#### Department of Biochemistry Four Week Online Summer Training Program on RESEARCH MENTHODOLGY 2.0 June 21 –July 20, 2021

## **Program Coordinators**

#### Dr. Jayita Thakur, Dr. Renu Baweja, Dr. Sunita Singh, Dr. Usha Yadav

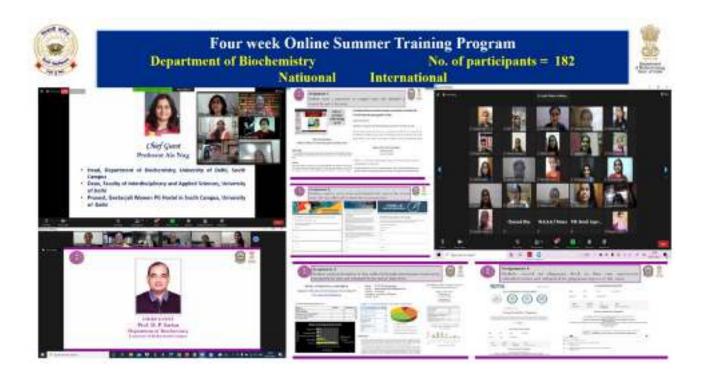
The Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College organized a four-week Summer Training Program on RESEARCH METHODOLOGY through zoom virtual platform. This summer training program is organized under the aegis of Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, Star College Scheme with the aim to familiarize undergraduate students with various aspects of research and research methodology. A total of 173 participants have successfully completed this Summer Training Program. Of them, 113 participants are Indian nationals and 60 are foreign nationals. The Inaugural session was organised on June 21, 2021 and was chaired by Prof. Alo Nag, Head of the Department, Department of Biochemistry, University of Delhi, South Campus. After a four-week session conducted by Dr. Renu Baweja in week 1, Dr. Usha Yadav in week 2, Dr. Jayita Thakur in week 3 and Dr. Sunita Singh in week 4. The training program concluded with the Valedictory Session, chaired by Prof. Debi Prasad Sarkar, Department of Biochemistry, University of Delhi, South Campus.

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# Department of Biochemistry Six Week Online Summer Training Program on RESEARCH MENTHODOLGY June18 –July 30, 2020

# **Program Coordinators**

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Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College organized an Inter-college six week Summer Training Program on RESEARCH METHODOLOGY through virtual platform. This summer training program is organized under the aegis of Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, Star College Scheme with the aim to familiarize undergraduate students with various aspects of research and research methodology.

Around 50 students from different colleges of University of Delhi and other universities or institution such as Amity University, Jamia Hamdard etc had actively participated in this program. The whole course was divided into four modules. The course modules of the program were designed to introduce the students about the basic concepts of aim, objectives, methodology and significance

of doing any kind of research. Through this program, students were also taught about the relevance of review of literature in writing any research proposal. They were also familiarized with the various components of research proposal. Further, students were also taught about the different types of research, sample design, sampling techniques, statistical analysis of the experimental data and the importance of the ethical clearance and plagiarism tools in publishing any data. After the completion of every module, students were assessed through assignments and at the end of course modules, they had also given a presentation on the chosen topic. Moreover, students were also encouraged to write a mini review on the proposed research plan.

Further, to enhance the knowledge of the participants and to provide them a platform to interact with the experts in the field of research, three webinars were also organized during this Summer Training Program where following speakers delivered their talk and interacted with the students and faculty members:

Professor Yogendra Singh, Department of Zoology, University of Delhi Dr. Anita Aggarwal, Scientist E, DST, MoS&T, Government of India Dr. Manish Kumar, Department of Biophysics, University of Delhi

The Valedictory session of the program was held on July 30, 2020. The chief guest of the session was Professor Alo Nag, Head, Department of Biochemistry, University of Delhi; who had motivated our participants and encouraged them to pursue higher studies in the field of science

Summer Training Program under the Star College Scheme Microbiological techniques with special reference to bacteria 20<sup>th</sup> June-17<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 Summer Training Supervisors Dr. Renu Baweja and Dr. Usha Yadav

Participants of Summer Training Program 2019 Ankita Mehrol, Chetna, Juhi Bhan (Sem.III, B.Sc. (H) Biochemistry) Utsav Kapoor, Deepika Bhola (Sem.I, B.Sc. (H) Biochemistry) Ajay Maurya, Meenakshi Malik, Lucky Sehrawat (Sem III, B. Sc.(H) Zoology) A summer training program titled "Microbiological techniques with special reference to bacteria" was organized in the Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College from 20<sup>th</sup> June17<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, under the Star College Scheme, DBT, Govt. of India.

