

**KUMAUN UNIVERSITY, NAINITAL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**

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**Activity 1**

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| Title of Event                  | Distinguished lecture "Social Research: Today and Tomorrow.  |
| Expert                          | Prof Diwakar Rajput,<br>Head, Dept of Sociology, Dr Hari Singh Gaur<br>University, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh |
| Department Name                 | Sociology  |
| Date of event                   | 17 October, 2022   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology  |
| Number of Participant           | 36   |

On October 17, 2022, the Department of Sociology organized a special lecture titled "Social Research: Today and Tomorrow." Professor Divakar Singh Rajput delivered the lecture, which was attended by 35 participants, including esteemed faculty members such as Professor Jyoti Joshi, Indu Pathak, Archana Srivastava, Dr. Priyanka N. Ruwali, Dr. Saroj Paliwal, along with research scholars and undergraduate and postgraduate students. The lecture provided an in-depth discussion on the various dimensions of social research, its procedures, tools and techniques, and research ethics.

**Purpose**

The primary purpose of this special lecture was to enhance the understanding of social research among the participants. The session aimed to:

1. Provide a comprehensive overview of social research and its importance in the contemporary academic landscape.



## Activity 2

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| Title of Event                  | Distinguished lecture on "Social Research with a Focus on Sociology"                       |
| Expert                          | Prof Arvind K Joshi<br>Former Head and Dean,<br>Banaras Hindu University(BHU)<br>Varanasi. |
| Department Name                 | Sociology  |
| Date of event                   | 12 Dec, 2022   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology  |
| Number of Participant           | 41   |

The Department of Sociology at kumaun University on 12. Dec. 22 organized a distinguished lecture on “Social Research with a Focus on Sociology” by Professor Arvind Kumar Joshi. The lecture highlighted the significance of research, particularly in understanding the neglected aspects of society, such as the experiences of elderly individuals.

### **Purpose of the Event:**

The purpose of the lecture was to shed light on the importance of social research, emphasizing its role in addressing societal issues and understanding various social phenomena. Specifically, Professor Arvind Kumar Joshi highlighted the need for research focusing on the elderly population, emphasizing the importance of understanding and addressing the challenges they face due to neglect.

### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, the lecture provided valuable insights into the necessity of conducting research in sociology, with a particular emphasis on addressing the neglect experienced by the elderly. It underscored the importance of utilizing

research findings to develop policies and interventions aimed at improving the quality of life for older individuals and ensuring their well-being in society. Overall, the event served as a platform for fostering discussions and awareness about the pressing social issues that require scholarly attention and action

दिनांक :- 12/ Dec 2022

विश्व विद्यापीठ संस्थान

LECTURE BY :- Prof. ARVIND KUMAR JOSHI  
Department of Sociology  
B.M.V. Varanasi

"SOCIAL RESEARCH WITH A FOCUS ON SOCIOLOGY"

आज दिनांक 12/12/2022 को समाजशास्त्र विभाग में एस. बी. पारिख, कुमाऊँ विश्वविद्यालय द्वारा एक विशेष कार्यक्रम का आयोजन हुआ। आज, जहाँ यह कार्यक्रम जो प्रसिद्ध है, जहाँ जो द्वारा दिया गया, जिसमें निम्नलिखित शिक्षक एवं विचारों स्पष्टित रहे।

