

Invited Speakers on Various Themes Relevant to Holistic Development of Students

For the International Conference on "Recent Advances in materials and Biological Sciences" organised by Govt. College Sanjauli w.e.f. 19-20 November 2024, a plethora of eminent academic were invited (both online & offline) who enlightened the participants (including students). Some of them were included Dr Bhuvanesh Gupta (IIT Delhi), Dr Khalid Batoo (King Saud University), Dr Dinesh Pathak (University of West Indies), Dr Ravi Kumar (NIT, Hamirpur), Dr B S Malik (Northwest Agriculture & Forestry University, China), Dr Himanshu Ojha (DRDO, New Delhi) and Dr Sanjeev K Thakur (Central University, Punjab).

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Invited Speakers



**Dr. Bhuvanesh
Gupta**

Professor
Department of Textile
Technology, IIT Delhi



Dr. Khalid Batoo

Professor
King Saud University



Dr. Dinesh Pathak

Head, Dept. of Physics
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**Dr. Sanjeev K.
Thakur**

Professor, Department of
Botany
Central University, Punjab

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Bharti Bhagra".

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WOMEN CELL, GC SANJAULI

6TH MARCH 2025

Report on Skincare Awareness Talk

Invited Talk by **Dr Shikha Sharma**, Senior Dermatologist, Skinvent, formerly at IGMC, Shimla.

The Women Cell of GC Sanjauli organized an informative talk by **Dr. Shikha Sharma**, a senior dermatologist with extensive experience at IGMC Shimla, who currently runs her own clinic, **SKINVENT** in Sanjauli, Shimla. The session aimed to enlighten students about various skin issues, their underlying causes, and preventive measures.


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Key Insights from the Skincare Awareness Talk

Dr. Shikha Sharma emphasized that **skincare is a reflection of overall well-being**, as many skin conditions indicate underlying health issues. She highlighted common skin disorders such as **acne, hair fall, PCOD-related skin issues, hirsutism, and seborrheic dermatitis**. She elaborated on how **melasma** can be aggravated due to stress, obesity, and excessive sun exposure. She also discussed factors contributing to acne, including **increased sebum production, the use of over-the-counter creams, high glycemic index diets, and prolonged exposure to blue light from mobile screens at night**.

The talk also covered **post-acne scars, their treatments, and the impact of photoaging**. One of the key issues discussed was **PCOD**, which affects a significant percentage of young women today and manifests in symptoms like acne, hair fall, weight gain, and hirsutism.

Dr. Sharma's Lifestyle Recommendations

- Exercising **at least four to five times a week**
- Choosing **healthy, home-cooked meals** over packaged foods
- Consuming **local, seasonal fruits and vegetables**
- Including **traditional food cuisines** in their diet

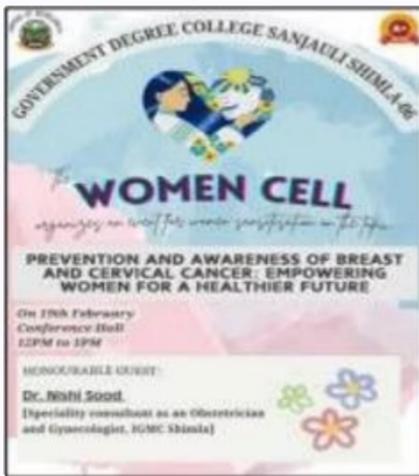
Advanced Dermatological Treatments at Her Clinic

- Diode Laser
- Q-Switch ND YAG
- Hydrafacial
- Peels
- Hair Treatments

A crucial takeaway from the session was the emphasis on **avoiding unhealthy habits**, such as **staying up too late and leading a sedentary lifestyle**, as these contribute to insulin resistance, which further leads to various skin disorders.

The talk was highly insightful and provided practical advice to both students and faculty on maintaining healthy skin and overall well-being. The session concluded with an interactive Q&A, where Dr. Sharma addressed students' queries and concerns regarding skincare.


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WOMEN CELL

19TH FEBRUARY 2025

Taking Charge of Women's Health: A Cancer Awareness Initiative

Talk by **Dr Nishi Sood**, a distinguished Obstetrician and Gynecologist from Kamla Nehru State Hospital [Specialist consultant, IGMC Shimla].

