



# CENTRE FOR *HARYANA* STUDIES

## M D University Rohtak

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Director

### **About the Centre:**

Haryana is one of the leading states of the Indian Republic. Prior to its creation as a separate State on November 1, 1966, it had not acquired its own entity as a historical region as it was referred to as a “ sub-urban” or a “ sub-tract”. It did not have a separate geographical, linguistic or a nationality expression.

Even after coming into existence as a separate state, it has an element of heterogeneity in its language, religion, caste and cultural aspects. The rigid caste configuration makes the people live in social ghettos that make them an easy prey at the hands of unscrupulous elements. In Haryana, there is a lack of regional identity as people identify themselves as a Jat, a Brahmin, an Ahir, a Punjabi or a local, but not as a Haryanvi.

The cultural atrophy in Haryana society is all too evident and the instruments that may enrich its socio-cultural life are missing. There are no state level newspapers, periodicals and journals with roots in the soil of the state. There is no notable cultural organization, art-gallery etc. in the state.

Haryana lacks in metropolitan centers. A few towns in the state are nothing better than expanded villages with modern amenities (Gurugram and Faridabad are just suburbs of Delhi). Haryana grew in the shadows of Delhi and hence its

growth remained stunted and it provides largely bus conductors, drivers and policemen and such other regional workers to Delhi and other cosmopolitan cities.

There is a yawning gap between economic development and cultural growth causing numerous distortions in social including the existence of Khap panchayats. Thus, late emergence of the middle class, weak freedom movement in the region, hiatus between economic development and cultural growth etc. are responsible for poor cultural resurgence in the state.

There are some of the areas that need an indepth probe and systematic research because no authentic work on the historical, cultural, economic and political aspects has been carried out so far.

In view of the facts cited above, it was felt that a Centre for Haryana Studies be established so that an extensive exercise may be undertaken to examine the areas neglected so far. Such a Centre is set up in M.D. University, Rohtak in 2006.

## **The Centre**

It would be a non-profit Centre for research, study and advocacy on cultural, social, economic and political aspects of Haryana State. It shall seek to strengthen the governance through action research, capacity building and to work in close cooperation with the State Government. By taking up relevant research agenda it can provide all important inputs to the policy makers at different levels of the government. It may also monitor and evaluate the various developmental policies and programmes and can provide valuable feedback to the system for relevant modifications as per people's aspirations.

The Centre shall seek to bring to centre-stage the issues of public concern in the discourse on democratic governance. It shall also try to establish a link between the research findings of the Centre and public action within the civil society for ensuring social, political and economic justice.

It would have an information unit comprising a multi-media, library, documentation and reference facilities in social and physical sciences.

### **Objectives**

The main objectives of the Centre are :

- To organize seminars, workshops and conferences to promote constructive debates on important issues;
- To develop a specialized collection of information on various aspects of the state;
- To undertake action research to demonstrate and replicate between management techniques.
- To print books, monographs on important areas of the state for promoting the objectives of the Centre.
- To provide library and documentation facilities.

### **Areas of Activities:**

- As a resource centre and clearing house for information on various aspects of the State's cultural, economy, governance and participatory democracy.

- Providing research support for building and strengthening the local governance institutions and community based organization.
- Making interventions to ensure compliance of human rights and strengthening the working of elected bodies as well as creating a national solidarity in support of participatory governance.
- To function as a Centre of academic excellence.

### **Intervention Strategies:**

- Promotion of action oriented research.
- Expert advice to government and other agencies on policies and programmes for economic development and social justice.
- To provide supportive inputs in the policy making, monitoring and evaluating them.
- Organizing meetings, conferences, workshops, seminars for capacity building and public awareness.
- Building alliances, partnership and networks with academic as well as civil society organization in the state.

### **Focus Area of Study:**

- Social Organizations
- Economy
- Political Institutions
- Women empowerment
- Folk Music, Performing Art and Culture
- Religious Aspects

- Administrative Institutions
- Local bodies

**Clients:**

Our clients would be:

- State Departments
- Elected Representatives of local and state bodies
- Public Sector undertaking
- Industrial Sector
- NGO's etc
- Academic Centres

**Library:**

A collection of latest books on various subjects, journals, audio and video CDs/ Cassettes on important themes and case studies, state's budgets, annual and five year plans, statistical abstracts, annual report of different departments, administrative departments, local bodies etc. which can be utilized by teachers, students of University, Colleges and administrative agencies of the state.

