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RC- Trivandrum

RC Joins Independence Day Gram Sabha in Pathanamthitta



As part of the Independence Day celebrations, **Dr. T. R. Satyakeerthy**, Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, participated in a Gram Sabha organised at Vallicode Gram Panchayat in Pathanamthitta, the adopted village of the Regional Centre.

Smt. Maya, **President of Vallicode Gram Panchayat**, along with panchayat members and local residents, participated in the meeting. Discussions focused on various developmental activities and initiatives of the panchayat.

A talk on substance abuse was also organised by the State Excise Cell to raise awareness among village residents. The session also highlighted the importance of proper parenting in preventing substance abuse and related issues among children and youth.

The participation highlighted IGNOU Regional Centre Thiruvananthapuram's engagement with its adopted village and its efforts to contribute to community-oriented educational and developmental initiatives, further reinforcing the University's

RC- Srinagar

RC Celebrates 80th Independence Day





Regional Centre, Srinagar, celebrated the **80th Independence Day** on 15 August 2026 with a flag-hoisting ceremony attended by staff members and invited guests. The ceremony was led by **Dr. A.H. Rizvi**, Regional Director, IGNOU, who hoisted the National Flag and delivered the presidential address. **Dr. Mohd Abdullah**,
Assistant Regional Director, and **Mr. Yogesh Kumar,** assistant registrar, were also present.

The event included addresses by **Mr. Showkat, SP Srinagar**, and **Dr. Azhar**, Deputy Superintendent of police, Khanyar police station, who shared their perspectives on the significance of Independence Day, the role of security forces in maintaining national integrity and the importance of education in nation-building. In his address, **Dr. Rizvi** highlighted IGNOU's commitment to inclusive education and its role in empowering citizens across sections of society. He also spoke about the Preamble to the Constitution and encouraged staff and stakeholders to contribute to the community and the nation.





Glimpses of 80th Independence Day Celebration

RC- Delhi 1





Glimpses of 80th Independence Day Celebration

RC- Shimla









RC- Bijapur

80th Independence Day Celebration









IGNOU Regional Centre, Bijapur celebrated the 80th Independence Day on 15 August 2026 with patriotic fervour. The programme began with Vande Mataram and the hoisting of the National Flag by **Dr. B. N. Devendra**, Regional Director (I/c), along with officials from the Tourism and Horticulture Departments, followed by the National Anthem.

Dr. Devendra spoke about the sacrifices of freedom fighters and the importance of embracing emerging AI technologies for nation-building. As part of the celebrations, **Mr. Anand Konnur** participated in the flag-hoisting programme at Loghaon, the UBA-adopted village. The event concluded on a patriotic note, with the support of staff from the Horticulture and Tourism Departments, Vijayapura.

RC- Mumbai

Partition Horrors Remembrance Day





On 14 August 2026, Regional Centre Mumbai observed **National Partition Horrors Remembrance Day 2026** and organised a **Har Ghar Tiranga Yatra 2026** to commemorate the sacrifices of the past and promote the spirit of patriotism and national unity. All the staff and students of Regional Centre Mumbai gathered in the Regional Centre premises for the aforementioned programmes.

Dr. Milind B. Patil, Asst. Regional Director, informed all participants in detail about National Partition Horrors Remembrance Day and the Har Ghar Tiranga Yatra.

Later, **Dr. Rahul Mishra**, Regional Director, spoke about the need to observe National Partition Horrors Remembrance Day to connect with our history. He requested all participants to read available literature on the Partition of India to get detailed information.

He also requested all participants to hoist the flag in their respective homes and participate in Har Ghar Tiranga. After this, all staff and students participated in the Har Ghar Tiranga Rally organised by Regional Centre Mumbai. The children were distributed national flags, and slogans were raised.





