

Advisor to JK Governor chairs high level meeting at KU

Srinagar KU Feb 27: Shri K Skandan , Advisor to Governor J&K State, urged the University of Kashmir and SKUAST-K to set bench marks for its performances in varied aspects of University Education and introduce new courses in tune with industry needs . The advisor was chairing a high level meeting at the University of Kashmir Tuesday .

Vice Chancellor Kashmir University Prof Talat Ahmad , Vice Chancellor SKUAST Kashmir Prof Nazeer Ahmad , Dean Academic affairs KU Prof M A Sahaf , Dean Research Prof Zafar A. Reshi , Registrar Kashmir University Dr. Nisar Ahmad Mir , Head Department of Geography and Regional development Prof M S Bhat , Director IT &SS Dr. Maroof Qadri were present besides other University of Kashmir officials.

During the academic discussion which lasted for more than an hour, the advisor emphasized upon to enhance the research capabilities and to have close linkages between academia and industry. He asked the University to create a Centre of Excellence in IT and train the Human Resources. The part of such Human Resource, he said will be engaged for creating Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) facilities, which will eventually be established in district headquarters and at the satellite campuses of the University of Kashmir.

During the meeting the course on M Sc Disaster Management run by Department of Geography and regional development came under discussion and the advisor asked the University to upgrade the course and create a “Centre for Disaster Risk Management ” at Kashmir University.

The advisor assured full support to Vice chancellor Prof Talat Ahmad in strengthening the University campuses at Leh and Kargil and asked for introduction of additional courses at both the campuses. He also laid stress on promoting entrepreneurship among the youth and suggested that Universities may introduce suitable courses in this area also.

Vice Chancellor SKUAST Kashmir Prof Nazeer Ahmad also discussed issues concerning his University with the advisor who in turn assured him of all the help to see them resolved. Prof Nazir highlighted the potential and importance of apiculture, high density orcharding in apple, commercial cut flower and bulb production and processing. He also stressed that recruitment rules of State Government be modified to the extent that they are in conformity with the degrees awarded by the Universities. Vice chancellor Prof Talat Ahmad and Vice Chancellor SKUAST-Kashmir thanked the advisor to Governor J&K state Shri K Skandan for his keen interest in the affairs of the Kashmir University, SKUAST-Kashmir and assured him to follow the suggestions put forward by him to lead the University towards the path of academic excellence. Earlier Prof Talat briefed him about the University functioning also.