

ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AWANTIPORA, KASHMIR

IUST hosts Day-Long Workshop on 'Exploration of Cultural Resources'

Awantipora, Dec 01: Department of Architecture, Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST) Awantipora in collaboration with INTACH J&K Chapter, organized a day-long workshop on 'Exploration of Cultural Resources of Kashmir' on Wednesday.

Convenor INTACH (J&K Chapter), Muhammad Saleem Beg, who was also the Chief Guest on the occasion said, "Kashmir has contributed immensely to



cultural artifacts like poetry, calligraphy, painting and numerous other artforms". He also added that the Valley had succeeded in recording it's own unique and exhaustive history. "We have the historical records of last 5000 years available with us which is rarely found in the Indian Subcontinent", Beg said. Beg expressed his gratitude to IUST for organizing the workshop which will create an inquisitiveness among the students of Architecture specially.

Head of the Department of Mathematical Sciences IUST, Dr. Fozia Qazi in her speech highlighted the patterns of art and cultures through mathematics. She discussed how artisans in the Valley had been stitching different geometric designs on the fabric since past many several decades.

Incharge Head Department of Architecture, Dr. Mehran Quraishi shed light on the monumental graveyards from the mediaeval period found in Kashmir including 'Mazar-e Kalan' and 'Mazar-e Shora'. He also spoke about the early Muslim point of view about building these Royal Graves.

Both the students and faculty members participated in the workshop and held deliberations on various aspects of Kashmiri culture.

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