On February 19th, The Women Cell of GDC Sanjauli organised a gender sensitisation program on '**Prevention and Awareness of Breast and Cervical Cancer**' with an aim to raise awareness about the causes and risks of Breast and Cervical cancer among the young students as well as the college faculty members. The event was held in the college conference hall from 12PM to 1 PM.

The event was graced by **Dr. Nishi Sood**, a distinguished Obstetrician and Gynaecologist from Kamla Nehru State Hospital [specialty consultant, IGMC Shimla], as the esteemed guest speaker. Principal **Dr. Bharti Bhagra** served as the honourable chief guest for the event.

The program commenced with a warm welcome from the organisers and a brief welcome address acknowledging the presence of the honourable guests, Dr. Bharti Bhagra, Dr. Nishi Sood, and the Co Ordinator of the women cell, Dr. Minakshi Sharma and the various members of the staff. Gender champion Vineeta, requested Dr. Minakshi Sharma and Dr. Deepti Gupta to pin a rosette each on Dr. Bharti Bhagra and on Dr. Nishi Sood. Following this our guests were awarded with a flower pot and a Himachali muffler as token of appreciation.

The event was officially inaugurated with the lighting of a lamp by Principal Bharti Bhagra, Dr. Nishi Sood, Dr. Minakshi Sharma and other senior faculty members, the symbolic gesture representing the illumination of knowledge and empowerment of women.




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Drug Awareness and Psychological Impact of Substance Abuse

Dr Deepa, a renowned Clinical Psychologist, visited the college to sensitize the students on "**Drug Awareness and Psychological Impact of Substance Abuse**".

A lecture on "**Drug Awareness and Psychological Impact of Substance Abuse**" was organized on December 6, 2024, in the college Conference Hall to raise awareness among students about the harmful effects of drug use. The session was conducted by **Dr. Deepa**, a renowned clinical psychologist with extensive experience in youth mental health and substance abuse counselling.



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DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

25-26 NOVEMBER 2024

Two-Day Workshop on Molecular Biology Techniques

Two days workshop conducted by **Department of Botany** in collaboration with **ICFRE-HFRI, Panthaghati**. Dr M Ibrahim, Dr Bal Krishan Tiwari and Dr Antara Tiwari were the Resource Persons.

A two days workshop was conducted by **Department of Botany, Centre of Excellence GC Sanjauli under DBT Star College Scheme in association with ICFRE-HFRI Panthagatti** on 25th and 26th November 2024. Workshop began with the inaugural address by Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Director HFRI. He discussed the theme of the workshop and informed about the importance of such events.

01

Introduction to Molecular Systematics in Plants

First lecture given by **Dr. M. Ibrahim** on "Introduction to Molecular Systematics in Plants".

02

Steps and Principles of DNA Extraction

Second lecture by **Dr. Bal Krishan Tiwari** who shared his expertise on "Steps and Principles of DNA Extraction for Plant Samples".

03

Practical Demonstration: DNA Extraction

Following lunch, students were taken to lab for practical demonstration on "DNA Extraction from plant samples" which was performed by scientists and students of our College. It was an enriching and curious experience to learn to isolate DNA from plant samples.

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DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

28-29 AUGUST 2024

CHEMCOM: Inter-College Workshop on Green and Sustainable Chemistry

Dr Poonam Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Jaypee University, Wakhnaghat, Solan and Dr Nishant, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, St. Bede's College visited the college as Resource Persons in a workshop organised by the Department of Chemistry w.e.f. 28 to 29 August 2024.

Under the aegis of Excellence Centre situated at Govt. College Sanjauli. Department of Chemistry organized Inter-College two days' workshop "**CHEMCOM**" (Green and Sustainable Chemistry) on 28th and 29th August 2024 under DBT STAR College Scheme between college level participants in which **401 students participated** in two days event. Among the esteemed resource persons was **Dr. Poonam Sharma**, Associate Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Jaypee University, Wakhnaghat, Solan and **Mr. Nishant** Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, St. Bede's College, Shimla.

