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The University of Delhi has produced many distinguished personalities, including at least seven heads of state or government and two Nobel Laureates.

Notable alumni of Delhi University include major politicians of India, including

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India and former Chief Minister of Gujarat

Sheila Dikshit, former Chief Minister of Delhi

Madan Lal Khurana, former Chief Minister of Delhi and Governor of Rajasthan

Sucheta Kripalani, former Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and India's first woman Chief Minister

Naveen Patnaik, current Chief Minister of Orissa;

Naveen Jindal, Indian National Congress politician;

Montek Singh Ahluwalia, former Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission;

Rahul Gandhi, Indian National Congress Member of Parliament;

Salman Khurshid, former Minister of State for Corporate and Minority Affairs;

Kapil Sibal, former Union Minister for Human Resource Development;

Ambika Soni, former Minister of Information and Broadcasting;

Arun Jaitley, the Minister of Finance; and

Arun Shourie,[62] former Union Minister for Disinvestment.

Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, the fifth President of India, graduated from St. Stephen's College, when the college was under the University of the Punjab

Amrita Meghwal, Member of the Legislative Assembly, from Jalore

Foreign notable DU alumni include

Bingu wa Mutharika, President of Malawi

Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq (a graduate of St. Stephen's College),[citation needed] the sixth President of Pakistan;

Girija Prasad Koirala, who served as the Prime Minister of Nepal on four occasions

Aung San Suu Kyi, pro-democracy activist, leader of the National League for Democracy in Myanmar and 1991 Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

Amrish Tyagi, Indian psephologist and political stragegist

In science and engineering, notable alumni of DU include physicists

Archana Bhattacharyya,[63] Pran Nath, Jogesh Pati (MSc in 1957)[64] and Amitava Raychaudhuri;

chemists Charusita Chakravarty

Anil Kumar Tyagi (PhD in Medical Biochemistry)[65]

Vinod Dham, also accomplished as "Pentium Engineer"

Ek Nath Prabhakar Ghate, Mathematician

Yogi Goswami, Engineer

In humanities and social sciences, notable alumni include

Balram Shukla, academician and poet of Sanskrit and Persian;

Gita Gopinath, professor of economics at Harvard University;

Kaushik Basu, economist and Senior Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank;

Historians such as

Arundhati Virmani,

Ramnarayan Rawat,

Upinder Singh, Usha Sanyal; and Veena Das, professor of anthropology at Johns Hopkins University.

The university also has produced a large number of major actors of Indian cinema and theatre including