"International Museum Day Celebration: Exhibition-cum-Competition" on 17 & 18 May 2024

On the occasion of World Museum Day, the Department of Anthropology organized a two-day program, "International Museum Day Celebration: Exhibition-cum-Competition" on 17 & 18 May 2024 in collaboration with Satyam Kala Evam Sanskriti Sangrahalaya, Sagar.



The event was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor of Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Prof. Neelima Gupta. Key dignitaries present included Prof. Thomas, Director of Research and Development and former Head of the Department of Geology; Prof. Nagesh Dubey, Head of Ancient Indian History; Prof. Devashish Bose, Dean of the School of Applied Sciences; and Prof. Ajeet Jaiswal, Director of Faculty Affairs and Head of the Department of Anthropology.



During the inauguration, Honorable VC, Prof. Neelima Gupta emphasized the museum's role as a valuable source of knowledge, preserving ancient memories and culture. She highlighted the multidisciplinary significance of museums for fields such as human sciences, archaeology, and history, noting their essential contribution to research and education. She called for modernizing the university's museums to make them more accessible and relevant for students and researchers. Prof. Gupta also announced plans to introduce skill-based diploma courses in museology through collaborative departmental initiatives. She further proposed modernizing the museums to facilitate easy access to resources for researchers.



Prof. Ajeet Jaiswal in his welcome address, underlined the importance of World Museum Day and the vital role of museums in preserving and promoting cultural heritage. Dr. Aribam Bijayasundari outlined the two-day program, which included an exhibition and a competition showcasing models on tribal and indigenous cultures created by undergraduate and postgraduate students.

The exhibition attracted participation from various schools, colleges, and universities. Students from affiliated colleges such as Time College, Damoh; Pandit Brijkishore Pateriya College, Malthaun; Rajeev Lohanayak College, Khurai; and BT Institute of Excellence, Sagar, also visited the exhibition. Around 200 students attended the International Museum Festival and Exhibition Competition.



Participants explored India's rich cultural heritage and gained insights into tribal culture. Winning entries in the competition were awarded, marking the event as both educational and celebratory.