

Special Lecture

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Centre for Research and ACPG

Maitreyi College, University of Delhi

National/International/Inter-University/State Level/College Level- College level

Date - 04-03-2024

Name of the organizing Department/Society- Centre for Research and Advisory Committee for Professional Grooming, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi

Name of the convenor/ coordinators of the event- Dr. Pinkey B Gandhi, Dr. Gopi Devdutt Tripathy, Dr. Ritu Bagga, Dr. Ankita Chaudhury

Resource Persons (along with their affiliation)- Padma Shri (Prof). Virander Chauhan, Trustee of Inlaks Foundation and Director of HEFA

Total Number of the participants/beneficiaries- 267

Venue: NSB Seminar Hall, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi

Report of the Event:

On 4th March, Centre for Research and Advisory Committee for Professional Grooming, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi organized a special lecture on the topic “Social Responsibility of Science, Research and Innovation”. The speaker for the lecture was Prof. Virander S Chauhan. Prof. Chauhan is an Indian Scientist and a Rhodes Scholar who is well known for his contributions in the development of a recombinant vaccine for malaria. He has also been awarded the fourth highest civilian honor, Padma Shri by the Government of India. Presently he serves as the Trustee of Inlaks Foundation and Director of HEFA.

The session commenced with the auspicious lamp-lighting ceremony and recitation of Ganesh Stotra, followed by a warm welcome to Prof. Chauhan by the Principal, Prof. Haritima Chopra. While addressing the audience, the Principal spoke about the International e-journal, ‘*Vantage: Journal of Thematic Analysis*’ published by the Centre for Research, Maitreyi College, and highlighted how the Centre for Research has always encouraged and cultivated the idea of research amongst students.

During the lecture, Prof. Virander Chauhan discussed the fundamental nature of science, emphasizing its systematic approach to questioning and understanding the natural world. He highlighted the perspectives of notable scientists such as John Desmond Bernal, who asserted that

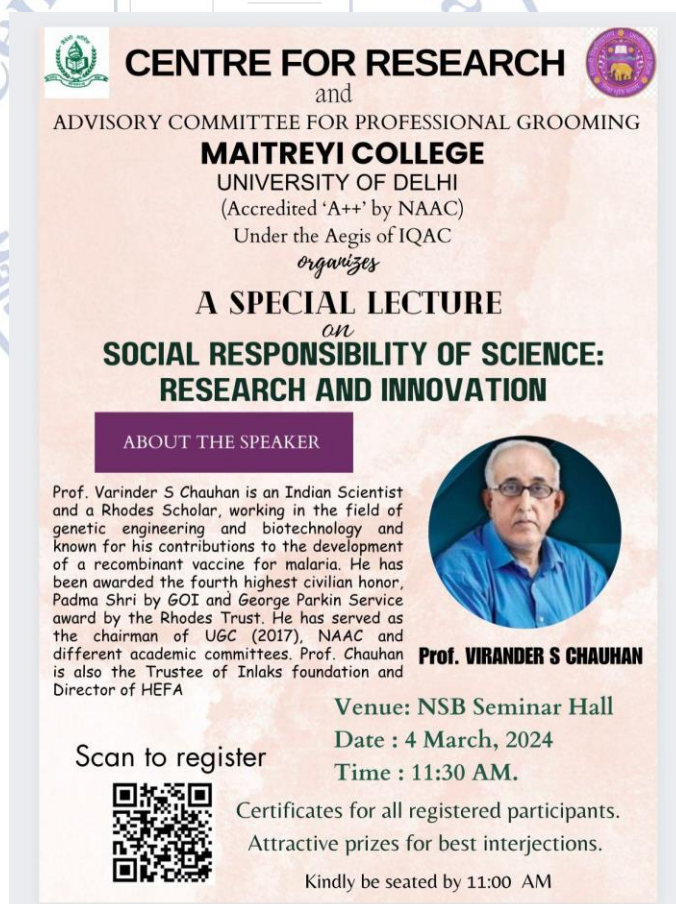
all public engagement, including science, carries political implications. Additionally, Prof. Chauhan touched upon the views of Michael Polanyi, who advocated for the freedom of scientists to pursue truth as an intrinsic goal, leading to the flourishing of scientific inquiry. He also discussed the advancements taking place in various branches of science including biomedical and health Sciences, physics and astronomy, synthetic biology and chemistry.

Furthermore, Prof. Chauhan cautioned the students about the spread of misinformation in science, while pointing out several scientific misconducts. His talk concluded by highlighting the ethical obligations of science.

