## **Press Release**

## **Subject: Induction Program at Sikkim University**

Sikkim University held an Induction program for all postgraduate students from its 33 academic departments on September 18, 2024, at the Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College Auditorium in Tadong. Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang welcomed the newly admitted first-semester students and encouraged them to take full advantage of the academic and extracurricular resources available at the University. He provided a brief history of the University and emphasized the strong sense of community among faculty, staff, and students, despite their diverse cultural backgrounds. Prof. Tamang stressed the importance of fostering a sense of belonging, which can help individuals grow. He also emphasized that students can cultivate leadership skills by participating in various extracurricular activities that contribute to community development and the country's progress. Furthermore, he urged students to engage in open communication and foster positive relationships with their teachers, seniors, and classmates. The Deans of Students' Welfare and the Controller of Examinations also spoke to the students. Deans of all Schools, Heads of Departments, faculty members, Statutory Officers, NSS Coordinator, and some non-teaching staff also attended the Induction programme.