## NEWS BULLETIN

**GCU Annual Marathon: A Run for Unity and Athletic Excellence** 



AZARA, January 27: In a spirited display of athleticism and community engagement, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU) organized its Annual Marathon on January 23rd, 2024. The event served as a prelude to the university's much-anticipated Annual Festival, "Euphuism 2024," and was proudly sponsored by Decathlon, Azara.

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The marathon, which commenced at 06:40 am, took off from the picturesque GCU campus in Azara, with Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Kandarpa Das, flagging off the race. The route spanned 15 km, weaving its way from the campus to VIP Chowk and back via Dharapur. The primary objective of the marathon was to foster unity and harmony for social empowerment and brotherhood, instilling an athletic spirit not only among the university's students and staff but also within the broader society. Over 150 participants, including university members and external competitors, joined the event, contributing to the vibrant energy that enveloped the campus. The winners, representing various categories, were awarded medals, cash prizes, and certificates in a ceremony presided over by Jasodaranjan Das, President of SSA Society, Prof. Kandarpa Das, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, GCU, and Prof. S. Robert Ravi, Dean, School of Engineering and Technology. In the non-university runners' category, K. Bikram Meiti and Fulmoni Urang claimed the top positions in the male and female (open)categories, respectively. GCU student Lichen Rupok secured the first position in the university student category, while Nur Alom Islam and Bidhan Chandra Ray secured the second and third positions respectively, showcasing the homegrown talent within the institution. The teaching and non-teaching staff categories witnessed remarkable performances. Mr. Alokojjwal Das, Mr. Faruk Ahmed and Mr. Bhaskar Jyoti Medhi, Asst. Professors, GCU Clinched the first, second and third positions respectively in the male category and Sanu Das, Staff member, secured the first position in the female categories. The event concluded with all participants receiving well-deserved participation certificates, marking the occasion as a memorable celebration of athleticism and community engagement. The GCU Annual Marathon not only showcased physical prowess but also highlighted the university's commitment to fostering unity and camaraderie through sports.

