

## **Journalism Department**

### **Activity Report**

The Department of Journalism organized a wide range of academic activities during the year 2022, that included several workshops, field visits, film screenings and talks by experts from the media.

Journo-Junction, the Annual Academic Fest of the Department of Journalism was held on March 4, 2022. The theme of the online fest was “Digital Media and the Public Sphere: Possibilities and Challenges”. Veteran Journalist, Pamela Philiposes delivered the keynote address at the fest. She spoke at length on the key issues facing digital Journalism in the contemporary times in her talk titled, “Journalism as Churnalism: How digital technology is shaping the media in India today”. The fest also featured a panel discussion on Public Relations and Story-telling in the time of New Media. The panelists were Ms. Noor Enayat, PR Consultant and Eisha Hussain, Multimedia Journalist, BeehanBox.

A workshop on Short Video production was conducted by Nabeela Paniyath, multimedia editor at *The Caravan* on March 26, 2022.

On April 9, 2022, the Journalism department held a Film screening of *Writing with Fire*, followed by a discussion moderated by Dr. Carmel Christy K.J., Assistant Professor, Department of Journalism, KNC. *Writing with Fire* is a documentary on women led newspaper *Khabar Lahariya*, and the first Indian Feature Documentary nominated for an Academy award.

Semester 2 students of GE Photography were taken for a field visit to the Museo Camera in Gurugram on May 21, 2022. They had an interaction with the founder of the institution Mr Aditya Arya. Some of them also learnt the art of print-making. The students got a chance to see different kinds of cameras and the evolution of camera technology.

As part of Reporting and Editing for Print paper, a field trip to Times of India print located in Sahibabad, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh plant was organised on 2nd June, 2022. Around 50 students of Semester 2 were part of the trip. The visit gave students a chance to see the actual printing process of a daily newspaper. On June 3, 2022, Semester 1 students of the Department were also taken on a field visit to the Times of India Printing Plant in Sahibabad. It was an enriching experience for them as they got to see the entire process of the printing of a newspaper.

An Adobe Photoshop workshop was organised on July 29, 2022 for Semester 2 students of GE Photography. It was an online workshop where the students learned the basic tools used in image processing. A similar Adobe Photoshop workshop was organized for Semester 5 students of Advanced Photography on October 17, 2022.

On October 14, 2022, Semester 3 students were taken to the Camera Museum, located in Gurgaon, Haryana. It is a contemporary venue wherein history of photography is documented systematically with vintage camera displays. There was also a brief interaction with the Director of the museum.

A workshop on Indesign was held on September 30, 2022 for the final year Journalism students. The Indesign workshop imparted skills to students on the use of Indesign software in the area of Print Journalism and Production.

The Journalism students were acquainted with the upcoming field of Data Journalism in an interactive discussion session with Prakriti Bakshi on November 5, 2022. Ms. Bakshi is pursuing her MSc in Computational and Data Journalism at Cardiff University and was an alumnus of KNC Journalism.

Semester 5 students of Advanced Photography were taken on a field visit to the Camera Museum in Gurugram on November 13, 2022.