

Press Release

Community Leadership Executive Course- A CSR Initiative of IIM Jammu for the People and Community of J & K Inaugurated

27th March 2023 Jammu: The “*Community Leadership Executive Course*” for the Youth of Kishtwar of IIM Jammu was inaugurated by Chief Guest Shri Sudershan Kumar, JKAS, Director, Skill Development, J & K in the presence of Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu and Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics. Present on the occasion were Dr. Vaseem Akram, Programme Director and Dr. Bijoy Rakshit, Programme Director, IIM Jammu, and Dr. Pratik Maheshwari, Co-Chairperson, Executive Education & Consultancy (EE & C), Shri Nadeem Younus Zargar, AO- EE & C, IIM Jammu. The programme is organized in collaboration with the District Administration, Kishtwar, Mission Youth, and Govt. of Polytechnic College, Kishtwar.

Dr. Devansh Yadav, IAS, DC Kishtwar had flagged 30 students on 26th March 2023 from Kishtwar District to attend a five-day “*Community Leadership Executive Course*” at IIM Jammu. The “*Community Leadership Executive Course*” from IIM Jammu is designed to provide visionary leadership and strategic thrust to the youth by sharpening their leadership skills by fostering teamwork and communication within an organization.

Chief Guest Shri Sudershan Kumar enlightened the participants by highlighting the challenges faced by local industries in Jammu and discussing the solutions forward. He emphasized that the leadership training program from IIM Jammu would give a leading edge to the youth in the core areas of skill development, business incubations, entrepreneurship, and the development of skill hubs in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Prof. B.S. Sahay mentioned that the Community Leadership Program is part of the Institute CSR Initiative for the people and community of Jammu and Kashmir. He urged all the participants to take up the mandate of making their District Kishtwar 100% Literate. He mentioned that the programme will pave the path for meaningful outcomes in the interest of the people and community of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Prof. Jabir Ali mentioned that skill development is the need of the hour, and he urged all the participants to dream big and become “*job creators and not job seekers*”. He also mentioned that this leadership training program is sure to enhance the skill sets of the youth of Kishtwar, paving the path for sustainable development and growth in the union territory of J & K.

Prof. B.S. Sahay engaged in a healthy discussion with all the participants and sought their input about their career progression and the challenges faced by them in their district. All the participants stood up for the national anthem. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Vaseem Akram, Programme Director, and the inaugural ceremony ended on a positive note.

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