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## ICFAI University expands skill development programmes in line with NEP

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GANGTOK, August 7: The ICF AI University, Sikkim announced the expansion of skill development programmes in alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

The University has partnered with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and various skill sector councils to provide skill development programmes while students continue with their undergraduate programmes.

informs a press release.

Under the new initiative, the students will now have a multi-entry/exit system. In the first year, they will receive a diploma, followed by an advanced diploma in the second year. The third year will see them earn their undergraduate degree, and the fourth year will be dedicated to research or an honours degree.

The comprehensive programme structure allows students to gain practical skills while pursuing their academic qualifications.

One of the key advantages of these programmes is their affordability. The fees have been set at reasonable rates, particularly for students from the Northeast. Additionally, the university offers various scholarship programmes, including a 50% fee concession through government quotas.

The ICF AI University, Sikkim, is a flagship group of the ICF AI Foundation and IBS, renowned for their case study research methodology and storytelling approach to teaching.

Apart from these skill development programmes, The ICF AI University of Sikkim offers a range of degrees and post-graduate courses that are relevant to various industries. The university boasts a highly qualified faculty and staff who are dedicated to supporting students in achieving their career aspirations and becoming leaders in their chosen professions.

To cater to the needs of working professionals, the university has introduced an Executive MBA programme,

a 3-year LLB for practising professionals on a flexible schedule, and PhD programmes in management and law. Additionally, a 2-year Master of Law programme has been designed for practising professionals in weekend and blended modes.

Students who have domicile and meet the eligibility criteria for government concession fees can easily apply online and take advantage of the benefits offered by the university, the release mentions.