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Event: Invited Lecture by External Resource Person on 16 May 2025

Profile of the External Resource Person: Dr. Abhishek Prince Rohta is an educator running an E-School called 'Palace Of Words.' He's a PhD in English Literature and Psychology from Wisconsin University, Madison, USA. He is also a poet, reading poetry across the globe propagating the message of world peace.

Led by Associate Professor & Head, Dr Deepak Kaprate, the Resource Person was welcomed by the Department of English. The talk was organised in the Language Lab where more than 50 students, both undergraduate and postgraduate, were present. Dr Aditya Singh Dulta introduced Dr Rohta to the audience. Among the audience, faculty members Dr Himani Saxena, Dr Shiwani Khatri, Dr Harsh Vardhan Khimta, Dr Anupama Chaudhary, Dr Aditya Singh Dulta and Dr Harsh Bhardwaj were present. Dr Pooja Dulta, Assistant Professor of English, Govt. College Theog, also attended the talk.

The overarching theme of the talk was “Gender Studies.”

A Brief Overview/ Report of the Event:

At the very outset, Dr Rohta defined Gender Studies as an interdisciplinary field that examines the complex interplay between gender, sexuality, and society. He said that it explores how gender identities and roles are constructed, maintained, and challenged across different cultures and historical periods. By analysing the social, political, and economic factors that influence gender relations, Gender Studies aims to promote equality and social justice.

He opined that at the global level; Gender Studies has gained significant traction over the past few decades. Universities and research institutions worldwide have established dedicated departments and programs to study gender-related issues. This field has contributed to a deeper understanding of the systemic inequalities faced by individuals based on their gender and sexuality. It has also played a crucial role in advocating for policy changes, such as gender-neutral laws, equal pay, and protection against gender-based violence. He also further enlightened the audience about the global feminist movements, LGBTQ+ rights activism, and the #MeToo movement that have been influenced by Gender Studies.

Shedding light on the concept as prevalent in India, he said that Gender Studies has emerged as a vital area of academic inquiry and social activism. Indian scholars and activists have highlighted the unique challenges faced by women and LGBTQ+ individuals in the country. Issues such as

gender-based violence, dowry practices, and the marginalization of transgender individuals have been brought to the forefront. He said that Indian universities have introduced Gender Studies programs to educate and empower students to challenge patriarchal norms and advocate for gender equality. The legal recognition of transgender individuals and the decriminalization of same-sex relationships are significant achievements that reflect the impact of Gender Studies in India.

In conclusion, Dr Rohta said that Gender Studies is a dynamic and evolving field that addresses critical issues related to gender and sexuality. By fostering a deeper understanding of gender dynamics, it contributes to the creation of a more equitable and inclusive society. He emphasized that the progress made at both the global and national levels underscore the importance of continued research, education, and activism in this field.



