

### Department of Sociology



On 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023, a fourteen-day online interdisciplinary Refresher Course on Advanced Research Methodology & Technical Writing was inaugurated under the directions of Prof. Ashish Saxena, Director, UGC-HRDC, the UoA, and patronage of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sangeeta Srivastava, UoA, Prayagraj. This course is an initiative of UGC-HRDC, Allahabad University, with the motive to enhance the understanding of recent and advanced methodology in academia. Prof. Surinder S. Jodhka, Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences, JNU, was the Chief Guest, and Prof. S. I. Rizvi, Dean, R&D, the UoA, was the Guest of Honour over there during the inaugural ceremony. In this program, participants were from different subject disciplines and from across the country.

Prof. Ashish Saxena, Head, Department of Sociology & the Director, UGC-HRDC, the University of Allahabad, expressed his views on the necessity of 'advanced research methodologies and technical writing' in the changing world. While delivering the inaugural address, Professor Surinder S. Jodhka (Professor, School of Social Sciences, JNU, Delhi) discussed the Practice of Science: A Sociological Imagination. He emphasized that the students of science should learn from the students of social sciences, and the students of social sciences must learn from the students of science.

Thereafter, Prof. S. I. Rizvi, Dean, R&D, the UoA, a veteran Biochemist, shed light on the phases of research over the past fifty years and looked at the advent of artificial intelligence as a boon in the domain of research. His emphasis was also on the interdisciplinary approach in academics as he himself comes from a natural science background and enthusiastically contributes to literature and philosophy.

During the second session of the day, two speakers, namely, veteran sociologist Professor Ashok Kaul (Emeritus Professor at BHU, Varanasi) and Professor Debal Singha Roy (School of Social Sciences, IGNOU, New Delhi), chaired the session. Professor Kaul gave a magical description of the Rise of Capitalism along with the rise of social science. Professor Debal Singha Roy delivered a lecture on the questions related to research which was much needed, viz., What it is?; how is it?; why is it? He briefed on the historical, contemporary, subjective, and objective basis of research.

Dr. Deborah Darlianmawii, Department of Sociology, UoA, moderated the session. Then at the end of the session, Course Co-ordinator Dr. Keyoor, as well as the faculty in the Department of Sociology, the UoA, offered a formal vote of thanks to the speakers and participants. The course program continued till 9th April 2023.

### Dept. of Education

The annual function of PG Association, Abhivyaakti, was organized on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 by the M.A. and M. Ed. Students and Ph.D. scholars of the Department. The Chief Guest of this function was Prof. P. K. Sahoo, Former Head, Dept. of Education. In his address, he talked about the importance of cultural activities for all-round development of students. The Head of the Department, Prof. Dhananjai Yadav, welcomed the guests. Association, Dr. Saroj Yadav, along with Dr. Sonia Sthapak and Dr. Devi Prasad Singh directed and guided the students in various activities. All the faculty members of the Department were present at the function to encourage the students. A vote of thanks was given by an M. Ed. Student, Shiv Singh.



### CSR Cell

"Mahindra Pride Classroom-Employability Skill Training for Women" was organised from 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 to 2nd March 2023. CSR Cell, UoA in association with Naandi Foundation (project implementation) organised "Mahindra Pride Classroom-Employability skill Training for women" for the students of Centre for Fashion Design and Technology, University of Allahabad.