Department of History RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY RONO HILLS, DOIMUKH

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25th November 2022

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In pursuant to the letter received from the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi vide D.O. No. M.11014/03/2022-CDN dated 11th November 2022, the university shall join the nation to commemorate the Constitution of India as Jan Bhagidari and to honour and acknowledge the contribution of Founding Fathers of the Constitution. This year the Constitution Day (Samvidhan Diwas) is being celebrated on 26th November on the subject, "India-the Mother of Democracy.

In this context, the Department of History and Institute of Distance Education (IDE) shall jointly undertake the following activities:

Reading of the Preamble (*copy attached*) on 26th November, 2022 (Online reading of Preamble to the Constitution through: <u>readpreamble.nic.in</u>) and participation in Online Quiz on "India-the Mother of Democracy through: webportal: <u>constitutionquiz.in</u>).

A Special Lecture by Prof. S.N Singh on the 'History of the Constituent Assembly' shall be organised at 2:00 pm to mark the occasion.

All the Faculty Members, Guest faculties and Research Scholars are hereby requested to join the programme which will be conducted online.

LINK FOR ONLINE SPECIAL LECTURE: https://meet.google.com/tsj-fxcm-efz

Venue: IDE

Time : 2:00 pm

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A Special Talk on the Constitution Day organized at RGU

Rono Hills 26 Nov 2022: A special (online) lecture on the 'History of the Constituent Assembly' was jointly organized by Department of History and Institute of Distance Education, Rajiv Gandhi University (IDE, RGU) on the 26th of November 2022.. Through this event the University fraternity joined the nation to commemorate the Constitution of India as a *Jan Bhagidar*. The theme of this year's celebration was "India- the mother of Democracy". Ms. Chathiam Lowang, faculty, IDE, RGU, welcomed the audience to this online meet.

Prof. S. N. Singh, Department of History, RGU enlightened the audience on this occasion. He spoke on "History of the Constituent Assembly". He began his lecture by giving a historical account of the development of the constituent assembly. He divided this phenomenon into three parts. These were the contexts of the colonial rule, Muslim League and partition of the country. He then talked about the partition of India and the consequent issues that led to a sizeable impact on the development of the Indian constitution as well as the assembly. With the background done, he delved into the details of the development of the Indian Constituent Assembly.

During the course of his lecture he acknowledged the role of the all the founding fathers of the constitution. He described the role of B. R. Ambedkar in giving the constitution as we know it today. Prof. Singh concluded his speech by mentioning the two regrets that were expressed by the president of the Constituent Assembly, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, during the adoption of the Indian Constitution, The first was the omission of any qualification for the legislators apart from the fact that they would be the elected representatives. His other regret was that the constitution of the independent Bharat could not be drafted in any of Indian languages.

The program was attended by deans, faculties and scholars of different department from the University. The event ended with a vote of thanks by Ms. Tuning Tabing, faculty, IDE, RGU.