During this training program students were familiarized with the basic concepts of microbiology which included chemical and physical methods of sterilization, culture transferring & maintenance and varoius types of staining.

Students gained hands on training in media preparation for bacterial growth, bacterial culture transfer techniques, *E. coli* growth curve, effect of ultra-violet light and chemical agents on bacterial growth. Students also learned and performed various bacterial staining methods such as acid fast staining, gram staining and negative staining to study the morphology and different characterestics of bacteria

Students were also taken for an educational trip to University of Delhi South Campus (UDSC) where they also attended a talk by Dr. Malathi Lakshmikumaran on "Inventions and Intellectual Property Protection: India and Abroad", held in the Department of Biochemistry, UDSC.



Students working in the Lab, Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College



Students along with their supervisors

# Summer Training Program under the Star College Scheme

# Maintenance and culturing of *Drosophila melanogaster* to carry out experimentation based on food preference and its effect on their life cycle 7<sup>th</sup> June - 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

# **Summer Training Program Supervisors**

Dr. Jayita Thakur, Dr. Sunita Singh

# Participants of Summer Training Program 2019

Vinayak Joshi, Pallavi Dutta, Ritika Kukreja, Ronit, Anushka, Simran (Sem. I, B.Sc. (H) Biochemistry) Riya (Sem III, B. Sc. Life Sciences)

A summer training program titled "Maintenance and culturing of *Drosophila melanogaster* to carry out experimentation based on food preference and its effect on their life cycle" was organized in the Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College from 7<sup>th</sup> June - 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019, under the Star College Scheme, DBT, Govt. of India.

During this training, students were given hands-on training in maintaining and culturing of *Drosophila melanogaster*. They learnt the methodology of drosophila food preparation and the role of the various reagents that were added. The students observed the various stages of the life cycle of *drosophila* under the stereo microscope and learnt differentiate them on the basis of gender and stage of development. They observed the effect of various food ingredients to the life cycle of the model system. They also explored the fruit preference and preferred sugar concentration of *Drosophila melanogaster* and investigated if there is a gender based preference. They also learnt to do sequence analysis using tools like BLAST, and compared homologous genes of humans and drosophila. The students were introduced to various reputed journals and allotted separate study sessions to study interesting scientific articles introduce them to scientific literature and inspire them to plan their own experiments. They were taken for an educational trip to Neurobiology and Genetic Development Lab, University of Delhi South Campus (UDSC) and Botanical Garden of the Indian Republic, (BGIR). They also attended a talk by Dr. Malathi

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Students working in the Lab, Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College



Educational trip to the Department of Neurobiology and Genetic Development, UDSC



Educational trip to the Botanical Garden of the Indian Republic, (BGIR)

#### Department of Botany Four Week Online Summer Training Program on Tools and Techniques In Plant Sciences: Morphology To Metabolome June 21-July 19, 2021

Approximately a month long summer training programme was organised by Department of Botany, Shivaji College, University of Delhi under the aegis of DBT Star College Scheme from June 21 to July 19, 2021 on the topic, "Tools and Techniques in Plant Sciences: Morphology to Metabolome". With social distancing still in place, the programme was conducted virtually via Zoom Platform. It was a National level programme open for universities all across India.

Overall 280+ students participated in the training from different states of the country.

The main motive of the internship was to introduce participants to existing tools and techniques used in plant sciences like microscopy, herbarium techniques, wood sciences, HPLC, GLC, metabolic engineering etc. Additionally, the training gave insights in the related fields of biology like biostatistics, bioinformatics and forensic sciences.

