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Regional Manager Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Mr. Vinod Kumar was also present at the MoU signing ceremony and stated that MoU will bring these two institutions closer and will benefit both students and faculty members.

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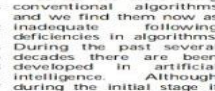
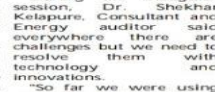
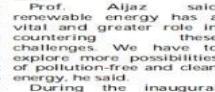
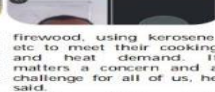
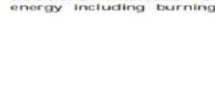
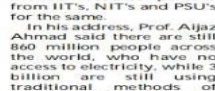
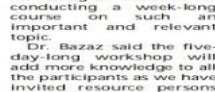
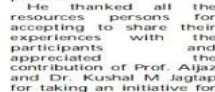
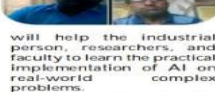
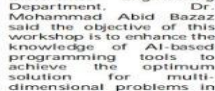
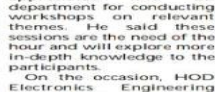
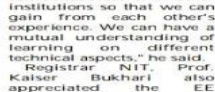
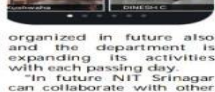
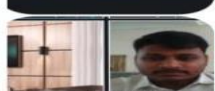
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The inaugural session of the workshop was presided over by the Director, Prof. (Dr.) Rakesh Sehgal. He said there is a need to optimize energy at every level and the department is expanding its activities with each passing day.

In future NIT Srinagar can collaborate with other institutions so that we can gain from each other's experience. We can have a mutual understanding of learning on different technical aspects," he said.

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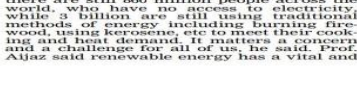
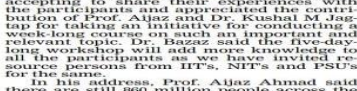
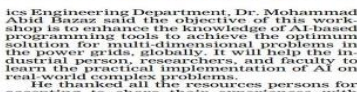
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staff, angle whether they can be grown in warm temperatures without compromising on their quality. We can preserve apple for more time or off seasons but there is less research on such technologies, he said. Lok Sabha member, Gopal Narayan Singh said the main purpose behind the setting of NIT in Kashmir was that it would bridge a gap between the people and technology. "Each year, around hundreds of students complete their courses from NIT Srinagar and faculty members should train them in a way that they can go back to their respective places in a way, they self-sustain themselves and create more employment options," he said. While, Lok Sabha member, Mr. Vishnu

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Rathod suggested some points for research for the institute during the meeting.

Earlier, Director NIT Srinagar, Prof. Dr. Rakesh Sehgal welcomed the honorable members and termed their visit as a historic moment for the institute. Later he presented a short introduction about the journey of the institute from year 1981 to 2021.

Prof. Sehgal apprised the delegation that the institute offers B.Tech. Programs in 66 subjects, M.Tech. programs in 11 subjects, M.Sc. (Physics), M.Sc. (Chemistry), M.Sc. (TIED), MBA, M.Phil in departments of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Humanities & Social Sciences, and Ph.D. programs in all the departments.

He said NIT Srinagar has also established two Centres including Water Resources Management Centre (WRMC), Central Research Facility Centre (CRFC), Computer Services Centre (CSC), Maintenance Engineering Centre (MEC), Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship Development Centre (IEDC).

Regarding infrastructure, the Director NIT Srinagar said reviewed the damage caused by the 2014 devastating floods. There was a need for immediate repair and renovation of the campus which was carried out successfully with the help of various agencies, he said. "We have recently upgraded and renovated the library block with the latest RFID facility through PMDF funding. Construction

of two new blocks of Prefab hostel, Training and Placement Block and renovation of Cafeteria has been completed and put to use," Prof. Sehgal said.

He also said a new entry gate, auditorium, an additional block of girl's hostel (120 Capacity), Guest House, Upgradation of Outdoor Sports Facility, reconstruction of M. B. Ray's Hostel of 700 capacity under HEPA funding and landscaping of the entire campus is being pursued vigorously through CPWL. Director NIT Srinagar said over the past several years, NIT Srinagar has signed many MoUs and collaborations with reputed Universities and Organizations across the globe.

Prof. Sehgal also said during COVID 19 pandemic, NIT Srinagar contributed by extending all possible help to its administrative staff, innovating low-cost ventilators, PPE Kits and carrying out a safety audit of oxygen plants of two major medical colleges and hospitals in the region.

Registrar NIT Srinagar, Prof. Katar Bhukhari presented the vote of thanks to the committee for visiting the institute. He said that suggestions and views shared by the committee will be taken onboard for all-round development of the NIT Srinagar. Prof. Bhukhari assured the committee members that NIT Srinagar will work to explore new innovative opportunities for people of the region and explore new dimensions in technology.

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Parliamentary Standing Committee begins its 2-day Kashmir tour

Holds interactive sessions, deliberations with various educational, banking heads

Srinagar, July 7: An 18-member Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children and Youth and Sports Wednesday began its study tour here and interacted with various educational and bank heads to get feedback with regard to its subject matter.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee is on a two-day tour to J&K where the members from both the houses of Parliament (Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha) would meet several stakeholders to receive feedback on the background of the premier educational institute while briefing the committee members about its academic and research capacities, hostel, and health facilities, center of excellence, collaborations and MOUs at national and international level, besides sports facilities for students and ongoing infrastructural projects being created under PMDF.

