

# University of Hyderabad

## Awards / Honours / Distinctions

- University of Hyderabad was awarded the **first President's award for the best university** for academic excellence and overall outstanding work, 2015.
- **University has been ranked fourth among India's best Universities.** The rankings were released by the hon'ble Human Resource Development Minister Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 4 April, 2016.
- **University has been rated Very Good/Good in the areas of *Patents awarded, Interdisciplinary publications and Research publications*** respectively released by the U-Multirank (German based) results based on publicly available bibliometric and patent data lists, 4 April, 2016.
- University has been featured among the world's Elite Institutions in 3 of the 42 subjects in this year's QS World University Rankings by Subject. As per this survey, **University has been listed as one of the best universities to pursue higher studies in English Language and Literature, Chemistry and Physics.**
- The University of Hyderabad (UOH) has been featured among the **Top Global Universities of India** by the U.S. News & World Report in their 2016 edition of the Best Global Universities, 4 March, 2016.
- University has been ranked above JNU, Pondicherry University, IIIT-H and BITS, Pilani. University Ranking by Academic Performance (URAP) for the year 2015-16 has featured **University of Hyderabad in the top 2000 institutions ranked from 97 countries all over the World, March 2016.**

- Prof. Ashwini Kumar Nangia, faculty, School of Chemistry, took over as the eleventh Director of CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (CSIR-NCL), Pune, March 2016.
- Dr. Nooruddin Khan, faculty, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, has been awarded the “USEFI – Fulbright Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Flex Award-2016”, March 2016.
- Dr. S.M. Ahmed, Principal scientific Officer, got an invitation to write a blog by Planetary Science Society, USA, a powerful body which does not only a public outreach program across the globe; but also has great say as far as US congressmen in White house, March 2016.
- University’s Wall Calendar for the year 2015, has been awarded the **1st prize at the first Public Relations Society of India (PRSI)**, Telangana Chapters conference titled “Bangaru Telangana: Public Relations Communication Perspective”, 21 February, 2016.
- The Week-Hansa Research Best Universities Survey 2014 has **ranked University of Hyderabad (UoH) fourth among the top 50 Universities in the country**. The results of the survey have been published in The Week magazine issue dated June 1, 2014 also ranks the University number one among all Universities in the South Zone.
- The India Today – Nielsen University Ranking Survey – 2014 has ranked University of Hyderabad fifty among the **top 10 Universities in the country**. The results of the survey have been published in The India Today magazine issued June 2014, 2014 also ranks the University number one among all Universities in the South Zone.

- Prof. Goverdhan Mehta, former Vice-Chancellor, has been conferred with Germany's prestigious, '**Cross of the Order of Merit**', February 2016.
- Prof. Bandi Kamaiah, Dean, School of Economics, has been elected as the **president of The Indian Econometric Society (TIES)** for the period 2016-2017, February 2016.
- Dr Phanindra Goyari, Associate Professor, School of Economics, Dr. M Romesh Singh, Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology and Dr. Vaibhav Vindal, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, have been selected for the **Raman Post-Doctoral Fellowship**, February 2016.
- Prof M N V Prasad, faculty, Department of Plant Sciences, has been selected to receive the prestigious "**Professor K S Bilgrami Memorial Award-2015**", February 2016.
- Dr. Surajit Dhara, faculty, School of Physics, has been selected for the prestigious **Swarnajayanti Fellowship Award 2014-15**, by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India, January 2016.
- Prof. Sujata Patel, faculty, Department of Sociology, has been elected as the **President of Indian Sociological Society** for the next 2 years. She is the first person from University to be elected as the president of the society, January 2016.
- Dr. Yenugu Suresh, faculty, Department of Animal Biology, has been selected for the prestigious **Prof. G. P. Talwar Middle Career Scientist Award-2016** in recognition of his research contributions, January 2016.