The inaugural function was held on June 21, 2021 at 11:30 AM. The event was graced by Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev (Principal, Shivaji College, University of Delhi), Dr. Darshan Malik (Coordinator, DBT Star College Scheme, Shivaji College), Dr. Anuradha Mal (Organising Secretary), Dr. Pratima Rani Sardar (Programme Coordinator). The teaching faculty of this internship included Dr. Anuradha Mal, Dr. Anita Kapur, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Pratima Rani Sardar, Dr. Prabhavati, Dr. SmitaTripathi, Dr. Kiran Bamel, Dr. Misha Yadav, Dr. Seema Talwar, Dr. Nupur Mondal, Dr. Divya Mohanty, Dr. Anurag Maurya, Dr. Devender Singh Meena from Department of Botany, Shivaji College along with invited speakers from external institutes that is Dr V. Vishnuprasad (Assistant Professor of Botany, Mumbai), Mr. Arjun Adit, (Research Scholar, Dept. of Botany, University of Delhi), Ms. Shanika Bafna (M. Sc. Forensic Science, NICFS; Protective Intelligence Analyst for an Israel Based Company), Dr. Vineet Kumar Singh (Assistant Professor of Botany, Acharya Narendra Dev College, University of Delhi), Ms. Banisha Phukela (Research Scholar, Dept. of Botany, University of Delhi), Ms. Vandna Singh (Research Scholar, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University). The sessions were conducted 5 days a week i.e from Monday to Friday at 2 PM as per schedule. This included a Q & A session every day at the end of the session where students cleared their doubts on a one on one basis with the speaker. Apart from this a 45 minutes MCQs based test was conducted every Saturday at 4 PM to mark the progress of participants. The valedictory session was held on July 19, 2021 which marked the end of the summer training programme.

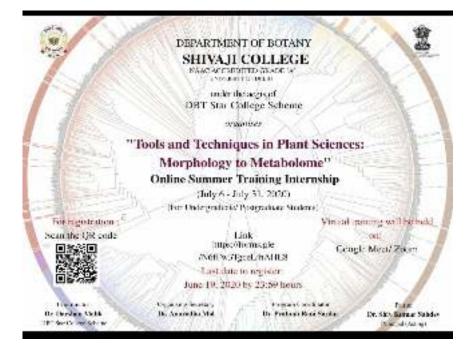
No. of beneficiaries: 315



## Department of Botany Four Week Online Summer Training Program on Tools and Techniques in Plant Sciences: Morphology to Metabolome July 6 to 31, 2020

With the support of DBT, even current times were turned into an opportunity. The Department of Botany, Shivaji College, University of Delhi, successfully organized an Online Summer Training Internship from July 6 to 31, 2020. The Program Coordinator, Dr. Pratima Rani Sardar and Organizing Secretary, Dr. Anuradha Mal along with other Resource Persons conducted this Summer Internship for four weeks. The Principal, Shivaji College, welcome all the dignitaries, faculties, students and participants during the Inauguration of this training program.

The training modules had been designed to be taught online via presentations and videos. We received an enthusiastic response with over 600 registrations from **undergraduates**, **graduates and those pursuing Ph.D. across India and abroad** and had admitted 150 students. The objective of the programme is to give an overview to students of the state of art techniques that the scientific community uses to study plants, entitled "**Tools and Techniques in Plant Sciences: Morphology to Metabolome".** The program ensured better understanding of the plant world, digital herbarium, staining along with it types and applications of various microscopes, genome organization and its isolation, bioinformatics, metabolome and related techniques like HPLC and GC to study secondary metabolites, etc. It encompassed journey from classical to contemporary botany, providing exposure to studying plants at macroscopic and microscopic level to genomic analysis in silico and techniques employed to study interactions between molecules. Lectures were conducted daily by the faculty members on Zoom Meeting App for two hours, including doubt sessions. Mr. Sandeep Kaushik, from ICGEB, was also invited as a Guest Faculty, who delivered his lecture on the topic "Studying Metabolites and the Applications of Metabolomics". Participants submitted a study report on July 31, 2020 and a quiz was also conducted to evaluate them.



No. of beneficiaries: 162



## Department of Botany Four Week Online Summer Training Program on Microscopy and Herbarium Techniques June 21 to July 19, 2019

A 4-week long summer training program on "Microscopy and Herbarium Techniques" from June 21 to July 19, 2019.

