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## **Press Release**

## IIM Jammu successfully inaugurates the fourth Academic Module of MGNF

16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 Jammu: IIM Jammu successfully inaugurated the fourth academic module of its ongoing Mahatma Gandhi National fellowship academic (MGNF) under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), Govt. of India on 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023. The inaugural ceremony commenced with the lamp-lighting ceremony. This was followed by an introductory address by Dr. Shahid Jibran, Program Manager, MGNF.

The Program was inaugurated by Prof. B. S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu in the presence of Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean of Academics, IIM Jammu, and Dr. Prateek Maheshwari, Co-Chairperson, Executive Education and Consultancy. The event witnessed the presence of faculty and staff members of IIM Jammu, the MGNF team consisting of Ms. Radhika Sharma and Mr. Rajan Kumar (State Resource Coordinators, MGNF), and fellows. The fourth academic module of the program spans twelve days from 16<sup>th</sup> Jan to 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 where learning and application will go simultaneously.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu, and Program Director, MGNF welcomed the participants and briefed the fellows about the academic module IV course structure, and highlights of the previous academic modules. He gave an overview of the modules which will include important sessions on Finance, Strategy, HR, Operations, Skill Development, and Marketing. He also mentioned the contributions of fellows despite the various hardships they faced. He reiterated the need for successful implementation of the Program at their district levels. He further emphasized the need for teamwork, and cross-collaboration and motivated the fellows to excel ahead. Lastly, he wished good luck to all the participants for their journey ahead.

Speaking at the inaugural event, Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu congratulated the fellows for the successful completion of academic modules I, II, III, and District immersion module I, II & III. He urged the students to work hard as it will pay off in later stages of life and to celebrate life on all occasions. He mentioned that the participants should not shy away from hard work. He also mentioned that since this is the last module, so all the participants will be coming back to receive the final certificates in the new state-of-the-art campus at Jagti. He also expressed his desire to have a grand two-day program where selected five best fellows will make a presentation before the District Collectors of the U.T of Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal, Ladakh, Chandigarh, and Puducherry. He also urged all the fellows to keep the Nation first and contribute to the progress of the nation and society at large.

MGN Fellowship is a two-year program that combines classroom sessions at IIM with an intensive field immersion at the district level to strengthen the district skill administration and the District Skill Committees (DSCs). The Program has been designed by the initiative of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), Government of India, and implemented in collaboration with State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs). The purpose of this Academic Module is to create a learning ecosystem for Fellows to contribute to the strengthening of the district institutions in order to improve their functioning. IIM faculty would teach course content under each course module that is consistent with 40 contact days; along with off-campus mentoring, field experience, and workshops that should form an integral part of the learning.

Dr. Prateek Maheshwari, Co-Chairperson, Executive Education and Consultancy proposed the vote of thanks, to the faculty, and departments at IIM Jammu, Govt of West Bengal, U. Ts of J & K, Ladakh, Chandigarh, and Puducherry for their kind support.







