

*Wish you all a very  
Happy & Prosperous  
Diwali*

*Back  
to  
University*

## NEWSLETTER

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## Coffee with our Chancellor, Dr Ashok K Chitkara

### ■ May we know the first school you taught in?

Kendriya Vidyalaya

### ■ Please share your journey from a teacher to being one of the founders of one of the leading universities of the region today.

I started my career as a PGT (Mathematics) at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Chandigarh, and after completing my PhD in Mathematics in 1985 from Maharshi Dayananad University Rohtak, I became a Reader in the Department of Mathematics, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

Subsequently, I joined as an Associate Professor in Mathematics at Panjab University, Chandigarh. After this, there was no looking back and I started my own Engineering Institute in the year 2002 by the name of Chitkara Institute of Engineering and Technology. And now, by the grace of God, I am the Chancellor of Chitkara University, Punjab and Chitkara University, Himachal Pradesh

### ■ What are the essentials of becoming a successful leader today?

The basic essentials to become a successful leader are 3 H's – HONESTY, HARD WORK, HUMILITY.

### ■ Your favorite holiday destination and why?

Europe because of the amazing weather, scenic beauty, they have lovely places to walk and above all, the people are very nice, kind-hearted, honest, disciplined and loving.

### ■ Something that you want to change about yourself.

As I am a firm believer of paradigm shift, I believe that every day is a wonderful opportunity to change something or the other about myself.

### ■ Three things you cannot live without.

Work, My Family and God's Blessings.

### ■ What interests you the most?

To learn a foreign language and being involved in music because I truly believe that music consolidates mind, body and soul.

### ■ Please tell us something about your family and how does it play a role in your life?

My family is my driving force and it is because of their love, support and unconditional bonding that has helped me achieve success throughout my life.

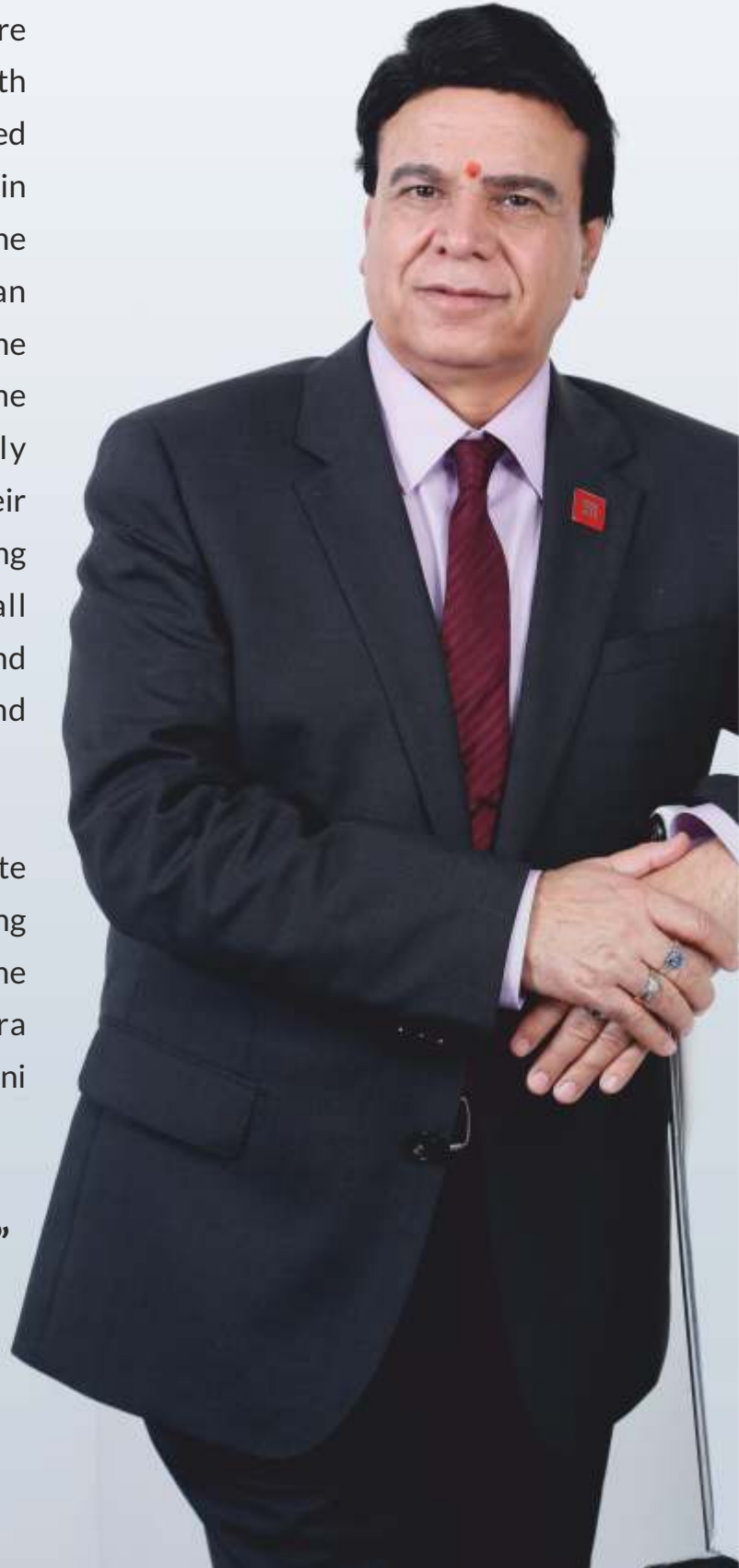
# Message from Dr Ashok K Chitkara:



'Coffee With The Chancellor' sounds like quite an interesting idea which will help us interact more with our alumni. I always feel great to connect with my students because I feel extremely delighted when I see the progress that they are making in their lives. I believe that once our alumni leave the University, it is actually the beginning of an exciting new phase of their relationship with the University. They value their time spent on the campus, and the University will definitely endeavor to ensure that the next phase of their student experience as alumni is equally rewarding and offers a lifetime's value. I wish you all continued success in your chosen careers and hope that you will keep in touch with us and support our development in years to come.

