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SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions is a cornerstone of sustainable development, aiming to foster peaceful and inclusive societies, ensure access to justice for all, and build effective, accountable, and inclusive institutions at all levels. This goal recognizes that sustainable development cannot thrive without a foundation of stability, fairness, and transparency.

The essence of SDG 16 lies in addressing key challenges such as violence, corruption, weak governance, and lack of public participation, which hinder social progress and economic growth. It emphasizes the importance of rule of law, equal access to justice, reduction of illicit flows, and the promotion of participatory decision-making.

Achieving SDG 16 is crucial for ensuring human rights, reducing inequalities, and creating a supportive environment for other Sustainable Development Goals. Strong institutions and peaceful societies enable equitable access to resources, promote trust in governance, and provide the groundwork for innovation, economic growth, and social cohesion.

By prioritizing SDG 16, nations, organizations, and communities can work towards building resilient societies where individuals can thrive in a secure and just environment, free from fear and discrimination. This goal underscores the interconnectedness of peace, justice, and institutional strength in shaping a sustainable and equitable future for all.

16.2.1:

At Glocal University, we ensure elected representation from students, faculty, and staff on key governance bodies. Students, both undergraduate and graduate, elect representatives who participate in decision-making processes through bodies like the Student Council. Faculty members are represented on faculty boards and the Board of Studies, contributing to academic policies, curriculum development, and research initiatives. Non-faculty employees elect representatives to ensure their voices are heard on campus operations and welfare matters. Additionally, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) includes elected faculty and staff to monitor and improve academic and administrative quality. This inclusive approach fosters transparency, accountability, and shared responsibility in university governance.

16.2.2:

At Glocal University, we recognize an independent Student Council that plays a key role in university governance and student life. The Student Council provides governance input by representing student interests in decision-making processes, ensuring their perspectives are considered in academic, administrative, and policy matters. It also offers support for students through counseling services, advocacy, and acting as a liaison between students and the university administration. Additionally, the Student Council organizes social activities, cultural events, and extracurricular programs, creating a vibrant campus community and promoting student well-being. This approach strengthens student involvement and enriches the overall university experience.

16.2.3:

At Glocal University, we have established written policies and procedures to identify and engage with local stakeholders external to the university. These stakeholders include local government bodies, community organizations, businesses, and non-profits. Through regular consultations, partnerships, and collaborative projects, we ensure that our academic and community initiatives align with local needs and priorities. We actively seek input from these stakeholders to address regional challenges, promote social responsibility, and contribute to sustainable development. Our

engagement fosters mutually beneficial relationships, creating opportunities for knowledge exchange, social impact, and community development.

16.2.4:

At Glocal University, we ensure that local stakeholders, including residents, local government representatives, and civil society organizations (such as refugee resettlement agencies), have meaningful mechanisms for participating in university decision-making. We have established participatory bodies such as advisory councils, community forums, and partnership committees, where stakeholders are invited to share their perspectives and collaborate on initiatives. These bodies help integrate community input into university policies, ensuring that our decisions are responsive to local needs and contribute to societal development. Through these platforms, we promote transparency, inclusivity, and shared responsibility in our governance and community engagement efforts.

16.2.5:

At Glocal University, we are committed to upholding the highest standards of integrity and transparency. Our principles on organized crime, corruption, and bribery are clearly outlined in our code of conduct and institutional policies. We have a zero-tolerance policy towards corruption and bribery in any form, whether it involves staff, students, or external stakeholders. The university promotes ethical behavior through regular training, clear reporting mechanisms, and strong enforcement of anti-corruption measures. Any violations are met with strict disciplinary action, ensuring accountability and fostering a culture of honesty and trust within the university and the broader community.

16.2.6

At Glocal University, we have a strong policy supporting academic freedom, ensuring that faculty, researchers, and students have the freedom to choose their areas of research and to speak and teach openly about their work. Our policy protects the right to explore diverse ideas and perspectives without fear of censorship or external interference. We encourage intellectual inquiry and the open exchange of ideas, both within the classroom and through public platforms. This commitment to academic freedom fosters a culture of innovation, critical thinking, and academic integrity, empowering our community to contribute meaningfully to the advancement of knowledge and societal development.

16.2.7:

At Glocal University, we are committed to transparency and accountability in our financial practices. We publish comprehensive financial data annually, which includes detailed information on revenue, expenditures, funding sources, and financial statements. This data is made publicly available through our website and is accessible to stakeholders including students, faculty, staff, and the wider community. By sharing this information, we ensure that our financial operations are transparent and align with our commitment to ethical governance and responsible management of resources.

16.3.1:

At Glocal University, we provide expert advice to local, regional, and national governments through various channels. Our faculty members, researchers, and academic departments actively contribute to policy development by offering guidance on issues such as education, healthcare, sustainable development, and social equity. We participate in government committees, provide evidence-based research, and engage in public consultations to inform decision-making. Through these

collaborations, we ensure that our academic expertise contributes to effective governance and the development of policies that promote societal well-being and sustainable progress.

16.3.2:

At Glocal University, we engage in outreach and capacity-building efforts to educate and upskill policymakers and lawmakers on key topics such as economics, law, technology, migration, displacement, and climate change. Through workshops, seminars, and training programs, we provide evidence-based insights and practical knowledge that help inform policy development. Our faculty and researchers collaborate with government agencies to enhance the understanding of complex issues, fostering more informed decision-making. These efforts contribute to strengthening the capabilities of policymakers to address current challenges and promote sustainable, inclusive development.