Date: 28th August 2024 — Pre-Lunch Session

Dr. Poonam Sharma dealt with all aspects of chemistry with focus on sustainable chemistry. She stated the fact that it is a central science and affects many areas of civilization. It was clearly indicated that "sustainable" means the method which could be extended for a longer duration. Dr. Sharma discussed the fundamentals and necessities of sustainable development, waste minimization, recycle chemical process, modification of chemical synthesis to reduce hazards and safer products design. She also talked how PLA is used for plastic manufacturing and other areas of sustainable chemistry such as green electronics, eco sensitive dry cleaning, paper bleaching, fire extinguishing substances, green plants, green pharmacy were also discussed.




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CHEMCOM DAY 2

29TH AUGUST 2024

CHEMCOM Workshop — Day 2: Software & Presentation Competition

Date: 29th August 2024 — Pre-Lunch Session

On the second day sir Nishant taught us about the three useful chemistry related software: *CHEMCOM*, *CHEMSKETCH*, *CHEMSPYDER*. Department organized power point presentation competition in which **10 students from different colleges** (GC Dhami, GDC Kotshera, RKMV, St. Bede's and GDC Sanjauli) participated. Topic of presentation was "**Chemistry and Sustainable Development: Challenges and Opportunities**" and "**Chemistry and Sustainable Development Goals**".




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DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

13TH AUGUST 2025

Report on the Free Dental Check-Up Camp

Dr Nayantara, BDS, MDS, Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics, participated as Resource Person and delivered a talk on 'oral hygiene'. She also conducted a free dental check-up.

A free dental check-up camp for students and staff was successfully organized by the **Department of Zoology, Government College, Sanjauli, on August 13, 2025**. The initiative aimed to promote oral health awareness and provide accessible dental consultations within the college campus. The event was a collaborative effort to underscore the critical link between oral hygiene and overall well-being.

Date	Time	Venue	Consultant
August 13, 2025	10:00 AM to 4:00 PM	Conference Hall, Government College, Sanjauli	<i>Dr. Nayantara, BDS, MDS (Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics)</i>

Inaugural Ceremony and Welcome Address

The event commenced at 10:00 AM with a warm welcome address delivered by *Dr. Minakshi Sharma*, Head of the Department of Zoology and Dean of Sciences. She extended a cordial welcome to all participants and highlighted the importance of such health initiatives for the college community.

The camp was graced by the presence of *Professor Dr. Bharti Bhagra*, Principal, Government College, Sanjauli, Shimla-06, who attended as the chief guest. In her address, she eloquently spoke about the profound significance of oral hygiene. She emphasized that oral health is an integral part of general health and that neglecting it can lead to various systemic problems. Her speech served as a powerful reminder of the proactive role individuals must take in maintaining their health.




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Dental Camp: Consultation and Key Highlights

Following the inaugural addresses, *Dr. Nayantara* took charge of the consultations. A total of **350 students** attended the camp to avail themselves of the services. *Dr. Nayantara*, a specialist in conservative dentistry and endodontics, provided through dental examinations to each individual.

The camp's key highlights included:

Free Dental Examination

Comprehensive check-ups were conducted to assess the oral health status of students and staff.

Early Detection of Problems

The consultation focused on the early detection of common dental issues such as **cavities, gum diseases, and other oral problems**. This early identification is crucial for timely intervention and treatment, preventing future complications.

Oral Hygiene Tips

Participants received valuable, personalized tips on maintaining better oral hygiene, including proper brushing techniques, flossing methods, and the importance of a balanced diet for dental health.

Awareness Session

The camp served as an effective platform to address common **dental myths and facts**, dispelling misconceptions and providing accurate information.

The consultation process was carried out smoothly and efficiently, with *Dr. Nayantara* offering expert advice and guidance to all attendees. The students showed great enthusiasm and actively engaged with the doctor, asking questions and seeking clarifications on their dental concerns.

5.0 Conclusion - The free dental check-up camp was a resounding success, fulfilling its primary objectives of health promotion and education. It provided a much-needed service to the college community and reinforced the institution's commitment to the holistic welfare of its students and staff. The event concluded with a formal **vote of thanks** delivered by *Dr. Minakshi Sharma, Dean of Sciences* and **HOD of the Department of Zoology**, who expressed gratitude to the Principal for her presence, to *Dr. Nayantara* for her invaluable service, and to all the students and staff for their participation. The event was a resounding success, and was a testament to the institution's unwavering dedication and commitment towards the holistic development of the students of the institution.