RC- Chennai

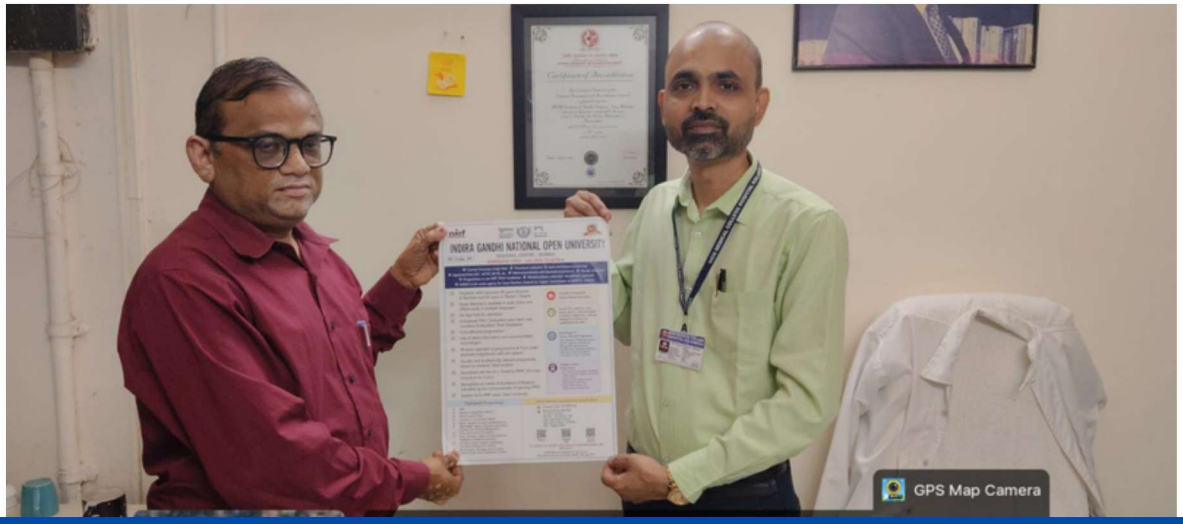
Har Ghar Tiranga Celebrations





RC- Mumbai

RC Conducts Outreach Visits to Institutions in Navi Mumbai



Dr. Milind B. Patil, Assistant Regional Director, IGNOU, visited the **MGM Hospital and Medical College**, and **CKT College of Science**, Commerce and Arts in Navi Mumbai on 17 August to apprise the institutions of IGNOU's programmes and promote open learning programmes.

During his visit to MGM Hospital and Medical College, **Dr. Patil** met the administrative manager and briefed the institution about IGNOU's programmes, including those offered through the School of Health Sciences. He highlighted the flexibility of IGNOU's programmes, particularly for those in service. Pamphlets containing information about the programmes were also distributed during the meeting. **Dr. Patil** also urged the hospital administration to share information about IGNOU programmes with its staff and display the pamphlets on the notice board for wider dissemination.

At the CKT College of Science, Commerce and Arts, **Dr. Patil met Prof. (Dr.) Sanjay Patil**, Principal of the college to discuss IGNOU's programmes and the learning opportunities available to students and working professionals alike. Opportunities for the college's regular students to pursue dual degrees and certificate programmes were also discussed. The meeting also explored the possibility of CKT College's future academic engagement with IGNOU. **Dr. Patil** requested a meeting of the IGNOU officials with CKT College's faculty to discuss the empanelment of prospective academic counsellors.

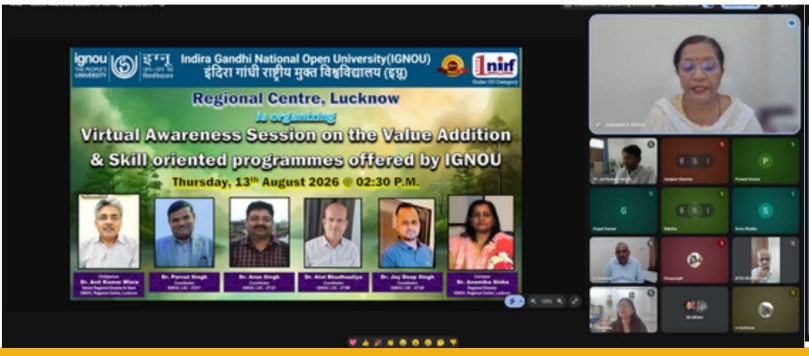
The visits formed part of IGNOU's institutional outreach efforts to increase awareness of its academic programmes and explore avenues for engagement with educational and professional institutions in Navi Mumbai.