The lecture was followed by an interactive question and answer session where the students with the best questions were rewarded. The event witnessed active participation from faculty and students across departments, fostering a spirit of curiosity and learning.

The session ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Brototi Roy. The lecture, enriched with practical examples, left a lasting impact on the audience, reaffirming the importance of ethical responsibility in scientific endeavors.


Poster of the Event:



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and
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MAITREYI COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF DELHI
(Accredited 'A++' by NAAC)
Under the Aegis of IQAC
organizes
A SPECIAL LECTURE
on
**SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCIENCE:
RESEARCH AND INNOVATION**

ABOUT THE SPEAKER


Prof. Virander S Chauhan is an Indian Scientist and a Rhodes Scholar, working in the field of genetic engineering and biotechnology and known for his contributions to the development of a recombinant vaccine for malaria. He has been awarded the fourth highest civilian honor, Padma Shri by GOI and George Parkin Service award by the Rhodes Trust. He has served as the chairman of UGC (2017), NAAC and different academic committees. Prof. Chauhan is also the Trustee of Inlaks' foundation and Director of HEFA



Prof. VIRANDER S CHAUHAN

Venue: NSB Seminar Hall
Date : 4 March, 2024
Time : 11:30 AM.

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Certificates for all registered participants.
Attractive prizes for best interjections.
Kindly be seated by 11:00 AM

Online Meeting Link: NA

Geotagged Photographs of the Event:





Significance of the event (Outreach/Soft Skill Development/Curriculum Enrichment, etc):

The event provided valuable insights into the social responsibility of science and research and also fostered a sense of curiosity and learning among students and faculty. Prof. Chauhan's discourse on the systematic nature of science and ethical obligations left a lasting impact, reaffirming the importance of integrity in scientific endeavors.

Name of the Prize holders (if any) along with their affiliation:

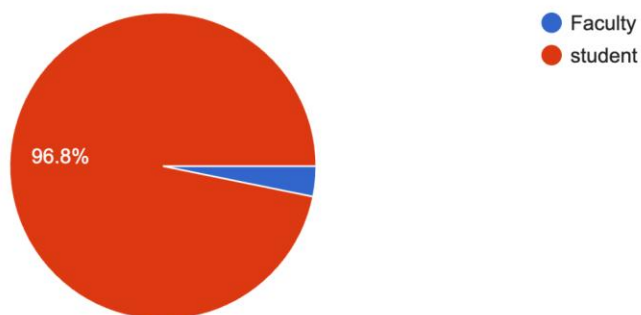
Best Interjection prize

1. Vaishnavi Mohanpuria, B.Sc(H) Zoology 3rd year, Department of Zoology, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi
2. Tripti Patwa, B.Sc. (H) Physics 3rd year, Department of Physics, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi

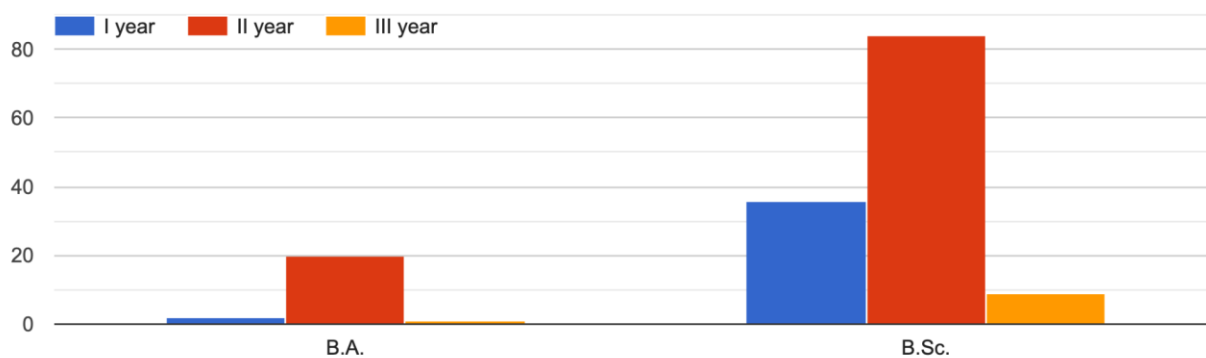
Feedback Analysis:

Participated as:

