



KU holds special marathon for differently-abled students



Srinagar, July 10: To promote the values of inclusion, empowerment, and dignity, the Department of Students' Welfare (DSW), University of Kashmir (KU), organised a Special Marathon for Differently-Abled students at the main campus today. The marathon started at the varsity's Maulana Rumi Gate and concluded at the Centre of Central Asian Studies (CCAS) KU. A valedictory and felicitation ceremony followed, honouring all the participating students for their inspiring spirit and perseverance.

While addressing the gathering and felicitating the participants, Vice-Chancellor KU, Prof. Nilofer Khan, praised the efforts of the students and said, "Our differently-abled students have not only completed a marathon but they have also led a movement of courage, dignity, and inclusion. Our varsity remains deeply committed to building spaces where every student, regardless of ability, feels respected, celebrated, and empowered."

Earlier while flagging off the Marathon Registrar KU, Prof. Naseer Iqbal said the event symbolised resilience and hope. He added that such initiatives remind the campus community of the deep strength and potential residing in every student, and reaffirmed the University's commitment to inclusivity.

In his welcome address, Dean Students Welfare KU, Prof. Parvez Ahmad, highlighted the importance of such platforms in developing a spirit of confidence and recognition among differently-abled students.

The event was coordinated by Mr. Shaheel Mohammad, Coordinator, Special Cell DSW KU, who delivered the vote of thanks.

The function was also graced by Director CCAS KU Prof. Wahid Nasaru, Prof. Tabasum Firdous, CCAS KU, and Dr. Mohammad Sultan Rather from the Special Cell, DSW KU. The event proceedings were conducted by Dr. Shahid Ali Khan, Cultural Officer, DSW, KU.

Later, the students were taken for an outdoor get-together at Harwan Garden, offering them an opportunity for leisure, bonding, and reflection in a joyful environment.