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| Prof. Jaiw Patil         | Sociology  |           |
| Prof. Jyoti Joshi        | Sociology  |           |
| Prof. Anurupa Srivastava | Sociology  |           |
| Dr. Anurupa Srivastava   | Sociology  |           |
| Dr. Saroj Palwal         | Sociology  |           |
| Prof. Vidya Joshi        | Economics  |           |
| Prof. B. D. Dangi        | Sociology  |           |
| Dr. Miss Neha Gupta      | Forum MSW  |           |
| Sapna Arora              | Sociology  |           |
| Pooja                    | Sociology  |           |
| Manita Arora             | Sociology  |           |
| Rishi Jaiswal            | Sociology  |           |
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| 3. Yamini Pandey     | Sociology            |  |
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| 5. Lalit Mishra      | Sociology            |  |
| 6. Abhijit Singh     | "                    |  |
| 7. Neha Bishnoi      | "                    |  |
| 8. Akshay Kumar      | Economics            |  |
| 9. Akshay Kumar      | Geography (Research) |  |
| 10. Akshay Kumar     | Economics            |  |
| 11. Shikha Choudhary | Economics            |  |
| 12. Shikha Choudhary | Sociology (Research) |  |
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### Activity 3

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| Title of Event                  | Distinguished lecture on special lecture on<br>“Sampling in Social Research”         |
| Expert                          | Prof Vibha Joshi<br>Department of Economics,<br>Vasanta College for Women, Varanasi, |
| Department Name                 | Sociology  |
| Date of event                   | 13 Dec, 2022   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology  |
| Number of Participants          | 28   |

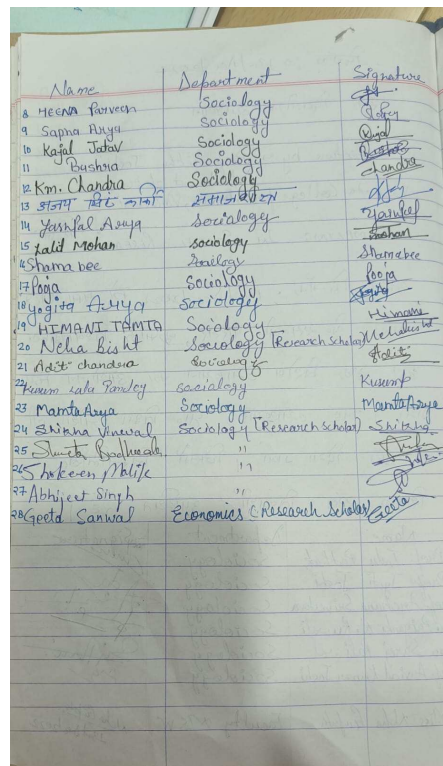
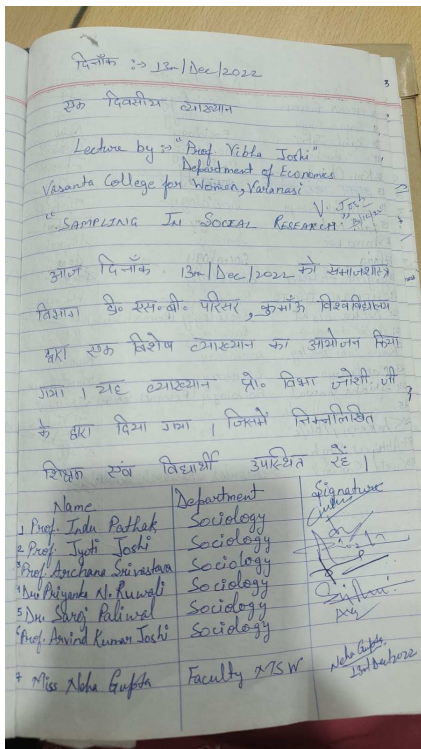
The Department of Sociology at Kumaun University organized a special lecture on "Sampling in Social Research" on December 13, 2022. Professor Vibha Joshi from the Department of Economics at Vasanta College for Women, Varanasi, delivered an insightful presentation on various sampling techniques and their application procedures.

#### **Purpose of the Event**

The purpose of this special lecture was to provide attendees with a deeper understanding of sampling methodologies within the context of social research. Professor Vibha Joshi elucidated different sampling methods, including probability and non-probability sampling, and demonstrated their relevance through real-world examples. The aim was to empower participants with the knowledge and skills needed to effectively utilize sampling techniques in their research endeavors.