**Computer Lab:**

The lab will be equipped with all essential infrastructural facilities. It would cater to the research needs of the faculty, training needs of the participants. Exposure in computer application shall also be given to the students of the University and elected representative of the local bodies.

## **Publication:**

- The Centre shall seek to publish all its important reports based on field studies and presentations made at the seminars and conference. It may also bring out a yearly digest on the research conducted in various institutes and academic centres in Haryana as well as the thrust areas requiring extra attention of the researchers.

## **List of Journals published by Centre for Haryana Studies**

The first edition of the journal was published in April 2010 and still publishing biannual journals regularly

### **Journal of People & Society of Haryana (ISSN 2248-9029) A Biannual Referred Journal of Maharshi Dayanand University**

Sr.no	Edition	Year	Vol & No	Number of paper published
1	First	April, 2010	1, 1	19
2	Second	October 2010	1, 2	14
3	Third	April 2011	2, 1	13
4	Fourth	October 2011	2, 2	11
5	Fifth	April 2012	3, 1	14
6	Sixth	October 2012	3, 2	11
7	Seventh	April 2013	3, 1	13
8	Eighth	October 2013	3, 2	20
9	Ninth	April 2014	4, 1	12
10	Tenth	October 2014	4, 2	15

11	Eleventh	April 2015	5,1	15
12	Twelfth	October 2015	5, 2	14
13	Thirteenth	April 2016	6, 1	16
14	Fourteenth	October 2016	6,2	19
15	Fifteenth	April 2017	7,1	19
16	Sixteenth	October 2017	7,2	15
17	Seventeenth	April 2018	8,1	17

### **Patron of Journal**

Vice-Chancellor

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### **Editorial Board of Journal**

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### **Advisory Body of Centre for Haryana Studies:**

There is an Advisory Body headed by Vice-Chancellor. The members of the body are:

Prof. Bijender K. Punia ,Vice-Chancellor MDU, Rohtak, Chairman,

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- Harvender Malik, M.D, ANDY HARYANA, TV Channel, Chandigarh

### **ACTIVITIES/PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED BY THE CENTRE**

- One National Seminar organized on August 6, 2007 on the topic ‘Role of Haryana in India’s Freedom Movement, 1857.
- Organized Quiz on Haryana Day 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2007.
- Organized Debate on ‘Haryana Desh Ka Number Ek Rajya Bangya Sai’ on Haryana Day November 2, 2007.
- Organized a Painting Competition on Haryana Day on November 2, 2007.
- Local Finance and Fiscal Decentralization: A Core Group Discussion with the members of 3<sup>rd</sup> SFC at HIRD, Nilokheri on August 8, 2008.
- Organized a debate on – Relevance of SEZ in Haryana on November 1, 2008.
- Organized a National Seminar on – Ideology of Sir Chhotu Ram: Its Relevance Today, on Jan 30, 2009.



- Interaction with Women Counselors of 8 Districts on Rights and Duties of Counselors and DPC in Haryana organized by DRDA at Myna Tourist Complex, Rohtak on Feb.25-27,2009.
- Interaction with students of Vaish Engineering College, Rohtak on Voting & Youth on March 20, 2009.
- Interaction with students of Gour Braham College, Rohtak on – Whether Social Change is Possible through Politics? Organized by Danik Jagran on October 10, 2009.
- Organized a two-day Seminar on ‘Consumer Protection in India: Problems & Prospects’ sponsored by Consumer Affair Ministry on November 5-6, 2009.
- Organized a National Seminar on Ch. Chhotu Ram Life and Achievements on November 24, 2009 at Rohtak.
- Interaction with Women Counselors of Haryana, Organized by HIPA Gurgoan at Rohtak on Jan 21,2010.
- Interacted with the students of Govt. College Dujana on ‘Democratic Decentralization & DPC on Jan 24, 2010.
- Organized debate on ‘Female Feticide: who is Responsible: Man Or Woman on March 8, 2010.
- Organized a National Seminar on Gender Policy in India: Problems and Prospects, sponsored by CHE, Panchkula on March 19, 2010.
- Seminar on ‘Sir Chhotu Ram: Life & Achievements on Feb., 7, 2011 jointly with Chhotu Ram Chair.
- Workshop on ‘Consumer Protection and Services’ on 31.3.2011 sponsored by Centre for Consumer Affairs, IIPA, New Delhi.
- Seminar on ‘Right to Information’ on 24.4.2011 jointly organized by Centre for Haryana Studies and SETU.

