#### **Department of Sociology Bids Farewell to the Final Year Students**

The Department of Sociology, JDMC hosted the farewell for the batch of 2022, on May 4, 2022 in the college auditorium. The theme for the farewell was **Fighters: One who never steps back**.

As the outgoing batch is to start its new journey, the students and the faculty members of the department, wished them success in life. The farewell celebration included cultural performances and fun activities organised by the students.



Farewell to the Final Year Students- May 4, 2022

#### **Department Fest Ethos 2022**

The Department of Sociology, JDMC hosted its annual festival, Ethos in the month of April. The festival was organised in a virtual mode under the aegis of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. It consisted of two competitions, Spin -a Tale( Story-writing competition) and Take-the -Bait (Debate competition). There were 14 participants (11 from JDMC and 3 from outside JDMC) in Spin-a-Tale/ Story-writing competition. In Take-the-Bait/ Debate competition there were 15 participants (10 from JDMC and 5 from outside JDMC). The judge for the competitions was Dr. Suraj Beri from Nagaland University. The event was well attended with 60 prticipants in all and was an overall success.



Department Fest Ethos 2022-April 2022

#### **Interactive Session on Sociology of Food**

The Department of Sociology, JDMC conducted an interactive session on the **Sociology of Food** on March 3, 2022 in the seminar hall of the college. The session was attended by the students from and faculty members from the Department of Sociology, JDMC. The speaker of the seminar was Prof. Nandini Sundar, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi. The speaker provided a sociological perspective on food and focused on the fact that the food that we eat has a long history and significance in the terms of production, ingredients, taste climate, labour and science. Further, she pointed out that not all food we consume is native to India. She added that food and its consumption patterns may provide reflection of religion, gender, caste and class related inequalities. The students and faculty found the session extremely illuminating and interesting.

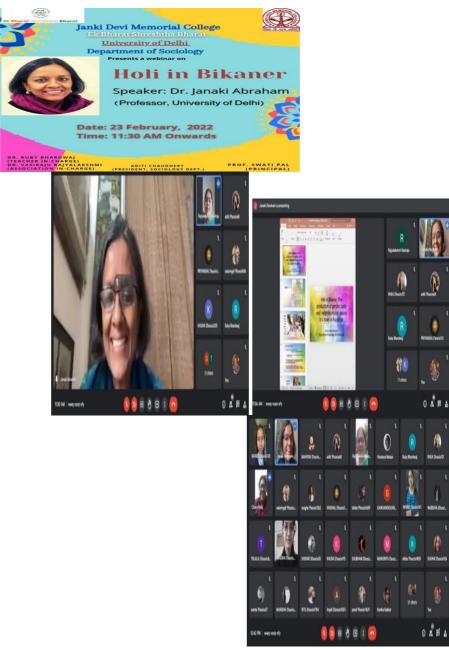


Interactive Session on Sociology of Food- March 3, 2022

#### Webinar on Holi in Bikaner

The Department of Sociology, Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi on February 23, 2022 organised a webinar on the topic **Holi in Bikaner**. The speaker for the webinar was Prof. Janaki Abraham, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi. The session was attended by the students and faculty members from the Department of Sociology.

Prof. Abraham gave a power point presentation on her ongoing fieldwork on the celebration of the spring festival of Holi in Bikaner, Rajasthan. She started her presentation by pointing out that that in common perceptions and many anthropological accounts as by Mckim Marriott, Holi is seen as a carnival, a period in which inversions, symbolic of equality take place. However, in contrast, she highlighted that in Bikaner few inversions are witnessed during the festival. She elaborated that festival allows to reflect on the gendered mapping of town through neighbourhood spaces and formation of caste, religious identity and class differences. In Bikaner Holi stands for reproduction of a hyper masculinity and hyper femininity, which come to be performed and are productive of what it means to be a man and woman. Furthermore, she indicated how the festival foregrounds caste and class differences in the neighbourhood spaces. The webinar ended with Prof. Abraham showing pictures of Holi celebration in Bikaner, followed by a short question-answer session. The participants found the session very informative and enrichening.

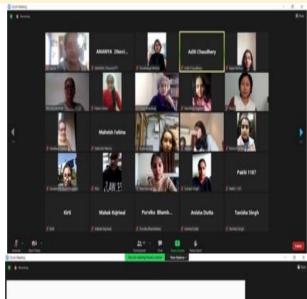


Webinar on Holi in Bikaner- February 23, 202

### **Webinar on Research Methodologies**

The Department of Sociology at JDMC, held a webinar on the topic **Research Methodologies**, on the February 9, 2022 on the Zoom Platform. The speaker for the Webinar was Ms. Varna Sri Raman. She began the webinar by defining sociological questions. She talked about scientific methods and how they are used in sociological research. Further, she explained that the purpose of sociological research is to investigate and provide insights into how human societies function. The webinar concluded with the speaker elaborating on various methods of sociological enquiry. Both the students and faculty members of the Department of Sociology found the webinar very enriching and informative.



