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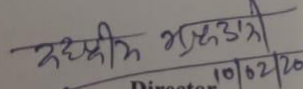
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### VC Prof Rattan Singh joins 4-day Anti-Drug March

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In an endeavour to create awareness about the adverse effects of substance use, Prof Rattan Singh, Vice-Chancellor, Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University, Patiala, joined 4-day anti-drug march launched by Hon'ble Governor of Punjab, Shri Gulab Chand Kataria. JGND PSOU has been significantly contributing to the state-level campaign "War against Drugs".

Prof. (Dr.) Rattan Singh observed "Drug abuse is not merely an individual issue but a grave social challenge that threatens the moral, physical, and intellectual fabric of the nation. "He exhorted students to act as vigilant and responsible citizens by becoming active partners in the fight against drugs. Highlighting the crucial role of youth, he stressed the need to channelize their energy, creativity, and enthusiasm towards constructive pursuits, social welfare initiatives, and nation-building activities for "Viksit Bharat." While a team from JGND PSOU Regional Centre Tarn Taran participated on the first day of anti-drug march, Prof. (Dr.) Baljit Singh Khehra, Registrar and Dr. Kuldeep Walia, Director, Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) accompanied university team on the second day.

  
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### VC Rattan Singh Joins State Anti-Drug March

Prof. RATTAN SINGH, Vice-Chancellor, Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University (JGND PSOU), Patiala, joined a four-day anti-drug march



launched by Punjab Governor Gulab Chand Kataria to raise awareness against substance abuse. The University has been actively contributing to the state campaign "War against Drugs."

Addressing participants, Prof. Rattan Singh said drug abuse is a serious social challenge threatening the nation's moral, physical, and intellectual fabric. He urged students to become vigilant citizens and active partners in the fight against drugs, emphasising the role of youth in nation-building and "Viksit Bharat."

A team from JGND PSOU Regional Centre Tarn Taran participated on day one, while Regional Centre Ferozepur (Jeera) joined the march on the second day.



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