A Summer Training Programme was organized by Department of Botany, Shivaji College under DBT Star College Scheme. The theme of the programme was "Microscopy and Herbarium Techniques", which was scheduled from June 21, 2019 to July 19, 2019. The summer training programme saw a wide range of participation from students of Bachelors' as well as Masters' degree of University of Delhi.

The programme started with an introductory lecture followed by details of compound, fluorescence, confocal, differential interference contrast, scanning electron and transmission electron microscopes. Students learnt the principle, working, applications, advantages and disadvantages of all the microscopes in the training sessions. In the initial two weeks, students got hands on training and proper knowledge of how to handle the simplest to most advanced microscopes for the purpose of studying biological tissues. They also learnt how to prepare and fix sample for microscopy before learning about different types of stains. A very positive response was received from students when they were successful in preparing double stained slides. To give an insight into the depths of microscopic world, two charismatic speakers were invited, Dr. Vineet Singh and Dr. Yash Mangla, Assistant Professors, Department of Botany, Acharya Narendra Dev College (ANDC). The training to microscopy ended with its applications, where epidermis, different types of stomata, trichomes, placentation and pollenpistil interactions were discussed. Two very knowledge providing visits were conducted to University of Delhi, North and South Campus to show students Scanning and Transmission Electron microscopy leading to successful completion of training of microscopes.

In the next two weeks, the subject of training was herbarium as it is the most crucial answer to plant systematics and evolution. During the training, students got to learn how to identify a plant, their selection and collection from various environments. The instruments used during the process of procuring and preparing herbarium was taught in details along with the advanced techniques like digital herbarium. The young brains were given the idea of how herbarium is prepared, how samples are preserved and pressed so that they can be used in future for various studies. It was a matter of immense pride that, Prof. Chirashree Ghosh, Professor, Department of Environmental Studies, University of Delhi, could be present in one of the sessions to give an insight of herbarium and its applications. Dr. Amber Srivastav, BSI was also invited for providing information to students regarding herbarium making. The students went for field exploration tour to Kamla Nehru Ridge, to get a first-hand experience of collecting and preparing herbarium.

Successful valedictory and encouraging feedbacks gave a meaningful end to the month-long summer training programme.

No. of beneficiaries: 19

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Students visiting herbaria at Department of Botany, University of Delhi.



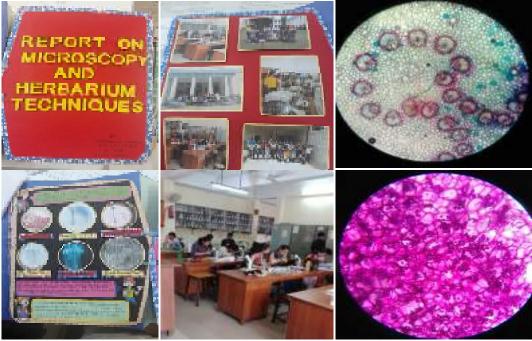
Students at the herbal garden, Shivaji College, University of Delhi.



Students visiting CIF at Department of Botany, University of Delhi.



Students visiting Confocal Microscopy facility at Department of Genetics, University of Delhi, South campus.



Report submitted by students

# **Department of Chemistry**

# Summer Training on "Distillation, Solvent Extraction and Column Chromatography" No. of Beneficiaries: 44

In the intra-college summer training spanning four weeks (June 20-July 17, 2019), around 44 students of B.Sc (H) Chemistry, Zoology, Biochemistry, B.Sc (P) Life Sciences and B.Sc (P) Physical Sciences with Chemistry participated. Students learnt some of the analytical techniques like distillation, solvent extraction and column chromatography and performed short exercises using these techniques and submitted reports at the end of training.