- Prof. Rekha Pande, faculty, Department of History, has been nominated as the **Peace ambassador for the South Asia region** by the International Women's Peace Group (IWPG), Korea for her work on Gender issues, January 2016.
- Mr. Durga Prasad Muvva, Project Associate (Technical) in the UGC Networking Resource Centre, School of Chemistry, has been selected for an award for his **image of Mosquito skin surface in FEI (Field Electron and Ion) image contest 2015** under the TEM imaging category, December 2015.
- Prof. Sita Vanka, Professor, School of Management Studies, has been given by **AIMS Outstanding Woman Management Researcher Award-2015** for her contribution to research, 19 December, 2015.
- Prof. Rattan Lal Hangloo, faculty, Department of History, appointed as Vice-Chancellor of Allahabad University, December, 2015.
- Dr. Habeeb Nisar, faculty, Department of Urdu, has been conferred with the **Dr Mohiuddin Quadri Zor Lifetime Achievement Award** for Research & Criticism for his overall contribution to the Urdu Literature and Studies by the Telangana Urdu Academy, December 2015.
- The Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO), a Government of India enterprise, has selected the School of Economics, to establish a HUDCO Chair Programme in the area of Land, Housing, Urban and Transport Economics for a period of three years during 2015-18, November 2015.

- School of Management Studies, was ranked 45th in the country by Careers360, a renowned educational magazine of the Outlook group, November 2015.
- Prof. Pramod K Nayar, faculty, Department of English, has two more books to his credit. The first one is “The Postcolonial Studies Dictionary” and the other one is “Postcolonial Studies: An Anthology” (edited), September 2015.
- Prof. Arun K Pujari, faculty and Dean of the School of Computer and Information Sciences has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Rajasthan, September 2015.
- Prof. Kottapalli Seshagirirao, faculty, Department of Plant Sciences, has been awarded "**Jewel of India Award**" for the year 2015 by the Indian Solidarity Council, New Delhi, September, 2015.
- Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, faculty of the University of Hyderabad and presently the Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Orissa, Koraput, has been released a historic book “Periodical Press and Colonial Modernity”, October 2015.
- Prof. Sita Vanka, faculty, former Dean, School of Management Studies, received the **Silver Medal** for her research at the **International Summer School, University of Heidelberg, Germany**, October, 2015.
- Prof. Ravi Ranjan, faculty, Department of Hindi, has joined as Visiting Professor of Hindi at School of Oriental Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland, November 2015

- Prof. Y Narasimhulu, Director, UGC-Academic Staff College, has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Rayalaseema University, April 2015.
- Dr. M. K. Arunasree, faculty, Department of Animal Biology, has been awarded the prestigious **International American Cancer Society Beginning Investigator's Award** (ACSBI) sponsored by Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), May 2015.
- Prof. Anuradha Tadakamalla (Jonnalagadda), faculty, Department of Dance has been awarded the "**Nrithya Saraswathi Award – 2015**", May 2015.
- Dr. B. R. Shamanna, faculty, School of Medical Sciences, has been selected for Public Health Leadership programme at Emory University, USA, for the period of one year, May 2015.
- Prof. Pramod K Nayar, faculty, Department of English, has published a book "Citizenship and Identity in the Age of Surveillance", May 2015.
- Prof. Vinod Pavarala, the UNESCO Chair on Community Media, has been awarded a prestigious grant by **UNESCO's International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC) for a unique inter-regional initiative** in East Africa, 26 May, 2015.
- Dr. Satyabrata Rout, faculty, Department of Theatre Arts, has been selected to receive the prestigious "**National Mohan Rakesh Samman**", by the Sahitya Kala Parishad, Delhi and Akademi for Art and Literature, Govt. of Delhi, 3 June, 2015.

- Dr. Pradip Paik, faculty, School of Engineering Sciences and Technology, has been invited as a Visiting Scientist by the Institute for Nanotechnology and Advanced Materials, and Department of Chemistry, Bar-Ilan University, Israel, June 2015.
- Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Department of English, has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of the Central University of Orissa, August 2015.
- Dr. Rahul Kumar, INSPIRE - faculty, Repository of Tomato Genomic Resources, Department of Plant Sciences, has been selected for **the NASI Platinum Jubilee Young Scientist Award** for year 2015 in the research area of Plant Sciences, August 2015.
- Dr. Amba Kulkarni, faculty, Department of Sanskrit Studies, has been selected by the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, for the award of **Vishishta Sanskrit Sevavrati Sammaan**, for the year 2015, August 2015.
- Dr. Kanchan K. Malik, Associate Professor, Department of Communication, attended AMARC-11 - the 11<sup>th</sup> World Conference of the World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC), presented a paper and conducted a workshop on “Self-Assessment and Peer Review process of the CR-CIT” held at Accra, Ghana, during 10-14 August, 2015.
- Prof. K C Kumaraswamy and Prof. D B Ramachary, faculty, School of Chemistry, has selected by the Chemical Research Society of India (CRSI), for the **CRSI Silver and Bronze Medals** respectively for the year 2016, August 2015.

