

The final cut: Sociology Department bids Adieu to the final Year



On May 12th, the Sociology Department at Janki Devi Memorial College organized a farewell ceremony for graduating 3rd-year students. The event began with gratitude towards teachers and seniors, followed by a captivating dance performance by first-year students. Seniors were honoured with titles, and the principal, Prof. Swati Pal, extended her blessings. Engaging games promoted camaraderie, fostering a warm and celebratory atmosphere.

Guiding Academic Choices: Orientation for first and Second year for DSE Optional/ GE/SEC



On May 8, 2024, the Sociology Department at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, organized a session in Room 43A to aid 1st and 2nd year students in selecting their Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) papers for the upcoming semester. The aim was to offer detailed information about available options and empower students to make well-informed decisions.

For 1st-year students, three DSE options were presented: Urban Sociology, Sociology of Work, and Health and Medicine. Each option was thoroughly explained, including syllabus, course structure, and potential career paths. Faculty members provided practical insights into the relevance of each subject in real-world contexts.

Similarly, 2nd-year students were given three DSE options: Social Policy, Visual Culture, and Sociology of Body. The session encouraged active participation and discussion, with students seeking clarification to better understand their choices.

The session was successful, with students reporting increased confidence in their decision-making process by the end. The department's detailed approach helped demystify DSE options, allowing students to align their academic interests with future goals effectively.

By offering comprehensive insights into each DSE option, the department facilitated a smoother decision-making process, setting a positive tone for future academic planning sessions. Overall, it was a successful endeavour in guiding students towards informed and strategic academic decisions.

Ethos



On April 16, 2024, the Sociology Department of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, hosted its annual event, ETHOS, with the theme *AWAAZ: The Unheard Voices*, the inaugural session was attended by Prof. Swati Pal, principal, with her speech, the annual fest commences on and enthusiastic note.

Panel Discussion: The heart of the event featured a dynamic panel discussion on *Awaaz - Breaking the silence barrier: Unheard voices*, by Panellists Professor Anita Ghai, Former Dean Ambedkar University and Ms. Naseem Khan, CEQUIN. They delved into various issues such as discrimination, gender disparity, and invisible disabilities, sparking engaging dialogue.

The event was followed by a Monologue, Anurima Pal, a student, delivered a powerful monologue on prioritizing personal goals over accommodating others, resonating with attendees.

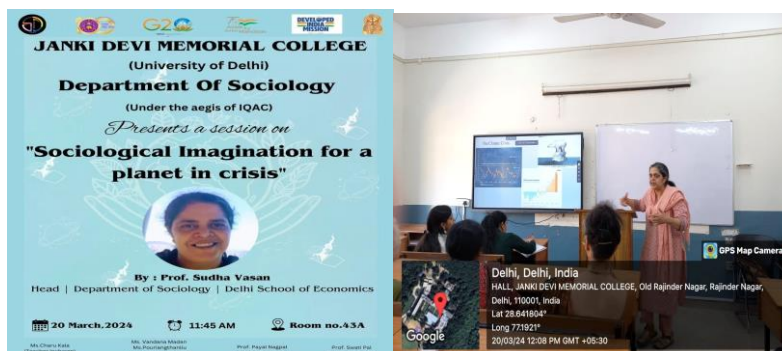
The fest had competitive events, Just A Minute (JAM), Poster Making, and an online Photography competition. These platforms explored themes of diversity, inclusion, and capturing the unspoken through creativity and expression.



The event concluded on a high note with a captivating Nukkad Natak performance by first and second-year students, addressing pertinent societal issues with passion and finesse.

ETHOS 2024 was a resounding success, showcasing diversity of thought and talent. The seamless execution and meaningful discourse made it a memorable experience for all participants and attendees. It fostered dialogue, creativity, and social awareness, leaving a lasting impact on the community.

Sociological Imagination for Planet in Crisis



The Sociology department hosted a talk on Sociological Imagination for a Planet Crisis, led by Prof. Sudha Vasani. She delved into global issues like climate change, socio-economic trends, and geopolitical shifts, highlighting issues such as water scarcity and the impact of large-scale infrastructure projects. Prof. Sudha projected future changes in India's socio-political landscape, prompting the audience to connect history with personal experiences.

