

Honoring Royal Grace: Celebrating the 70th Birthday of His Majesty the King of Bhutan at ICFAI University, Sikkim.



Date: 11th November 2025

Venue: The ICFAI University, Auditorium

The Bhutanese students of The ICFAI University, Sikkim, joyfully celebrated the **70th Birthday of His Majesty King Jigme Singye Wangchuck** at the university campus. The event was organized to express heartfelt respect, love, and gratitude towards His Majesty for his visionary leadership and dedication to the well-being of the Bhutanese people.

The celebration was graced by **Dr. Jagannath Patnaik, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor**, **Dr. Hemant Kumar Panda, Pro-Vice Chancellor**, and **Dr. Khina Maya Rimal, Registrar**, along with faculty members and students. The ceremony began with the offering of **Khadas** and the lighting of the **ceremonial lamp**, symbolizing purity, peace, and enlightenment.

The ceremony began with the **Bhutanese National Anthem**, followed by a heartfelt **Zhabtoen (prayer)** for His Majesty's long life. A devotional song dedicated to His Majesty reflected the deep admiration and reverence of the Bhutanese students. During the event, **Mr. Jigmee Yoezer**, Bhutan Student Representative and member of the Bhutan Scouts, along with **Mr. Dorjee Kinley**, member of the Bhutan Scouts, extended warm wishes to His Majesty and expressed gratitude on behalf of the Bhutanese student community for His Majesty's inspiring leadership and unwavering commitment to the welfare of Bhutan.

On this occasion, **Dr. Jagannath Patnaik, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor**, conveyed his warm wishes and greetings on behalf of the entire ICFAI University family to His Majesty King Jigme Singye Wangchuck. He appreciated the Bhutanese students for upholding their cultural heritage and fostering unity and goodwill on campus.

The celebration concluded with a **cake-cutting ceremony**, symbolizing joy, harmony, and the strong bond shared between Bhutan and The ICFAI University, Sikkim. The atmosphere was filled with warmth, unity, cultural pride, and heartfelt wishes for His Majesty's long life and the continued prosperity of Bhutan.