## Conclusion:

In conclusion, the special lecture on "Sampling in Social Research" by Professor Vibha Joshi was a highly informative session that left a lasting impact on all attendees. By delving into the intricacies of sampling methodologies and their practical applications, participants gained valuable insights into the fundamental principles of social research. Equipped with this newfound knowledge, they are better prepared to conduct robust and credible research that contributes meaningfully to the field of sociology.



#### Activity 4

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| Title of Event                  | Student Seminar on “Drug Abuse and Addiction: Impact on Social Institutions” |
| Department Name                 | Sociology  |
| Date of event                   | 27 October, 2023   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology  |
| Number of Participants          | 36   |

The Department of Sociology organized a Student Seminar on October 27, 2023, with the theme "Drug Abuse and Addiction: Impact on Social Institutions." The seminar aimed to shed light on the multifaceted impact of drug abuse and addiction on various facets of society, including family dynamics, health, education, and the economy. Through presentations from esteemed faculty members, research scholars, and students, the event provided a comprehensive overview of the challenges posed by drug abuse and addiction and proposed potential solutions to address these issues.

#### **Purpose of the Event:**

The seminar served as a platform for scholars, students, and experts to come together and explore the intricate relationship between drug abuse and its effects on social institutions. Dr. Arshi Parveen, the Organizing Secretary, initiated the event by defining drugs and discussing their various categories, followed by presentations from research scholars and students that delved into the sociological, psychological, and economic aspects of drug abuse. Speakers highlighted the regional context of drug trafficking and consumption, the impact on familial relationships, the role of media and cultural influences, and the health repercussions associated with drug addiction. Through these discussions, the

event aimed to raise awareness, foster dialogue, and promote effective strategies for combating drug abuse within society.

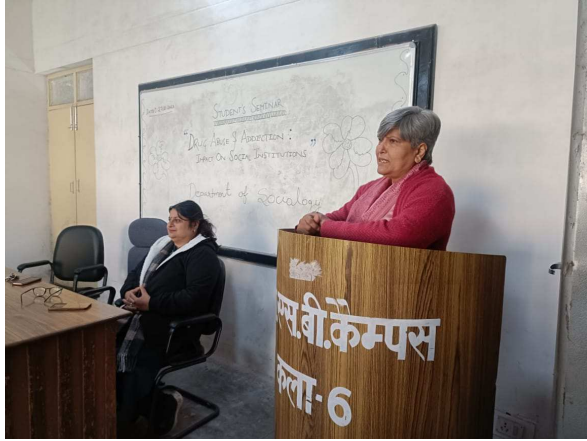
### **Conclusion:**

The seminar on "Drug Abuse and Addiction: Impact on Social Institutions" proved to be a resounding success, thanks to the collaborative efforts of faculty members, research scholars, and students. The event provided valuable insights into the complexities of drug abuse and addiction, emphasizing its detrimental effects on individuals, families, and society at large. By engaging in meaningful discussions and sharing research findings, participants gained a deeper understanding of the underlying causes and consequences of drug abuse, paving the way for future interventions and initiatives aimed at addressing this pressing societal issue. Moving forward, it is imperative to continue raising awareness, advocating for evidence-based policies, and fostering interdisciplinary collaborations to effectively combat drug abuse and promote holistic well-being within communities.

### **Number of Participants:**

A total of 36 participants attended the seminar on "Drug Abuse and Addiction: Impact on Social Institutions." This diverse group included faculty members, research scholars, and students who actively engaged in discussions and presentations throughout the event. Their participation contributed to the richness of dialogue and the exchange of ideas, ultimately enhancing the overall learning experience and success of the seminar.





