



**Inauguration of Mahatma Gandhi Swayam ShakthikaranNutanPariyojana(MGSSP) and seminar on Special Provisions of IGNOU for the Students from Disadvantaged Communities  
Chief Gust: Dr.Mohammed Basheer, Professor, Department of Arabic Studies,Assam University(Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Calicut, Kerala)**

**Report**

JPM Arts and Science College introduced an innovative project called Mahatma Gandhi Swayam Shakthikaran Nutan Pariyojana(MGSSNP) under the auspices of IQAC. The aim of the project is to empower the students and their parents as well as women, and farmers in the remote villages of the highranges. The project was inaugurated on 9th September 2020, at 11.30am.All the students and teachers of the college participated in the program. Principal,Dr.V.V.Georgekutty welcomed all the Chief Guest and participants. He mentioned the importance of self-empowerment of students and their family in ensuring higher education and employment of the students. Manager, Rev.Fr.Joby Vellplackal CST delivered the presidential address.

Dr.Mohammed Basheer, professor, Department of Arabic Studies,Assam University,(Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Calicut)inaugurated the innovative practice, MGSSNP.In the inaugural speech, Dr. Muhammed Basheer pointed out the importance of mutual help, brotherhood, and Gandhian values in the current world. He requested the students to uphold Gandhian values and become good citizens of India. He appreciated the college for identifying a very relevant and socially oriented innovative practice. Ms.MinnuMariya Joy, student representative felicitated the programme. Vice-Principal,Fr.TonyAdukuzhiyil CST, in his speech expressed the gratitude of the college to Dr. Muhammed Basheer for interacting with the students and inaugurating the programme.

Ms. Binilamol Sabu, Assistant professor,Department of English, introduced the resources person of the webinar conducted as part of the MGSSNP. Dr.Jalajakumari V T,Assistant Regional Director, IGNOU, Cochin Region was the resources person.A detailed presentation on IGNOU programmes that are cost-free to students from disadvantaged communities has been made by the resource person. Her class was helpful for the students from disadvantaged communities, who wish to do IGNOU courses. The resource person clarified all doubts of the participants. Ms.Sanitha Jayan, Assistant Professor, Department of commerce, coordinator of the program, proposed vote of thanks. The program ended at 1.30pm.

  
Sanitha Jayan  
Coordinator

  
Dr. V.V. Georgekutty  
Principal