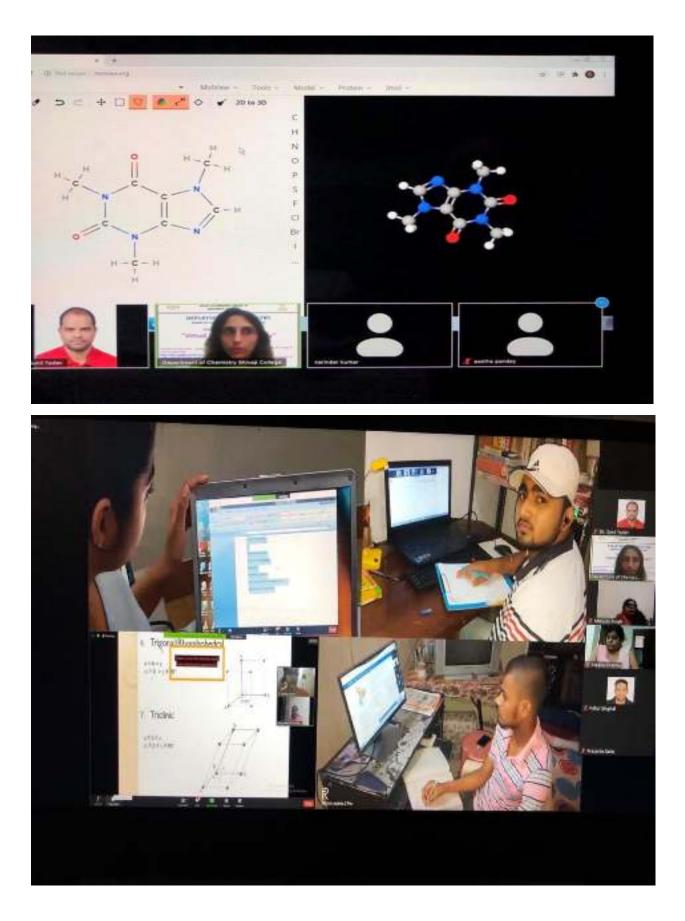


#### Online summer training program on "Virtual World of Chemistry" from 1st-28th July, 2020

#### No. of Beneficiaries: 130

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the Department of Chemistry, Shivaji college under the aegis of DBT sponsored star college scheme organized four week online summer training program on "Virtual World of Chemistry" from 1st-28th July, 2020. The aim of this virtual training was to acquaint the students with the free and online tools and softwares of Chemistry. All the sessions were taken on Zoom platform. The program was inaugurated on 01.07.2020 at 10.00 a.m. by Dr. Shiv Kumar Sahdev, Principal, Shivaji College. Over 130 participants were present from different science courses of various colleges/institutes/universities.

Hands-on training was given to the participants on various tools which includes virtual lab i.e. praxilab, MS Excel for graph plotting, MS Word, Plagiarism checker tools, Research Collaboratory for Structural Bioinformatics (RCSB) Protein Data Bank (PDB), softwares like ChemDraw, Diamond for crystal structures, Origin and molecular modelling softwares, MolView and Avogadro.



#### Online summer training program on "Virtual World of Chemistry 2.0" from 15th June-12th July, 2021

#### No. of Beneficiaries: 250

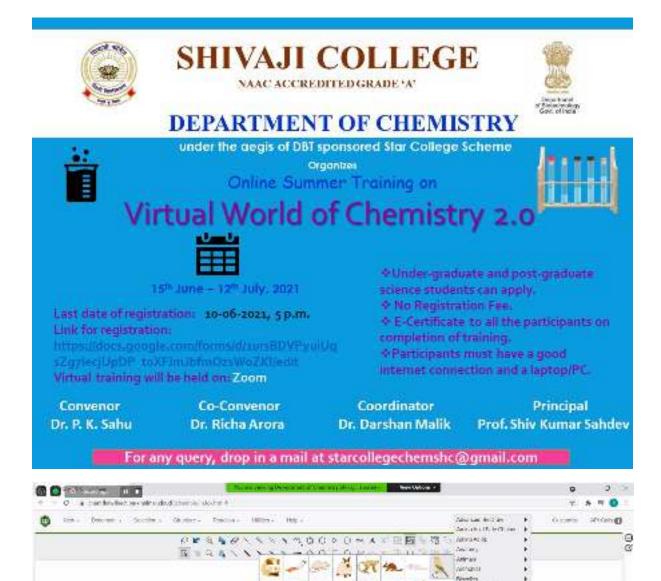
The Department of Chemistry, Shivaji college under the aegis of DBT star college scheme organized four weeks online summer training program on "Virtual World of Chemistry 2.0" from 15<sup>th</sup> June-12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. The program was inaugurated on Zoom platform on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 10.00 a.m. Over 250 participants were present including all the faculty members of Department of chemistry, Shivaji College, and students from different science courses of different colleges in India. Subsequent sessions after the inauguration were featured on Zoom platform only. Participants were divided into two groups, *i.e.* Group A & Group B to make teaching learning process more efficacious. Dr. Manjula Singh, Dr. Neena Khanna, Dr. Bhaskar Mohan Kandpal and Dr. N.G Giri were the mentors; Mr. Deepesh Singh and Dr. Pooja Saluja were the Resource persons for the sessions of the first week of the training; two learning sessions and one doubt session for each group. Group A had their learning session on 15 & 16<sup>th</sup> June; Group B had their learning session on 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> June, followed by one common doubt session for both Group A and Group B on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The sessions of the first week were based upon introducing virtual lab *i.e.* praxilab, labsters and Chem Draw software to students.

