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## ICFAI University Sikkim hosts IIT Jodhpur delegation under Yuva Sangam Phase VII

**SE Report**

**GANGTOK, October 13:** The ICFAI University Sikkim hosted a 55-member delegation from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Jodhpur under the Yuva Sangam Phase VII programme, an initiative of the Union Ministry of Education.

The delegation comprised 50 students and five faculty members and visited the university to promote academic exchange, cultural understanding and people-to-people connections between Rajasthan and Sikkim, informs a press release.

The programme is based on the Five Ps — Parampara (Tradition), Pragati (Progress), Paryatan (Tourism), Paraspar Sampark (People-to-People Connect) and Prodyogiki (Technology).

The delegation was welcomed by ICFAI University Sikkim vice-chancellor Jagannath Patnaik in the presence of the nodal officer from Sikkim University.

Addressing the gathering, Patnaik highlighted the importance of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative, saying India's diversity and unity form the foundation of its civilization.

He said interactions under Yuva Sangam would help students develop a deeper understanding of the country's diverse cultural traditions and strengthen their role as responsible citizens and nation-builders.

The programme featured cultural exchange activities, student interactions and faculty exchange sessions. Participants shared their regional traditions through folk music and dance performances, presentations on cultural heritage, and discussions on academic experiences and perspectives.

The university also hosted a lunch for the visiting delegation and organised a guided campus tour to familiarize the students and faculty members with its infrastructure, academic environment and facilities.

The faculty exchange sessions provided an opportunity for academic engagement and the sharing of perspectives, while also exploring avenues for future institutional collaboration, the release adds.