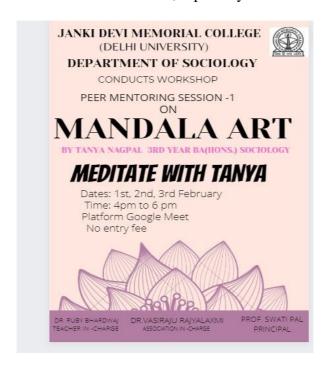


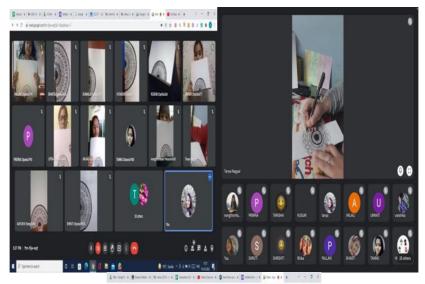


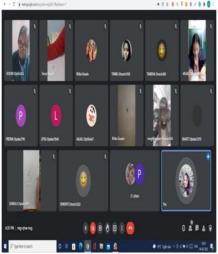
Webinar on Research Methodologies-February 9, 2022

## Mandala Art Workshop

A three-day Mandala Art Workshop was organised by the Department of Sociology, JDMC from February 1-3, 2022. The three sessions of the workshop were conducted by Ms. Tanya from B.A. (H) Sociology III year, JDMC. The first session was a basic mandala art session in which students were taught the basic grid formation, different patterns. They were given details about various products which can be used while practicing this art. The total number of participants in the first session were 48. Students from various departments of JDMC such as Sociology, Philosophy, Political Science, History and Mathematics were a part of the workshop. The second and third sessions of the workshop were attended by 45 and 35 students respectively, from the various departments of JDMC. In the second session, the students learnt two mandala bookmarks, one black and white and the other being the colourful one. In the last session the students were taught a full open mandala. The session ended with reflecting on the the essence and the relevance of the mandala art, especially in the time of covid.





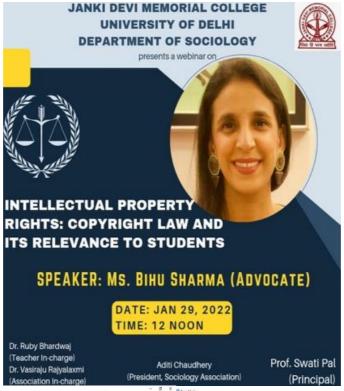


Mandala Art Workshop- February 1-3, 2022

## **Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights**

On January 29, 2022 a webinar was organised by the Department of Sociology, Janki Devi Memorial College on the topic, "Intellectual Property Rights: Copyright laws and its relevance" on the zoom platform. The speaker for the webinar was Ms. Bihu Sharma who is currently working as an advocate.

The session started with Ms. Bihu discussing the significance of Intellectual Property Rights and highlighting the concepts like the trade mark, fair use and patent. Further, she talked about the copyright act in great detail and also touched upon various real-life examples that helped in better comprehension. The session concluded with the students actively putting their queries on the topic and Ms. Bihu enthusiastically answering them. It was an insightful and a very informative webinar.





Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights-January 29,2022

### The Freshers Welcome Party 2022

The Freshers Welcome Party was organised on January 19, 2022 by the Sociology Department. It started with a warm welcome extended to the teachers, the freshers and all other attendees with the conveners for the party, Nishtha Ranjan and Kajal Mathur from III year. The event began with a melodious song, sung by Komal (III Year) and a graceful dance performance by Srija and Nabeeha (IIyears).

The stage was then given to the freshers to showcase their talent. The newcomers proved to be very talented with soulful voices, energetic dances, and artistic sketches and poems. The Principal of the college, Prof. Swati Pal, joined the party and warm-heartedly welcomed the freshers. She encouraged them to make the best of the opportunities offered by the Department and extended to them an invitation to visit the college.

Next, in the event were exciting games which the I years enthusiastically participated in, followed by a virtual tour of the college campus which made many students look forward to their campus life. This was followed by another song performance by Pragya (III year) and an

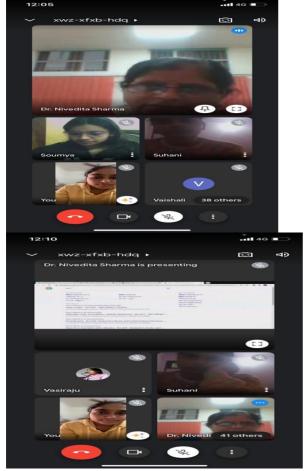
exciting dance performance by Muskan (II year). Kartika (II year) encouraged the freshers to be hopeful for their coming years through her beautiful poem. The event concluded by all the teachers of the Department extending their welcome to the newcomers and hope for meeting each other in college grounds.



