

Drug Abuse and Illicit trafficking Awareness programme on 'Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada'organised by NSS SKUAST-Jammu

Under the able guidance of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor SKUAST-Jammu Prof. B.N.Tripathi and Dean Students Welfare Prof. Sudhakar Dwivedi, National Service Scheme and Health Centre SKUAST-Jammu in collaboration with Narcotic Control Bureau Jammu, organised an awareness programme on "Drug Free India" campaign to commemorate International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking and 'Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada'.

On the outset Prof.Sudhakar Dwivedi in his address threw light on the menace of drug abuse in educational institutes. He said drug abuse and illicit trafficking are serious challenges that threaten the health, safety and well-being of individuals and communities worldwide.

Dr. Subhash c Kashyap NSS coordinator welcomed the guests and invited speakers from Narcotic Control Bureau of Jammu office. He said NSS volunteers can play a pivotal role to make society aware about the ill effects of drug addiction on family and society.

Dr. Anil Kumar GuptaMedical Officer of SKUAST-JAMMU talked in detail about the different types of drugs and highlighted the significance of the awareness about drug abuse for the young students of SKUAST-Jammu.He cautioned the students to take care of their health and don't fell prey to drug peddlers.He stressed upon the students not to purchase over the counter medicine without prescription because that might lead to drug addiction in long run.

On the occasionMs. Rashmi Chaudhary and Mr. Amit TomarOfficials from NCB Jammu were the invited speakers. Ms. Rashmi Chaudhary gave an impressive power point presentation on the topic, 'Drug Free India' and made the students aware about various drugs and intoxicants. She also talked about various laws enforced to check illicit trafficking of drugs in India. She explained thatyounger generation in particular is prone to this menace now a days. She emphasised that young NSS volunteers can bring a change in the society by making aware the society about drug abuse and drug addiction. A student interaction session was also organised in which students were tested for awareness of various types of drugs and their ill effects. A pledge for NO TO DRUG, YES TO LIFE was also taken by participants. Theproceeding of the programme was well coordinated by Dr. Subhash C. Kashyap, NSS Coordinator, Dr. Narinder Panotra and Dr. Rakesh Kumar NSS Instructors of IBT and Faculty of Agriculture. The programme was a part of NSS regular activities.The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Subhash C. Kashyap and serving of refreshments to students.