

## EVENTS

### 08TH MEETING OF ADB PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY GROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**APRIL 30, 2016**

Dr. Leena Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, TERI University participated in the 08th meeting of the ADB President's Advisory Group on Climate Change and Sustainable Development held on 30 April 2016 in Frankfurt to discuss outcomes and implications of agreements on the post-2015 sustainable development goals and climate change for Asia and Pacific Developing Member Countries (DMCs).



### FOUR-DAY TRAINING PROGRAMME ON RESEARCH SUPERVISION SKILLS FOR THE FACULTY OF ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF BHUTAN

**02-05 MAY 2016**

Capacity-building training programme was organized for the faculty members of the Royal University of Bhutan from 02-05 May 2016 in TERI University. The workshop targeted young faculty members to impart understanding of the process, practice and outcomes of research supervision.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- World Refugee Day Celebration in TERI University (TU)
- Workshop on Doctoral Research in Architecture and Wider-Built Environment Discipline.
- International Yoga Day Celebration in TU
- Training on Building Research Capacity for the Faculty of Royal University of Bhutan
- Total Health: Effects of Pollution on Health
- Achievements



### WORKSHOP ON DOCTORAL RESEARCH IN ARCHITECTURE AND WIDER BUILT ENVIRONMENT DISCIPLINE

**MAY 06, 2016**

A first-of-its-kind workshop on 'Doctoral Research in Architecture and Wider Built Environment Discipline' was organized by TERI University on 06 May 2016 at TERI University. Around 40 faculty members from colleges in Delhi NCR and outside participated in this workshop. The workshop focused on orientation, analytical approaches, techniques and methods for PhD research, topics related to architecture, planning, landscape, culture and heritage and real estate were

included in the discussions.

The workshop focused on the significance and approach for undertaking doctoral research in the vital domain of urban built environment and aimed to help various higher education institutions in initiating and strengthening their PhD programme, in view of the importance that such colleges are attaching to the discipline and growing academic and research community.



## WORLD REFUGEE DAY CELEBRATION IN TERI UNIVERSITY

**JUNE 20, 2016**

World Refugee Day was observed recently in New Delhi to recognize the contribution of forcibly displaced people around the world. On this occasion an event was organized by the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and TERI University to bring together refugees from countries like Afghanistan, Myanmar and Eritrea. On World Refugee Day, UNHCR unveiled

a new campaign, trending on social media websites as #WithRefugees, to create awareness about the problems faced by the people who are compelled to migrate from their countries of origin in the wake of unfavourable circumstances. The hour-long event at TERI University saw several refugees from Afghanistan, Myanmar and Syria share their first-hand experiences. To know more visit <http://www.indialivetoday.com/afghan-refugee-narr.../7996.html>



## VISIT BY FACULTY MEMBERS TO COCA-COLA PLANT

**JUNE 21, 2016**

TERI University faculty members went on an exposure visit to the Coca-Cola plant in Greater Noida to understand how Coca-Cola adheres to sustainability issues.



## INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATION IN TU

**JUNE 24, 2016**

TERI University staff members celebrated International Yoga Day on campus. They were initiated into Upa Yoga, offered by Isha Foundation, an international, non-profit organization founded by Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev. Participants were introduced to simple yet powerful system of exercise activating the joints, muscles, and energy system. Practices included invigorating physical postures (*Sadilaja* and *Yoga Namaskar*), breathing methods (*Kriya*), *Nada* Yoga and Meditation. Practices offered were simple yet complete and effectively engaged all.



## THREE-DAY TRAINING PROGRAMME ON CONSERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN VILLAGES

**27-29 JUNE 2016**

The Department of Natural Resources, TERI University with support from Wildlife Trust of India, organized a three-day training programme on Conservation of Biological Diversity in Villages in the vicinity of Valmikinagar Tiger Reserve in Bihar during 27-29 June 2016. The

objective of the training programme was to communicate the rules related to the Biodiversity Conservation Act, 2009, to the villagers. With no buffer-zone to the Tiger Reserve, the local communities have extremely limited access to the parks' resources in terms of head loads

of fuel wood. The training was organized at different locations like Naurangia, Gardi, Piparahawa Tola, Khairahni, Matiarawa Tola, Simrahani Tola, Kamarchinwa and Majuraha. Women, college goers, trackers, and guards from the State Forest Department and TERI

University faculty and students shared the learning platform.

The training evoked deep attachment of the local communities to their flora, the local taxonomy and its usage. The programme included a transect walk led by the women participants. They were trained in the art of preparing a herbarium of plants and documenting details. Each participant spoke at length

about the plants, their usage and their trends in their availability in the forests. The training brought to fore the strong knowledge base of the local communities. The findings of the short training were a strong indicator that science of Biodiversity Register can be an effective tool for conservating our biological resources.



## TRAINING ON BUILDING RESEARCH CAPACITY FOR THE FACULTY OF ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF BHUTAN 04-07 JULY 2016

The workshop helped participants develop a better understanding about the research processes, practices and outcomes in an academic institution. They got exposure to diverse practices on building and sustaining research institutions.