16.3.3:

At Glocal University, we actively engage in policy-focused research in collaboration with government departments. Our faculty and researchers work alongside governmental agencies to address pressing issues such as public health, education, climate change, and economic development. Through joint research projects, we provide evidence-based solutions and recommendations that inform public policy and decision-making. This collaboration strengthens the link between academia and government, ensuring that research outcomes are practical, relevant, and contribute to the development of policies that benefit society.

16.3.4:

At Glocal University, we provide a neutral platform and 'safe' space for diverse political stakeholders to engage in open, constructive dialogue about pressing challenges. Through organized forums, panel discussions, and workshops, we encourage representatives from various political backgrounds to share their perspectives and collaborate on solutions. These platforms foster an atmosphere of mutual respect, where ideas can be exchanged freely without bias, promoting understanding and consensus-building. By facilitating such discussions, we contribute to a more inclusive and informed approach to addressing societal issues.

16.4.1:

At Glocal University, we take pride in the diverse academic programs we offer, including those in law and civil enforcement. The proportion of graduates in law-related fields represents a significant portion of our student body. Each year, we graduate a number of students who have successfully completed law and enforcement-related courses, equipping them with the knowledge and skills necessary for careers in legal practice, governance, and civil service. These graduates contribute to the broader legal and justice systems, aligning with our commitment to producing professionals who can support peace, justice, and strong institutions.

IMPACTFUL STEPS TOWARDS PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS GLOCAL UNIVERSITY'S SDG 16 COMMITMENT

Republic Day Celebrations at Glocal University: A Tribute to Unity, Justice, and Institutional Strength under SDG 16

On January 26, 2023, Glocal University celebrated the 74th Republic Day of India with a vibrant and inclusive program, embodying the principles of SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. The day's events highlighted the university's commitment to fostering a sense of unity, justice, and institutional integrity among its community members while celebrating the spirit of the Indian Constitution.

The celebration commenced with a Fit India Movement Awareness Marathon, promoting health and inclusivity as key components of societal well-being. Students, faculty, and staff participated with enthusiasm, reflecting the collective commitment to fostering a healthy, active, and united campus environment

Following the marathon, the flag hoisting ceremony at the Central Plaza became a powerful symbol of national integrity and justice. The Indian national flag was raised amidst fervent singing of the national anthem, reinforcing values of equality, democracy, and unity. The presence of dignitaries, including Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. P. K. Bharti, Pro Vice Chancellors Prof. Dr. Satish Kumar Sharma and Prof. Dr. P. K. Mishra, Campus Director Dr. S. P. Pandey, and Dean Academics Prof. Dr. Pramod Kumar, underscored the importance of strong leadership and governance in fostering an inclusive institutional culture.

The celebrations extended to the Medical Auditorium, where cultural programs showcased the diverse talents and creativity of students, emphasizing the importance of inclusion and mutual respect within the university community. Dance, music, and drama performances reflected the unity in diversity that is central to India's democratic ethos.

Coinciding with Republic Day, the observance of Basant Panchami brought an additional dimension of reverence for knowledge and learning. Sarasvati Puja was conducted, symbolizing the pursuit of wisdom and enlightenment, critical for fostering just and peaceful societies.

The day's events resonated with the core tenets of SDG 16, emphasizing the importance of unity, respect for institutional integrity, and the promotion of justice and peace. By celebrating national pride, fostering inclusivity, and nurturing a sense of responsibility among students and staff, the 74th Republic Day celebrations at Glocal University showcased the institution's dedication to building a community rooted in the values of peace, justice, and strong institutions.









Hindustan Youth Icon Awards: Empowering Youth for Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions under SDG 16

The "Hindustan Youth Icon Awards," held at Glocal University, exemplified the essence of SDG 16 by fostering youth leadership, promoting social responsibility, and encouraging active participation in creating peaceful, inclusive societies. The event celebrated the transformative power of young minds in addressing societal challenges and strengthening community bonds.

Encouraging Peace and Inclusivity

The awards brought together students from diverse backgrounds, fostering unity and mutual respect. Their collective efforts toward community service showcased a commitment to inclusivity, justice, and collaboration—key pillars of SDG 16.

Promoting Leadership and Social Responsibility

The event recognized outstanding individuals and teams with the "Hindustan Youth Icon Awards" for their dedication to societal betterment. These young leaders have demonstrated exemplary contributions to community development, inspiring others to actively engage in building equitable and resilient communities.

Empowering Youth through Civic Engagement

Participants presented innovative projects addressing social issues such as inequality, injustice, and community empowerment. These initiatives highlighted the role of youth in promoting peace and justice through grassroots activism and sustainable solutions.

Building Strong Institutions through Collaboration

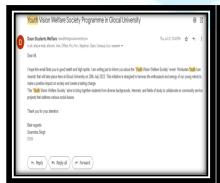
The event emphasized the importance of collaboration between youth, educational institutions, and the community. By creating platforms for dialogue and action, Glocal University is contributing to the development of strong institutions that prioritize fairness, accountability, and inclusivity.

