2-day national conference on Emerging Technologies for Governance concludes at IUST

Awantipora, Nov 18: The two-day National Conference on 'Emerging Technologies for Governance and Development Planning in Jammu and Kashmir: Policy and Implementation' organised by the Centre for Good Governance and Public Analysis (CGG&PA), Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST) concluded on Wednesday.

The second day of the conference featured four technical sessions focusing on performance-based governance, geospatial technology, spatial and digital transformation in university administration, bringing together academicians, policymakers, administrators and experts to deliberate on technology driven approaches to governance and development planning.

Vice Chancellor, IUST, Prof. Shakil Ahmad Romshoo, said, geospatial technology can transform the way people understand and plan development. "By integrating data on natural resources, connectivity, infrastructure and socio-economic conditions, we can identify local needs, map development opportunities and move towards more evidence-based and inclusive planning. The ultimate objective is to translate data into meaningful interventions that improve people's lives," he said.

He stressed the need for universities to embrace digital transformation to strengthen institutional efficiency. He observed that integrated data systems can improve coordination, facilitate informed decision-making and foster greater transparency in university administration.

The conference concluded with a valedictory session, with Prof. Romshoo joining as the chief guest. The session marked the conclusion of two days of deliberations on leveraging emerging technologies for strengthening governance mechanisms, institutional capacities and development planning in Jammu and Kashmir.

To mention, the conference has been sponsored by the Information Technology Department, Government of J&K, Jammu and Kashmir Bank Ltd, and Renewable Energy Pvt. Ltd.

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