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HUM PALS: PEER ACTIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOLARS

A report of the session conducted on September 24, 2021

The Eighth session of HUM PALS was conducted on 24th September 2021, from 11:00 a.m., at L208, VLTC, to continue with the rhythm of co-creation and co-learning of knowledge that broadens the foundation of this Nobel and novel ingenuity undertaken under the aegis of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. The session was lead on a welcome note for faculty members and research scholars by the student coordinators, Purva Bhatt. They accentuated the importance of adapting the practice of open deliberations and discussions on research practices and methodologies. The discussion motivated research scholars to interact openly with each other to invoke Quality research in the field of social sciences. The interaction got embellished by adding up a new activity to promote an art-based research method. This new activity calls for scholars' creativity and imagination to make the session more fruitful by applying an interdisciplinary attitude. The first creativity got its melody from a beautiful song sung by Mohit Joshi. Fifteen scholars attended the session.

The presenter for this activity was Chandana Singh Nirwan, a research scholar from the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, MNIT. Chandana Singh Nirwan's research interest includes Dalit Literature, Myth and Folklore. The topic for the discussion was "Archetypes in Dalit Literature: A Study of Bama's Select Works." She started her presentation with her research journey and her experiences with the selection of topics. She describes her conference experiences and how it helps her understand that she is on the right track. She has also highlighted her different project works for which she is involved with TMYS. Her experience includes the idea that those seminars do not only conclude, but it helps develop new ideas to work upon it. She said it is not important to stick to one's research area for the conferences, but we should explore different areas to make the approach multidisciplinary. She encouraged fellow scholars to reach their potential by a thorough literature review and finding the gaps for taking their idea for research. She has also elaborated on the steps of her research alongside her teaching experiences with B.Tech students.

This was accompanied by a healthy question and answer session, with scholars asking their queries and the presenter explaining to them based on her knowledge and experience during the research conducted. This peer group-based interaction led to a full-scale discussion at the end of the presentation where scholars gave their inputs and discussed various aspects of the topic related to sociological and literary perspectives about different philosophers. It ends with the discussion on the idea of homogenizing the suffering which gives the concept that how a researcher takes an individual concepts to work on and that later added up for the collective idea for the well-being of the society. Thus, the main motto of the presentation is to take everyone throughout the journey so that other scholars can relate and get an idea to pursue their work. Faculty members also

participated in this learning activity by giving their valuable inputs at the end of the presentation. They also appreciated the depth of the presenter's understanding of the topic and encouraged other scholars to do the same.



The activity concluded with a token of thanks by the HUM PALS team to the presenter and the audience for their constructive feedback. The presenter, Chandana Singh Nirwan, was felicitated with a certificate of appreciation presented by Dr. Dipti Sharma (Head of Department & Associate Professor, Economics) and Dr. Preeti Bhatt (Associate Professor, English), Prof. Manju Singh (Professor, Economics), Dr. Niraja Saraswat (Assistant Professor, English) and a group picture was clicked to capture this moment forever in our memories. The next session of the activity will be conducted on 29th October 2021.