A Commitment to Positive Change

The "Hindustan Youth Icon Awards" reaffirmed Glocal University's dedication to nurturing socially responsible leaders who uphold the values of SDG 16. The event demonstrated how youth-led initiatives can drive transformative change, ensuring justice and building peaceful, sustainable societies.

Looking Ahead

With the success of this initiative, Glocal University aims to continue fostering a culture of peace, justice, and active civic engagement. The university remains committed to empowering its students to become catalysts for positive change, aligned with the global goals of SDG 16.







Anti-Ragging Day: Promoting Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions under SDG 16

The observance of "Anti-Ragging Day" on August 12th at Glocal University exemplified the university's dedication to fostering a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment. This initiative aligned with SDG 16 by advocating for peace, justice, and the well-being of students, ensuring a campus culture free from harassment and discrimination.

Raising Awareness for Justice and Safety

The event began with the screening of a documentary in the Medical Auditorium, organized by the Dean of Student Welfare (DSW). The film illuminated the detrimental physical, emotional, and psychological effects of ragging, highlighting the need for justice and protection for all students.

Fostering Inclusivity and Respect

Through its anti-ragging campaign, Glocal University emphasized the importance of respectful interactions and inclusivity. The event encouraged students and staff to collaborate in upholding a zero-tolerance policy against harassment, contributing to a culture of mutual respect and tolerance.

Strengthening Institutional Accountability

By adhering to the UGC guidelines on anti-ragging, the university demonstrated its commitment to strong institutional frameworks that protect students' rights. The initiative reinforced the principles of accountability and fairness, ensuring a secure and supportive learning environment.

Promoting Peaceful Coexistence

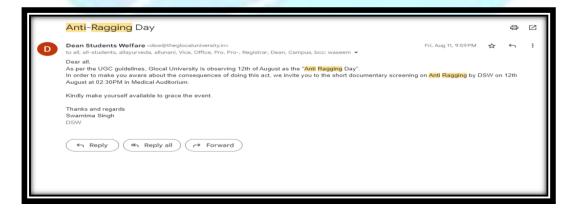
The observance of Anti-Ragging Day served as a platform to educate the campus community about the importance of maintaining harmony and resolving conflicts peacefully. This focus on peaceful coexistence is a key element of SDG 16, aimed at building safe, just, and inclusive societies.

Empowering Students Against Harassment

The event empowered students to stand against ragging and report instances of harassment without fear. It highlighted the university's resources and support systems, ensuring students feel protected and valued in their academic journey.

A Commitment to Sustainable Peace

Anti-Ragging Day at Glocal University reaffirmed the institution's commitment to creating a campus culture that values safety, justice, and inclusivity. Through awareness and proactive measures, the university continues to contribute meaningfully to SDG 16, ensuring peace and strong institutions for future generations.



Partition Horrors Remembrance Day: Fostering Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions under SDG 16

On 14th August 2023, Glocal University organized the *Partition Horrors Remembrance Day*, an event aimed at acknowledging the pain and suffering caused by the partition of India. This somber event, held at the Medical Auditorium, was a significant reflection on the tragic consequences of the partition and its lasting impact on millions of lives. Through this initiative, Glocal University contributed to SDG 16 by promoting peace, justice, and the building of strong, inclusive institutions.

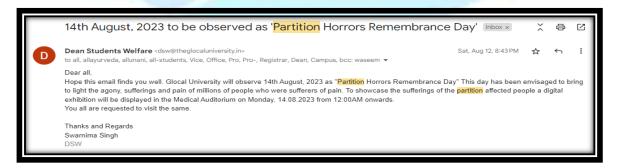
Promoting Peace and Unity The event began with a tribute to the victims of partition, followed by a digital exhibition displaying photographs, stories, and accounts of the suffering endured by individuals during this dark chapter of history. The exhibition highlighted the importance of acknowledging painful historical events, fostering empathy, and learning from past conflicts to prevent the repetition of such tragedies.

Encouraging Reflection and Justice With the participation of esteemed dignitaries, including Prof. Dr. Pankaj Kumar Mishra and Prof. Mhd. Waseem, the event reinforced the importance of justice for those who suffered. By remembering their pain, the university aimed to bring awareness to the need for reconciliation, healing, and a commitment to justice for all communities affected by historical injustices.

Building Strong Institutions through Education Through this event, Glocal University highlighted the role of education in building strong institutions capable of promoting peace and understanding. The event was not only a reflection on past atrocities but also a call to action for future generations to ensure the protection of human rights, unity, and respect for all communities, as part of SDG 16's goal to build just and peaceful societies.

Inspiring a Harmonious Future The conclusion of the event called for a collective effort to promote unity, empathy, and understanding across communities, reinforcing the necessity of preventing future conflicts and promoting peaceful coexistence. By remembering and reflecting on the pain of partition, the university emphasized the importance of working toward a more harmonious and just society.

Conclusion The *Partition Horrors Remembrance Day* at Glocal University was an impactful event aligned with SDG 16, as it encouraged remembrance, reconciliation, and justice. Through education and reflection, the university aims to build a future where peace, justice, and strong institutions ensure that the mistakes of the past are not repeated, and where unity and understanding thrive among communities.









Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign: Promoting Peace, Unity, and Strong Institutions under SDG 16

The "Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign," held from August 13th to 15th, 2023, was a patriotic initiative under the banner of *Aazadi ka Amrit Mahotsav*. This campaign encouraged citizens to hoist the National Flag of India at their homes in celebration of India's Independence Day. It was designed to strengthen national unity, foster a sense of pride, and promote the values of peace and justice in line with SDG 16, which emphasizes the importance of building strong, inclusive institutions and promoting peace and justice.

Promoting Unity and National Pride By encouraging citizens from all walks of life to display the Tiranga at their homes, the campaign worked to reinforce the importance of unity and collective national pride. The campaign highlighted the significance of each individual's contribution to the strength of the nation, no matter their background or location, embodying the core values of SDG 16, which advocates for inclusive societies and equality.

Fostering Peaceful, Just, and Inclusive Communities The "Har Ghar Tiranga" initiative also served to promote peaceful coexistence by bringing together people from diverse communities in celebration of a common national identity. The collective act of hoisting the flag not only symbolized patriotism but also fostered a sense of belonging, encouraging individuals to engage in peaceful and respectful interactions. This aligns with SDG 16's goal to create peaceful, just, and inclusive societies for all.

Strengthening the Role of Institutions The active participation of citizens in this campaign exemplified the role of institutions, such as Glocal University, in promoting civic engagement and fostering a sense of shared responsibility. The promise of a reward for the best selfie, presented by the Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. P.K. Bharti, further demonstrated the university's commitment to motivating community involvement and creating platforms for active participation.

Conclusion The "Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign" was a successful demonstration of SDG 16 in action. By encouraging widespread participation in hoisting the national flag and fostering unity, patriotism, and community spirit, the campaign contributed to strengthening the fabric of society. It also highlighted the importance of inclusive participation and the role of institutions in promoting peace, justice, and unity within the country.



Independence Day Celebration: Strengthening Peace, Unity, and Strong Institutions under SDG 16

The Independence Day Celebration held on August 15th, 2023, at Glocal University was a significant event that united the entire campus community in the spirit of freedom and national pride. The celebration not only commemorated India's independence but also reflected on the responsibilities of citizens to uphold peace, justice, and unity in society, which aligns with the goals of SDG 16.

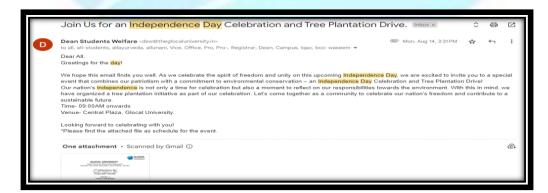
Fostering National Unity and Patriotism The event fostered a strong sense of patriotism and unity among students, faculty, and staff. Through cultural performances, inspiring speeches, and the unfurling of the national flag, the celebration reinforced the collective identity and pride in the nation. These acts of solidarity directly contribute to SDG 16's aim to promote peaceful and inclusive societies by emphasizing national unity and respect for diversity.

Honoring Sacrifices and Reflecting on Responsibilities Independence Day is a time to remember the sacrifices made by freedom fighters, and the event's speeches and reflections underscored the importance of upholding the values of justice, peace, and equality. By acknowledging the historical significance of the day, the celebration served as a reminder of the collective responsibility to contribute to the building of a peaceful and just society, both within the university and beyond.

Promoting Environmental Responsibility In keeping with the theme of social responsibility, the celebration incorporated an awareness of environmental conservation, demonstrating the university's commitment to a sustainable future. This aspect of the celebration aligns with the broader goals of SDG 16, which includes strengthening institutions that protect and promote sustainable development.

Strengthening Institutions and Civic Engagement The event highlighted the role of institutions, such as Glocal University, in promoting national values, civic engagement, and a sense of collective responsibility. By organizing such events, the university fosters a culture of peace, unity, and active participation, which are key components of strong institutions and governance under SDG 16.

Conclusion The Independence Day Celebration at Glocal University was not only a tribute to India's freedom but also a demonstration of the university's commitment to fostering national unity, peace, and strong institutions. By reflecting on the sacrifices of the past and encouraging a sense of civic responsibility, the event contributed to the goals of SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. The celebration reminded everyone of their role in building a more peaceful, inclusive, and just society for future generations.



National Unity Day at Glocal University: Strengthening Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

Venue: Open Management Canteen Area, Glocal University

Date: October 31, 2023

On October 31, 2023, Glocal University marked a momentous occasion by celebrating National Unity Day, dedicated to the memory of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India. This event was not only a tribute to Patel's remarkable contribution to India's unification but also an opportunity to reflect on the enduring values of unity, diversity, and brotherhood, which lie at the heart of SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions.

A Unified Celebration for a Unified Nation

The event commenced with an invitation extended to all members of the university community to participate in the Pledge-taking Ceremony for Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day). Organized by Dr. Mohd. Wazid Khan, Assistant Professor at Glocal Law School, the ceremony brought together participants from various academic departments and backgrounds. The occasion, which started at 12:15 PM, was a collective demonstration of the university's commitment to fostering national unity.

The Unity Pledge: A Commitment to Unity and Diversity

During the ceremony, Dr. Khan led the attendees in taking the Unity Pledge, a solemn vow to uphold the principles of unity, diversity, and brotherhood. This pledge served as a powerful reminder of the collective strength derived from India's rich cultural diversity and the importance of fostering an inclusive society. By taking this pledge, the university community affirmed its commitment to promoting peace, justice, and understanding, which are key tenets of SDG 16.

