



ATMA RAM SANATAN DHARMA COLLEGE (UNIVERSITY OF DELHI)

Popular Lecture Series (PLS)

As part of the Popular Lecture Series, two insightful lectures were conducted under the aegis of the IQAC, with the aim of catering to the diverse academic interests of students across various disciplines.

The first lecture was organized on October 14th, 2024 in collaboration with the seminar society of the Chemistry Department, ARSD College. The distinguished guest speaker was Prof. Ashok Kumar Bakshi, former Professor at the University of Delhi and former Vice Chancellor of PDM University, Bahadurgarh. The session witnessed enthusiastic participation from approximately 150 students and faculty members. Prof. Bakshi shared his valuable insights on career prospects in the field of chemistry, personal development, and navigating a successful academic journey. An engaging Q&A session followed, during which students posed thoughtful queries regarding career growth and the role of a chemist in modern society. Prof. Bakshi addressed these questions with great clarity and depth, drawing from his extensive experience in academia and administration.

The second lecture was held on November 11th, 2024 under the Popular Lecture Series in association with the IQAC. The keynote speaker for the session was Smt. Riva Ganguly Das, a distinguished retired Indian civil servant, former High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, and former Director General of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations. Her talk focused on recent developments in Bangladesh and their implications for India-Bangladesh relations, offering attendees a comprehensive geopolitical perspective enriched by her diplomatic experience. The seminar was attended by around 80 participants, who found the session highly informative and engaging. The interactive nature of the discussion encouraged students to explore international relations and diplomacy as a viable career path, while also broadening their understanding of regional geopolitics.

These lectures not only enriched the academic environment of the college but also provided students with exposure to real-world insights from eminent personalities. The Popular Lecture Series continues to be a platform for intellectual exchange and interdisciplinary learning, aligning with the vision of the IQAC to promote quality enhancement in higher education.