

UPES Law Students Gain Insights in Digital Forensics at Cyber Crime Cell Uttarakhand

Dehradun, March 12, 2025 – The School of Law, UPES, successfully organised an industrial visit for students pursuing a Master of Laws (specialising in Cyber Security and Digital Law) to the Cyber Crime Cell, Uttarakhand. Dr Abhishek Sinha, Dean of the School of Law at UPES, emphasised the significance of the visit, highlighting its role in providing students with a pragmatic approach and practical exposure to digital forensics and cyber-crime investigations. This initiative complemented their academic learning in Electronic Evidence and Digital Forensics. The visit was meticulously organised and coordinated by Dr Shruti Dasgupta, Assistant Professor (Selection Grade), School of Law, UPES.

The faculty and students received a warm welcome from the officials at the Cyber Crime Cell and were given a guided tour of the facility. The visit provided first-hand insights into the tools, technologies, and methodologies employed in cyber-crime investigations, covering aspects from case initiation to forensic analysis and reporting.

A key highlight of the visit was an enlightening session delivered by Mr Ankush Mishra, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Cyber and Financial Frauds, Special Task Force, Uttarakhand Police. His lecture, titled *"Insights into Handheld Devices and Digital Forensics"*, explored the critical role of smartphones and tablets in cyber-crime investigations, the process of digital evidence extraction, and the legal and technical challenges involved. The session was further enriched with real-life case studies and live demonstrations of forensic tools, offering students a practical perspective on cyber law enforcement.

The visit provided several key takeaways for the students, offering valuable insights into digital forensics techniques and tools, as well as the legal aspects of cyber-crime investigations. It also enhanced their understanding of practical approaches to cyber law enforcement and highlighted the crucial role of technology in modern cyber investigations.

This initiative aligns with the National Education Policy and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 4 – Quality Education, SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, and SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals). It underscores UPES's commitment to quality education and academic-industry collaboration. The visit proved to be immensely beneficial for all stakeholders, enhancing students' knowledge and professional competence in cyber law and digital forensics.