Besides, Prof. Sehgal informed the visiting study group about other activities vis-a-vis innovation, incubation and entrepreneurship development centre, social and commu-



nity outreach through programs like Urnat Bharat Program, Atma Nirbhar Bharat, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Skill India and Start-up India. He also presented various initiatives taken by the J&K administration during the Covid-19 pandemic for the last two years with respect to the innovation of low cost ventilators, PPE Kits, and carrying out safety audit of oxygen plants of two major medical colleges and hospitals in the Kashmir division.

On the occasion, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee, Rajendra Agrawal appreciated the

and its interventions in the region. He also inquired about the fellowships and schemes along with other findings available to students at NIT Srinagar. The session was also attended by Deans and Heads of various departments and centres of the institute.

The committee also held an interactive session with National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) and deliberated upon the issues while discussing the scope of imparting trainings to the students at its different centers in J&K. Also, at J&K Logistics Complex here, the committee held an interactive session with Vice-Chancellor of Central University

and Incharge VC Kashmir University and Deans and heads of various innovation and research centers of these universities.

At the outset, Incharge VC of the University of Kashmir gave a brief overview of the academic courses and degrees in the university, besides highlighting the academic side of research, collaborations and MOUs and also informed the meeting about the steps being taken to further strengthen the research ecosystem at the varsity. The parliamentarians were informed about different sports activities and the sporting courses being offered in the university.

The representatives of the two universities briefed the committee about different educational activities with respect to different innovations and on research front like research programs, scholars and supervisors.

The sessions were chaired by the Member of Parliament of Lok Sabha, Rajendra Agrawal. Later, MD and CEO Punjab National Bank and Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) J&K Bank also delivered their respective presentations over the amount of loans disbursed among various beneficiaries under several schemes available for women, children and students.

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efforts of faculty members who are actively engaged in research and consultancy activities.

Registrar NIT Srinagar Professor Kaiser Bukhari appreciated Dr. Nufazil for being offered consultancy services by foreign company and said these activities are taking the institute to new heights in the field of academics and research.

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activities facilitate collaboration and create newer opportunities for research and development.

He also appreciated faculty members of the Department of Humanities, Social Sciences and Management led by Professor Abdul Liman. The department is striving hard to impart quality education to the students and create a robust environment for research, industry interaction, conferences and workshops.

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A formal vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Ravi Bhushan. He thanked all distinguished speakers and participants for making the event successful. He informed that more than 100 participants attended the session.

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Srinagar, July 26: A week-long Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on opportunity and challenges for electric vehicles in automotive started at the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Srinagar on Monday.

A statement of the NIT issued here said that the FDP is being sponsored by India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy, AICTE New Delhi.

The inaugural session was attended by more than 200 participants from across the country.

The inaugural session of the FDP was presided over by Director NIT Srinagar, Prof Rakesh Sehgal, while Prof C S Shankar Ram, Department of Engineering Design, IIT Madras was the guest of honour.

Harveer Singh Pall, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering in the coordinator, while Mohammad Mursaleen, Mohammad Mohsin Khan from the ME department and Neeraj Gupta, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering are the co-coordinators, while Shabir Ahmad Sofi is the Technical Advisor and Institute Coordinator, ATAL.

On the occasion, Prof Sehgal said the theme of FDP was interesting as a topic is more relevant in the present scenario when fuel prices are



increasing. Although there are multiple challenges to electric vehicles including charging stations, lack of proper infrastructure, he said.

"In many places across India, local governments had launched electric vehicles for public transportation. It requires a huge chunk of batteries but the question is what will happen when these batteries become redundant, how to recycle or dispose of them, which is a major challenge," the Director NIT said.

Prof Sehgal said now the technology was so advanced, one could think of anything and then even produce that or use it for any purpose.

"We have very efficient batteries and now we have maintenance-free batteries for our cost, which will come for 3-4 years, we don't need to do anything except checking water level," he said. "I hope this FDP will discuss various aspects, challenges and will try to find out some tangible solutions. Then these solutions can be shared with industries."

The Director NIT Srinagar also appreciated the

ME department team led by Head of Department (HOD) Prof Sheikh Nazir Ahmad and other organizers for taking the lead in conducting training sessions for the faculty.

In his message, Registrar NIT, Prof Kaiser Bukhari also appreciated the ME department for conducting FDP on a relevant topic.

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While expert talk on vehicle dynamics perspective on electric and hybrid electric vehicle power train was delivered by Prof C S Shankar Ram, Department of Engineering Design, IIT Madras, Chennai who was the guest of honor during the inaugural session.

FDP Patron and HoD, ME Department, Prof Nazir Ahmad Sheikh said electrical and mechanical components in Electric Vehicles, and environmental pollution for the global transportation sector.

He said the only option currently was to go for electrically powered vehicles and there is a huge source of energy available in the form of nuclear technology.

Prof Sheikh said, "From nuclear technology we are going to run with the grace of God thousands of years in future and if we are able

to trap this energy in terms of batteries, then use this energy for locomotives and automotive it is going to solve the problems of mankind."

Earlier, Harveer Singh Pall welcomed the resource persons and participants in the week-long FDP.

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