

## **Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur (C.G.)**

### **Report of Local Industry Visit on 20/08/2015 by the Industry Interface Cell**

A visit to local industries was planned by the team members of the Industry Interface Cell (IIC) to explore the possibilities of cooperation and collaboration between the local industries and the University. A visit was scheduled on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2015 after due consultation and cooperation of Shri Harish Kedia, President of Chhattisgarh Laghu and Shahayak Udyog Mahasangh.

The team which visited the industries included

1. Prof. Shailendra Kumar, Nodal Officer, IIC, Department of Civil Engg., I.T. & I/C Director (I.T.)
2. Dr. B.D. Mishra, Associate Professor, Management Studies
3. Dr. K.K. Chandra, Associate Professor, Forestry
4. Dr. Dilipkumar Pal, Associate Professor, Pharmacy
5. Dr. Pradeep Naik, Associate Professor, Biotechnology
6. Dr. Sushil Kumar Shahi, Associate Professor, Botany
7. Dr. Amit Khaskalam, Assistant Professor, Information Tech, IT
8. Dr. Manorama Singh, Assistant Professor, Chemistry

The day's programme started with the visit to M/s Ayurved Health House, Tifra Industrial Estate. The Director of the firm Shri Aniruddha Agrawal welcomed the members. The team members visited the medicinal plantation done in the factory premises. The production process of various Ayurvedic products were also seen by the members. During the discussions, it was expressed by the faculty members and Shri Agrawal that lot of scopes are available is there for mutual cooperation and collaboration, particularly in the area of testing of medicines, development of new drugs, popularization and awareness of Ayurvedic medicines and visit of students of the Departments of Forestry and Botany, etc. for practical experience.

The team's next visit was scheduled at M/s Anshu Cold Storage, Sirgitti Industrial Estate. Shri Anil Saluja partner of the firm welcomed the team and took them around the cold storage.

During the visit, it was learnt by the members that how the fruits were ripened in the cold storage by varying the temperature and without undesirable chemicals were used for the purpose.

M/s Black Diamond Motors Pvt. Ltd. was the third firm visited by the team members. Shri PS Bhatia, Managing Director of the firm welcomed the team members and made a presentation about the firm. The team came to know during the presentation that M/s Black Diamond Motors Pvt. Ltd. is the largest manufacturers of tippers, tip-trailers and flatbed trailers. Shri Bhatia and his team escorted the members of the IIC for the manufacturing site visit. It was observed that Black diamond Motors and the University can cooperate each other for visit of students of Mechanical engineering, Production engineering and Management studies for practical training.

The next visit was to M/s Narmada Drinks Pvt. Ltd. The team members were welcomed by Shri Navneet Agrawal, Managing Director of the firm. The team members took a round of various stages of bottling process of soft drinks. Discussion was held for possible visit of students of Management and other departments for summer training projects and practical training.

In the last phase, the IIC team members visited M/S Krishna Speciality Chemicals ( P) Ltd., Village-Bodri, Raipur Road, Bilaspur. The visiting team members were welcomed by the Managing Director Shri Arjun Agrawal. The firm is having expertise in manufacturing and supplying chemicals to cement and paper industries which help the companies in reducing the cost and improving the product quality. The clientele of the firm included almost all cement factories and paper industries. The discussions were took place on how possible collaboration for testing quality of concrete and testing of various chemicals could be made.

The IIC team feels that the industry visit will lead to some collaboration between the industries visited in terms of practical training of the students, product testing and new product development. The visit opened new scope for further cooperation between industry and the University.