INDIRAGANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY(IGNOU) REGIONAL CENTRE MUMBAI

REPORT NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY 2023

On the eve of National Science Day the Regional Centre Mumbai has organized an online lecture on **"India and Science"** on 28th February 2023 at 03:00 PM for IGNOU Learners, LSCs, Academic Counsellors and other stakeholders.

Dr.E.Krishna Rao, Regional Director (i/c) has delivered welcome address and in his welcome address Dr.E.Krishna Rao, Regional Director (i/c) has highlighted the activities planned by the IGNOU on the occasion of National Science Day across the country. He further mentioned that the IGNOU is celebrating National Science Day in the whole month of February 2023. He has highlighted that IGNOU as per the directions of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor all the Regional Centres are celebrating this National Science day across the country by organizing webinars, conducting awareness meetings, conducting competitions for staff and students on different themes related to the National Science Day.

Dr. Sandeep Kulkarni, Head, Dept.of Environmental Sciences J Somaiya College of Arts & Commerce has delivered detailed lecture on India and Science with the help of PPT. in his presentation he has highlighted that Indians are systematically following the science from Vedic period. We have rich heritage as well as doctors and scientists from ancient period as so many diseases treatment was done locally by using ayurvedic treatment. Our science has not exposed as other countries exposed. He has highlighted the importance of national science as it is celebrated in India on February 28 every year to remember the discovery of the Raman effect by Indian physicist Sir C. V. Raman on 28 February 1928 for which discovery Sir C.V. Raman was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1930.

He further highlighted that the Indian temples were built 1000 years back which are still intact without any damage shows that the talent and engineering of our ancient engineers and the science is not modern concept it is in India from the ancient time. He was trying to convence all the activities in the society are having the science. He has highlighted the contribution of Rushis to the science in ancient period and modern scientist like Dr. Homibaba, Dr.Prafulchandra, Dr.JC Bose, Dr.Har Gobind Khorana, the bird man of India Dr. Salim Ali, Dr. Mokshagunda Vishveswaraiah, Dr. Abdul Kalam. The speaker further highlighted the contribution of female scitiests such as Dr. Anandibai Gopalrao Joshi first Indian female doctor of western medicine, Dr. Kamala Sohonie first Indian woman to receive a PhD in a scientific discipline, Dr. Anna Mani, Dr.Kamal Ranadiv, Rajeshwari Chatterjee first woman engineer, Kalpana Chawla. The speaker finally said as India and Science cannot be separated as India is having connection with science from ages

This webinar was attended by the Regional Centre Mumbai Staff, LSC functionaries' academics from RC Nagpur, RC Bangalore and other Regional Centres.

Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Assistant gave Vote of Thanks and Mr. Shashank Tripathi, JAT acted as Master of Ceremony.

Dr. E. Krishna Rao Regional Director (i/c)

Glance of the webinar on India and Science