The discussion broadened to include concepts like the Anthropocene and Capitalocene, challenging traditional thinking and advocating for a more interconnected approach to addressing modern challenges. Prof. Sudha used slides to clarify complex ideas and dispelled misconceptions about geological time scales.

Overall, the seminar encouraged attendees to tackle contemporary issues with empathy, insight, and critical thinking.

WORKSHOP: An ICT Session on LinkedIn profiles and Resumes



On March 1, 2024, Ms. Tannu Sharma, a Member of the ICT Committee at JDMC, led a workshop focused on helping students enhance their LinkedIn profiles and resumes. She began with a brief presentation, showcasing exemplary LinkedIn profiles and discussing their key features. Ms. Sharma emphasized the importance of authenticity on LinkedIn and cautioned against fraudulent profiles.

During the session, participants learned how to make their profiles more appealing and professional. Ms. Sharma also addressed common concerns such as identifying false profiles. The workshop concluded with a preview of completed work and a Q&A session.

Overall, Ms. Sharma's expertise and interactive approach made the workshop informative and enjoyable. Attendees gained valuable insights and practical tips for enhancing their online professional presence and safeguarding against potential threats.

SEMINAR: An Open Conversation on Identity, Queerness, Politics and North East



DATE : February 28, 2024 The Speaker for the event was Pavel Sagolsem , a founder of the Chinky homo project, a Queer Feminist. The talk provided information about the sexual identity and politics faced by the community over the times and the current situation of North East.

The conversation revolved around various aspects of queer identity, with special emphasis on the political dimension of looking at different identities. The session ended by letting the student develop a positive outlook about different opinions of individuals on the topic of the inclusion, sexualities.

OUTREACH ACTIVITY



February 14, 2024 students from department of sociology visited Ganga Ram Hospital, The Aim of the activity was to spread kindness and remind that everyone is valued and loved.

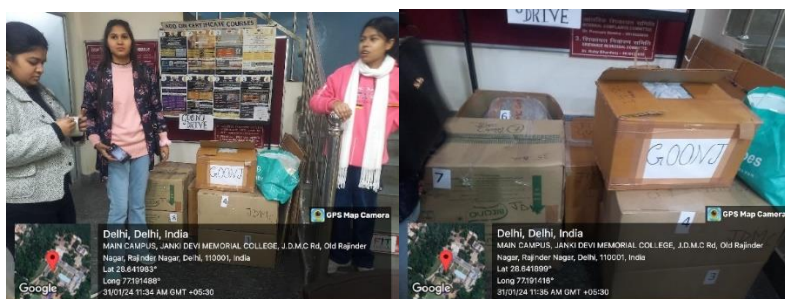
SOCIO HUSTLE



The Department of Sociology on the 9th of February' 2024, 12:10 PM organised "SOCIO HUSTLE: A Break from Studies." In order to foster social connections and creating inclusive spaces for community engagement. The event had games, such as "Dog and the Bone," a simple game where you need some quick reflexes to counter your opponents' movements and the

adventurous game of 'Treasure Hunt'.

GOONJ DRIVE Give your clothes a second life



The Department of Sociology of Janki Devi Memorial College also contributed Project Warmth, organized by Avani: The Environment Club in collaboration with GOONJ.

As part of the project the department made a drive for 3 days i.e. from the 29th of January' 2024 to the 31st of January' 2024.

Internship Inauguration Ceremony: Safe and Secure Public Transport in Delhi powered by Urban Catalysts

On 16 of January 2024, the Department of Sociology held an inaugural session for internship program on Safe and Secure Public Transport in Delhi, a collaborative initiative between Janki Devi Memorial College and Urban Catalysts.

Shradha Gupta, Coordinator, Urban Catalyst, shed light on the organisation's mission and expertise in creating inclusive and sustainable cities. She then elaborated on the goals and expectations of the internship program.

Principal, Professor Swati Pal, encouraged and wished the students and also emphasized on the importance of public transportation in shaping a thriving city and commended our decision to be a part of this transformative project.



Understanding Gender and Sexuality



Under the auspices of IQAC, the Sociology Department at Janki Devi Memorial College conducted a workshop series with TARSHI (Talking About Reproductive and Sexual Health Issues) aimed at understanding gender, sexuality, reproductive health, and consent. Here's a concise breakdown of each session:

Session 1 (November 8, 2023):

- 39 students participated.
- Activities included group discussions on topics like disability and sexuality, women's masturbation, and gender representation in media.
- An interactive exercise involving a "web of concerns" encouraged participants to explore interconnected issues.
- Group discussions expanded on unusual and unspoken themes related to gender and sexuality.

