

Faculty of Pharmacy observed World Pharmacists Day on 25th September, 2021

As per the directives of Pharmacy council of India, the Faculty of Pharmacy observed World Pharmacists Day on 25th September, 2021. The International Pharmaceutical Federation congress in Istanbul, Turkey designated 25th September as Annual World Pharmacists Day. The day is celebrated to organize activities that promote and advocate the role of pharmacist in improving health in every corner of the world. Pharmacists being an integral part of the healthcare system are responsible for the development, management and use of the medication. The theme for this year was:

“Pharmacy: always trusted for your Health”

Pharmacists have consistently been named among the top five most trusted professionals in National surveys followed by Educators and Scientists. “Pharmacists, educators and scientists, all included and that’s our Pharmacy profession. In current times of hesitancy, especially regarding vaccines, the role of Pharmacist has been more significant than ever.

Henceforth, following events were organized in compliance to the said theme

➤ An Online Expert Lecture

This year, celebration commenced with a webinar session relayed on Youtube where more than 200 students and faculty members joined the session and it attracted more than 800 views. The webinar started with a heartfelt welcome extended to the Speaker, faculty and students by the moderator, Dr. Shazia Usmani.

Professor Syed Misbahul Hasan, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, began his prolific address by highlighting how fellow pharmacists, all across the world, are joining hands with the medical team in these trying times. He pointed out how faculty of Pharmacy equips its students to improve the Global health scenario and imparts knowledge on the latest developments in the field of Pharmacy so that the Faculty can inculcate what it imparts to the students. Also, adding that the learners too have the responsibility of using the resources available to them judiciously. He stressed that pharmacists have an impact on tackling the global health issue in a considerable

manner. He also advised to the students as well as faculty members to increase the connect with Industries and remain updated on recent trends.

The Guest Speaker, Dr. Sourabh Kosey, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice, ISF College of Pharmacy, Moga, Punjab delivered a lecture on the topic: “The rise of Pharmacovigilance and Artificial Intelligence”.

In his informative and interesting talk, he discussed the evolution of Pharmacy from conventional and traditional drug focus to advanced patient focused strategies with emphasis on Pharmacovigilance. Through various illustrative examples, he highlighted the importance of Pharmacovigilance with special reference to medication errors. He stressed on the significance of spellchecks and pronunciations while practicing medicine. He also apprised the students on the trends of increase in the opportunities in various sectors of Pharmacy field based on statistics from National surveys. Further, he concluded by urging the students to prioritize skill development rather than concentrating on monetary benefits in the initial phase of career.

Dr. Tarique Mahmood Ansari, marked the end of the session by proposing the vote of thanks. On behalf of the faculty, he thanked Dr. Sourabh Kosey for delivering the outstanding lecture. Further, He expressed his gratitude to Prof. S.W. Akhtar, Honorable Chancellor; Dr. Syed. Nadeem Akhtar, Honorable Pro-Chancellor; Prof. Javed Mussarat, Honorable Vice-Chancellor; Prof. Aqil Ahmad, Pro-Vice Chancellor, for their constant support and encouragement. He also appreciated the efforts of the organizing committee members for the success of the event. The organizing committee consisted of Dr. Vaseem Ahmad Ansari, Dr. Shazia Usmani and Dr. Farogh Ahsan.

➤ **Pharma Quiz**

Pharma Quiz comprised of two rounds where preliminary round was conducted through On-line mode via google form. About 100 students attempted the online-questionnaire. Six teams were selected for the final round which was conducted offline, through audio visual round. There was a tough competition between the selected teams. The organizing committee of the event were Dr. Kuldeep Singh, Dr. Arun Kumar, Dr. Muhammad Arif , Mr. Asad Ahmad, Mr. Asad Ali and Ms Neha Jaiswal. The winning teams which got through are as follows-

Team A: Vikas Aagrahari & Naureen Fatima students of Pharm. D 5th Year, won the first prize.

Team E: Fauzia Khan, Aqsa Khan students of Pharm. D 5th Year held the second prize.

Team B: Suvaiv and Mohammad Adnan students of M. Pharm final year secured the third prize.

The events were followed by the Prize distribution ceremony for all events held during National Pharmacovigilance week and World Pharmacists Day, where the students were encouraged for their performance. In all the events, first three rank-holders/teams were given prizes and certificates of merit while other participants received appreciation certificates.





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Dr. Tarique Mahmood Ansari,
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Prof. Syed Misbahul Hasan".

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