

Fostering Scientific Synergy: A Chronicle of ‘सुVigyan’ Science Festival’25

Zakir Husain Delhi College, University of Delhi, under the aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), organized ‘सुVigyan’ Science Festival’25 on 19th April. With the national mission Viksit Bharat@2047 as its guiding vision, the festival aimed to promote interdisciplinary scientific dialogue, innovation, and intellectual exchange among science departments including department of psychology, paving the way for a developed and knowledge-driven India by 2047.

The festival commenced with a culturally vibrant and intellectually enriching inaugural ceremony. The session was honoured by the presence of Prof. Avinash Chandra Pandey, Director, Inter-University Accelerator Centre (IUAC), who graced the occasion as Chief Guest, and Prof. Surendra Singh, Chairman, Governing Body, Zakir Husain Delhi College, who presided over the ceremony. Their thought-provoking addresses emphasized the transformative power of collaborative science in shaping India’s academic and technological future. The inaugural programme also featured elegant cultural performances, including Saraswati Vandana, Kulgeet, Kathak, and Lavani, reflecting the confluence of science and culture—a hallmark of holistic education.

The academic segment of the festival witnessed an engaging array of interdepartmental and intercollege competitions organized by the Departments of Botany, Chemistry, Electronics, Physical Sciences, Psychology, Life Sciences and Zoology. The departments hosted a spectrum of events including debate, essay writing, crossword puzzles, logo making, photography, brain games, quiz, Pictionary and robotics. The students got a platform to interact, explore and express scientific ideas creatively and competitively. Active participation was observed not only from the host college but also from students of other institutions, enriching the spirit of the fest with diverse perspectives. The involvement of faculty members across departments played a pivotal role in the seamless execution of each event, ensuring academic rigor and smooth coordination throughout the day.

The valedictory session brought the festival to a celebratory close. The much-awaited prize distribution ceremony saw the Interdepartmental Rolling Trophy awarded to the Life Science Society for their outstanding performance across events. A special highlight was the conferral of the Dr. Harjinder Grover Endowment Fund prizes and Kaul Memorial prize awarded to the toppers of the first, second and third year of Botany and Life Sciences courses, recognizing their academic excellence. The event concluded with a warm acknowledgement address and vote of thanks, delivered in appreciation of the tireless efforts of the faculty, staff, and students. Special recognition was given to Dr. Babeeta C Kaula, the Festival Coordinator, for her committed leadership, and to Prof. Narendra Singh, Principal, for his steadfast support and vision in nurturing a culture of scientific inquiry. The day drew to a dignified close with the National Anthem, uniting all participants in a moment of collective pride and purpose.

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