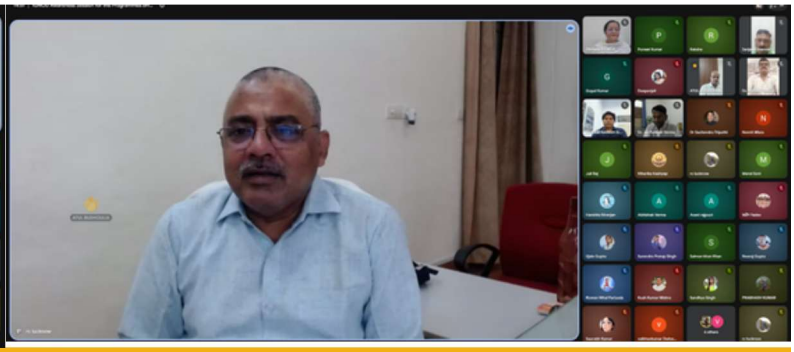




RC- Lucknow

RC Organises Virtual Awareness Session on Skill and Value-Addition Programmes



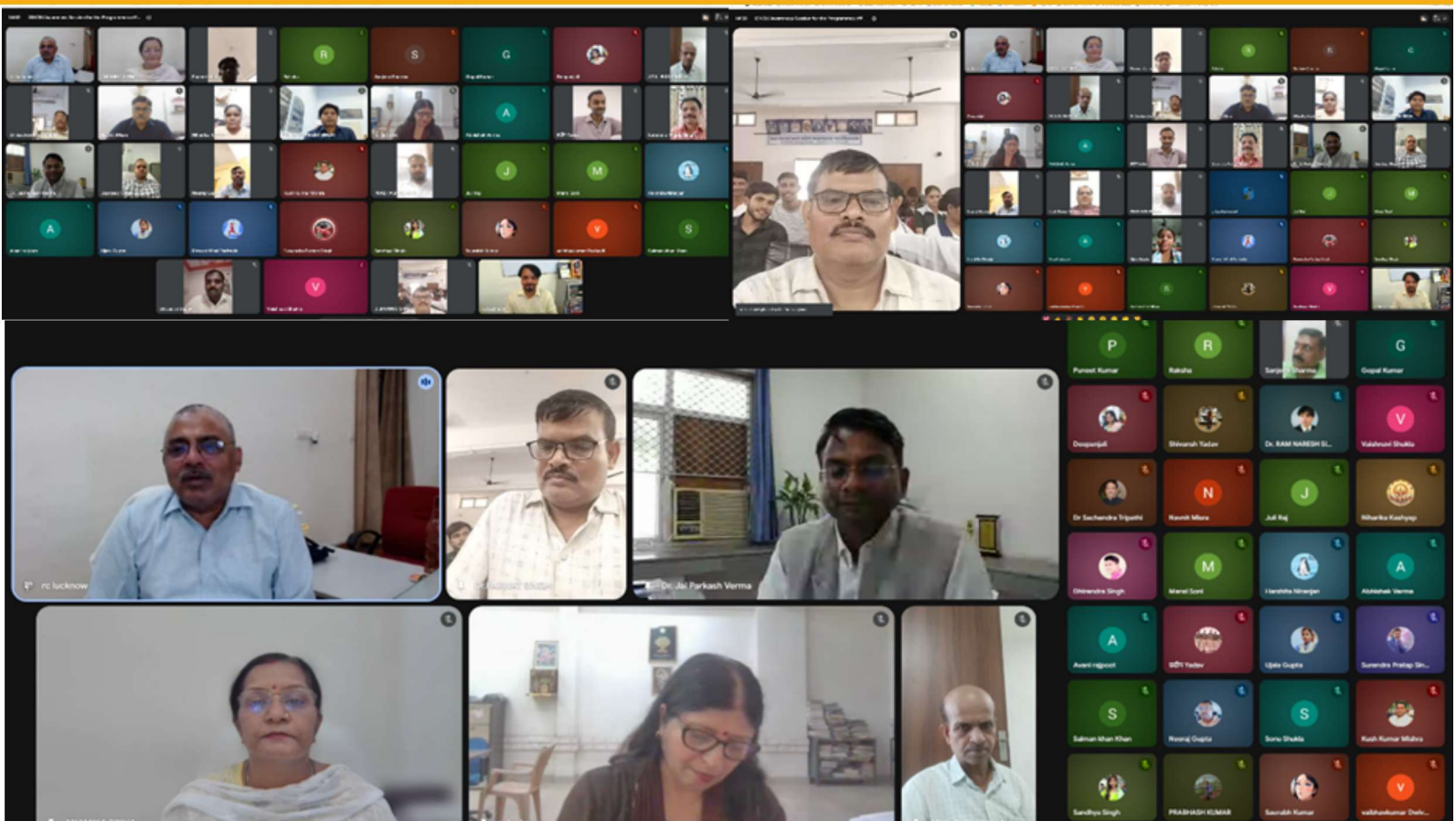


Regional Centre, Lucknow, organised a virtual awareness session on 13 August 2026, to familiarise students pursuing conventional education with IGNOU's skill- and value-addition programmes.

The session was led by **Sr. Regional Director and Head Dr. Anil Kumar Misra**, along with Regional Directors **Dr. Reena Kumari, Dr. Anamika Sinha and Dr. Jai Prakash Verma**. Coordinators from various Learner Support Centres (LSCs) also participated in the session, which brought together learners from conventional-mode institutions.

The session focused on creating awareness about IGNOU programmes that can supplement conventional education by providing opportunities for additional learning, skill development, and knowledge enhancement.

Coordinators from LSCs in Basti, Fatehgarh, Sitapur, Hardoi, Kheri, Orai, Kanpur, and Pukhrayan participated in the programme.



RC- Deoghar

IGNOU RC Deoghar Organises Tuberculosis Awareness Activities Under TB-Free India Campaign





IGNOU Regional Centre, Deoghar, organised a series of activities on 14 August 2026 as part of the **Intensive and Special TB-Free India Campaign** to raise awareness about Tuberculosis (TB) and encourage community participation in TB elimination efforts.

