



Department of Research & Development

Workshops and Seminars Conducted 2024-25

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1.	8 th International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure and Project Management – August 23 & 24, 2024	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dr. Mark A. Thompson2. Prof. Sergio Cavalaro3. Mr. Jayant Kumar4. Dr. Manoj Verman5. Mr. Ashok Lavasa6. Mr. Vikas Singhal	Write-up Attached



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The inaugural function held on August 23, 2024, was graced by the Chief Guest, Mark A. Thompson, Ph. D. President, Wentworth Institute of Technology Boston, MA, USA. The keynote speakers included eminent scholars and experts from the CRIP industry like **Prof. Sergio Cavalaro**, Associate Dean (Research and Innovation) & Chair of Infrastructure Systems, School of Architecture, Building and Civil Engineering, Loughborough University, UK, **Mr. Jayant Kumar**, Managing Director & General Manager- Hilti, India, **Dr. Manoj Verman**, Tunnelling & Rock Engineering Expert, Rocscience Representative and President, ISRM Commission on Hard Rock Excavation, and **Mr. Ashok Lavasa**, Former Finance Secretary of India and former Vice President Private Sector & PPP at Asian Development

Bank. **Mr. Vikas Singhal**, Chief Operations Officer, Godrej Properties Limited, India graced the conference as chief guest of the valedictory session.

ICCRIP 2024 created an opportunity for its participants to interact and deliberate on emerging trends, issues, and practices in the CRIP sector. The conference was indeed an intellectual feast and an exclusive opportunity for collaborative learning and knowledge exchange for its participants. The conference proved to be a huge success owing to the visionary leadership of **Dr. Anil Kashyap**, Chief Patron (ICCRIP 2024), President and Chancellor, NICMAR, **Dr. Sushma S. Kulkarni**, Patron (ICCRIP 2024), Vice Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune and the unwavering efforts of the conference convener, **Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans** and the conference organizing committee.

This conference was supported by industry and banking leaders in India. The Platinum Sponsors included L&T Construction and ICICI Bank. The Gold Sponsors included the Bank of Maharashtra; and the co-sponsors included Canara Bank, HDFC Bank, Saraswat Bank, and State Bank of India.

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2.	Editor-Author Interaction Series - January 10, 2024	Dr. Sudhir Rana	Write-up Attached
3.	7 th International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure and Project Management – August 11 & 12, 2023	1. Mr. Abhay Purohit 2. Prof. Srinath Perera 3. Dr. Sarel Lavy 4. Mr. Ramamoorthy Rajendran 5. Dr. Bhola Ram Gurjar	Write-up Attached
4.	Workshop on Writing Funded Research Project – December 6, 2023	Dr. Rahul Ralegaonkar	Write-up Attached
5.	NICMAR University, Pune- Loughborough University, U.K. Split-Site Ph.D. Program Inauguration – November 23, 2023	1. Dr Jill Thurman 2. Prof. Steve Christie 3. Prof. Malcolm Cook 4. Dr. Kirti Ruikar	Write-up Attached
6.	Editor-Author Interaction Series - December 5, 2023	Dr. Vivek Sah	Write-up Attached
7.	Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “Qualitative Research - June 24 to June 28, 2024	1. Dr. Jaspreet Narula 2. Dr. Ajoy Kumar Dey 3. Dr. Sumit Narula 4. Ms. Aishwarya Nayal	Write-up Attached



1. Seminar on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) April 12, 2024

NICMAR University, Pune hosted an insightful seminar on **Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)**. The event took place on **April 12, 2024**, from 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. and it was attended by faculty members, students, and research scholars.

Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans the Dean of Research and Development welcomed all participants and highlighted the significance of IPR for an academic institution in the changing environment.

Dr. (Mrs) Sushma S. Kulkarni the Vice-Chancellor of NICMAR University, Pune, emphasized the significance of IPR seminars in fostering **academic growth and innovation**.

Dr. Madhuranjan Vatsa in esteemed resource person in the field of IPR, shared his extensive expertise of IPR and talk about IPR in global context.

This seminar provided valuable insights into the world of intellectual property rights.