Date: 27-Oct-2023 (Student Seminar)  
 Subject: Drug Abuse and Addiction: Impact on Social Institutions  
 D.S.B. Campus, Nainital

| S.No. | Department | Name                             | Signature |
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| 1     | Sociology  | Pratik Jindal                    |           |
| 2     | "          | Pratik Joshi                     |           |
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| 5     | "          | Dr. Sudeep Kishore               |           |
| 6     | "          | Dr. Anshu Jaiswal                |           |
| 7     | "          | Dr. Harshita Mishra              |           |
| 8     | "          | Dr. Neha Gupta                   |           |
| 9     | M.S.W      | Manika Arya                      |           |
| 10    | Sociology  | Pratik Joshi                     |           |
| 11    | "          | Shweta Pathak                    |           |
| 12    | "          | Neha Bhat                        |           |
| 13    | "          | Shikha                           |           |
| 14    | "          | Ashwini                          |           |
| 15    | "          | Kamlesh                          |           |
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| 18    | "          | Neha                             |           |
| 19    | "          | Komal                            |           |
| 20    | "          | Kiran                            |           |
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| 26    | "          | Pratik                           |           |
| 27    | Biography  | Pratik                           |           |
| 28    | Sociology  | Pratik                           |           |
| 29    | Sociology  | Pratik                           |           |

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| 1   | Sociology  | Sneha (BA III)    | Sneha     |
| 2   | Sociology  | Pratik (BA III)   | Pratik    |
| 3   | Sociology  | Rekha (BA III)    | Rekha     |
| 4   | Sociology  | Roshan (BA III)   | Roshan    |
| 5   | Sociology  | Abhishek (BA III) | Abhishek  |
| 6   | Sociology  | Chandana (BA I)   | Chandana  |

## Activity 5

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Title of Event                  | Student Seminar on "Caste System in Contemporary Indian Society: Continuity and Change" |
| Department Name                 | Sociology   |
| Date of event                   | 28 November, 2023   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology   |
| Number of Participants          | 27  |

The seminar titled "Caste System in Contemporary Indian Society: Continuity and Change" was organized by the Department of Sociology, on 28.11.23. Featuring presentations and discussions on various aspects of the caste system in modern India. Dr. Harish Mishra initiated the seminar by providing a historical background of the caste system and its evolving nature in present times. Subsequent speakers delved into topics such as the definition of caste, caste-based reservation, changing nature of the caste system, issues arising from reservation policies, and perspectives of Indian thinkers on caste.

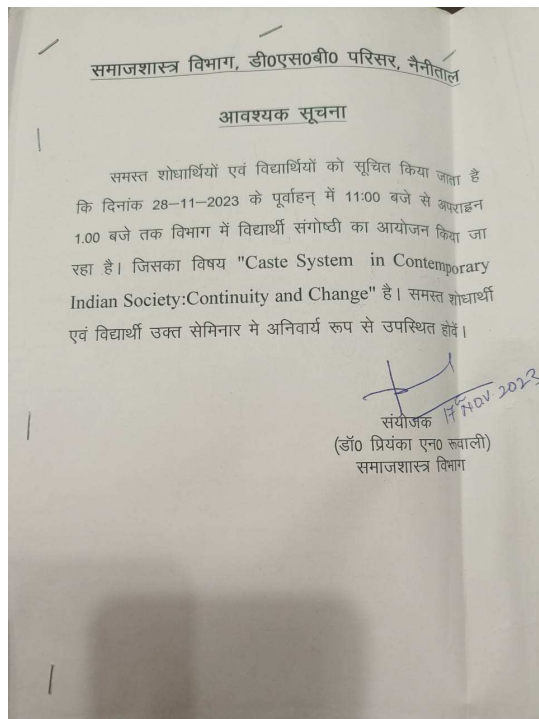
### **Purpose of the Event:**

The seminar aimed to explore the dynamics of the caste system in contemporary Indian society, with a focus on understanding its continuity and change. By bringing together scholars, researchers, and students, the event sought to facilitate an in-depth examination of the various dimensions of caste, including its historical roots, socio-economic implications, and evolving nature in the modern context. Additionally, the seminar aimed to encourage critical reflection on existing policies and practices related to caste-based reservation and social justice, with the goal of fostering a more equitable and inclusive society.