- Celebrated ‘Sir Chhotu Ram Jayanti’ on 28.01.2012 in the MDU Rohtak.
- Seminar on ‘Sir Chhotu Ram: Life and Ideology’ on December 10, 2012 jointly organized by Centre for Haryana Studies and Dept. of Public Administration, MDU, Rohtak.
- One day seminar on corruption and RTI On 28.03.2012.
- Two days Regional Seminar on Democratic Decentralization and District planning committees in North – West India sponsored by ICSSR, N.W. Region, Punjab University Chandigarh on March 21-22, 2013 MDU, Rohtak.
- One day seminar on Sir Chhotu Ram: Life and Ideology on Nov. 22-2014.
- One day Seminar on “ Swaminathan Report on Agriculture” on March 16, 2015 jointly organized by Centre for Haryana Studies and Department of Public administration, MDU, Rohtak.
- In order to celebrate the Golden Jubilee Year of the Haryana State, the Centre for Haryana Studies organized the Essay Writing, Short story writing and Poetry writing competition from January to March 2016.
- One day Workshop on “SWANG: From SAANG to Modern Theatre” organized by The Centre for Haryana Studies and Surya Kavi Pt. Lakhmi Chand Ji Chair, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak on November 26, 2016.
- One day Workshop on “Cashless Transaction” at Nindana Village of Rohtak District was held on 07 March,2017.
- One day Workshop on “Cashless Transaction” at Sampla Village of Rohtak District was held on 24 March,2017.

- Workshop on Creative Writing organized by Centre for Haryana Studies and Surya Kavi Pt. Lakhmi Chand Ji Chair, MDU, Rohtak on March 27, 2017.
- One day Workshop on “Skill Development and Entrepreneurship” at Nindana Village of Rohtak District was held on 10 March,2018.
- One day Workshop on “Skill Development and Entrepreneurship” at Kansala Village of Rohtak District was held on 19 March,2018.
- One day Workshop on “Skill Development and Entrepreneurship” at Bhambhewa Village of Rohtak District was held on 24 March,2018.
- One day Workshop on “Skill Development and Entrepreneurship” at Jagsi Village of Sonapat District was held on 29 March,2018.

**Projects completed by the CHS during the session 2016-17.**

<b>Sr.No.</b>	<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	हरियाणा राज्य में जिला रोहतक, झज्जर व भिवानी में ई-सेवा केन्द्रों की कार्यप्रणाली का मूल्यांकन	Completed
2	हरियाणा राज्य में जिला रोहतक, झज्जर व भिवानी में “बेटी बचाओ-बेटी पढ़ाओ” योजना पर वैचारिक सर्वेक्षण	Completed
3	An Evaluation of “Swach Bharat Abhiyan” in three Districts ( Bhiwani, Rohtak & Jhajjar) of Haryana	Completed

## **Establishment of Sir Chhotu Ram Gallery**

DGHE, Panchkula, Haryana has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 20.00 lakh for establishment of Sir Chhotu Ram Gallery within the sanctioned budget of the University. Following items will be created under this proposal:

- Purchase of books on the ideology of Sir Chhotu Ram
- Availability of reports and documents on the ideology of Sir Chhotu Ram
- Collection of news reports from Teen Murti Library New Delhi as well as from National Archives, Punjab and Haryana and other similar sources
- Pertaining material/documents/reports from Lahore, Pakistan
- Copies of the interviews of the contemporaries of Sir Chhotu Ram from various sources and also to conduct fresh interviews of the person who have been close to Sir Chhotu Ram
- Organization of Seminars, Workshops, conferences in different parts of Haryana and in different states of the country
- Publishing of books, preparation of documents, audio/video material for distribution in the educational institutions and also in the villages and social organization
- Conducting Research Projects on the working, ideology and life style of Sir Chhotu Ram
- Setting of an Art Gallery containing paintings depicting the working life styles and important events from the life of Sir Chhotu Ram

## Positions

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