recognised under three categories—Platinum, Gold and Silver.



### संदेश

मुझे अत्यंत हर्ष है कि हरियाणा राज्य उच्च शिक्षा परिषद द्वारा त्रैमासिक ई-न्यूजलेटर "परिषद संवाद" का प्रकाशन आरंभ किया जा रहा है। इस प्रथम अंक के प्रकाशन पर मैं परिषद की संपूर्ण टीम को हार्दिक बधाई एवं शुभकामनाएँ देता हूँ।

मुझे विश्वास है कि यह न्यूजलेटर उच्च शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में नवाचार, उत्कृष्टता एवं समन्वय को प्रोत्साहित करने का एक सशक्त माध्यम सिद्ध होगा। परिषद के अध्यक्ष प्रो. के.सी. शर्मा एवं उनकी टीम का यह सराहनीय प्रयास राज्य की उच्च शिक्षा प्रणाली को नई दिशा और गति प्रदान करेगा।

यह प्रथम अंक, हरियाणा राज्य में राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति (एनईपी) 2020 के प्रभावी क्रियान्वयन की प्रतिबद्धता को दर्शाता है। एनईपी उत्कृष्टता पुरस्कारों के माध्यम से संस्थानों को प्रोत्साहन, पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र पर कार्यशाला, एनआईआरएफ के अंतर्गत रैंकिंग सुदृढ़ीकरण हेतु प्रशिक्षण, शिक्षा के वैश्वीकरण पर विचार-विमर्श, तथा क्लस्टरिंग एवं संसाधन साझाकरण जैसे महत्वपूर्ण पहल राज्य को विकसित हरियाणा 2047 के लक्ष्य की ओर अग्रसर करने में मील का पत्थर सिद्ध होंगे।

मैं राज्य के सभी विश्वविद्यालयों के कुलपतियों, महाविद्यालयों के प्राचार्यों, शिक्षकों, विद्यार्थियों तथा उद्योग जगत के सहयोगियों से आह्वान करता हूँ कि वे इस न्यूजलेटर में उल्लेखित पहलों को अपने-अपने संस्थानों में प्रभावी रूप से लागू करने की दिशा में सक्रिय भूमिका निभाएँ एवं आपकी संस्था में किये जा रहे नवाचारों को भी परिषद् के साथ साझा करें ताकि इन नवाचारों को आगामी न्यूजलेटर में शामिल किया जा सके एवं आप की संस्था के अनुभव का लाभ राज्य के अन्य संस्थान भी ले सकें ।

मैं आप सब से "परिषद संवाद" को उच्च शिक्षा में सकारात्मक परिवर्तन का सशक्त माध्यम बनाने का अनुरोध करता हूँ ताकि हरियाणा को शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में अग्रणी राज्य के रूप में स्थापित किया जा सके।

जय हिंद! जय हरियाणा!

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Dear Readers,
It is a matter of immense pride to present the inaugural edition of "Parishad Samvad", the quarterly newsletter of the Haryana State Higher Education Council. This initiative marks a significant step towards fostering transparency, collaboration, and excellence in the higher education ecosystem of Haryana.

The January–March 2026 quarter has witnessed key milestones aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. A major highlight has been the development of a collaborative National Education Evaluation & Validation (NEEV) Portal by the Swaran Jayanti Haryana Institute of Fiscal Management (SJHIFM), with support from academic and IT experts. Conceived as a data-driven governance platform, the portal enables monitoring, validation, and acceleration of NEP implementation across Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) through measurable outcomes and enhanced transparency.

To recognise institutional efforts, the Council instituted the NEP Excellence Awards, honouring 20 institutions for pioneering multidisciplinary reforms. Additionally, workshops on entrepreneurship (GJUST, Hisar), NIRF capacity-building (in collaboration with NBA), internationalisation strategies, and clustering and resource sharing have provided actionable
roadmaps to HEIs. These initiatives reflect our commitment to innovation, global engagement, and optimal utilisation of resources—translating policy into practice.

I urge all stakeholders to actively engage with this newsletter for knowledge sharing and continuous improvement.

My best wishes to the entire team for this commendable initiative.

Warm regards,

**(Prof. K.C. Sharma)**
**Chairperson, HSHEC**



Dear Colleagues and Partners,
I am delighted to mark the launch of the inaugural edition of "Parishad Samvad".
This newsletter is more than a chronicle of activities. It is designed as a dynamic knowledge platform to highlight the research strength, intellectual depth, and innovation emerging from Haryana's Higher Education Institutions. In today's academic landscape, excellence is defined by research that is high-quality, relevant, and impactful. Our HEIs have the talent and capacity to lead cutting-edge work, drive interdisciplinary collaboration, and provide evidence-based inputs for regional and national progress.

The Haryana State Research Fund (HSRF), with the Council as nodal agency, is a landmark step by the Government of Haryana to strengthen this ecosystem. It will catalyze high-impact, quality research across our institutions.

I invite all institutions, faculty, and researchers to actively contribute to Parishad Samvad. Share your best publications, research highlights, case studies, and innovative practices. This exchange will inspire peers and build a strong repository of excellence for Haryana.
Together, let us position Haryana as a hub for quality research, academic distinction, and meaningful knowledge creation.

Best wishes for this important initiative.