Session 2 (November 20, 2023):

- Focused on debunking sexual and reproductive health myths and building perspectives.
- Interactive activities included group discussions on topics like unplanned pregnancies and LGBTQIA+ sexual health.
- A letter activity encouraged students to consider different perspectives and negotiate their viewpoints.
- The session emphasized the importance of informed decision-making regarding sexual and reproductive health.

Session 3 (November 29, 2023):

- Explored the significance of consent and boundaries in relationships.
- Activities included analyzing scenarios to understand the nuances of consent and force.
- Discussions on personal experiences and ethical photography practices enriched the session.
- The workshop concluded with a questionnaire to address doubts and reinforce the importance of navigating consent and boundaries.

Overall, the TARSHI workshop series provided valuable insights into gender, sexuality, reproductive health, and consent, fostering informed decision-making and broader perspectives among participants.



Intra Declamation Competition



Janki Devi Memorial College's Sociology Department organized an Intra Declamation Competition for first-year students on November 4, 2023. Held in Room No. 43A, the event featured topics like the Impact of Social Media on Society, Vegetarianism's Cultural Significance, and Justifications for Violence in Identity Threatening Situations. Each participant had three minutes to present their views.

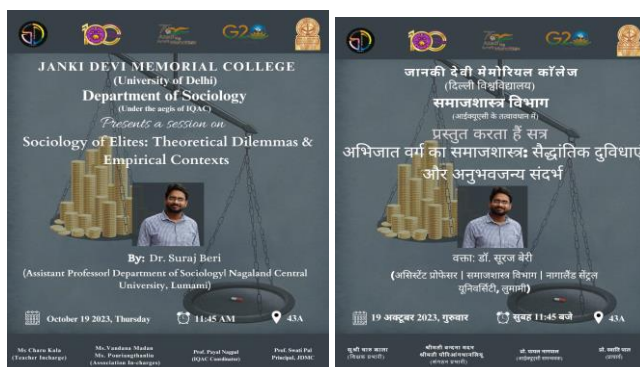
Five students participated: Sakshi Kumari, Anuradha, Anushka Dev, Arunima Pal, and Radhika Venkatraman. Sakshi and Arunima discussed vegetarianism's societal impacts, while others delved into social media's dual role as a boon and a bane. Judge Kanika Kakar commended each participant's arguments and congratulated them before announcing Arunima Pal as the winner and Radhika Venkatraman as the runner-up.

The competition showcased enthusiastic participation and thoughtful discourse, making it a resounding success.

Sociology of Elites: Theoretical Dilemmas & Empirical Contexts



The Sociology Department of Janki Devi Memorial College organized a seminar on "Sociology of Elites: Theoretical Dilemmas & Empirical Contexts" on October 19, 2023. Dr. Suraj Beri, an assistant professor from Nagaland Central University, Lumami, delivered an insightful talk addressing elitism in society and the concept of privilege, particularly in relation to gender, caste, and class. The seminar, attended by 93 students, alumni, and faculty, provided a deep understanding of the topic's significance. An interactive Q&A session followed, where students engaged with Dr. Beri on his research. Armish Alamgir concluded the session with gratitude to the speaker and participants for their enthusiasm and involvement.



Ethnographic Practices in Sociological Inquiry



On October 11, 2023, the Sociology Department of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, organized a seminar titled "Ethnographic Practices in Sociological Inquiry," featuring Dr. Nupurnima Yadav, an Assistant Professor at Delhi School of Economics and an alumna of the department, as the speaker. The session, attended by 106 students from all three years, commenced at 11:45 a.m.

Dr Yadav introduced the field of ethnography and its distinctions from anthropology, highlighting various types such as Classic Ethnography, Digital Ethnography, Multi-Site Ethnography, and Autoethnography. She emphasized how each type addresses the crisis of representation and legitimation, shaping our understanding of the global cultural economy. Dr. Yadav illustrated her points with examples, including the impact of digitalization on communication, particularly through memes. Drawing from the works of eminent sociologists like M.N. Srinivas and T.N. Madan, Dr. Yadav shared her research experience, notably her study on Astrology in India, which is published under her name.