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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

16 MAY 2025

Invited Lecture on Gender Studies

Dr Abhishek Prisce Rohta, PhD, from Wisconsin University, visited the Department as Resource Person and engaged the students on the topic "**Gender Studies.**"

Profile of the External Resource Person: Dr. Atuldeep Pravin Butola is an educator running an E-School called 'Values Of Words'. He's a PhD in English Literature and Psychology from Witswaters University, Madison, USA. He is also a poet, making poetry across the globe propagating the message of world peace.

Lady Associate Professor, Dr. Nitai Kapur, the Resource Person was welcomed by the Department of English. The talk was organized in the Language Lab where more than **50 students**, both undergraduate and postgraduate, were present. Dr. Aditya Singh Dahiya introduced Dr. Butola to the audience. Among the audience, faculty members Dr. Himanshu Sharma, Dr. Shikha Khare, Dr. Harsh Verinder Khatana, Dr. Anupama Chaudhary, Dr. Aditya Singh Dahiya and Dr. Harsh Bhadouriya were present. Dr. Pradeep Dahiya, Assistant Professor of English, Govt. College Dhajra, also attended the talk.

The overarching theme of the talk was "**Gender Studies.**"

At the very outset, Dr. Butola 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, sustained, and challenged across different cultures and historical periods. By analyzing 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 institutes 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 effective movements 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. Butola said that Gender Studies is a dynamic and evolving field that addresses critical issues related to gender and equality. 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 underscores the importance of continued research, education, and activism in this field.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

25 JULY 2025

One-Act Play: "Maa, Mujhe Tagore Bana Do"

Mr. Lucky Gupta, a theatre artist visited the Department as Resource Person, and through a one-act play, he engaged the staff and students on a sensitive topic, that is, the role of parents and education in shaping men and women to add to the demographic dividend of our country.

The Department of English, in collaboration with the Theatre Club of the college organised an event in the college auditorium on **25 July 2025** in which a one-act play was enacted by theatre artist **Mr. Lucky Gupta**. The title of the play was **"Maa, Mujhe Tagore Bana Do."**

The students of the Department of English and the Theology Dept. of the college were co-actors in the play. The play depicted the story of a young boy who has extra ordinary gifts to continue his education up till class 11 despite several hardships including financial and most of all the non-cooperative behaviour of his father. However, his yearning to pursue further higher education hit a permanent roadblock after the untimely demise of his father in a road accident. To support himself and his benedictive mother, the protagonist had to work as a bishopee and continued with the meagre paying job for many years. The playwright successfully depicted the harsh conditions under which children such as the protagonist grow up and how it leaves an indelible mark on their psyche. The play celebrated the young audience to respect their parents and be thankful to Lord God for all the boons bestowed upon them by providence divine. The playwright, through the character of the protagonist, emphasised upon the audience that being Tagore means showcasing the elixir of education on others and not just pursuing the final of education for oneself.

The play was greatly appreciated by the audience, and many were moved to tears seeing the plight of the young protagonist who did not deserve what befell him. The Head of the institution, Principal Prof Bharti Bhagira, praised the artists and the organizers and asked the audience to appreciate the unconditional love showered on them by their parents and the unwavering commitment with which the teachers work for their students.

Vishakha, a student of BA III delivered the formal vote-of-thanks.



- ☐ **दैनिक भास्कर — शिमला भास्कर 26-07-2025**
- मां मुझे टैगोर बना दे: गरीबी से जूझते बालक का बड़ा सपना संघर्ष, सपने और मां की ममता की रंगमंचीय गाथा का मंचन संजौली कॉलेज में नाटक का मंचन

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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

5TH DECEMBER 2024

Activities of Economics Department, COE GC Sanjauli

Dr Barkha Jambal, Assistant Professor, Department of Management Studies, School of Open Learning, University of Delhi, delivered an online talk to the students of the Department of Economics.