Warm regards,

**(Prof. S. K. Gakhar)**
**Vice-Chairperson,**
**HSHEC**

## One-day workshop on Strengthening Entrepreneurship Ecosystem in HEIs organised by HSHEC in association with GJUS&T, Hisar

A workshop aimed at promoting entrepreneurship and innovation in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) was jointly organised by the Haryana State Higher Education Council and Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology on 5th January 2026 at GJU Campus Hisar.



The workshop brought together Entrepreneurship Development Cell

coordinators from state universities, Model Sanskriti Colleges, and selected government and government-aided colleges. Startup mentors and industry experts also participated, making it a collaborative platform for knowledge sharing and capacity building. The primary objective of the workshop was to strengthen the entrepreneurship ecosystem in HEIs by encouraging innovation, startups, and self-employment among students, in alignment with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.



Key sessions focused on the development of innovation and incubation centres, fostering industry-academia linkages, and establishing robust funding and mentorship support systems. Participants were also guided on setting up and strengthening entrepreneurship cells, nurturing student-led startups, and integrating innovation into academic curricula.

Speakers highlighted that entrepreneurship is no longer optional but has become an essential pillar of modern higher education. The workshop served as a significant step towards building a culture of innovation and enterprise within Haryana's academic institutions.

## Workshop on National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)



The Haryana State Higher Education Council in collaboration with NBA organised a one-day workshop on the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) on 22nd January,2026 with a view to guide Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) across Haryana in improving their performance and participation in national rankings.The workshop focused on presenting the current status of NIRF in the state and familiarising state-funded universities and colleges with key evaluation parameters, including teaching-learning resources, research output, graduation outcomes, outreach, and perception.

The keynote session was delivered by Dr. Anil K. Nassa, Member Secretary of the National Board of Accreditation, who provided detailed insights into best practices for data management and institutional benchmarking.The event was graced with the presence of Prof. Kailash Chandra Sharma, Chairperson HSHEC, Prof. S.K Gakhar, Vice Chairperson HSHEC, DGTE, JDA Higher Education. The event witnessed active participation from Directors of Internal Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC) and their representatives from state-funded universities, who attended in person. 208 principals and representatives from government colleges across Haryana joined the workshop online.

Participants were guided on the timely submission of NIRF data, ensuring accuracy and consistency in reporting, and adopting data-driven strategies to identify institutional strengths and areas for improvement. The workshop proved instrumental in equipping HEIs with the necessary tools and understanding to enhance their NIRF scores and overall rankings. The initiative reflects the state's continued efforts to strengthen quality assurance and promote excellence in higher education.



## Meeting regarding Internationalisation of Higher Education

A meeting to deliberate on the internationalisation of higher education in Haryana was held at the office of the Haryana State Higher Education Council, Sector-4, Panchkula on 28th January 2026.
The meeting was chaired by Prof. K. C. Sharma and attended by senior academic leaders and officials, including representatives from Kurukshetra University, GD Goenka University, Geeta University, and J. C. Bose University of Science and Technology, along with officers from the Higher and Technical Education Departments of Haryana.



The committee reviewed regulations of the University Grants Commission and recommendations of NITI Aayog, while assessing the current status of international engagement across universities in the state.It was agreed that Haryana should strategically focus on attracting international students from regions such as Africa, South Asia, and the Middle East, leveraging India's cost advantage and quality education system. Members emphasised the need for functional MoUs, short-term cultural and Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS)-based programmes, and the development of niche academic strengths to build a distinct global identity for institutions. Key challenges identified included limited hostel infrastructure, rigid academic frameworks, inadequate marketing by state universities, and the absence of dedicated international offices.

To address these issues, the committee recommended the establishment of a State-level International Education Cell, development of distinct branding strategies for public and private institutions, infrastructure enhancement through hostel consortia, and promotion of faculty and student exchange programmes. It also suggested increased engagement with embassies and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), along with exploring provisions for regulated student work permits.

The meeting concluded that with coordinated policy support, academic reforms, and strengthened global collaborations, Haryana has the potential to emerge as a competitive hub for international higher education.

## Workshop on Fundamental Principals of Clustering and Resource Sharing




A workshop titled "The Fundamental Principles of Clustering and Resource Sharing" was organised at Government Post Graduate College Sector 1 on January 30, 2026. The event was jointly organized by the Haryana State Higher Education Council and the Department of Higher Education Haryana in collaboration with the host institution. The workshop witnessed participation from senior academic leaders, including Vice Chancellors, Deans, Principals, NEP Nodal Officers, and key representatives from higher education institutions across Haryana and other states.

The primary objective of the workshop was to promote the concept of clustering of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and resource sharing in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. Deliberations focused on enhancing multidisciplinary education, optimising infrastructure and faculty resources, enabling seamless credit transfer, and strengthening digital and blended learning models. Eminent academicians, including Prof. Manjula Chaudhary, Prof. Ravindra D. Kulkarni, V.C Mumbai University and Prof. S. K. Mehta, Ex-V.C Ladakh University, shared insights on effective clustering models, resource-sharing strategies, and successful practices adopted in various states.



A panel discussion on clustering in Haryana highlighted key aspects such as the use of SWAYAM MOOCs, faculty capacity building, policy support, and the importance of fostering a collaborative mindset toward shared public resources.

The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Prof. R. S. Rathore, who emphasised that clustering and resource sharing are vital for improving access, quality, and efficiency in higher education under NEP 2020.