The seminar concluded with an interactive Q&A session, allowing students to engage with Dr. Yadav and deepen their understanding of ethnographic research. Overall, the department facilitated a highly informative session, providing valuable insights for the students' future endeavours.



FRESHERS' 2023



On October 6, the Department of Sociology at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, the event commenced with the introduction of the student council, who received their badges from the Principal, marking their formal induction into the department.

The atmosphere was electric with lively performances ranging from solo and group dances to melodious singing by second and third-year students, setting the stage for an energetic welcome to the newcomers. Manonita Verma's keyboard performance and Madiha Affroz's crew's skit on "Reel Vs Real College Life" added further excitement to the festivities.

Amidst the celebrations, the Principal imparted valuable insights to the freshmen, offering guidance on navigating the department and seizing the opportunities afforded by the college. Teachers emphasized the significance of academic diligence while embracing the full spectrum of college experiences. They underscored the privilege of being part of such an esteemed institution and encouraged students to uphold its values through their dedication and achievements.

The orientation culminated in a spirited introduction to college life, fostering a sense of belonging and anticipation for the academic journey ahead.

Career Counselling Workshop **With International Development Program**



On October 4, 2023, the Department of Sociology at Janki Devi Memorial College organized a Career Counselling Workshop in collaboration with IDP Education. Ms. Aarti Sharma, an assistant Destination Manager at IDP Education and department alumna, along with Ms. Vibha Sang, the Program and Strategic Alliance Manager, conducted the session in the seminar hall at 11:30 a.m.

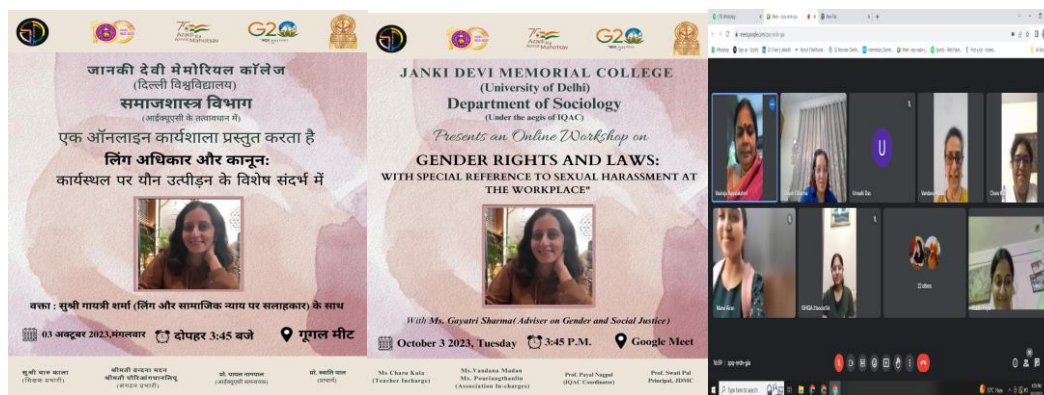
Ms. Sharma introduced various opportunities for sociology graduates abroad, emphasizing the importance of experience in securing high-paying jobs. She outlined the services offered by IDP, including assistance with school selection, accommodation, visa grants, and IELTS preparation. Ms. Sharma highlighted the benefits of studying abroad, citing countries like Ireland, New Zealand, the United States, Canada, and Australia as popular destinations. She provided insights into application procedures, living costs, financial management, and recommended courses for sociology students.

The workshop provided valuable guidance for students considering studying abroad, with Ms. Sharma addressing doubts and questions effectively, ensuring the event's success.



Online Workshop on Gender Rights and Laws

With Special Reference to Sexual Harassment at the Workplace



The Department of Sociology hosted a workshop on the topic ‘Gender Rights and Laws: with Special Reference to Sexual Harassment at the Workplace’. The resource person for the session was Ms. Gayatri Sharma, a lawyer, gender and social justice adviser.

Ms Sharma started the session by showing data indicating how significantly crime against women had escalated. She pointed out how the data helps us recognize that harassment occurs in both the public and private sphere. Cases of harassment that occurs in the public are observed, recognized, and reported, whereas cases in the private sphere are not even questioned. She also delves in to discuss on marital rape as a point to discuss the issue of consent, and dimensions that marginalizes women and limit their independence.