2. Editor-Author Interaction Series - January 10, 2024

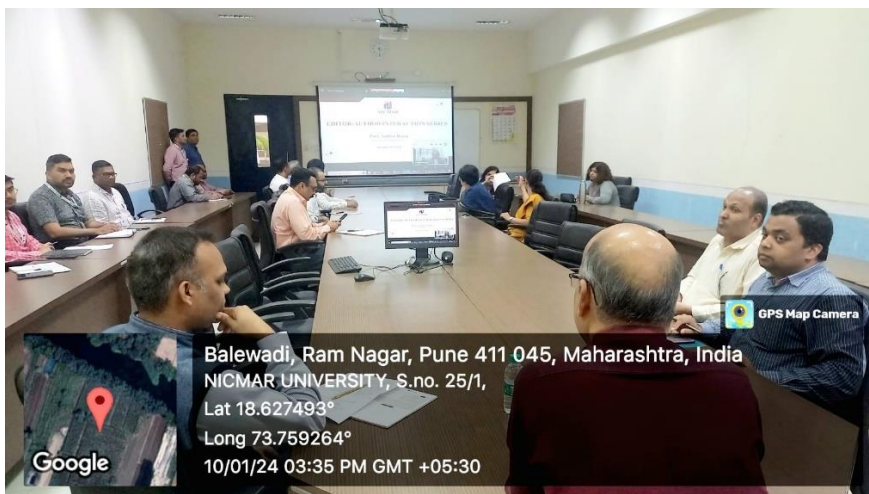
On January 10, 2024, NICMAR University, Pune, orchestrated a captivating Editor-Author Interaction Series, serving as a catalyst for interaction and knowledge dissemination among faculties and scholars.

Dr. Sudhir Rana, the Editor of the FIIB Business Review, took the stage during this enlightening event, sharing profound editorial insights and expertise. His contribution provided invaluable perspectives to the attendees, enriching their understanding of the intricacies involved in the editorial process.

The event, chaired by **Dr. Anil Agarwal**, Dean-Academics NICMAR University, Pune, underscored the pivotal role of national and international journals in the field of education. Dr. Agarwal eloquently highlighted the significant contributions made by these journals, emphasizing their influence in shaping the landscape of educational discourse.

Guiding the proceedings was **Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans**, the Dean of Research and Development, who adeptly moderated the event. The active participation of NICMAR University, Pune faculties, and research scholars infused the session with a vibrant exchange of ideas, fostering an atmosphere of intellectual engagement.

This thoughtful initiative stands as a testament to NICMAR University, Pune's steadfast commitment to academic excellence and knowledge sharing. By providing a conducive platform for collaborative research and scholarly growth, the Editor-Author Interaction Series reinforces the university's dedication to cultivating an environment of continuous learning and mutual enrichment.



3. 7th International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure and Project Management – August 11 & 12, 2023

NICMAR University, Pune, organized its seventh International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure, and Project Management (ICCRIP)



NICMAR University, Pune, organized its seventh International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure, and Project Management (ICCRIP) on August

11–12, 2023, at its campus. Under the leadership of Dr. Anil Kashyap, Honorable President and Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune and Dr. Sushma Kulkarni Vice Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune. The conference emphasized four major categories: research papers, case studies, doctoral colloquium, and practitioners' perspectives, with a special focus on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure, and Project Management (CRIP). NICMAR University, Pune, is a leading university established under Maharashtra Act No. XXXVI of 2022. The university promotes education, research, training, and skill development in Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure, and Project Management. The university has carved a niche for itself in this sector and has emerged as one of the most prestigious universities in the country. ICCRIP 2023 created an opportunity for its participants to interact and deliberate on emerging trends, issues, and practices in the CRIP sector. The conference was indeed an intellectual feast and an exclusive opportunity for collaborative learning and knowledge exchange for its participants. The conference proved to be a huge success owing to the visionary leadership of Dr. Anil Kashyap, Chief Patron (ICCRIP 2023) President and Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune, Dr. Sushma Kulkarni Patron (ICCRIP 2023) Vice Chancellor, NICMAR University Pune and the unflagging efforts of the conference organizing committee, the conference convenor, Dr. Rajesh Goyal, and the conference co-convenor, Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans.