- Prof. Prakash C. Sarangi, Department of Political Science, has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, Odisha. He has taken charge on 1st January 2015.
- The Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore has elected Prof. Appa Rao Podile, Department of Plant Sciences, for the prestigious **fellowship of the Academy**, 7 January, 2015.
- Dr. Nagaraju Gundemeda, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, has recently published a book titled “Education and Hegemony: Social Construction of Knowledge in India in the Era of Globalisation”, 9 January, 2015.
- Dr. V.V.B.N.Rao, the former Director of Physical Education, University of Hyderabad has been bestowed with the **LIFE-TIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** by the Sports Psychology Association of India (Affiliated to the International Society of Sports Psychology) awarded on 2 February, 2015.
- Dr. Rupavath Ramadas, faculty, Department of Political Science, recently released two edited books titled “Democracy, Development and Tribes in India: Reality & Rhetoric” and “Democracy, Development and Tribes in India: Reality & Rhetoric”. He also published a book in Telugu titled 3. “Telanganalo Girijanulu – Tirugubatlu”, February, 2015.
- Prof. Appa Rao Podile, faculty, Department of Plant Sciences, selected for the highly prestigious “**TATA INNOVATION FELLOWSHIP**”, by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India, 21 February, 2015.



- Dr. Niyaz Ahmed, Head, faculty, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, has been elected as the **Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), United Kingdom**, 27 February, 2015.
- Professor Rekha Pande, faculty, has edited a book on “Gender Lens: Women’s issues and Perspectives”, March 2015.
- Dr. Ch. Venkata Ramana, faculty, Department of Plant Sciences, placed in **top 100 researchers of India across all disciplines**, by Careers 360, a magazine published by the Outlook Group, March 2015.
- Dr. Niyaz Ahmed, faculty in the Department of Biotechnology & Bioinformatics, was elected by the Academic Senate of the Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (ACSIR), New Delhi for the position of **Adjunct Professor** of the ACSIR.
- Prof. Panchanan Mohanty, Centre for Applied Linguistics and Translation Studies, has been given **the Pandit Gopinath Nanda Essay and Criticism Award** for 2014, by the Utkal Sahitya Samaj, Cuttack, 13 September, 2014.
- Shri Muniya Naik, Non-Teaching Employee, Library, has been presented the “**Global Peace Award 2014**”, 20 September, 2014.
- Prof. P B Kirti, Department of Plant Sciences, awarded the **Dr. K.C. Mehta Memorial Award of National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS)**, a Gold Medal for his outstanding contribution in Plant Protection, October, 2014.

- Dr. P.S.V.S Sai Prasad, faculty, School of Computer and Information Sciences, has been given the **Best Ph.D. Thesis Award**, by JNTU, Hyderabad, 9-11 November, 2014.
- Profesor B Raja Shekhar, faculty, School of Management Studies, has been awarded the **second Ph.D. in Psychology**, by the Sri Venkateswara University (SVU), Tirupathi, November 20, 2014.
- The University has developed “Multistage Closed Die Forging Technology for the Production of Aircraft Main Base Plate Undercarriage Fitting Component”, by Prof. K A Padmanabhan, University Chair Professor at the School of Engineering Sciences and Technology, as the Principal Investigator was given by the Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) for producing Aircraft Main Base Plate Undercarriage Fitting Component, used in the construction of airframe of high-performance (supersonic) aircraft, through a multi-stage closed die forging process.
- Dr. Suresh Yenugu, faculty, Department of Animal Sciences has won the **ICMR Smt. Swaran Kanta Dingley Oration Award – 2011**.
- Dr. Bramanandam Manavathi, faculty, Department of Biochemistry has won the **Novartis Oration Award for Research in the field of Cancer - 2012**.
- Dr. Gutti Ravi Kumar, faculty, Department of Biochemistry has won the **ICMR Tilak Venkoba Rao Award - 2012**.