## PLANTATION DRIVE AT HYDERABAD CAMPUS OF TERI UNIVERSITY JULY 08, 2016

While inaugurating the new campus of TERI University in Hyderabad, Dr Leena Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, TERI University initiated a plantation drive.



### TU IN NEWS

## CONFERENCE ON SMART ENERGY— SMART INDIA 2016: CHANGE AIR WITH NATURAL GAS MAY 24, 2016

Dr Ritu Mathur, Adjunct Faculty, Department of Energy and Environment and Dr Suresh Jain, Professor and Head, Department of Natural Resources, TERI University attended the conference on 'Smart Energy—Smart India 2016: Change Air with Natural Gas' as distinguished panellists. The

conference was organized by the Times of India Group in partnership with GAIL India Ltd. Know more at: [http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Gallery.aspx?id=31\\_05\\_2016\\_023\\_006\\_001&type=PartUrl=The-ECONOMICS-of-Energy-31052016023006&eid=31816](http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Gallery.aspx?id=31_05_2016_023_006_001&type=PartUrl=The-ECONOMICS-of-Energy-31052016023006&eid=31816).

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### The ECONOMICS of Energy

India needs to strategically negotiate its energy needs keeping in mind the twin constraints greenhouse gas emissions and pollution. In other terms, India needs smart energy such as natural gas, which is a conventional but clean fuel

Boston Consulting Group as the knowledge partner. Dharmaendra Pradhan, minister of state for petroleum and natural gas, granted the occasion as the chief guest. In his opening remarks, Dharmaendra Pradhan emphasized the need for the participation of the people in order to make the smart initiatives, of which the need

## TOTAL HEALTH: EFFECTS OF POLLUTION ON HEALTH

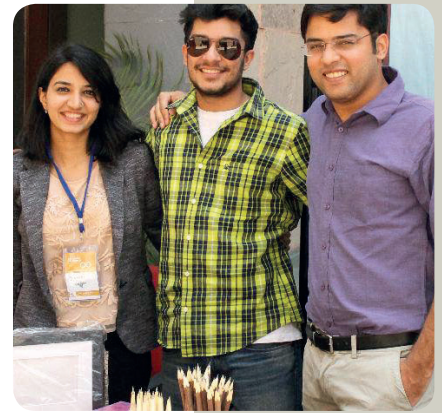
JUNE 05, 2016

DD News channel featured Dr. Suresh Jain, Professor and Head, Department of Natural Resources, TERI University, New Delhi on its show 'Total Health: Effects of Pollution on Health' on June 5, 2016. Dr Jain was part of a panel discussion. Available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ik9lCX6rurg>.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### STUDENTS

1. Ms Devakshi Nayar student of MA Sustainable Development Practice programme, 2011–13 batch and now an alumna of TERI University, spent last three years working in the development sector before starting her own enterprise—Hope Collective— an eCommerce platform for merchandise produced by NGOs and social enterprises. The startup not only aids the NGOs by enabling them and reducing the dependency on charity, but it also supports and provides a voice to various social, economic or environmental causes, which do not generally find place in the traditional marketplace. Devakshi's startup was recently featured in the Business World Disrupt. For the complete story please see the link: <http://bwdisrupt.businessworld.in/article/Hope-Collective-An-eCommerce-Platform-for-Merchandise-Produced-by-NGOs-and-Social-Enterprises/22-06-2016-99495/>.



### 2. PhD Oral Defense Completed

Name of the Student	Topic	Date
Ms. Priyanka Dhakate	Characterization of key regulatory elements involved in fruit development and flowering time in Brassicas	06 April 2016
Ms Sangeeta Sharma	Marker- based approach to study genetic polymorphisms in Preeclampsia	25 May 2016
Ms Savita Gautam	Impact of environmental measures on export: A study of Indian shrimp and prawn exports	02 June 2016
Mr Suneel Kumar	Fine mapping of spot blotch disease resistance QTL in wheat	05 July 2016

### FACULTY

Dr. Chaithanya Madhurantakam, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, TERI University was awarded the prestigious "Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship"- 2015; a fellowship and grant provided by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science and Technology (Government of India) to Indian nationals working in overseas Institutions to pursue their R&D work at Indian Institutions for a period of five years.



## About TERI University

The TERI University was established to disseminate the vast reservoir of knowledge devised by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), a not-for-profit, independent research institute recognized globally for its contribution to scientific and policy research in the realms of energy, environment, and sustainable development. The TERI University's academic offering is rooted in the comprehensive research, consultancy, and outreach activities of TERI.

In 1999, the University was granted the 'Deemed to be University' status by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and notified vide the Ministry of Human Resources Development, Department of Education, Government of India, notification no. F.9/19/95-U-3, dated October 5, 1999. Since its inception, the TERI University has offered not just world-class education, but also an environment that enables its students to develop fresh perspective in their subject areas. Before moving to Vasant Kunj, the University was housed in the Darbari Seth Block of India Habitat Centre from 1998 to 2008. In 2008, the University started functioning from its new 'green campus', located in Vasant Kunj. TERI University aspires to be an institution of advance learning, which meets the needs of a rapidly growing India. The academic programmes are envisioned to provide the students with a holistic perspective of the subjects offered and encourage interdisciplinary learning.



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