Promoting Unity and Inclusivity

The National Unity Day celebration successfully promoted the values that Sardar Patel so ardently advocated. Through the symbolic act of taking the pledge, participants reflected on the significance of unity in ensuring a harmonious society. The event provided a space for collective reflection on the importance of inclusivity, diversity, and the need to embrace differences while striving for a shared vision of peace and progress.

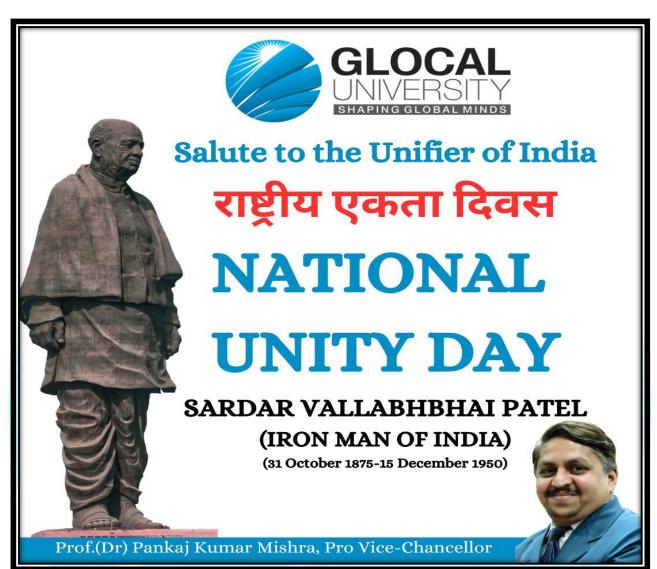
A Call for Stronger Institutions

By honoring Patel's legacy, the event reinforced the crucial role that strong, just, and inclusive institutions play in maintaining social harmony. The university, through this initiative, demonstrated its dedication to building an environment where unity and inclusivity are celebrated, not just on National Unity Day, but every day.

Conclusion

The National Unity Day celebration at Glocal University was an impactful and meaningful event that aligned with the values of SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. The ceremony emphasized the importance of upholding the ideals of unity and diversity, reflecting on the legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, and committing to a future built on the foundations of peace and inclusivity. The event successfully united the university community, strengthening its sense of shared purpose and commitment to fostering a harmonious, just society.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to all the participants for their active involvement. Looking ahead, we are excited about future opportunities to contribute to the spirit of unity and inclusivity, reinforcing the role of educational institutions in promoting peaceful and just societies.





"Viksit Bharat @ 2047"

Campaign at Glocal University:

A Vision for Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

In alignment with India's aspiration to be a developed nation by 2047, Glocal University, under the leadership of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, initiated the "Idea 4 Viksit Bharat @ 2047" campaign. This campaign aimed to tap into the collective wisdom of the university community, with a special focus on engaging students in envisioning a prosperous, inclusive, and sustainable India. The initiative was designed to channel the voices of the youth, one of the most dynamic and forward-thinking groups in the country, towards contributing meaningful ideas that would shape the future of India.

Campaign Structure and Leadership

The campaign was led by Prof. P.K Mishra, Pro Vice Chancellor, with a dedicated team consisting of Mr. Wazid Khan, Mrs. Swarnima Singh, and Mr. Waseem. The team's goal was to gather student feedback and ideas via social media platforms and the official Viksit Bharat @ 2047 government website. This structured approach ensured that the students' contributions reached the relevant authorities and were considered in future planning for India's development.

Key Objectives and Engagement

The campaign was designed with the following objectives:

- 1. **Vision for Viksit Bharat** @ **2047**: Students were encouraged to express their vision for a developed India, covering crucial areas such as education, technology, healthcare, the environment, and socio-economic development. This alignment with SDG 16 emphasized the importance of justice, peace, and strong institutions for a thriving nation.
- 2. **Strategic Roadmap**: The campaign aimed to gather ideas on how to achieve India's vision for 2047, focusing on policy changes, technological advancements, and social initiatives. The insights gathered highlighted students' perspectives on necessary reforms in various sectors, helping to outline a strategic plan for national progress.
- 3. **Individual Contributions**: The initiative encouraged students to reflect on their roles in realizing the vision for a developed India. By emphasizing personal responsibility and engagement, the campaign fostered a sense of ownership and commitment among participants, aligning with the goal of building strong, just, and inclusive institutions.

Implementation and Participation

Launched on December 11, 2023, and continuing until December 25, 2023, the campaign saw enthusiastic participation from over 3000 students. Students shared their ideas and visions through social media channels, and a dedicated WhatsApp group was created to facilitate real-time communication and idea exchange. This widespread engagement demonstrated the vitality and innovative thinking of the Glocal University student body.

