



Department of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit
Maharshi Dayanand University Rohtak
(NAAC Accredited 'A' Grade)

Strategic Plan (2018-2023)

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Sanskrit, Pali & Prakrit was established in July, 1978. Currently the Department offers three programmes i.e. M.A. in Sanskrit, M.Phil. in Sanskrit and Ph.D. in Sanskrit. The Department provides four specializations of Sanskrit studies i.e. Vedic Literature, Sanskrit Grammar, Indian Philosophy and Classical Sanskrit Literature. The Department also offers a course on Pali & Prakrit Literature in the curriculum of M.A. Programme. The Department has well qualified and experienced faculty with full of energy and research aptitude. At present the department has 3 Professors and 4 Assistant Professors. UGC assistance is being provided for carrying research in the field of Sanskrit epic, “Valmiki Ramayana” through Special Assistance Programme (DRS level –II). The department provides quality education to its students through continuous updating of curriculum in the light of contemporary trends and requirements.

VISION

The Department envisions promoting quality education through continuous updating of curriculum in the light of contemporary trends and requirements. It ensures quality research through updating with new trends in research. The Department strives for disseminate knowledge to build competitive capability for holistic development of man and society. The Department intends to develop as a centre of excellence in Sanskrit epics through quality research and rich collection of valuable books and journals in related area.

MISSION

The Department of Sanskrit, Pali & Prakrit is committed to impart quality education and research as per the requirements in the field of Sanskrit language and literature. It aims at creating value based and research oriented learning environment. The Department aspires to establish itself as a centre of excellence in Sanskrit epics.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- To provide broader and deeper knowledge of Sanskrit language and literature to its students and to acquaint them with the ability to think critically and rationally.
- To create value based and research oriented learning environment.
- To establish itself as centre of excellence in Sanskrit epics through quality research and rich collection of valuable books in journals in related area.
- To start some add-on Sanskrit courses in future.
- Providing value based education to students, enable them to understand and respect the different ideologies and build harmony among social groups is the goal of the department of Sanskrit, Pali & Prakrit.

SWOC Analysis

Strength

- Well qualified and experienced faculty with full of energy and research aptitude.
- Continuous updating of curriculum in the light of contemporary trends and requirements in the field of language and literature.
- Vast repository work available in Sanskrit.
- Strong, democratic and scientific system of departmental administration.
- A wide network of the Gurukuls and oriental Pathshalas associated/affiliated to the University.
- Adequate infrastructural facilities available with the department.
- UGC assistance is being provided for carrying out research in the field of Sanskrit epic 'Valmiki Ramayana' through Special Assistance Programme.

Weakness

- Lack of attractive job opportunities after studying Sanskrit.
- Lack of bright students coming and opting for higher studies in Sanskrit.
- General perception of people regarding Sanskrit subject is not encouraging.

Opportunities

- Restoration and translation of the ancient texts for easy understanding of general public.
- Patenting of ancient knowledge written in Sanskrit scriptures.

- Leverage on the scientific nature of the language to induce more people in study of Sanskrit.
- Growing interest of modern linguists in the subject.
- Growing interest of general people in Indian philosophy and value system.

Challenges

- Increasing privatization of education and the indifferent attitude of government towards the study of languages and basic subjects in general and Sanskrit in particular.
- Growing inclination of students towards technology oriented courses.
- Lack of quality subject experts coming up in the future.
- Low awareness and misconceptions about the subject.
- Lack of interests of stakeholders who are involved in developing e-contents.

ACTION PLAN

2018-19

- ✓ The Department will encourage its faculty members to attend short term courses/workshops to enhance their ability in e-learning technologies, moocs and other courses.
- ✓ Department has a computer lab with internet access. Faculty members and research scholars will be encouraged to use the ICT facilities.
- ✓ Department is planning to establish a reading room for faculty and research scholars. A separate space is already allotted for the purpose.
- ✓ Department will organize an extension lecture in the month of January 2019 to update its research scholars with new trends in research and policies of plagiarism.
- ✓ Department will organize a special lecture for general people for awareness regarding spirituality versus superstitions in the month of October 2018.
- ✓ Department will start an Add on certificate course of three months duration in communicative Sanskrit in January 2019.
- ✓ Department will make efforts to establish a seminar hall with LCD projector facility (Already available with the department). Department plans to equip it with furniture.