Webinars like this leave a great impact on people to think about and it is no doubt that we anticipate more of such gender conscious workshops in future.

A Dream of Trees *Movie Screening*



The Sociology Department of Janki Devi Memorial College organized a movie screening of "A Dream of Trees" on September 26th at 09:30 am in the seminar hall. The film explores the relationship between humans and trees, focusing on the ecological restoration of tropical rainforests in India's Anamalai Hills. It follows the work of Nature Conservation Foundation scientists, highlighting the importance of civet excreta in forest growth and the role of restoration in reintroducing wildlife.

Following the screening, an interactive discussion led by Charu Ma'am and Vandana Ma'am emphasized the significance of local involvement in ecological restoration. The Principal, Professor Swati Pal, shared a poignant story illustrating the importance of love and respect for nature. The film left a profound lesson on the irreversible impact of destruction and the challenges of restoration.

WORKSHOP

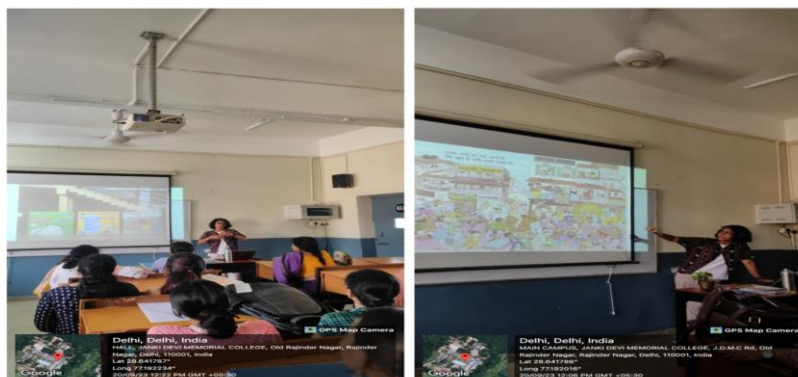
Visual Narratives, Art and Graphic Design September 20, 2023



The Department of Sociology, of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi organised a workshop on the *Visual Narratives, Art and Graphic Design*. The resource person for the workshop was Ms. Ishita Debnath Biswas, Visual Artist and Designer and department alumna. The event was organised for all the three years of the department on the 20th of September 2023 at room no. 43A wherein the workshop began by 11:45 A.M.

Ms. Biswas introduce the theme and emphasized on the significant distinctions between a narrative and a story, as well as how a single story may be told using a variety of narratives. Her expertise in the field of visual storytelling and design gave the viewers a new perspective on how to view an image. She not only imparted knowledge on the fundamental principles but also on the concept behind the visual illustrations found in children's books, highlighting the fact that complex stories are often simplified for a child's benefit and are often depicted in fantastical and abstract ways in addition to realistic ones. She also educated the audience about contemporary art and the value of visual study or visualisation. Ms. Biswas' leadership allowed the workshop to successfully educate the excited students a new paradigm for comprehending the view all around them.

The workshop was a big success since the audience was invested in the topic and engaged with the speaker well from the beginning of the workshop until the end of the Q&A. They also enjoyed the activity of creating their own visual narrative, which was done during the workshop. The teachers took part in this exercise as well as the students.



Fern Gully : The Last Rainforest
Movie Screening
September 19, 2023

The Sociology Department organised a film screening for third-year students on September 19, 2023, to help them understand the relationship between humans and the environment. The chosen movie for the same was Bill Kroyer's 1992 animated environmental fantasy film *Fern Gully: The Last Rainforest*. The screening took place in Room 43A from 10 A.M. to 11 A.M. The movie explored themes of environmental conservation, the impact of human activity on nature, and the magic of the rainforest. It was an hour-long film that was animated beautifully and kept the audience engaged throughout.

The plot revolved around Crysta, a young and inquisitive fairy living in the thriving Fern Gully rainforest, who unintentionally reduced the size of a human named Zak. Inadvertently introducing him to the captivating and at-risk world of the forest. As Zak learned more about nature's delicate balance, he joined forces with Crysta and her companions to stop the evil spirit Hexus, who was released when a tree was cut down by humans. It was a typical ecological narrative emphasising the negative consequences of deforestation.

