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Date: 3-10-2024

Name of the Event: Seminar lecture on 'Swaraj of Mahatma Gandhi's Dream'

Organised by: The History Society, Hansraj College

Date of the Event: 3-10-2024

Duration/Event Timing: 2 hours/1:30 - 3:30 pm

Venue of the Event: Old Seminar Room

Name of Coordinator(s): Dr Justin Mathew

Name of Convener: Dr Abhishek Parashar

Description: At the inception of the enlightening lecture, Dr. Mridula Mukherjee was felicitated with a sapling as a token of gratitude and respect. In her talk, she enunciated the Swaraj of Mahatma Gandhi's dreams by highlighting Gandhi's consistent vouch for civil liberties and non-violence. For M.K Gandhi, these two values inhabit the foundation for the edifice of Swaraj. The movement for Swaraj is echoed in the nature of the Constitution—something only a Man of Action like Gandhi can ascertain and achieve. For Mahatma Gandhi, Swaraj is not the monopoly of the majority, nor is it a strategic hegemony of a handful people. It is a concrete solidarity, a sophisticated weapon—not an abstract philosophy. Gandhi demonstrated that the necessitated participation of masses, of the blinded, maimed, and starving, had the calibre to transform the government into a mere puzzled, perplexed and a tired out entity.

After the lecture, an invigorating discussion-cum-question-answer session was followed wherein students asked questions relating with Mahatma Gandhi's ideologies and the relevance of his values of non-violence in the present day and age. In the climax of the talk, gratitude was expressed towards the Principal, esteemed Faculty and participants.



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