Daily Reporting and Impact

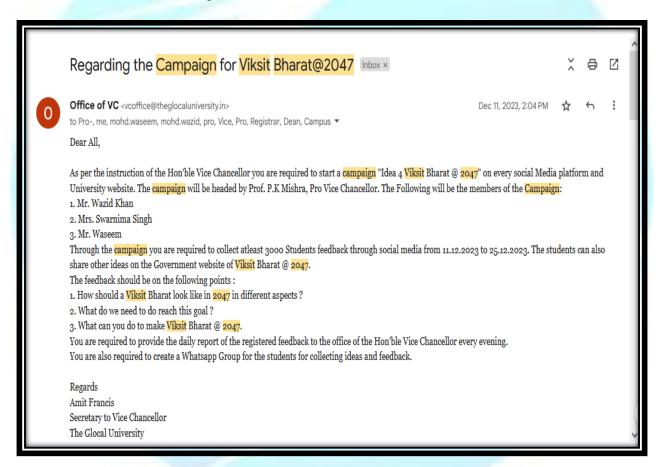
A robust reporting mechanism was established to ensure transparency and track the flow of ideas. Daily reports summarizing key insights, suggestions, and concerns were sent to the office of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. This feedback loop helped the university leadership stay informed about

student perspectives, ensuring that the voices of the youth were integral to future policymaking processes.

Outcomes and Conclusion

The "Idea 4 Viksit Bharat @ 2047" campaign exceeded expectations, with over 3000 students contributing their thoughts on India's future. The diversity of ideas showcased the intellectual vibrancy and social consciousness of the Glocal University community. This initiative not only encouraged students to think critically about the nation's development but also fostered a sense of collective responsibility in shaping a just, equitable, and prosperous India.

In conclusion, the "Idea 4 Viksit Bharat @ 2047" campaign at Glocal University was a resounding success in encouraging student participation in national discourse. By aligning with SDG 16, the campaign reinforced the importance of building strong institutions, ensuring justice, and promoting peace and inclusivity. The valuable insights generated during this campaign will serve as a foundation for continued dialogue and action towards India's vision for 2047.



Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav - Celebrating Linguistic Diversity at Glocal University

Glocal University celebrated the rich linguistic diversity and cultural heritage of India through the *Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav* on December 12, 2023. This event highlighted the importance of India's myriad languages, bringing together students, faculty, and staff to appreciate and honor the diverse linguistic traditions that are integral to the nation's identity.

Aims and Objectives:

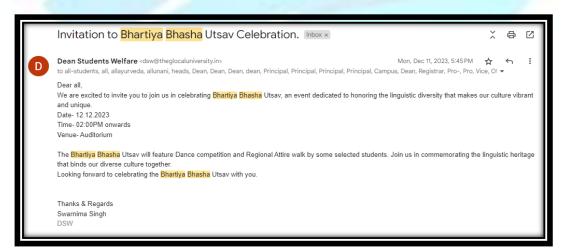
- 1. **Celebrate Linguistic Diversity**: The *Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav* aimed to celebrate and preserve the diverse linguistic heritage of India, fostering unity and national pride.
- 2. **Cultural Exchange**: The event facilitated a cultural exchange through performances and activities that transcended linguistic boundaries, promoting harmony and mutual appreciation.
- 3. **Encourage Language Preservation**: By providing a platform for a variety of languages, the event aimed to promote the preservation and enrichment of linguistic traditions.
- 4. **Create Awareness**: Through interactive language stalls and guest lectures, the event encouraged the understanding and appreciation of lesser-known languages, fostering inclusivity.

Event Report: The event took place in the university auditorium, which was filled with excitement as participants gathered for the celebration. The opening address was delivered by *Swarnima Singh*, the Campus Director, who emphasized the importance of linguistic diversity in India's cultural fabric. Her words set the tone for a day dedicated to celebrating India's diverse languages and cultures.

One of the highlights of the *Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav* was a vibrant dance competition, where students showcased their talents through performances that reflected the cultural richness embedded in different languages. These performances created an atmosphere of joy and unity.

Students also participated in a cultural fashion show, where they wore traditional attire representing various regions of India. This added to the spirit of diversity, reinforcing the cultural wealth that India offers. The event featured an array of performances, including songs, skits, and recitations in multiple languages. Each performance resonated with the essence of the respective culture, fostering mutual respect and understanding among the audience.

Conclusion: The *Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav* was a memorable and successful celebration of India's linguistic and cultural diversity. Glocal University showcased its commitment to promoting inclusivity and cultural exchange through an event that encouraged pride in India's rich linguistic heritage. The event successfully brought together individuals from different linguistic backgrounds, reinforcing the message of unity in diversity, which is at the core of SDG 16: *Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions*. This celebration of linguistic heritage was not just an event but a step toward strengthening social cohesion and cultural appreciation.



Exhibition on "Partition Horror" (Vibhajan Vibhishika) at Glocal Hospital: A Step Towards Awareness and Remembrance

Glocal University organized a compelling exhibition titled "Partition Horror" (Vibhajan Vibhishika) at the waiting area of Glocal Hospital, aimed at educating the public and fostering remembrance of one of India's most tragic historical events. The exhibition, open until August 14th, highlights the human cost and displacement during the partition, aligning with SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions.

Inauguration and Objectives

The exhibition was inaugurated by a dedicated team from the Dean of Student Welfare (DSW), including Mrs. Swarnima Singh, Dr. Vipin Kumar, Dr. Manzoor Khan, Mr. Gautam Panwar, Ms. Chand Usmani, and Mr. Mukesh. Their collective efforts ensured a thoughtful presentation of partition-related events to encourage reflection and learning.

