

Press Release for 8th October, 2021

Ref.: Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations

In continuation with the celebrations NIPER week –Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, on 8th October, 2021, following a day long two Exhibitions were organized at NIPER, SAS Nagar:

I. **History of Pharmacy in India and UNESCO World Heritage Archaeological Sites in India**

Prof. Dulal Panda inaugurated the Exhibition of UNESCO World Heritage Archaeological Sites in India at Pharma Heritage Centre.

The exhibition on UNESCO World Archaeological Heritage Sites of India was jointly organized with the Chandigarh Circle, Archaeological Survey of India, Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

A. Exhibition on HISTORY OF PHARMACY IN INDIA

The Pharmaceutical Heritage Centre showcases the history of development of health care system from the ancient system to the current era of pharmaceuticals and health care in India. It is being narrated in accordance with the progress of human civilization in India.

The Exhibition was showcased in the following sections:

1. Lord Dhanvantari Gallery, mythological believes related to Indian health care system
2. Traditional Health care System which includes Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and so on.
3. Modern Health care System introduced by Colonisers in India
4. Professor Harkishan Singh's Archival Collection and Luminaries of Indian Pharmacy Education and Technology

B. Exhibition on UNESCO World Archaeological Heritage Sites in India It was Jointly organized with Chandigarh Circle, Archaeological Survey of India, Ministry of Culture, Government of India. High quality photographs of 24 cultural sites protected by Archeological Survey of India were put on display in the exhibition.

II. Exhibition of Medicinal Plants

Medicinal plants Garden (MPG) and Natural Products Field Laboratory (NPFL), Department of Natural Products organized an exhibition of medicinal plants. Professor Dulal Panda, Director, NIPER, inaugurated the exhibition. Video documentary was also released by professor Panda during inauguration. The video presented a glimpse of medicinal plants and various other facilities present at Medicinal Plants Garden and Natural Products Field Laboratory. The video also carries a short speech by Professor Sanjay Jachak, Head, Department of Natural Products, highlighting the ideas and planning behind the inception of Medicinal Plants Garden and its activities. In the exhibition medicinal plants were showcased. The plants are also available for purchase. Both the exhibitions were well received by the students and staff of the institute.



Prof. Dulal Panda inaugurating Exhibition of UNESCO World Heritage Archaeological Sites in India at Pharmaceutical Heritage Centre, NIPER



Prof. Dulal Panda inaugurating Exhibition of Medical Plants at NIPER



Pharmaceutical Heritage Centre



Prof. Dulal Panda observing the Medical Plants
at NIPER