### **Conclusion:**

The seminar on "Caste System in Contemporary Indian Society: Continuity and Change" provided a comprehensive overview of the nature of the caste system and its significance in present-day India. Speakers highlighted the historical background, structural changes and functional adaptations of the caste system, offering valuable insights into its persistence and transformation over time.

The event highlights the importance of addressing caste-based discrimination and inequality through evidence-based research, policy interventions, and grassroots activism. With 27 students in attendance, the seminar received substantial engagement and contributed to a diverse range of perspectives and insights on the topic of the caste system in contemporary Indian society.



Date: 28 Nov. 2023 (Students' Seminar)  
Subject: Caste system in Contemporary Indian Society: Continuity and Change  
D.S.P. - Campus, Nainital

| Sl. No. | Department | Name                       | Signature   |
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| 1       | Sociology  | Prof. Endu Pathak          | [Signature] |
| 2       | "          | Prof. Jyoti Joshi          | [Signature] |
| 3       | "          | Prof. Archana Srivastava   | [Signature] |
| 4       | "          | Dr. Priyanka N. Kumari     | [Signature] |
| 5       | "          | Dr. Sanjay Pathak          | [Signature] |
| 6       | "          | Dr. Anshu Tawre            | [Signature] |
| 7       | "          | Dr. Harish C. Mishra       | [Signature] |
| 8       | M.S.W.     | Dr. Meha Gupta             | [Signature] |
| 9       | Sociology  | Mamta Arora (B.S.)         | [Signature] |
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| 27      | "          | Yogita                     | [Signature] |

## Activity 6

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|---------------------------------|--|
| Title of Event                  | Distinguished lecture on special lecture on "The Folk Culture and Society of Kumaun" |
| Department Name                 | Sociology  |
| Date of event                   | 7 December, 2023   |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology  |
| Number of Participants          | 41   |

On December 7, 2023, the Department of Sociology at Kumau University organized a special lecture on "The Folk Culture and Society of Kumaun" delivered by Professor Ila Sah. The lecture delved into various aspects of Kumauni culture, particularly focusing on traditions such as Kumauni Pichora and Aipan, highlighting their significance in preserving local traditions.

### **Purpose of the Event:**

The purpose of the lecture was to provide insight into the rich cultural heritage of Kumaon and to shed light on the importance of preserving and understanding local traditions. Professor Ila Sah aimed to raise awareness among attendees, including faculty members, researchers, and students, about the cultural significance of Kumauni traditions and their role in shaping the social fabric of the region.

### **Conclusion:**

Professor Ila Sah's lecture on Kumauni folk culture and society provided a comprehensive understanding of the traditions and customs prevalent in the Kumaon region. By emphasizing the importance of preserving local heritage, the event served as a platform for fostering appreciation and recognition of Kumauni cultural identity. The engagement of faculty members, researchers, and students reflected a collective commitment to the study and preservation of indigenous cultures.

Date: 07/10/2023

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| 1       | Prof. Meera Bora Saha   | Political Science |           |
| 2       | Prof. Lalit Thapar      | Botany            |           |
| 3       | Prof. Indu Pathak       | Sociology         |           |
| 4       | Prof. Jyoti Joshi       | "                 |           |
| 5       | Prof. Anshu Prasad      | "                 |           |
| 6       | Dr. Parag Lakshmi       | "                 |           |
| 7       | Dr. Sanjay Pathak       | "                 |           |
| 8       | Dr. Harish C. Mishra    | "                 |           |
| 9       | Dr. Anshu Parveen       | "                 |           |
| 10      | Dr. Neeta Gupta         | M.S.W.            |           |
| 11      | Dr. Anshu               | Sociology         |           |
| 12      | Sangam Prasad           | "                 |           |
| 13      | Madhavi Lakshmi         | "                 |           |
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| 17      | Neeta Bhatt (P.S.)      | "                 |           |
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| 22      | Utkarsh Bhatt           | Commerce          |           |
| 23      | Dasu Mishra             | B.A. LL. (Hons.)  |           |
| 24      | Kaushik Singh           | Sociology         |           |
| 25      | Anam Prasad             | M.A. Sociology    |           |
| 26      | Ekshya Ringe            | M.A. Sociology    |           |
| 27      | Shivshri Khadwal        | "                 |           |
| 28      | Muskan Hanooji          | "                 |           |
| 29      | Shweta Bhatnagar (R.S.) | Research Scholar  |           |