Dr. Vipin Kumar, Head of School at Glocal Business School, emphasized the significance of observing August 14 as *Partition Horror Day* (*Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Diwas*). This observance aligns with the government of India's initiative to honor the countless lives affected by the partition, promoting awareness of the devastating impacts of violence and displacement.

Exhibition Features and Awareness Campaign

The exhibition offers visitors a glimpse into the horrors of partition through powerful visuals and narratives. It provides a platform to engage with the historical significance of the partition, fostering a deeper understanding of its impact on Indian society.

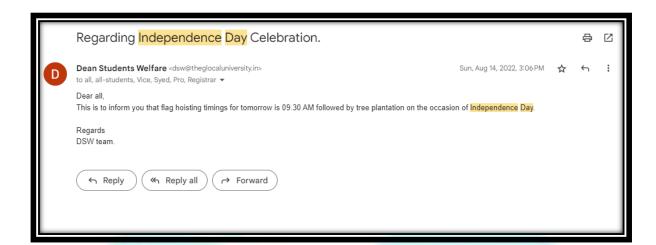
A key highlight of the initiative was an awareness rally that started from Glocal Hospital and proceeded to Petroleum and Badshahi Bagh, reaching out to local communities. This rally served as a means to educate and involve the public in the conversation about peace, justice, and reconciliation, spreading the message of unity and remembrance.

Impact and Alignment with SDG 16

The *Partition Horror* exhibition and rally underline Glocal University's commitment to promoting peace, inclusivity, and historical education. By engaging the public in reflecting on the past, the event contributes to building stronger institutions and communities that value justice, peace, and understanding.

Conclusion

The exhibition and accompanying rally not only honor the memory of those affected by partition but also provide a platform for learning and awareness. This initiative by Glocal University aligns with the vision of SDG 16 by fostering a culture of peace and inclusivity, ensuring that the lessons of the past guide us toward a harmonious future.













Celebration of Nigerian Independence Day at Glocal University: Fostering Cultural Unity and Understanding

Glocal University commemorated the 62nd Nigerian Independence Day on October 1, 2022, with a vibrant cultural program that highlighted the university's commitment to embracing diversity and fostering international camaraderie. The event, organized by the Dean of Student Welfare (DSW) team in collaboration with Nigerian students, was an extraordinary celebration of Nigeria's rich cultural heritage and its journey toward freedom. The celebration aligned with Sustainable Development Goal 16: *Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions* by promoting cultural exchange, inclusivity, and mutual understanding.

Event Highlights and Objectives

The celebration aimed to:

- 1. **Foster Cross-Cultural Understanding:** By showcasing Nigeria's cultural richness, the event encouraged appreciation of cultural diversity and mutual respect among the university community.
- 2. **Promote Inclusion and Unity:** The event provided a platform for Nigerian students to share their heritage while fostering unity among students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds.
- 3. **Enhance Global Perspectives:** By bringing Nigerian culture to the forefront, the celebration contributed to broadening the global outlook of the university community.

Warm Greetings and Vibrant Atmosphere

The DSW team extended heartfelt invitations to students, faculty, and staff, encouraging them to join the festivities. The event commenced in the Medical Auditorium, which was adorned with colors and symbols representing Nigeria's cultural essence. The welcoming ambiance set the tone for an unforgettable evening.

The presence of esteemed faculty members, staff, and students from various nationalities added a sense of unity to the celebration. This collective participation underscored Glocal University's inclusive ethos, where cultural diversity is not just acknowledged but celebrated.

A Cultural Extravaganza

The highlight of the celebration was the spectacular cultural program, meticulously curated by Nigerian students. The program served as a window into Nigeria's rich and diverse heritage, captivating the audience with its authenticity and vibrancy.

1. Traditional Dances:

Nigerian students performed traditional dances from various ethnic groups, each narrating unique stories and expressing the dynamic vibrancy of Nigerian culture. These performances showcased the unity within Nigeria's diversity and captivated the audience with their rhythm, color, and energy.

2. Musical Performances:

The event featured musical renditions using traditional Nigerian instruments, creating melodies that resonated with the cultural depth of the nation. The soulful performances

transported attendees to the heart of Nigeria, fostering a deeper appreciation of its musical heritage.

3. Artistic Expressions:

Visual art displays and poetry readings added layers of cultural richness to the celebration. These artistic elements not only showcased the creative talents of Nigerian students but also served as a medium for storytelling and cultural preservation.

Cultural Exchange and Community Building

The Nigeria Independence Day celebration acted as a bridge for cross-cultural exchange, enabling the Glocal community to gain meaningful insights into Nigerian traditions, values, and history. The event fostered a sense of belonging and pride among Nigerian students while educating and inspiring others to appreciate the cultural mosaic that defines the global community.

Impact and Alignment with SDG 16

The celebration of Nigerian Independence Day directly aligned with SDG 16 by:

- 1. **Promoting Peace and Inclusivity:** The event created a platform for cultural dialogue and understanding, reducing cultural barriers and fostering peace within the campus community.
- 2. **Strengthening Institutions:** By celebrating diversity, Glocal University reaffirmed its role as an institution that upholds inclusivity, equity, and mutual respect.
- 3. **Encouraging Global Citizenship:** The event emphasized the importance of unity and cultural understanding, preparing students to become global citizens who value diversity and foster harmony.

