<u>REPORT ON STUDENTS' POSTER PRESENTATION COMPETITION ON THE</u> OCCASION of WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY, 2023

Date: 11th September, 2023

Timings: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Venue: Asutosh College, Centenary Building

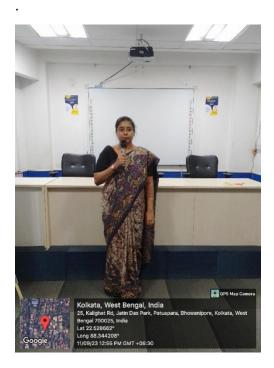
Joint Convenors: Dr. Rimjhim Ray and Smt. Somlata Acharyya Chowdhury

Report: On the 11th of September, 2023, the Department of Psychology organised a poster presentation competition for the students to spread awareness about suicide prevention on the occasion of World Suicide Prevention Day, 2023. In keeping with the triennial theme chosen by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for World Suicide Prevention Day, the theme chosen for this year's competition was "Creating Hope Through Action" which emphasises collective responsibility towards reducing global suicide rates and instilling hope in those dealing with suicidal ideation and attempts.

The event commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Rimjhim Ray along with a few words of encouragement for the participants. Students from the Semesters I and V presented their posters in groups of four to six. Each group put their own creative flair on the given theme by creating aesthetic and informative posters. They also presented their posters in an innovative manner, making use of music, dance, skits, and role playing to share their experiences and knowledge of suicide and the preventive measures that can be undertaken along with discussing its underlying causes and providing crisis intervention helplines and resources for those in need of help.

The process of adjudication was quite difficult, owing to the exemplary performance of the students. However, at the end, a group from Semester V emerged as the winners for the detailed manner in which they presented each aspect of their poster, their well-executed poster, as well as the moving dance performance rendered by them as part of their presentation. Another group from Semester V and a group from Semester I were jointly adjudged to be awarded second place for their skilful depiction of the theme on their posters and exceptional presentation. The competition ended with the prize distribution ceremony wherein the Joint Convenors of the event, Dr. Rimjhim Ray and Smt Somlata Acharyya Chowdhury, handed over the certificates to the winning groups.

Some glimpses from the event are shared below:













Participants presenting their posters







Students made use of innovative ways of presentation such as role playing, dance, and musical performance to present their posters









Prize distribution