On 22nd July 2021, second week of the training started with Inorganic Chemistry session. Inorganic sessions were hosted by Dr. Pallavi Agarwal and Dr. Priyanka Kumari on "Diamond software for X-ray crystallography" and "Plotting of graph via Excel and Origin software. Topics described here briefly. Mentors of Inorganic session were Mr. Mahendra Kumar Meena and Dr. Rahul Singhal.

In the third week of the training, the participants were taught how to use Molecular Modeling softwares, viz., MolView and Avogadro by Dr. Richa Arora. The mentors for the thrd week were Dr. Anil Krishan Aggarwal and Dr. Vandana Katoch. Two core sessions for each group and one common doubt session for both groups were conducted on Zoom platform. After every session, a fun quiz on Mentimeter was conducted. The training of the third week ended with a short quiz on the softwares learned.

The fourth week of online summer training was dedicated for the final report writing and final report submission of the participants. The mentors of this week were: Dr. P. K. Sahu and Dr. Rajni Kanojia and the resource persons were: Dr. Shilpa Jain and Mr. Narinder Kumar. The training includes sessions on Plagiarism and hands-on sessions on MS Word and MS Excel.

The training concluded on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 with a Valedictory session at 10:00 AM on Zoom platform, which witnessed a positive and fruitful interactions between the participants and the resource persons and mentors. The participants expressed their gratitude for such a knowledgeable and fruitful training.



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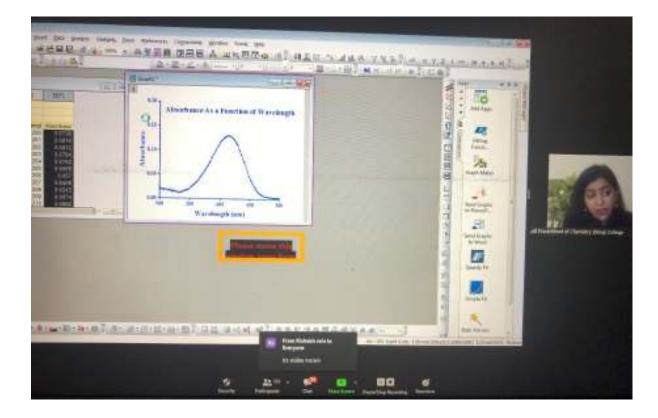
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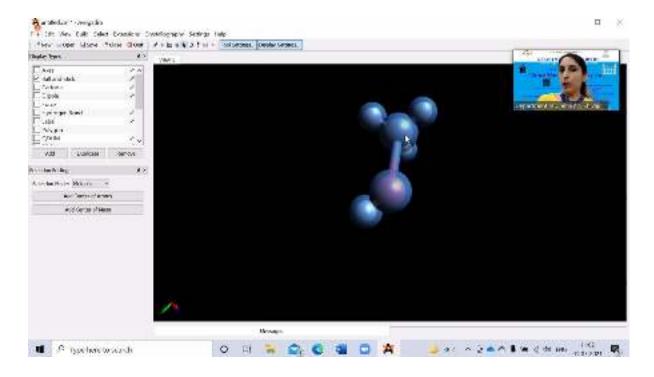
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## Summer Training Program under DBT Star College Scheme : Zoology Department

Four week Summer Training Program, "Disease & Diagnostics" organised by Department of Zoology, Shivaji College, University of Delhi under DBT Star College Scheme from 17 June -12 July, 2019.