The Freshers Welcome Party- January 19,2022

## **Library Orientation**

An online library Orientation was organised by Dr Nivedita, the librarian, JDMC on December 8, 2021. The students found the session as extremely informative. During the session Ms. Nivedita explained in detail regarding the online and offline modes and code of conduct to be followed while accessing the library.



Library Orientation- December 8, 2021

# Online Counselling Session with Saniya Bedi

The students of Sociology (H) Ist year attended the counselling session organised by the counselling Committee of JDMC on Nov 26, 2021. During the session Ms. Saniya Bedi, the head of the college counselling cell drew attention that students must pay attention to their mental health. The session was interactive were Ms. Bedi heard the problems of students and tried to provide solution to these. She equipped students with how to deal with issues of anxiety, time management, career concerns and nervousness etc.



Online Counselling Session with Saniya Bedi- November 26, 2021

## **Add-on Course- The Concluding Session**

The Department of Sociology concluded its add-on course Ethnography and Techniques of Ethnographic Documentation and Filmmaking on November 22, 2021. The resource person for the session was Ms. Shumona Goel, an experimental, filmmaker and installation artist. The film GoodBye CP was screened during the session, following an interactive discussion on it.

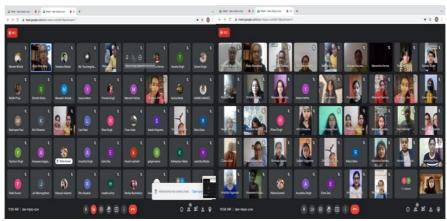


Add-on Course- The Concluding Session-November 22, 2021

#### **Orientation For the First Years**

On November 20, 2021 at 10:30 am the Department of Sociology, JDMC organised an orientation programme for the Ist year students and their parents on the platform google meet. During the orientation students were introduced to the faculty members and the papers they

would be studying in the Ist year. They were also apprised regarding the internal assessment and attendance rules, Association and Soch-the magazine of the Sociology Department.



Orientation For the First Year- November 20,2021

## Sociology Students participate in WPC organised Event

On November 17, 2021 Kartika Sharma and Ananya Pandey from Sociology (H) II year, JDMC participated in an event Safety of Women in Public Places and Covid-19: Are We Back to Normal organized by the Women Power Connect (WPC). In this event they presented their understanding and views on the issue. They found the session was extremely interactive and illuminating as it permitted them not only to express their views on the given theme but engage in discussion with other participants.

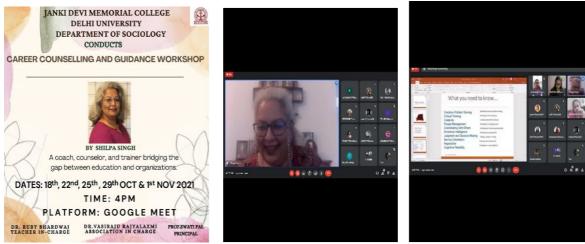


Sociology Students participate in WPC organised Event-November 17, 2021

## **Career Counselling and Guidance Workshop**

The Department of Sociology organised a 5 day workshop on career counselling and guidance in the month of October and November, 2021. The session was conducted by Ms. Shilpa Singh

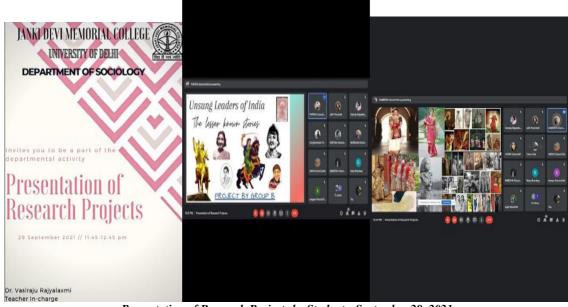
who is a coach and counsellor and seeks to bridge the gap between education and organizations. The workshop commenced on October 18, 2021 and concluded on November 1, 2021. The workshop was extremely insightful as it guided students towards, choosing an appropriate job path that matches both their materialistic aspirations and is spiritually and mentally satisfying.