- Dr. Pramod K Nayar, faculty, Department of English, published a book titled “Citizenship and Identity in the Age of Surveillance”, March 2015.
- Prof. R.S. Sarraju, faculty, Department of Hindi, has been selected of Dr. George Grierson Awarded by the Bihar State Government for his contribution, promotion of Hindi Language and literature for the year 2014-15.
- Fields Medal which is considered ‘**Nobel Prize**’ of **Mathematics** has been awarded to Dr. Manjul Bhargava who is an Adjunct Professor with School of Mathematics and Statistics.
- Prof. Subhasish Dutta Gupta, a senior faculty in the School of Physics at the University of Hyderabad (UoH) has been invited to be an **Adjunct Professor** at the prestigious Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR).
- Prof. V Venkata Ramana, School of Management Studies, & Director, India Infrastructure Finance Co. Ltd., (A Government of India Enterprise – Ministry of Finance) has been Invited speaker at the American Telugu Association’s (ATA) 13th Mega Bi-annual Youth conference to be held at Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, USA, 3-5 July, 2014.
- Prof. Vinod Pavarala, **UNESCO Chair** on Community Media at the Department of Communication, University of Hyderabad, has recently concluded a very productive 10-day visit to Germany to gain first-hand understanding of the free radio movement in that country, June 2014.

- Prof. Aparna Rayaprol, Department of Sociology, was recently visited Heidelberg Centre for Transcultural Studies, University of Heidelberg, Germany, and delivered a talk on “Return Migration and the Transformation of Hyderabad City”.
- Dr. V.J. Varghese, Assistant Professor, Department of History, has recently concluded his visit to the Asia Research Institute (ARI), National University of Singapore (NUS) as a Visiting Senior Research Fellow.
- Dr. Ajailiu Niumai, Associate Professor, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, delivered the Gandhi – King Lecture on “International Relations and Peace Studies”, 12 June, 2014, at G21 Ming Hsieh Hall, Downtown Campus, Morgantown, USA, hosted by Eberly College of Arts & Sciences.
- Dr. Alok Kumar Mishra, Assistant Professor, School of Economics, has been selected for the **Federal State of Baden-Württemberg Fellowship** at South Asia Institute (SAI), Heidelberg University under the Indo-German Cultural Exchange Programme. The fellowship was announced in India by the University Grants Commission (UGC).
- Dr Amit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Professor, UGC Centre for Study of Indian Diaspora, has been invited to the Harvard University, Cambridge (MA) for a **fellowship** at the Weatherhead Initiative on Global History (WIGH).

- Prof. Anunay Samanta, School of Chemistry has been chosen for the prestigious **Raman-Mizushima Lecture Award 2014** by the India-Japan Science Council in recognition of his pioneering research contributions.
- Prof. J. Prabhakara Rao, Coordinator, Centre for Study of Foreign Languages, has been nominated as a member on the Project Advisory Committee (PAC) of National Translation Mission (NTM) for a period of two years (2014-16).
- Prof. Panchanan Mohanty, Centre for Applied Linguistics and Translation Studies, has been awarded "**Pandit Gopinath Nanda Essay and Criticism - 2014**", by the Utkal Sahitya Samaj, Cuttack.

### **Patents**

- Dr. Nirmal Kumar Viswanathan, faculty in the School of Physics, received a United States patent for "*System and Method for generating an Optical Vector Vortex Beam having two Lobes*" along with Kavita Vemuri of IIIT-Hyderabad.
- Prof. K.A. Padmanabhan and Prof. M. Ghanashyam Krishna, faculty members in the School of Engineering Sciences and Technology and Physics, have received United States and European patents for 'Non-Stoichiometric Titanium Nitride films' along with Dr. M.S.R.N. Kiran (a former PhD Student of the School of Physics, UoH).

- Prof. Dutta Gupta, faculty in School of Physics, and his team along with researchers from TIFR confirms theory of US Patent.

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