

BBMC SCIENCE FORUM ALONG WITH SERB-DST PROJECT GOI ORGANIZE POPULAR LECTURE ON 'KNOW YOUR BRAIN & IMPACT OF SMOKING ON BRAIN'

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On 13th August 2024, Science Forum of BBM College organized 7th Science Lecture on 'Know your brain & impact of smoking on brain' as part of the initiative of "Popular Science Lecture Series" in collaboration with SERB, DST Project, BBMC, Govt. of India.

Dr. Ratan Deb, Principal-in-Charge of BBM College presided over the inaugural session while sharing the dais with keynote speaker Dr. Chandan Raybarman, D.M.(Neurology) , resource person Shri Debasish Chakraborty, Chairman of Bhavan's Tripura Vidyamnadir,(Retd. IFS), Former Chief Conservator of Forest, Govt of Tripura, Dr.Smita Debbarma,Jt Secretary, TC, BBMC and Dr. Jiban Krishna Patra, Convenor, Committee for Academic Affairs, BBMC.

Dr. Nandini Gupta, Convener, Science Forum, BBMC delivered her warm welcome address to all and briefly touched upon relevance of conducting such awareness lectures on health issues. In her speech Dr. Smita Debbarma put emphasis on importance of inculcating scientific temperament and awareness among students to abstain from addiction of smoking and other related substances for a healthy body and mind. Dr. Jiban Krishna Patra congratulated the organizers for such an important programme and reminded the gathered students about the utmost necessity of attending such health related awareness programme for the betterment of society as a whole. Dr Arijit Das, Principal Investigator, SERB, DST Project, BBMC, Govt. of India & Joint Convener of Science Forum introduced the resource persons to the audience by sharing some of their achievements. He also highlighted on the positive impacts on students as they are able to interact with such eminent personalities through this kind of knowledgeable seminar. Shri Debashis Chakraborty, honourable resource person, talked about various aspects of conserving biodiversity. Biodiversity is very important for human existence as all life forms are interlinked with each other and one single disturbance can have multiple effects on another. If we fail to protect our biodiversity, we can endanger our plants, animals, and environment, as well as human life. In his speech he highlighted the necessity to protect our biodiversity at all costs. Dr. Chandan Raybarman an eminent neurologist and keynote speaker of the seminar delivered his lecture on "Know your brain & impact of smoking on brain". He described in detail the structure and evolution of brain of modern man from foetus to adult and from Ape to Homo sapiens. Regarding connection and transmission of nerve signals he compared the nerve cell arrangement in human brain with our universe. In his thought provoking lecture, by pointing out several examples he proved how smoking harmed brain health, regardless of other health conditions.

A large number of college students attended the event. The Programme ended with the presidential address. As a whole, with the whole hearted support and encouragement given by the Principal of Bir Bikram Memorial College and also the students, teaching and non-teaching staffs of Bir Bikram Memorial College, the 7th Popular Science Lecture Series on Health was a grand success.