## Department of Environmental Sciences Central University of Jammu

## Interdepartmental Quiz Competition on Depletion of Ozone Layer and its Mitigation

The United Nations (UN) International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer is celebrated on September 16 every year. This event commemorates the date of the signing of the Montreal Protocol in 1987 on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer.

Department of Environmental Sciences, Central University of Jammu celebrated this Day on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 by organising an Interdepartmental Quiz Competition on the theme, "Depletion of Ozone Layer and its Mitigation". Prof. H. S. Sehgal, Head Department of Environmental Sciences was the Convenor of the Quiz Competition. Dr. Anita Singh and Dr. Shweta Yadav were the Coordinator and Cocoordinator of the competition, respectively. Sh. Jit Singh, Registrar, Central University of Jammu, graced the occasion by his presence. Dr. G. K. Sehgal, Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences and Ms. Kiran, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational studies were the judges of event. A total of 16 teams participated in this competition from the departments of Environmental Sciences and Educational Studies of the Central University of Jammu. Initially, a written test was conducted to screen the teams after which 8 teams were selected for the Quiz Competition. Names of the participating teams were given after the names of the important glaciers of the J and K State. These were: Kazi Nag, Shafat, Nubra, Machoi, Hari Parbat, Nun Kun, Tayseer, and Kolahoi.



The quiz was spread over three rounds, which were further divided into two sub-rounds. In first round, general questions regarding ozone and visual round (photos of famous environmentalists) were asked from the participating teams. After completion of the first round, 5 teams were short-listed for 2<sup>nd</sup> round. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, questions regarding ozone layer and its depletion were asked from teams along with the explanation of some important abbreviations related to ozone. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, 3 teams were short-listed for 3<sup>rd</sup> round, which was the rapid fire round The team, Kazinag comprising of Saba and Minalideep of the Department of Environmental Sciences won the competition while the team Machoi comprising of Shivali and Shivani of the

Department of Environmental Sciences was the runner up. Dr. G. K. Sehgal formally

announced the results Sh. Jit Singh and Prof. H. S. Sehgal congratulated the winning teams and distributed the certificates of merit. Dr. Sehgal thanked all the participants and asked his faculty to organize more such knowledge-sharing competitions in future. Dr. Shweta Yadav proposed the formal vote of thanks.