Overall, it complimented the themes and emotions of the story, enhancing its impact. The film conveyed significant sociological messages related to environmentalism, the human-environment relationship, responsibility, and the impact of corporate interests on the environment. These messages will surely encourage viewers to reflect on their roles in society and the environment and advocate for positive change.

ONLINE ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

15 September 2023



Under the auspices of the IQAC and G-20 Jan Bhagidari, the Department of Sociology at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, held an online essay writing competition for all JDMC students. The theme for essay competition was 'Community Engagement and Inclusive Governance: The G20's Imperative for Sustainable Development'. The event began on September 8, 2023, and the results were announced on September 15, 2023. The judge for the competition was Dr Pavan Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Global Affairs at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University of Delhi.

A total of 20 submissions were received for the competition. Mahvish Fatima, a third-year B.A. Sociology Honours student, won the competition with her beautifully written essay. In addition,

Garima Kumari, a 2nd Year student of B.A. Sociology Honours and Sohagani Roy, a 1st Year student of B.A. English Honours, received special mentions from the judge for their thoughtful and innovative essays.

Online Counselling Session

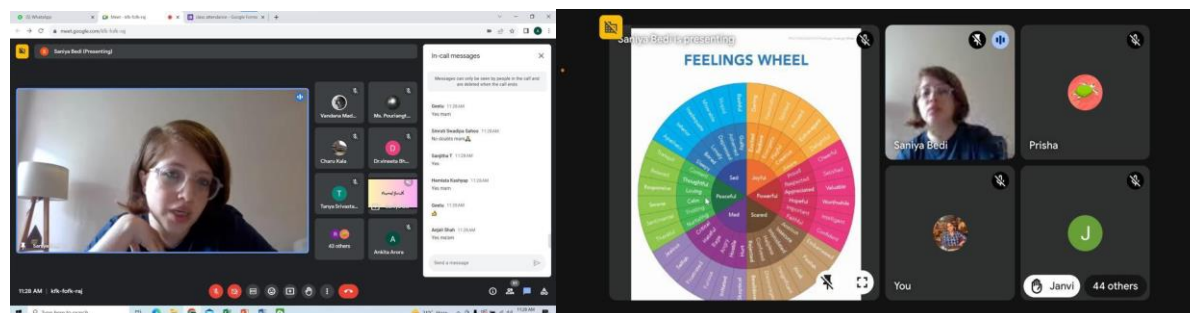
A NEW BEGINNING: LIFE AS A COLLEGE STUDENT

6 September 2023



On 6th September 2023, 11:00 pm onwards, an online counselling session for the first year students was organised by the Department of Sociology in collaboration with the Counselling Committee of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, on the topic “A New Beginning: Life As A College Student” on a Google Meet platform. The resource person for the session was Mrs. Saniya Bedi, an alumna of Delhi University, a Counselling Psychologist and a Content Creator.

The session began with a formal introduction of the resource person by Ms. Vandana Madan. Mrs. Bedi then followed up to introduce the students present in the meeting to the topic discussion. She explained how important it is to adjust and maintain a college schedule. To do so, individuals have to keep in mind the significance of professional development, social connections, extra-curricular excellence as well as personal growth. Additionally, she made the students partake in an interesting “Feelings Wheel” activity which helped them identify how they felt to be able to regulate their emotions. She also discussed how to overcome problems related to anxiety and overthinking as nowadays it is quite common to see even amongst school-going children and the growing youth.



A total of 50 students participated in the session and actively asked questions which were answered by Mrs. Bedi. The session ended with a vote of thanks. It was a successful interactive session that gave the students insights on coping with challenges that a fresher in college can encounter and how to grow as unique individuals in various fields.

Teachers' Day Celebration 5 September 2023



The Department of Sociology of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi organised an event for its faculty on the occasion of Teacher's Day on the 5th of September.

The event started at 12 pm with the President of the Department, Manvi Airan who welcome the faculty and students. Teachers were felicitated with a bouquet of flowers and handmade greetings cards, followed by the ceremony of cutting a cake. The event had games in which both students and teachers participated with much enthusiasm. The event was a great success as room 43A was filled with the laughter of enjoying the occasion and all the three years along with the teachers had a memorable time to remember.

The event ended with students capturing this lovely occasion with the teachers by getting their pictures taken. Overall, it was a memorable event planned with an intent to deliver gratitude to all the Teachers.