4. Workshop on Writing Funded Research Project - December 6, 2023

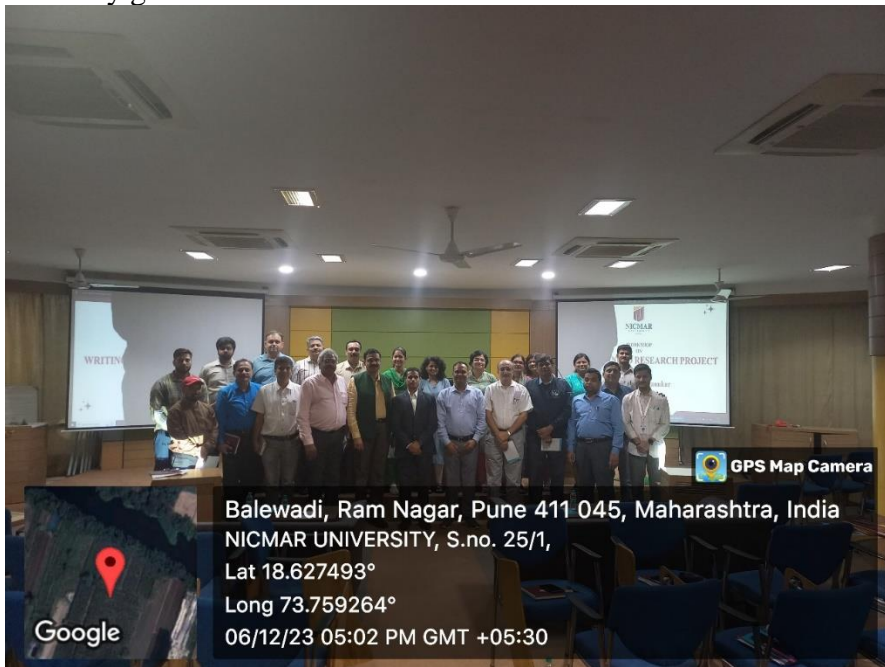
NICMAR University, Pune, hosted an enriching “Writing Funded Research Project Workshop” on December 06, 2023, for its faculty members and research scholars.

The resource person, **Dr. Rahul Ralegaonkar**, professor – VNIT, Nagpur, shared his insights about nuances of writing a successful funding application. His guidance helped participants discover invaluable perspectives, adding great depth to the discussions and learnings during the project presentation session.

Dr. Anil Kashyap, president and chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune shared his experience of successful recipient of many funded projects.

Dr. Mrs. Sushma S. Kulkarni, Vice-Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune, emphasized on the critical importance of workshops focused on writing funded research projects and its impact on research and teaching outcomes.

Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans, the Dean of Research and Development played a critical role in organizing this event. This initiative reflects NICMAR University, Pune’s steadfast commitment to academic excellence and collaborative knowledge sharing, paving the way for scholarly growth.

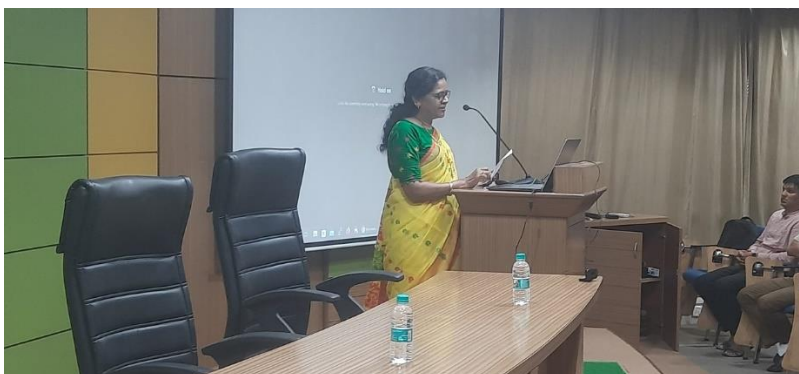




5. NICMAR University, Pune-Loughborough University, U. K. Split-Site Ph.D. Program Inauguration - November 23, 2023

NICMAR University and Loughborough University, UK, jointly inaugurated a Split-site Ph.D. program. The distinguished gathering representing NICMAR University, Pune included Dr. Anil Kashyap, President & Chancellor, Dr. Sushma S. Kulkarni, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans Dean- Research and Development; and Dr. Medha Joshi, Head-Ph.D. Program. The launch ceremony was attended by doctoral scholars and faculty members from NICMAR University, fostering an atmosphere of intellectual enthusiasm. Loughborough University officials namely Dr Jill Thurman, Professor Steve Christie, Professor Malcolm Cook, and Dr. Kirti Ruikar accompanied by other participants, joined the program in online mode.

