SCHOOL OF POLITICAL SCIENCE GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY, AMRUT VIHAR, SAMBALPUR TECHNICAL REPORT

TOPIC: "Electoral Literacy Awareness Campaign"

DATE: 18.12.2024

TIME-12.30 PM Onwards

SPEAKER- Deputy Collector

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 200

The Electoral Literacy Club, G.M University conducted an awareness campaign on 18.12.2024 from 12:30 pm onwards. The campaign was attended by Assistant Collector, Deputy Collector, the faculty members of the University, the PGC, IQAC Director, Ph.D. Research Scholars, and students. The welcome speech was given by Dr. Keshab Chandra Ratha and introduced the chief speaker Deputy Collector to the audience.

Deputy Collector informed the students about "Electoral Literacy Awareness Campaign" and also discussed on the importance of election process in a democratic country like India. The session emphasized on why the voter's percentage in rural India is always higher than the urban areas, who are the active participants in it, within the election process in India, who are the officers involve in it etc. He elaborated on level of election commission in India, as there are three types of political participation: active participation, transitional participation, the spectators (those who are not interested to involve). The speaker also delved into various programs related to election like SVEEP (Systematic Voters Education and Electoral Participation), National Voter Day, Election literacy Club at College, University level etc to create awareness among the people. He also talked about the sixty- one amendment act, article 326, role and functions of ERO, AERO, supervisors, BLO at various level of election process. He highlighted the procedure of conducting election like preparatory stage, training, conduct of election then about assembly constituencies in Sambalpur, polling station, about EVM machine, about polling officers present in polling booth and their functions. He also gave some information about different online e- resources related to election like BLO App, ERONET, VHA to access information related to election.

The programme concluded by the Assistant Collector by defining the importance of creating awareness of election process among the citizen and how the youngsters play a pivotal role in this as they represent the future of democracy. Active participation in election is the backbone of democracy, enthusiasm and the passion of these youth can inspire others to get involved. Then the program leading towards a question-and-answer session, during which several students, including Vikrant Sharma, and Subham Tripathy, actively participated by posing various queries. Deputy Collector and Assistant Collector effectively addressed and clarified all the questions and doubts raised by the audience.

The programme was ended with a vote of thanks by Ms.Singh Subhalaxmi Baidhar.

Signature of Co-Ordinator