A six-week Online Summer Training Internship entitled "COVID-19: Epidemiology & Impacts" was conducted by the Department of Zoology, Shivaji College under the aegis of DBT Star College Scheme from 15<sup>th</sup>June -25<sup>th</sup> July, 2020. The topic was chosen to impart knowledge about the grave pandemic that has enveloped the globe in an unprecedented situation today. Indepth comprehensive teaching modules about various aspects of COVID-19 were taught with hands on activities that highlighted the following:

- Biology of COVID-19
- Public Health & Epidemiological studies with respect to COVID-19 2
- Laboratory diagnosis of infections caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)
- Reverse Vaccinology : a relevant technique for vaccine generation in the post- pandemic era
- Impact of COVID-19 on wildlife- its study and scope 🛛
- COVID-19 & Environment

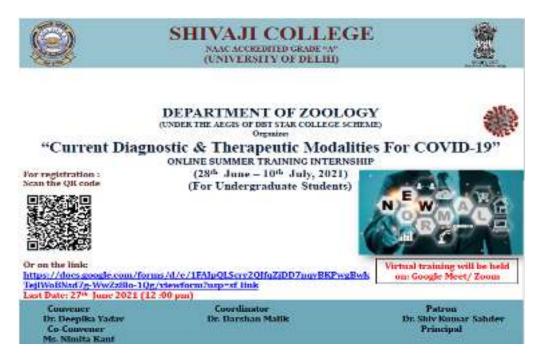
There were more than 180 participants from all over the country from various Universities such as Aligarh Muslim University, Govt. P. G College for Women, Udai pratap Autonomous college Varanasi, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) and many Delhi University Colleges such as Sri Venkateswara College, Ramjas College, Deen Dyal Upadhyaya College, Gargi, Kalindi, Rajdhani, Acharya Narendra Dev College, Zakir Husain Delhi College, Bhaskaracharya College of Applied Sciences and Daulat Ram College. Total 107 participants successfully completed the 6 weeks long rigorous training. The feedback obtained from the participants was overwhelming and we hope to conduct many such events in the future.







Two-week online Summer Training Programme, "Current Diagnostic & Therapeutic Modalities for COVID-19" conducted by the Department of Zoology from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021- 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021



Total 211 PAN India under graduate, post graduate and Ph.D. students from various Life Science disciplines registered from 20 colleges/institutes (Hansraj College, DDU college, Bhaskaracharya College of Applied Sciences, Deshbandhu College, Maitreyi College, Dyal Singh College, Acharya Narendra Dev College, Sri Venkateswara College, Gargi College, Ramjas College, Hindu College, Kalindi College, Shivaji College from Delhi University and Amity University Noida, Scottish Church College, Kolkata, Bharath University, IIT Kharagpur, IIT Rorkee, BHU, AMU, HLM Group of Institution, BJP College, Dr. DY Patil Medical College & Hospital Pune etc.). Total 118 students successfully completed the internship.

Topics covered during the training:

- Genomic Databases for COVID-19 and their Implications
- Looking into mutations/SNPs which cause a change in infectivity of SARS-CoV-2 & Phylogeny of SARS-CoV-2 using spike protein sequences
- Reverse Vaccinology
- Monoclonal antibody and Nanobody as therapeutic molecules for COVID-19
- ABO blood groups and COVID-19 susceptibility
- Epidemiological study of vaccine trial
- Current perspectives of COVID-19 Vaccination
- Is RT-PCR still a relevant technique for detecting COVID-19 infection
- Mesenchymal Stem Cells Therapy for COVID-19
- Combating COVID-19 through Yoga, Meditation and Alternative Medicine Systems

Teachers involved: Dr. Deepika Yadav, Ms. Nimita Kant, Mr. Manish K. Sachdeva, Dr. Aeshna Nigam, Dr. Jitendra K Chaudhary, Dr. Parul Kulshreshtha, Dr. Ankita Dua, Dr. Tarun K Vats, Dr. Nidhi Garg, Dr. Rakesh Roshan.