2019-20

- ✓ The Department will encourage its faculty members to attend refresher courses/workshops/short term courses to enhance their abilities.
- ✓ Department will establish a departmental library. The focus area will be Sanskrit epics and related books/journals.
- ✓ Department will organize a special lecture for general people regarding yoga philosophy in the month of October/November 2019.
- ✓ Department will start an Add on certificate course of three month duration in 'Yoga Philosophy' during January to March 2020.
- ✓ An alumni meet will be organized by the department in the month of March 2020. Special lectures will be organized for counseling and guidance to the students.
- ✓ Syllabus for diploma course in Pali language and literature will be prepared during this session.

2020-21

- ✓ Softwares/e-contents will be purchased during this session.
- ✓ Department will organize a special lecture for general people regarding teachings and philosophy of Swami Dayanand in the month of October/November 2020.
- ✓ A workshop will be organized by the department in the month of January 2021 to enhance the skills of students in manuscriptology.
- ✓ Department will start PG diploma course of six months duration (i.e. two semester) in Pali language and literature during the session 2020-21.
- ✓ Department will start an Add on certificate course of three months duration in Samkhya and Yoga philosophy during January to March 2021.
- ✓ Department will try to raise funds for seminars/workshops etc. through the collaboration with National Mission for Manuscripts.
- ✓ Department will complete DRS level II of SAP and apply for next phase of the SAP in Sanskrit.

2021-22

- ✓ Department will organize special lecture for general people for their awareness regarding family values in the month of October/November 2021.
- ✓ A workshop will be organized by the department in the month of January 2022 to enhance the skill of students in epigraphy.
- ✓ Department will start an Add on certificate course of three months duration in Nyaya and Vaisheshik philosophy during January to March 2022.
- ✓ Department will try to raise funds for seminars/workshops etc. through the collaboration with Archaeological Survey of India.
- ✓ An Alumni meet will be organized by the Department in the month of March 2022. Special lectures will be organized for counseling and guidance to the students.
- ✓ Department will set up a language lab to improve the communication skills of the students through the funds provided by UGC under SAP.
- ✓ Syllabus for diploma course in Prakrit language and literature will be prepared during this session.

2022-23

- ✓ Department will start coaching and guidance classes for preparation of state and centre government civil services exam with Sanskrit subject in the evening during working days.
- ✓ Department will start PG Diploma course of six months duration (i.e. two semesters) in Prakrit language and literature during the session 2022-23
- ✓ Department will try to raise funds for organizing seminars/workshops etc. through the collaboration with various Sanskrit academies.
- ✓ Department will start an Add on certificate course of three months duration in Vedanta philosophy during January to March 2023.

ACTIVITY CALENDER (2018-19)

Sr. no.	Date	Event	Name of Guests/Speaker with address
1	26.07.2018	Induction Programme	All the students of M.A. Pre. & Final, Research Scholars and Faculty members of the Department of Sanskrit.
2	24.08.2018	Sanskrit Day Celebration	Students, Research Scholars and faculty members of the Department of Sanskrit.
3	08.09.2018	Alumni Interaction & Cultural Programme	Alumni of the Department and the students of the Department of Sanskrit.
4	28.09.2018	Career Counselling and Guidance Programme	Dr. Umesh, Asstt. Professor, SJK College Kalanaur Mr. Dharmender, Asstt. Professor, Govt. College for Women, Rohtak Ms. Nirmala, Asstt. Professor, NRS College, Rohtak Mr. Praveen, Asstt. Professor, LN Hindu College, Rohtak
5	Oct. 2018	Educational Tour	Students and faculty members of the Department of Sanskrit.
6	15.11.2018	Extension Lecture	Prof. Sudhir Arya, JNU, Delhi
7	12.01.2019	Seminar for Research Scholars	Research Scholars and Faculty members of the department of Sanskrit.
8	Feb. 2019	Extension Lecture	Prof. Bhim Singh, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
9	09.03.2019	Annual Alumni Meet	Alumni of the Department of Sanskrit.
10	09.03.2019	Workshop on "Sanskriti Shodh, Sambhavanayen aur Kshetra	Prof. Kamlesh Kumar, Gujarat University, Ahemadabad Prof. Virendra Kumar Alankar, Punjab University, Chandigarh
11	April 2019	Samavatran Sanskar (Farewell Party)	All the students and faculty members of the Department of Sanskrit.