The Economics Department of Govt. Degree College, Sanjauli, Shimla-06, organized an insightful and engaging function on **5th December 2024**. The event was organised under the guidance of **Dr. Madan Shandil, Dr. Ram Lal Bhardwaj and Mrs. Kreety Daulta** faculty members of the department and Principal **Prof. Bharti Bhagra** graced the occasion as Chief Guest. The occasion was further enriched by the presence of senior faculty members of the college.

All the students of economics department actively participated in this academic function and showcase their talents through individual and group presentation, debate on "**Vision India 2047**" and quiz on "**Basic Concepts of Economics**". In the end **Miss Barkha Jambal**, Assistant Professor, Department of Management Studies, School of Open Learning, University of Delhi delivered (online) a very informative and motivational talk on "**Carrier Opportunities in Economics Subject**". This particular event proved a grand success, fostering an environment of academic excellence and interactive learning for budding mind of the college.

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BBA DEPARTMENT

26TH MARCH 2025

Guest Lecture on "Starting Up As an Entrepreneur"

Ms. Shivani Thapa, founder of Unbox Himachal, enlightened the BBA students on entrepreneurship.

About the Speaker

Shivani Thapa, the founder of **Unbox Himachal**, hailing from Nahan, Himachal Pradesh, launched her venture in 2016 with the vision of preserving Himachal's traditional handloom culture while empowering village women by providing them with employment opportunities. She worked closely with self-help groups in Kullu Manali, Shimla, and Nahan.

Session Details

Dated: 26th March 2025

Location: Conference Hall

Duration: 12:40 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

During this session all the faculty from the BBA department and Dr. Reena Thakur from the commerce department was present along with students of BBA from first, second and third year.

Shivani discussed her personal experience of starting the business despite having no background in business, commerce, or management, and how she successfully navigated the challenges, including during the COVID-19 pandemic. Her company was founded with a commitment to sustainability, focusing on using plastic-free products and eco-friendly packaging.

During the session, students asked about the challenges Shivani faced, such as managing imports and exports, logistics, financing, and how they could also launch their own startups. Shivani elaborated on how she began with herbal tea and gradually expanded her product range to include tote bags, customized bags for the Shimla IFFA Film Award function, gifts for Artrac personnel, and a variety of seasonal products like customized rakhis, Diwali sweets, candles, chocolates, key rings, earrings, Phari pulaas, and hairbands. She also shared insights into her product development process, customer handling, packaging strategies, and managing manpower.

Objectives:

1. To educate BBA students about the entrepreneurial journey and essential startup strategies and overcoming challenges.
2. To highlight the importance of sustainability in entrepreneurship, using eco-friendly products and packaging.
3. To inspire students by showcasing a real-life experiences of an entrepreneur who succeeded despite a lack of formal business education.
4. To provide students with insights into various aspects of business operations, including import/export, logistics, finance, customer relations, and product development.
5. To motivate students to consider launching their own ventures by sharing insights on product development and customer engagement.

At the end of the session Respected Principal Ma'am along with Dr. Rakesh Sharma coordinator of BBA facilitates Miss Shivani Thapa with memento and thanks for her insights.

Conclusion: The lecture by Shivani Thapa was an insightful and inspiring session for the students. It offered a practical understanding of the entrepreneurial journey, particularly the challenges and strategies involved in starting and growing a business. By sharing her story, Shivani encouraged students to pursue their own entrepreneurial ventures and emphasized the importance of creativity, consistency, resilience and sustainability in business.

