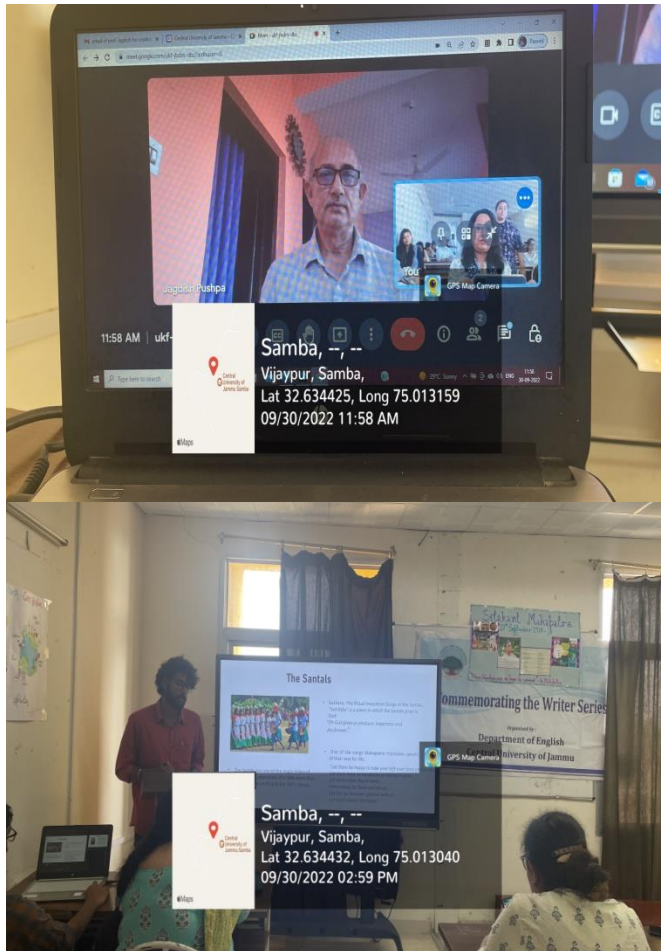


## Translation Day celebrated at CUJ



On the occasion of International Translation Day which is observed worldwide to celebrate the feast of St. Jerome, the Bible translator, who is considered the patron saint of translators, Department of English Central University of Jammu organized a stimulating Quiz competition and an Extension lecture on the topic “Significance of Translation in Contemporary Times”. Prof. Jagdish Sharma, Formerly Director, School of Translation Studies and Training, Indira Gandhi National Open University highlighted the importance of translation by underscoring the theme of 2022 United Nations, which is World Without Borders. In his talk, Prof. Sharma said the translation liberates and acts as a tool for knowledge generation, dissemination and documentation. Further, Prof. Sharma shared his

experience of being associated with mapping of languages and shared that various languages are getting extinct due to pressure of market, economy and lack of employment opportunities and it is only through translation that indigenous knowledge could be carried forward. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Vandana Sharma, Head, Department of English said that the department deems it imperative to provide such platforms to students where they learn from mutual interaction, discussion and participation. As a practicing Dogri to English translator, Dr. Sharma said that translation as a life force ensures the survival of a text and in the present times only those individuals and communities will survive that will learn from others, which is possible through translation only. In the quiz competition, Safiya and Kavya, students of MA Sem III won the first prize whereas Gokul and Vashnyv won second prize . The celebration was followed by commemorating the contribution of Padma Shree awardee Oriya writer, Sitakant Mahapatra wherein the students of the department made presentations and made a performative act on the Yashoda Soliloquy of Mahapatra. Dr. M AF arooq convened the commemorating the Writer Series and Ms. Sonam conducted the proceedings.