

**CELEBRATION OF
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POSTER EXHIBITION ON MAHATMA GANDHI AND INDIAN FREEDOM MOVEMENT

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In continuation to year-long celebrations of 70th Anniversary of Constitution Day, a Poster exhibition on 'Mahatma Gandhi and Indian Freedom Movement' and Slogan Writing was organized at Birla Campus, Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Srinagar on 27-28 January, 2020. The poster exhibition was organized in collaboration with Azem Premji Foundation. The poster exhibition displayed more than 150 posters depicting the life of Mahatma Gandhi and his contribution in various freedom movements.

Day 1 (Monday, 27.01.2020)

The Poster exhibition on 'Mahatma Gandhi and Indian Freedom Movement' was inaugurated by Prof. Annpurna Nautiyal, Vice Chancellor, HNB Garhwal University at 10:00 AM on 27.01.2020 by lighting the lamp and performing opening ceremony of the galleries by cutting the ribbon. In her inaugural address the Vice Chancellor emphasized on the need of such exhibitions so as to make the current generation aware of the freedom struggle. She expressed her thoughts on Gandhian philosophy and its relevance. She also highlighted that our Constitution is not merely a document but it's a soul of India.

Prof. M.M. Semwal, Nodal Officer, Uttarakhand State Coordinating University and Head, Department of Political Science, HNB Garhwal University informed the gathering about the programme of the Govt. for Celebration of 70th Anniversary of Constitution Day throughout the year. He also highlighted the need to be cognizant about our Fundamental Duties and importance of such events in creating awareness about the freedom struggle movement and their impact in making responsible citizen of India.

Prof. P.S. Rana, Dean Students' Welfare, HNB Garhwal University in his address said that such events make the environment within the campus more energetic and instill creativity amongst students. He also thanked the organizers for organizing the event.

After the deliberations by the guest, the gallery was opened to the visitors and they were made aware of relevance of each poster displayed. Simultaneously, documentaries on 'Making of Constitution' were also shown to the visitors.

Students from various departments, National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers, National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets, students from Bachelor in Physical Education (B.PEd.) department and Research scholars were amongst those who participated in the event. Further, students from S.P. Memorial College, Srinagar also attended the event in large numbers. Apart from students, faculty members of the University, namely Prof. C.S. Sood, Prof. R.N. Gairola, Prof. Himanshu Baurai, Prof. R.S. Negi, Prof. B.P. Naithani, Prof. Kiran Dangwal and Prof. M.K. Singh also attended the event.

Day 2 (Tuesday, 28.01.2020)

The galleries were opened at 10:00 AM for the participants. The students from Vir Chandra Singh Garhwali Government Institute of Medical Science and Research, Srikot, Srinagar Garhwal along with Dr. Niyati, Dr. Vimal Gusain and Dr. Anil Dwivedi visited the gallery. Prof. M. M. Semwal welcomed the guests and the students of Medical College, Srinagar and made them aware about the programme and its need in the current scenario.

Prof. Seema Dhawan, Member Committee for celebrating 70th Anniversary of Constitution Day made the students of Medical College aware of the Fundamental Duties by means of a presentation. The Preamble of our Constitution was also read out by her and was repeated by all those present in the Hall.

Prof. P.K. Joshi, Head, Department of Education, HNB Garhwal University addressed the gathering and deliberated upon the current scenario in India. He emphasized that India has got enormous potential to be the exporter of human resource to the world in the coming years as more than 65% of population is below the age of 35 years. He expressed that this demographic dividend is an asset if properly trained and imparted skills, however he also expressed his concern that if within coming 10-15 years this mass is not imparted skills and trained to be a responsible citizen of India it could have catastrophic effect on the future of India.

In after lunch session, M. Tech students and research scholars along with faculty members namely, Mr. Purushotam and Mr. Pradeep Rawat from National Institute of Technology, Srinagar also came to visit the exhibition. Prof. M. M. Semwal briefed them about the year-long programme for celebrating 70th Anniversary of the Constitution Day and about the need to be aware of not only our Fundamental Rights but also of our Fundamental Duties as enshrined in the Constitution.

An expression wall with several blank posters and a Visitor's Feedback Register was also placed, and this was appreciated by most of the guests and participants. The guests were also provided with papers for writing slogans and many of the visitors wrote the slogans. The galleries remained open till 5:00 PM on both days. The expression wall also received good response by the visitors and guests.

In total, more than 300 persons visited the event, few of them participated in slogan writing and many of the guests commented in the Visitors' Feedback Register. Mr. Ankit Rawat, President, Students' Union 2019-20, HNB Garhwal University along with ex-Secretaries of Students' Union namely Mr. Devkant Devrari, Mr. Ram Prakash also attended the event. Members of the Committee for Celebrating 70th Anniversary of the Constitution, namely Prof. R.S. Kunwar, Dr. Jyoti Tiwari, Dr. R.S. Fartyal, Dr. Prashant Kandari, Dr. J.P. Bhatt, Dr. Nitin Sati and Dr. Arun Shekhar Bahuguna helped in successfully organizing the two day event. Dr. Pradeep Anthwal and Miss Sweeti from Azemji Premji Foundation collaborated in successful conduct of the event.

The event was well covered in print and electronic media.