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BCA DEPARTMENT

12TH MARCH 2024

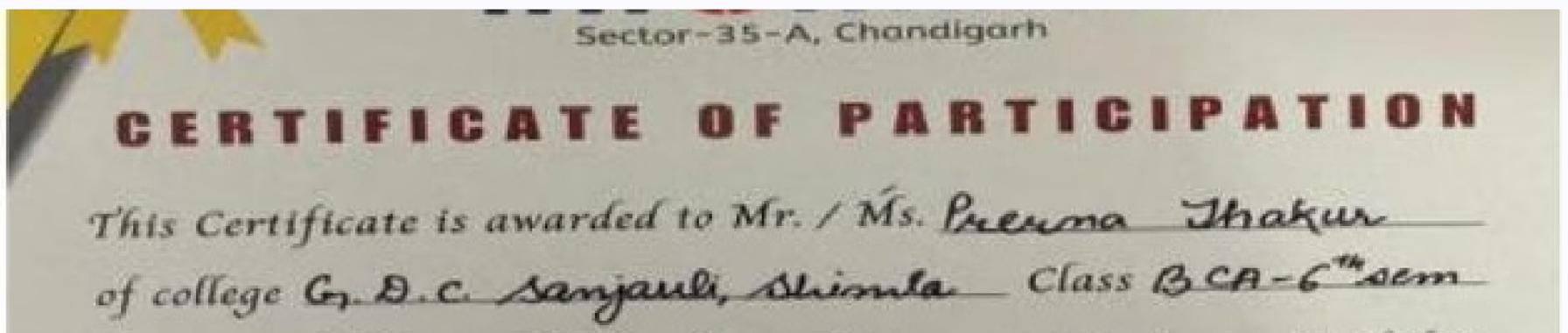
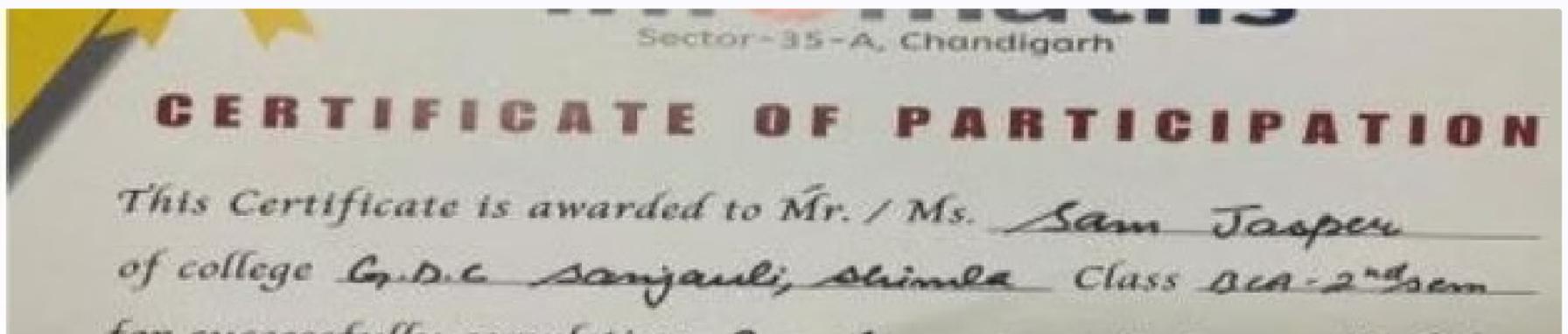
Lecture by INFOMATH Pvt. Ltd. — Career Orientation & Resume Writing

A Talk was delivered to the students of BCA by the representatives of INFOMaths Studies Pvt. Limited.

With the aim of aiding students to choose a secure career a free certified workshop on "**Career Orientation & Resume Writing**" was conducted by **INFOMATHS Studies Pvt. Ltd.** for the students of BCA- 2nd, 4th, 6th semester on **12th March, 2024.**



Certificates of the Workshop:




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BCA DEPARTMENT

3RD MARCH 2025

One-Day Workshop on "Java Technologies Used in Application Development"

An external Resource Person, **Mr. Kapil** delivered a lecture to the students of BCA program guiding them about internship opportunities in the open market.

Vee Software Solutions conducted a Workshop on JAVA Advance on **03rd March, 2025** with a aim to acquaint the students with latest technical skills used for the development of web application. **Mr. Kapil** guided the BCA students for internship program and gave them hands on experience on current Java technologies.


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BCA DEPARTMENT

20TH MARCH 2025

Seminar on "Scope after BCA" by INFOMATH Pvt. Ltd.

A lecture was delivered to the students of BCA by the representatives of INFOMATH Pvt. Limited on **20 March 2025**.

With the aim of aiding students to choose an effective program in Master's for better exposure and placements in future. A seminar was conducted by **Arpana** from **INFOMATHS Studies Pvt. Ltd.** for the students of BCA 2nd, 4th, 6th semester on **20th March, 2025**.



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