Orientation Programme



Department of Sociology, Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi conducted orientation programmes for the batch of 2023-27 on 17th August, 2023, Room No 43 A. The programme started with the professors introducing themselves to the freshers and making them comfortable. The freshers were then introduced to the department and myriad other important things such as the department magazine; SOCH, the department festival ETHOS, and most importantly their syllabus. Students from second and third years gave a presentation on the structure of the courses under NEP for first year. The orientation ended with a little video showing snippets of the department activities. The students and the faculty members gave a hearty welcome to the first years and wished them well for their experience in the Sociology department of Janki Devi Memorial College.


 <p>JANKI DEVI MEMORIAL COLLEGE University of Delhi DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY <i>in collaboration with</i> NEP Implementation Committee under the Aegis of IQAC <i>is organising an</i> ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR THE FIRST YEAR STUDENTS</p>			 <p>जानकी देवी मेमोरियल कॉलेज दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय समाजशास्त्र विभाग IQAC के तत्वावधान में NEP कार्यान्वयन समिति के सहयोग से प्रथम वर्ष के छात्रों के लिए ओरिएंटेशन कार्यक्रम का आयोजन कर रहा है</p>		
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Orientation Programme for the First Year Students

The Department of Sociology organised an orientation for the first year on the 10th July 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in room number 43 A. The session was meant to inform the students regarding courses offered by the department in the Second Year (Third Semester): Discipline Specific Courses, Elective Courses as well as Value Added Courses and Skill Enhancement Courses. The teachers discuss the issue of chronic absenteeism in the ingoing semester. The students were inform on the importance of attending classes not only the Core Courses but also their Generic Elective, SEC and VAC courses.



MENSTRUAL HYGIENE WORKSHOP



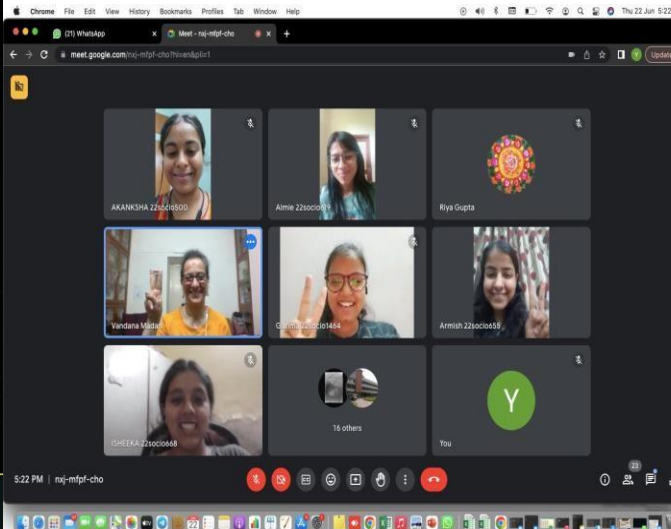
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Invites you for an interactive session on
MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

With
VANDANA MADAN
Associate Professor,
Department of Sociology, JDMC


22nd June, 2023
3:45 pm onwards
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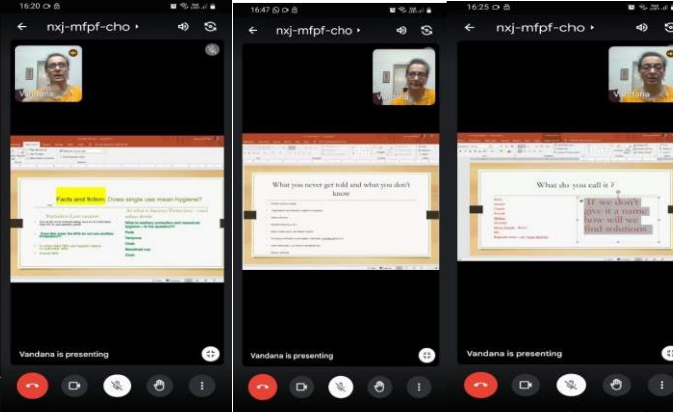
The Department of sociology department organised an online workshop on Menstrual Hygiene on 22nd June 2023. The resource person for the workshop was Ms Vandana Madan. She shares her experience with the students and the importance of maintaining menstrual hygiene. She stresses on women's health and well-being. It is also important for conversations regarding women's health are important to raise awareness about the importance of menstrual hygiene and break the silence and cultural stigma surrounding menstruation.



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