The Split-site Ph.D. program offers collaboration opportunity for scholars of NICMAR University, Pune and work with faculty members of Loughborough University, jointly on their Ph.D. work. The program also offers opportunity for Ph.D. scholars of NICMAR University, Pune to visit Loughborough University and gain from the intellectual resources of Loughborough University.







6. Editor-Author Interaction Series - December 5, 2023

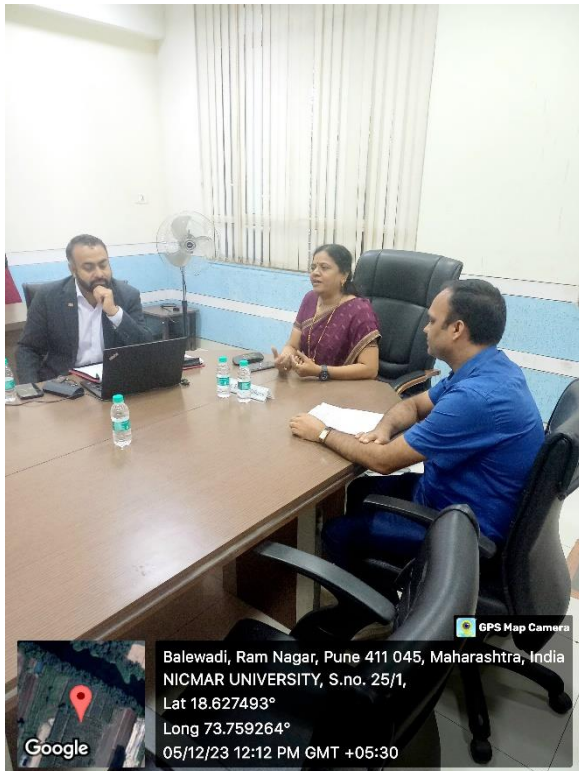
On December 5, 2023, NICMAR University, Pune, organised an engaging Editor-Author Interaction Series, which promotes interaction and learning among faculties and scholars.

Dr. Vivek Sah, Editor-Journal of Real Estate Portfolio Management shared editorial insights and expertise during this insightful event and provided valuable perspectives to the attendees.

Dr. Mrs. Sushma S. Kulkarni, Vice-Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune, chaired the event and highlighted contributions of national and international journals in the field of education.

Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans, Dean Research and Development, was moderating the event. NICMAR University, Pune faculties and research scholars actively participated in this session, which led to a vibrant exchange of ideas.

This initiative reinforces NICMAR University, Pune, commitment to academic excellence and knowledge sharing, paving the way for collaborative research and scholarly growth.





7. Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “Qualitative Research” - June 24 to 28, 2024

Department of Research & Development in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and The Centre of Excellence in Academic Practices (CoEAP) organized an inperson 5 Day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) at NICMAR University, Pune (June 24 to 28, 2024) that delved on Qualitative Research. We were honored to have Dr. Jaspreet Kaur, Dr. Sumit Narula, Dr. Ajoy Kumar Dey and Ms. Aishwarya Nayal as a resource person for different topics.

The FDP began with the inaugural address by **Dr. Anil Kashyap** – President & Chancellor, **Dr. Mrs. Sushma S. Kulkarni** – Vice Chancellor and **Dr. Rajni Kant Rajhans** – Dean Research & Development Programme, which set the tone for the Faculty Development Programme (FDP).

Day 1: Introduction to Qualitative Research & NVivo (**Dr. Jaspreet Kaur**)

Day 2: Hands on training on NVivo (**Dr. Jaspreet Kaur**)

Day 3: Identifying Cloned and Predatory Journals (**Dr. Sumit Narula**)

Day 4: Process Model of Theorizing – Module 1 (**Dr. Ajoy Kumar Dey**)

Mastering Research Excellence: Unveiling the Research Workflow, Publishing Strategies, and Scopus Insights (**Ms. Aishwarya Nayal**)

Day 5: Process Model of Theorizing – Module 2 (**Dr. Ajoy Kumar Dey**)

This FDP was attended by faculty members and research scholars of the University. The extensive experience of the resource persons was evident in the depth of their delivery, creating an exceptional learning experience for all.

We extend our profound gratitude to all resource persons for their valuable contribution. Kudos to all the participants who actively engaged and made this event a success.

