

## Guest Lecture on “Building research culture in university education: an overview” and “writing a research paper”

A Guest lecture was organized by RUHS on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2016 in LT-2 of the Administrative Block, RUHS CMS from 10 a.m. onwards. The guest speaker was **Prof. R. C. Deka**, Honorable Vice Chancellor, ADT University, Guwahati who spoke on “Building research culture in university education: An overview” and “Writing a research paper”. The lecture was attended by the faculty members and undergraduate and postgraduate students of RUHS and constituent colleges.



**Vice Dean, Academics and Research, RUHS CMS welcoming Prof. R. C. Deka.**



The talk started with a welcome address by Dr. Rajesh Sharma, Principal, RUHS CMS. Dr. Sharma introduced Prof. Deka to the audience as a renowned ENT specialist and the Honorable Vice Chancellor of The Assam D.T. University, Guwahati, Assam. Prof. Deka has been the Distinguished Chair Professor of Medical Education and Research in Amity University, Noida and the Director of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. He is one of the pioneers of cochlear implant surgery in India and has performed the country's first bilateral cochlear implantation surgery. He is an expert in endoscopic sinus and laryngeal/voice surgery. Prof. Ramesh C Deka has published more than 200 research papers in national and international journals. He has also contributed chapters in several Indian and foreign books.

Prof. Deka started his talk by emphasizing upon the fact that in addition to a strong teaching function, a good research activity is also an important part of the responsibilities of faculty members of higher education institutions like RUHS. He discussed the importance of a good research culture and addressed the important characteristics of a productive research environment. He briefly mentioned a few important steps for implementing a healthy research culture, like an open and collaborative personal relationship among faculty members; faculty training and support for proficiency; access to sufficient resources such as funding, facilities; establishing institutional relationships with other universities, professional associations, and government bodies; student involvement in research plans; etc.



**Prof. Deka during his deliberation**

After highlighting the importance of developing a productive research culture Prof. Deka briefly outlined the important aspects of writing a good research paper. He described in detail the different parts of a research paper namely introduction, aims and objectives, material and methods, results, and conclusions. This session was very informative especially for the undergraduate and postgraduate students.



**RUHS CMS faculty and undergraduate students attending the talk**

Vice Dean, Academics and Research, RUHS CMS expressed his gratitude to Prof Deca for his enriching and motivating talk. He also mentioned that RUHS places great value on conducting and communicating scholarly research and to accomplish this RUHS keeps organizing formal mentoring programs for its faculty and students on a regular basis. In the same context, he informed Prof Deka about a forthcoming workshop on “Scientific Methodology- Biostatistics” which is being organized by RUHS from 11- 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017.



**Vice Dean, Academics and Research, RUHS CMS giving the vote of thanks to Prof. Deka**