Conclusion

The Nigerian Independence Day celebration at Glocal University was more than just an event; it was a vibrant expression of unity and cultural pride. It reflected the university's commitment to embracing diversity and promoting cultural understanding. The celebration served as a testament to the power of shared experiences in fostering peace, justice, and strong institutions, contributing significantly to the vision of SDG 16.

This celebration will be remembered as a shining example of how cultural exchange can build bridges of understanding and create a more inclusive and harmonious global community. Glocal University extends its gratitude to the Nigerian students and all participants for making this event a resounding success.







National Unity Day Celebration:

Technical Support and Collaborative Success

Introduction

National Unity Day, observed annually on October 31, is a significant occasion to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India, and to promote the ideals of unity, integrity, and patriotism. At Glocal University, the Directorate of Student Welfare (DSW) organized a memorable celebration for National Unity Day 2023, which emphasized the importance of unity in diversity. The event was a blend of cultural presentations, speeches, and activities, all of which were made possible through meticulous planning and collaboration.

Recognizing the need for effective technical arrangements to enhance the quality of the event, the DSW sought the assistance of the university's IT team. The provision of essential technical support, including a projector and microphone, was instrumental in ensuring a seamless and impactful celebration. This initiative aligned with Sustainable Development Goal 16 (*Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions*) by fostering inclusive participation, strengthening institutional collaboration, and promoting a sense of unity.

Technical Support Request and Preparations

In preparation for the event, the Director of Student Welfare, Mrs. Swarnima Singh, formally communicated with the IT team to request technical support. A detailed letter was sent, outlining the requirements and emphasizing the importance of the occasion. The technical support requested included:

- 1. **A Projector**: For impactful visual presentations to communicate key messages of unity and patriotism effectively.
- 2. **A Microphone**: To ensure clear communication during speeches and interactions, enabling the audience to engage fully with the program.

The request highlighted the critical role of these arrangements in enhancing the event's overall effectiveness and significance.

The IT team promptly responded to the request with professionalism and efficiency. They ensured that the required equipment was set up well in advance at the venue, located in the Open Management Canteen Area. A thorough pre-event check of the projector, microphone, and other audio-visual systems was conducted to ensure their functionality. This proactive approach demonstrated the IT team's commitment to supporting institutional events and fostering a spirit of collaboration.

Event Execution and Technical Contributions

The National Unity Day celebration commenced as scheduled at 2:00 PM on October 31, 2023. The venue was abuzz with excitement as students, faculty, and staff gathered to participate in the event, which was enriched by the seamless integration of technical elements.

Role of Technical Support

1. Visual Presentations with the Projector

The projector was used to display impactful visuals, including a slideshow of inspiring quotes, historical milestones, and images of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. These visual elements provided context and depth to the speeches and activities, making the program more engaging and meaningful for the audience.

2. Enhanced Communication with the Microphone

The microphone ensured that all speakers, including faculty members, students, and the event hosts, could communicate effectively. This clarity allowed the audience to stay connected with the proceedings, fostering an atmosphere of inclusivity and participation.

3. Audience Engagement

The technical arrangements significantly enhanced audience engagement. The visuals captured attention, while the clear audio ensured that every word spoken resonated with the participants, creating an immersive experience that underscored the values of unity and national pride.

Program Highlights

The event featured a variety of activities that emphasized the significance of unity and national integration:

1. Unity Pledge

The celebration began with a solemn Unity Pledge, led by Dr. Mohd. Wazid Khan. The projector displayed the text of the pledge, enabling all participants to follow along and participate actively.

2. Inspirational Speeches

Faculty members and students delivered speeches highlighting Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's contributions to India's unity and the relevance of his ideals in today's society. The microphone ensured that these powerful messages reached every corner of the venue.

3. Cultural Performances

Students performed patriotic songs and skits that depicted the themes of unity and diversity. These performances were accompanied by visual elements displayed on the projector, adding a dynamic and interactive dimension to the program.

4. Interactive Discussion

An open forum discussion encouraged attendees to share their thoughts on promoting unity in daily life. The use of the microphone facilitated a lively and inclusive exchange of ideas.

Impact and Alignment with SDG 16

The successful collaboration between the DSW and the IT team not only ensured the seamless execution of National Unity Day but also aligned with the principles of SDG 16 in the following ways:

1. Promoting Inclusivity and Participation

The use of technology facilitated an inclusive environment where all participants could actively engage with the program. The clear communication and visual aids made the event accessible and impactful for everyone.

2. Strengthening Institutional Collaboration

The event showcased the importance of inter-departmental collaboration in achieving shared goals. The DSW and IT teams worked together effectively, setting a precedent for future initiatives.

3. Fostering Peace and Unity

By emphasizing the values of unity, integrity, and mutual respect, the event contributed to building a harmonious campus community. It served as a reminder of the strength found in diversity and the importance of collective action.

Conclusion

The National Unity Day celebration at Glocal University was a resounding success, made possible by the dedicated efforts of the DSW and the unwavering support of the IT team. The integration of technology enhanced the event's quality, ensuring a memorable experience for all participants.

This celebration not only honored the legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel but also reinforced the university's commitment to fostering a culture of unity, collaboration, and inclusivity. The event stood as a testament to the power of teamwork and shared vision, inspiring the Glocal community to uphold the values of unity and national pride in their daily lives.