157 responses

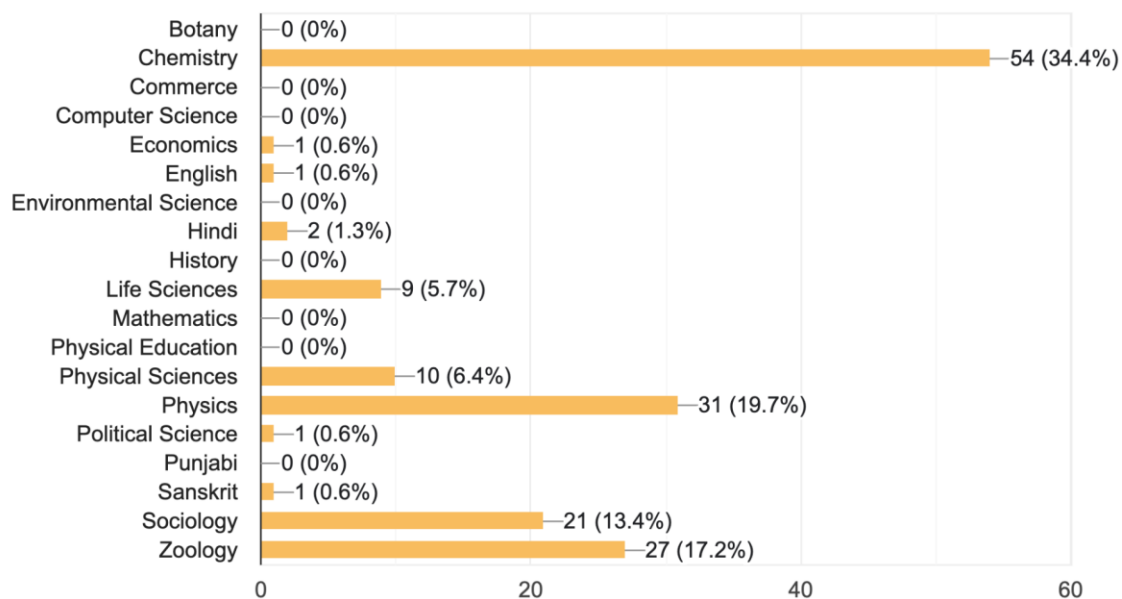


Course and Year (for students)



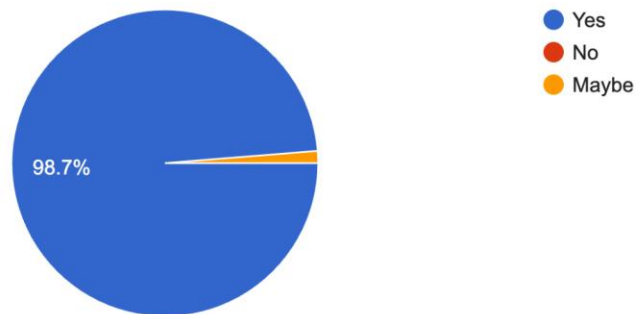
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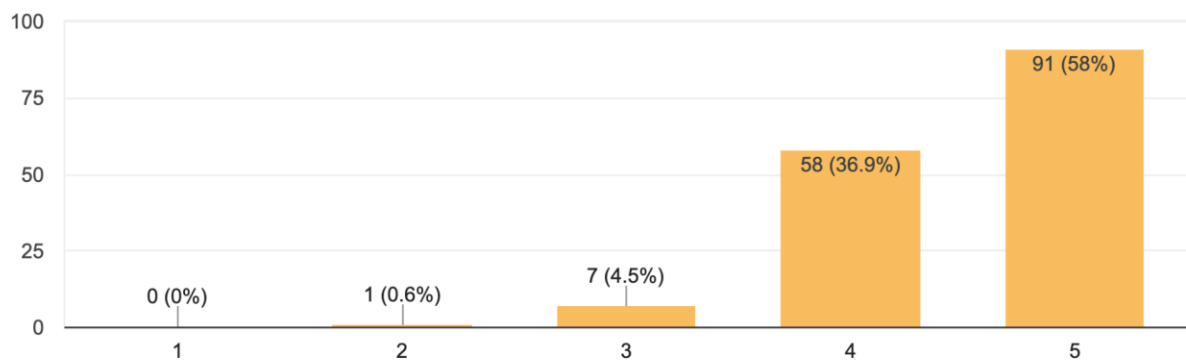
Do you think that the topic of the Special lecture was relevant

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The contents of the lecture were interesting, understandable and useful. Please rate your answer.

157 responses



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