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The foundations of Haridev Joshi University of Journalism and Mass Communication (HJUJ) stand on the bedrock of freedom of expression and providing access to information and knowledge of diverse viewpoints. In fact, HJUJ is the result of Rajasthan Government's commitment towards promoting quality journalism. The conviction, in the minds of Members of the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly and the policy makers in the State of Rajasthan, on the crucial role of the media in preserving democratic principles also facilitated the enactment of the legislation that brought HJUJ into existence in 2012.

Haridev Joshi University of Journalism and Mass Communication (HJUJ) aims to be one of India's finest universities devoted to media studies and mass communication. The university is named after an illustrious former Chief Minister of Rajasthan, the late Haridev Joshi, who began his public life as a freedom fighter and journalist in the tribal Banswara region. HJUJ, a dream project of Rajasthan Government, is mandated to lead three core programmes -- teaching, training and research - embracing a broad social mission to impart high calibre journalistic education to strengthen democratic values and processes in society.

Located in Jaipur, the capital of India's largest State Rajasthan, HJUJ offers an array of innovative courses in journalism and mass communication to combine both theory and practice at the graduate, postgraduate and doctoral levels. Committed to instilling quality in education and make it responsive to fast changing global trends, HJUJ will adopt media-study-tools to impart professional skills and lead students, including those belonging to weaker sections of society, towards advanced educational opportunities.

An autonomous and independent mass media is *joie de vivre* to promoting public welfare, protecting peoples' fundamental rights and basic entitlements. India has a long tradition of a pluralistic, fair and independent press that rose to prominence through its deep involvement in the country's Freedom Struggle. In recent decades, other mass media like radio, television, cinema and digital or 'new' media have also earned enormous recognition. Through Its multiple academic programmers dovetailed with fast emerging issue-based practical sessions and in-plant training schedules, HJUJ will strive to function as a media-laboratory to roll out ethically competent professionals in various segments of the fast expanding media industry.