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| 30      | Manika Singh    | Sociology       |           |
| 31      | Divya Khada     | Sociology       |           |
| 32      | Katrina Singh   | MA Sociology    |           |
| 33      | Prateek Singh   | B.Sc. Sociology |           |
| 34      | Sunil Kumar     | B.Com (Hons.)   |           |
| 35      | Umesh Singh     | Ph.D. Sociology |           |
| 36      | Komal Singh     | Ph.D. Sociology |           |
| 37      | Anam Prasad     | "               |           |
| 38      | Harsh Varshney  | "               |           |
| 39      | Manita Singh    | "               |           |
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| 41      | Sakshi Malik/C. | "               |           |

### Activity 7

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Title of Event                  | Student Seminar on "Gender Equality is the First Condition of Development." |
| Department Name                 | Sociology   |
| Date of event                   | 16 March, 2024  |
| Name of organizers/ contributor | Dept of Sociology   |
| Number of Participants          | 37  |

The Student Seminar organized by the Department of Sociology on March 16, 2024, centered on the theme "Gender Equality is the First Condition of Development." Dr. Saroj Paliwal commenced the seminar, welcoming esteemed guests and participants, including faculty members and students.

Throughout the seminar, various speakers, including research scholars and students, addressed different aspects of gender equality. Topics ranged from the global efforts to mitigate gender inequality to its economic implications, societal dimensions, and historical barriers faced by women. Real-life case studies, such as Kalpana Chawla's educational journey and Dr. Suniti Kiran Mazumdar's entrepreneurial endeavours, were highlighted to illustrate the transformative impact of gender equality.

The discussions dealt with the interlink ages between gender equality, sustainable development, economic growth, and societal progress. Speakers emphasized the need for equal opportunities, financial independence, and inclusive policies, including addressing LGBTQ+ representation. Faculty members stressed the crucial role of education in empowerment and societal progress, echoing sentiments from the National Education Policy of 2022.

**Purpose of the Event:**

The purpose of the seminar was to deal with the various dimensions of gender equality and its pivotal role in societal development. Through insightful discussions and presentations, the event aimed to raise awareness, foster dialogue, and inspire action towards achieving gender equality. By bringing together students, faculty members, the event provided a platform to explore various perspectives, share knowledge, and highlight the interconnectedness of gender equality with broader issues of development and progress.

**Conclusion:**

The seminar concluded with a call to action, emphasizing the significance of individual and collective efforts in promoting gender equality. It underscored the need for systemic changes, inclusive policies, and a shift in societal attitudes to create a more equitable and just world. The event served as a catalyst for continued engagement, research, and advocacy towards realizing the vision of gender equality as the cornerstone of development.

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**आवश्यक सूचना**

समस्त शोधार्थियों एवं विद्यार्थियों को सूचित किया जाता है कि दिनांक 16-03-2024 के पूर्वार्हन् में 12:00 बजे से विभाग में विद्यार्थी संगोष्ठी का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। जिसका विषय "लैंगिक समानता विकास की पहली शर्त है" (Gender Equality is the First Condition of Development) समस्त शोधार्थी एवं विद्यार्थी उक्त सेमिनार में अनिवार्य रूप से उपस्थित हों।

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