In addition to this, I would like to congratulate Chitkara Alumni Network (CAN) for introducing such a wonderful platform and wish them all the best for all their future endeavors. Chitkara University is proud of its alumni, and the alumni can rightly be proud of their University!!

**'Keep pursuing and keep believing.'**



**Not a thing to be missed:**  
This is what you overlooked while you took life in your strides..... While you were away these were the strides Chitkara University took.

**DR. RAJNISH SHARMA, DEAN (ACADEMICS), HIMACHAL PRADESH CAMPUS, CHAIRS SESSION AT TI INDIA**

*Dr Madhu Chitkara talks about her journey from a teacher to a Vice-Chancellor with Upfront Magazine*

**CHITKARA UNIVERSITY FEATURED ON ZEE PUNJABI'S CAMPUS REPORTER**

**GIPPY GREWAL ENCHANTS ALL DURING HOSTEL NIGHT AT HP CAMPUS**

**PRACHI SHARMA FROM CHITKARA UNIVERSITY FLAUNTS GLAMOUR AT MR AND MISS NORTH INDIA-2013**

**ALUMNI TALKS TO STUDENTS AT CUHP**

*Pool placement drive by top IT companies*

**GALSGOW STUDENTS VISIT CHITKARA UNIVERSITY, HIMACHAL PRADESH**

**CHITKARA UNIVERSITY BAGS FIRST POSITION IN CHANDIGARH COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

**STUDENTS DISPLAY THEIR LITERARY SKILLS AT LITERACKY WEEK**

# AN OPEN INVITE

A great university doesn't just happen. It's built brick by brick, program by program, student by student. And a great university can rely on faculty and administrators and on active support of its alumni. Think about your years at Chitkara University. Do you remember the fun you had, the friends you made, the obstacles you were able to overcome? We want you to relive your memories and share your experiences.

**We have seen an increasing number of alumni giving back to their alma mater.**

- Rohit Gupta is from 2008 batch of Chitkara University, Himachal Pradesh, and is currently working in Google Inc. He spoke with the present students and share with them his valuable feedback and experiences.
- Sovit Khurana, an alumni of Chitkara University, Himachal Pradesh. He was in the 2008 batch and he interacted with the students of 2011 batch.

The best reason to volunteer for Chitkara University is not only because of your love for the Institute but also because you believe in what the Institute stands for and your desire to help the Institute play the role of a change agent to create a better world.

We would be delighted to strengthen this relationship with you through the Chitkara Alumni Network. We request you to come down to the University for delivering a guest lecture. Your experience of all these years is valuable and we would like you to share it with our present students. We at Chitkara University value your presence and time.

If you have any questions, or wish to explore more details on the listed opportunities, please write to [alumni@chitkarauniversity.edu.in](mailto:alumni@chitkarauniversity.edu.in)

**"WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET,  
BUT WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE."**

Get involved and stay engaged.

**STAY CONNECTED**

# CHITKARA INNOVATION INCUBATOR

Our entrepreneurs start with big dreams and drive. At Chitkara University they evolve. They become the leaders who launch what matters.

## WE LAUNCH THE PEOPLE WHO LAUNCH

It's a place of original thinkers; nurturing and stimulating inquisitive minds with innovative ideas, perspective and approaches.

Teams embark on a path that goes well beyond the focus of a single idea. Test your strategies, evolve your tactics, with programs that provide support, structure, and resources for turning transformative ideas into reality.

## TURN IDEAS INTO REALITY

## CHALLENGE YOUR LIMITS

Innovation Incubator prepares alumni and students for the challenges of leadership by putting them in the role of the decision maker with real constraints and ambiguity.

Build your teams with peers and advisors from the Chitkara University. Serves as a launching pad for new business and social-impact ventures.

## GET SUPPORT

## TAKE YOUR VISION TO MARKET

Launch with access to the resources, support and guidance of Chitkara University to help make your vision a reality. The door opens when you get started.

[Contact us for more Details](#)

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## AN EXTRACT OF CHANDIGARH CHAPTER



### CHANDIGARH CHAPTER

APRIL 18, 2014

#### Chitkara Alumni meet held at Chandigarh with great fervor, vehemence

It was indeed an honour for everyone at Chitkara University to receive and host our alumni, who are our pride. The meet started with welcoming the guests, our alumni.

Dr Madhu Chitkara welcomed the guests with a welcome speech and the much awaited alumni newsletter 2014 was launched with honorable chancellor Dr Ashok Chitkara and Dr Louis Chalkley, Lord Ashcroft, International Business School, Anglen Ruskin University.

It was time to bring those laughter lines on our alumni's faces with a comedy show. And, after a fun-filled evening it was time to indulge in sumptuous eats. The alumni were given a token of remembrance as they left the venue. The alumni meet was a grand event, like always, and it just left us yearning for more.

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Stay in contact and dialogue with us, take part in the manifold events we offer you, make use of the various information services and actively engage with words and deeds. We look forward to your interest, participation, your thoughts and beliefs in the development of your University.



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