The activities included a **Ni-kshay Pledge**, a **TB awareness poster-making competition** at **Dr. Jagannath Mishra College,** Jasidih, Deoghar, and a webinar on **"Understanding Tuberculosis: Prevention, Detection and Treatment."** As part of the poster-making competition, students created posters on the theme **"टीबी मुक्त भारत: हमारी जिम्मेदारी, हमारा संकल्प,"** highlighting TB prevention, healthy practices and the importance of collective responsibility. A total of 18 students participated and the winners were felicitated by **Shri Arvind Manoj Kumar Singh,** Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre Deoghar, and **Dr. Harim Qudsi,** Assistant Regional Director.



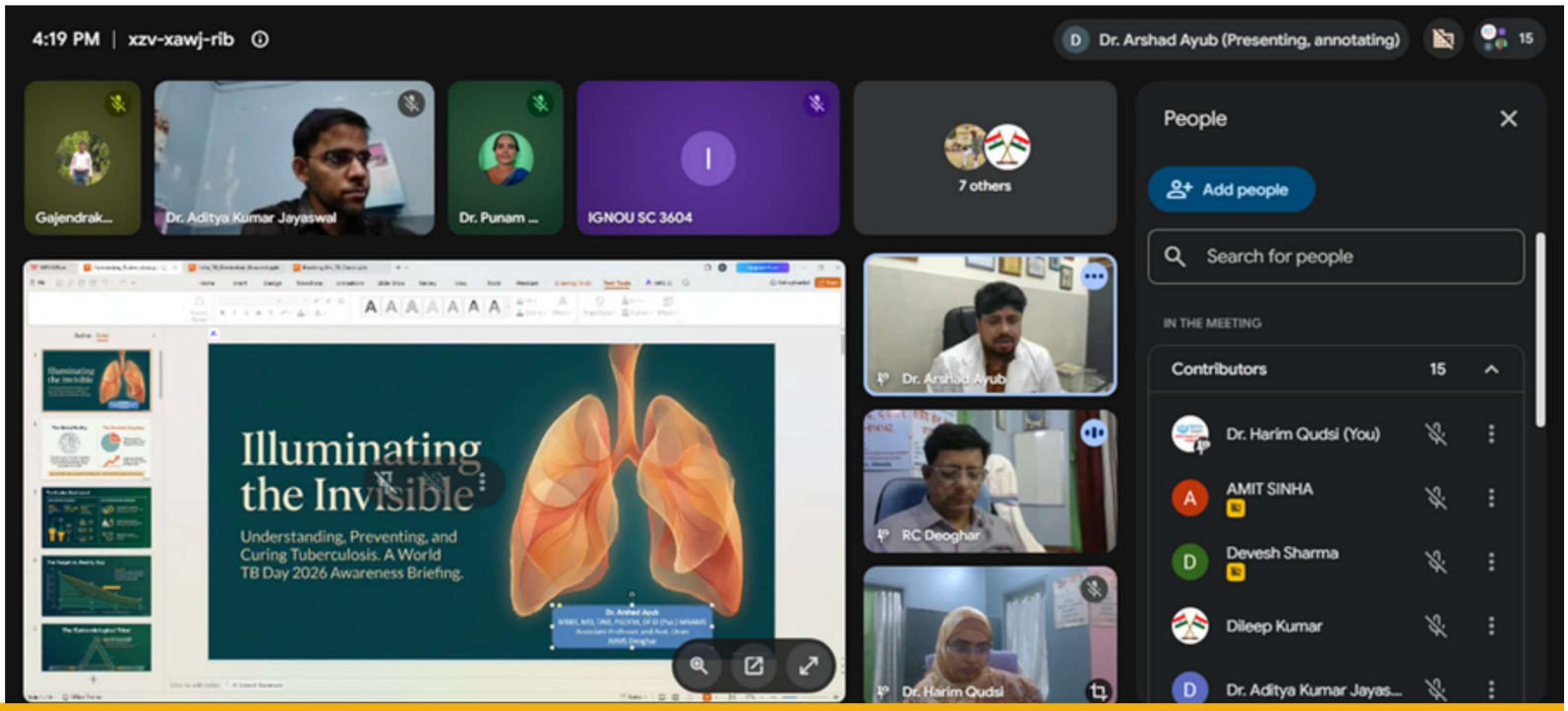








RC- Deoghar



The webinar featured **Dr. Arshad Ayub**, Associate Professor and Assistant Dean (Academics), Department of Community and Family Medicine, AIIMS Deoghar, as the resource person. He discussed TB prevention, early detection, treatment, risk factors and the importance of community participation in TB elimination. The session also included an interactive question-and-answer session.

Members of the Regional Centre also participated in the **Ni-kshay Pledge** through the **MyGov portal,** reaffirming their commitment to the goal of a TB-free India.

