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ICFAI University hosts international conference on interdisciplinary studies



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GANGTOK, February 13: ICFAI University, Sikkim hosted an “International Conference on Interdisciplinary Studies: Bridging Knowledge for Tomorrow (ICIS-2026)” at its auditorium in Gangtok. Jointly organized by ICFAI University, Sikkim University, and the Research Foundation of India, the event brought together eminent academicians, researchers, scholars, and students to foster cross-disciplinary dialogue and explore collaborative pathways for building future-ready knowledge systems, informs a press release.

In his inaugural address, ICFAI University vice chancellor Dr. Jagannath Patnaik emphasized the urgency for academic institutions to transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries and embrace integrated research models.

The inaugural session featured keynote addresses by different speakers. Dr. Anshuman Sharma, associate professor at College of Business Administration, Ajman University, UAE, shared insights on interdisciplinary innovation in business and academia, while Dr. Rajeev Kumar Panda, professor at National Institute of Technology, Rourkela, explored the integration of technology and research for sustainable futures. The session also marked the formal

launch of the ‘IUS Journal for Multidisciplinary Studies’.

Throughout the day, scholars presented research papers across diverse domains, promoting vibrant idea exchange and rigorous academic discussion. The conference drew enthusiastic participation from academicians, senior faculty, research scholars, and industry experts affiliated with reputed national and international institutions. Researchers and professors from NIT Rourkela, NIT Tripura, various IITs, Central universities, agricultural universities including College of Agricultural Engineering and Post-Harvest Technology (CAEPHT), Sikkim University, Azim Premji University, Mizoram University, Sikkim Manipal University, Jiwaji University, Sreenidhi University, Banasthali Vidyapith, University of North Bengal, University of Mumbai, and SRM University, among many others, enriched the proceedings with their expertise and perspectives. International delegates from the United Arab Emirates, Bangladesh, Bhutan, and Nepal added valuable global dimensions to the discussions.

The valedictory session was attended by Sikkim University vice chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Santanu Kumar Swain as the chief guest. In his address, Prof Swain highlighted the importance of a collaborative research culture in advancing regional and national development.