## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CELL AND ENABLING UNIT

# **REPORT**

# FEBRUARY 2023 – DECEMBER 2023

## PAHAL '23- Annual Fest

## 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2023

On the 6th of April 2023, the Equal Opportunity Cell and Enabling Unit of Kamala Nehru College, Delhi University, organized their annual fest, PAHAL'22, with a thematic focus on "Equitable Health in India." The theme delved into the existing health system in the country and the challenges it faces in achieving a universal healthcare system.

The event commenced with an enlightening talk by Dr. Surender Kumar Dabas, a distinguished figure in robotic surgical oncology in India. Dr. Dabas, an internationally recognized expert in robotic surgery, shared insights into the current state of the medical system in India, shedding light on its global positioning.

Following the talk session, two main competitions took place. The first, a declamation competition titled 'Speakathon,' explored the feasibility of attaining health equity amidst caste, class, and gender divides in India. Esteemed judges Dr. Sharmistha Mallick and Ms. Neha Singh presided over the event, declaring Chirag Jha, Harshit Bhatia, and Mrinalika Chaturvedi as the winners.

The second competition, a poster-making contest titled "Paint Your Thought," required participants to create posters reflecting the theme. Judges Ms. Gitika and Ms. Ambar Ahmed commended the unique perspectives presented in each poster. Javeriya, Khushi Kumari, Shreyanki, and Khushboo were recognized as the first, second, third, and special mention awardees, respectively.





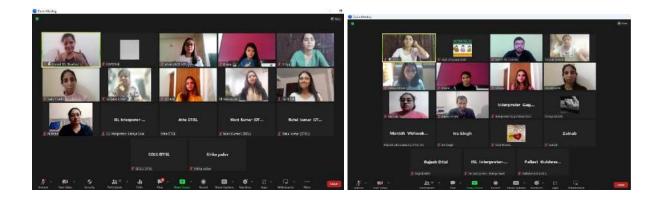
## **Basic Indian Sign Language Training**

## 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 – 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

In collaboration with the Haryana Welfare Society for Persons with Speech and Hearing Impairment, the Equal Opportunity Cell conducted a three-month Basic Indian Sign Language Training program. The online certificate course aimed at sensitization and basic sign language communication skills, covering ISL vocabulary, communication, and institutional inclusiveness.

This structured program provided participants with a unique opportunity to cultivate fundamental ISL communicative proficiency. Fourteen individuals demonstrated their enthusiasm by actively enrolling in the course, engaging in online classes conducted over the three-month duration. Notably, a commendable thirteen out of the total fourteen participants successfully completed the course, underscoring the commitment and dedication exhibited by the attendees. Participant feedback highlighted a positive reception of course content and instructional quality, emphasizing the potential impact of promoting Indian Sign Language within the broader community.

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#### **Mental Health Workshop**

#### October 13, 2023 (1pm)

In observance of World Mental Health Day, the Equal Opportunity Cell and Enabling Unit orchestrated an impactful offline session, with the theme "Embracing Your Mental Well Being."

Dr. Jafa, a counselor, led a discussion on the importance of embracing one's mental health for personal growth and the enhancement of our future selves. The session, insightful and engaging, was enriched by a subsequent question-and-answer segment. This interactive component proved immensely beneficial to the attendees, fostering a sense of belonging and providing them with a clearer perspective on the expansive concept of mental well-being. The session not only addressed the immediate concerns related to mental health but also contributed to the broader goal of promoting understanding and awareness within the college community.



#### Social Equality & Justice Workshop

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023 (1.30pm)

On November 22, 2023, the Equal Opportunity Cell and Enabling Unit organized a thought-provoking Academic Workshop in honor of Constitution Day. The workshop focused on 'SOCIAL EQUALITY AND JUSTICE: INDIAN CONSTITUTION & AMBEDKAR'S LEGACY,' with Professor Sanjeev Kumar

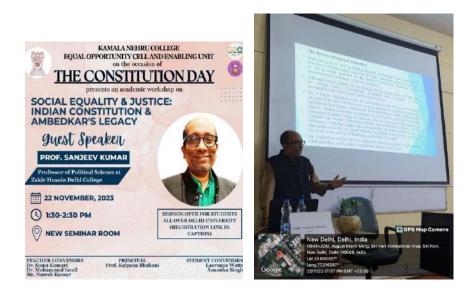
from Zakir Hussain College, University of Delhi, guiding the session. Professor Kumar's expertise illuminated various facets of the Indian Constitution and Dr. Ambedkar's enduring legacy, offering engaging insights into critical societal matters.

The session commenced with an exploration of the Constitution, emphasizing the significance of its preamble. Progressing, it highlighted Dr. Ambedkar's pivotal contributions in crafting a resilient legal framework, recognized by his Bharat Ratna accolade.

Covering diverse facets, the session illuminated constitutional elements crucial to shaping our present-day democracy. Professor Kumar unveiled the essence of 'SOCIAL DEMOCRACY,' emphasizing its profound relevance in society and Dr. Ambedkar's historic role in solidifying its societal foothold.

Students gained a profound understanding of Ambedkar's values and legacy in safeguarding rights and ensuring justice for every citizen, regardless of status or precondition.

The session concluded with a crucial reminder: the pursuit of justice and equality is an ongoing journey that demands persistent dedication. It ended with an engaging Q&A, posing thought-provoking questions deepening our understanding of Dr. Ambedkar's legacy in upholding social equality and justice within the Constitution.



#### Walk For Inclusion

#### 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023

On December 1, 2023, in commemoration of International Disability Day, celebrated annually on December 3, the Equal Opportunity Cell orchestrated a significant initiative on our college campus. A silent march, designed to cultivate awareness about disabilities, promote inclusivity, and unite the college community, was organized.

The silent march, commencing promptly at 1:00 pm, traversed various sections of the college premises, symbolizing a collective effort to advocate for the rights and inclusion of individuals with disabilities. The event garnered active participation from both students and faculty members,

exemplifying a shared commitment to fostering inclusivity. Accompanied by several teachers and students, the silent march not only made a visual impact but also nurtured a sense of unity and shared responsibility within the college community. The silent march on International Disability Day played a pivotal role in heightening awareness about the challenges faced by individuals with disabilities and underscored the importance of inclusivity. By fostering a collective commitment to unity and understanding, the event significantly contributed to creating a more compassionate and supportive environment within the college.





# **INSTAGRAM POSTS**

## WORLD DISABILITY DAY

3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023



The post explains what World Disability Day is and its significance. It emphasizes individuals like Stephen Hawking and Abhishek Bachchan who, despite facing disabilities, never allowed obstacles to hinder their journey to success and excellence. They made a lasting impact on society, showcasing resilience and determination in the face of challenges. Their stories exemplify the spirit of World Disability Day, celebrating achievements and highlighting the importance of inclusivity and breaking down barriers.