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A Brief report on One-Day National Seminar

On

Covid-19: Issues and Challenges for Future Environment

Date: 1st July, 2020

A One Day National Virtual Webinar on "Covid-19: Issues and Challenges for Future Environment" was organized by Dr. M. K. Umathe College, Nagpur in collaboration with Dayanand Arya Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur on 1st July. 2020. In view of the present Covid-19 Pandemic outbreak we felt the need to spread awareness among the people about the positive, negative effects of Covid-19 on the lives of people and on environment. The aim of the webinar was to bring together the well-known academicians, researchers, parents, students and the knowledgeable persons from every walk of life to discuss the major issues related to environment, to deliberate on pollution issues and suggest preventive measures.

The webinar started with the verbal welcome of the resource persons and the participants and the objectives of the webinar were also stated. Dr. Shraddha Anilkumar, Principal of Dayanand Arya Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur presented the welcome speech. She made the introductory remark and welcomed the guest speakers and the participants.

Two Technical Sessions were conducted in the aforesaid webinar and the two widely acclaimed guest speakers were invited for the same. **Dr. Rajkumar Khapekar**, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Botany, D. R. B. Sindhu Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur was the resource person for the First Technical session.

Dr. Mrs. Harkare, Associate Professor, D.A.K.M., Nagpur introduced the esteemed and revered guest Dr. Khapekar to the participants. He talked at length on **Environment and Human Activities with Reference to Covid-19**. He supported his deliberation with varied pertinent examples, photographs and posed many questions to the audience to ponder over during his presentation. His presentation was indeed wonderful, interesting, informative, and thought provoking. He enthralled the audience with his mesmerizing presentation. His presentation was followed by question and answer session.

The second technical session was conducted immediately after the Question and Answer session. Dr. Pravin Meshram, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Environmental Science was the invited as a resource person. Dr. Chetna Pathak, Assistant Professor, D.A.K.M, Nagpur (Convener) introduced the guest speaker Dr. Pravin Meshram to the participants. He beautifully delivered presentation on **Air Pollution: Sources, Impact, Assessment and Mitigation Measures**. He dealt with the topic so well, covered all the points pertaining to the topic of his presentation and suggested preventive measures to mitigate the issue of air pollution and Covid-19. The second technical session was followed by Question and Answer session.

The webinar received an overwhelming response and more than 300 participants from affiliated institutions from all over Maharashtra attended and actively participated and got immensely benefitted. Dr. Vaishali Meshram, Assistant Professor of English, Dr. M. K. Umathe College, Nagpur (Convener) conducted the proceedings of the webinar and Prof. Miss. Geeta Galani, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, DAKM, Nagpur proposed the formal vote of thanks. The webinar was conducted on Zoom Cloud App and was also streamed live on YouTube.

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