

## Report on Voters' Pledge Taking Programme, Social Responsibility event organized by Department of Civil Engineering held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at Integral University, Lucknow

In compliance with the directive of the **Government of Uttar Pradesh** and in observance of **National Voters' Day**, the **Social Responsibility Club, Department of Civil Engineering, Integral University**, organized a **Voters' Pledge Taking Programme** on **24<sup>th</sup> January 2026** at **Seminar Hall E-119, First Floor, Block-E**. The programme was conducted with the objective of inculcating **values of responsible citizenship, democratic participation, and social accountability** among students.

The programme commenced with an introductory address highlighting the **significance of National Voters' Day** and the vital role of youth in strengthening **democratic institutions**. Participants were sensitized about their **constitutional rights and duties**, with special emphasis on the importance of **free, fair, and ethical voting** in a democratic society. The session aimed to create awareness about informed electoral participation and the responsibility of citizens in upholding democratic principles.



Subsequently, the **Voters' Pledge** was administered by **Dr. Zishan Raza Khan**, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering during which students, teachers and lab staffs solemnly pledged to **exercise their voting rights responsibly**, uphold the **principles of democracy**, and contribute positively towards **nation-building**. A total of **35 students** actively participated in the programme, demonstrating enthusiasm and awareness towards **civic responsibility** and

**electoral participation**. The activity effectively enhanced **civic awareness**, encouraged **informed decision-making**, and promoted **active citizenship** among the participants.

**This activity is mapped with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):**

- **SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions:** The programme promoted **democratic values, inclusive decision-making, and institutional accountability** by sensitizing students about their electoral rights and responsibilities, thereby strengthening awareness of participatory governance and ethical civic conduct.
- **SDG 4 – Quality Education:** The activity contributed to **holistic and values-based education** by enhancing **civic literacy**, fostering understanding of **constitutional duties**, and encouraging informed and responsible citizenship beyond formal academic learning.
- **SDG 10 – Reduced Inequalities:** By emphasizing the principle of **equal voting rights** and encouraging **inclusive participation** irrespective of social or economic background, the programme reinforced democratic equality and social inclusion.

The programme concluded with a reaffirmation of the importance of **ethical civic engagement** and the role of educated youth in sustaining a **strong, inclusive, and vibrant democracy**. The initiative successfully aligned with the objectives of National Voters' Day and contributed meaningfully to the social and civic development of students.

