

DAVV HRDC overtakes BHU, JNU; secures 8th spot

Indore: Outperforming many renowned universities of the country such as Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya's (DAVV) Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC) is the only state university to secure eighth position among the 66 centres across the country.

Only two universities of Madhya Pradesh- Rani Durgavati Vishwavidyalaya and DAVV- are among the 17 high performer departments across the country including DAVV as per University Grants Commission (UGC) evaluation.

The review was done by the standing committee of the commission on the basis of the performance of the years 2015-2020.

From being an underperforming centre in the year 2013 as per the assessment of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) to becoming one of the higher performer of the country it is a big achievement for DAVV's centre.

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"The varsity has got one more feather added to the cap and it is an extremely proud moment for DAVV as we are working towards getting an A++ in NAAC in the upcoming cycle," vice chancellor of DAVV, Dr Renu Jain told TOI.

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The HRDCs were categorized into four groups -High Performer, Moderate Performer, Low Performer and Non- Performer/Inadequacy of Data.

"Our department isn't just restricted to the training programmes of UGC, we conduct various pro-

grammes and constantly are into collaborations as well," director of DAVV's HRDC, Dr Namrata Sharma told TOI.

HRDC of University of Kerala, Guest House Building, Kariavattom topped the list with 4.52 grade followed by the Centre of Aligarh Muslim University with 4.50 grade. Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad secured third position with 4.20, centre of Kumaun University, Nainital got 4.17 grade.

While HRDC of Jabalpur University secured fifth position with 4.09 grade, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli's centre secured 4.06 grade. Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi secured 3.96 grade followed by DAVV with 3.94 grade. DAVV's HRDC conducts around 20 Faculty development programmes (FDP) and each FDP includes 50 faculty members. The centre has also been doing a lot of collaborations and other documentation work which helped it secure a better rank. **TNN**