Career Counselling and Guidance Workshop, October-November 2021

### **Presentation of Research Projects by Students**

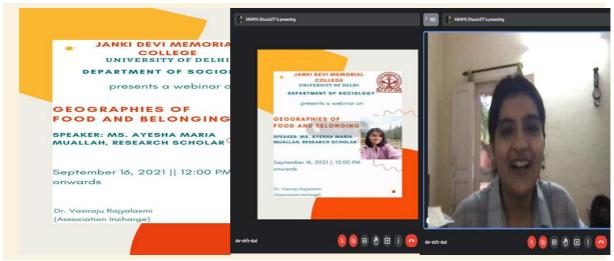
On September 29, 2021 the Department of Sociology, JDMC conducted an online session of the presentation of the proposals of II and III years students research projects.. There are 8 ongoing research projects on diverse themes that have been undertaken by the students of the Department under the guidance of their respective teacher-in-charges. The group leaders of the various projects presented an overview of their work through PPTs in the meeting. The teachers shared their views and comments on the projects and helped the students streamline their thoughts so that they can further develop their research work. It was an extremely interactive session.



Presentation of Research Projects by Students, September 29, 2021

# Webinar on Geographies of Food and Belonging

On September 16, 2021 the Department of Sociology, Janki Devi Memorial College organised a webinar on the topic, Geographies of Food and Belonging. The speaker for the webinar was Ms. Ayesha Maria Muallah. Ms. Ayesha discussed the importance of the study of food and explained how food is beyond biology highlighting the social and cultural aspect of it. She discussed about the changing pattern of food ways over a period of time as well as talked about the various new trends related to food today like exploration of new cuisines, veganism, etc. She also helped the students by discussing intrinsically the methodology of studying food in sociology and guided them about the research project they are doing. It was indeed an insightful and engaging discussion with a lot to learn and look upon.



Webinar on Geographies of Food and Belonging, September 16, 2021

### Webinar on Reading the City as a Text

On September 13, 2021 the Department of Sociology organised a webinar on Reading the City as a Text. The speaker for the webinar was Dr. Jitender Gill, Associate Professor, Department of English, Janki Devi Memorial College. She enlightened the students on how to interpret cities in terms of its rich culture and heritage with Delhi being the frame of reference. She also talked about the intricate details of Delhi which made the talk extremely interesting. Towards the end of the webinar the speaker interacted with the teachers and students and answered their questions.



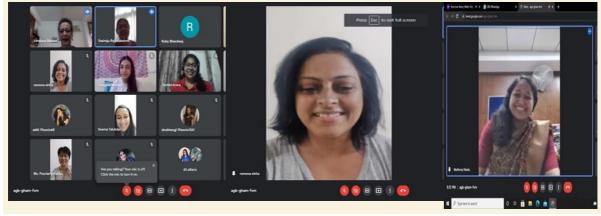
Webinar on Reading the City as a Text, September 13, 2021

### **ALUMNAE MEET**

The Department of Sociology conducted an Alumnae meet on September 8, 2021. Around ten alumnae from the batch of 1998 to 2020 joined the meet. Getting initial training at JDMC they are all doing well in their lives and have made significant career choices like pursuing LLB from Campus Law Centre joining the Indian Trade Service, and taking up content writing for a California based company etc.

The alumnae enlightened the current batch of students on the opportunities that are available and can be pursued after graduation. Further, they shared their experiences in and after JDMC. They also, discussed the importance of internships and attending classes.





ALUMNAE MEET, September 8, 2021

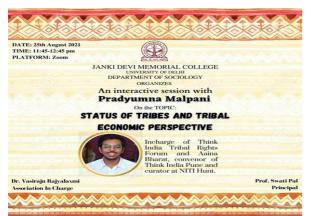
### Webinar on Status of Tribes and Tribal Economic Perspective

The Department of Sociology conducted a webinar on Status of Tribes and Tribal Economic Perspective on August 25, 2021. The resource person for the webinar was Mr. Pradyumna Malpani. The Principal of the college Prof. Swati Pal graced the occasion with her esteemed presence.

The webinar was extremely informative and engaging as it was conducted in an interactive mode. It enabled the participants to reflect on the various aspects related to the tribal community. It was very interesting as it highlighted on the concept of religion, lifestyle and

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history of tribes and the totka practice. Further, it focused on the state of the tribal community under the government.





Webinar on Status of Tribes and Tribal Economic Perspective, August 8,2021

#### Webinar on "Domestic Workers-Our Lifelines"

The Department of Sociology organised a webinar on June 26, 2021 on the topic Domestic Workers-Our Lifelines. The speaker for the webinar was Ms. Anweesha Ghosh from Institute of Social Studies Trust, New Delhi. She has been working in the development sector since past 15 years. Her research interest includes gender and labour in South Asia. Ms. Ghosh

The webinar started with the Principal of the college addressing the participants. This was followed by discussion by Ms. Ghosh in which she reflected on the situations and conditions of domestic workers in the Indian households. The students found the webinar extremely insightful, interactive and informative.



Webinar on "Domestic Workers-Our Lifelines", June 26, 2021