



**MANIPAL UNIVERSITY
JAIPUR**

An Interactive Session

On

Traditional Methods of Water Conservation

By

Sh. Laxman Singh Ji

(Water Conservationist)

Awarded Padma Shri by the President of India

&

Felicitation of Faculty members and Ph.D. Scholars of FoA for Research Publications

OFFLINE EVENT

8th November 2023

11: 30 AM to 1:00 PM

Smt. Sharda Pai Auditorium

Organized by:

Research Cell

Faculty of Arts

Manipal University Jaipur



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1. Introduction of the Event

- A. **Interactive session:** An interactive session with an eminent water conservationist, Shri Laxman Singh, has been planned for the Faculty of Arts to share successful innovative water conservation strategies in a rain-deficit state like Rajasthan. The event was in alignment with SDG 6 which is related to the sustainability of water resources. The President of India has awarded Shri Laxman Singh Ji Padma Shri for his commendable work of reviving the Chowka system, a traditional water harvesting method in Rajasthan. He has founded the NGO Gram Vikas Navyuvak Mandal Laporiya (GVNML). The efforts of Sh. Laxman Singh Ji has borne fruits in a drought-ridden small village (Lapodiya), 80 km from Jaipur.
- B. **Felicitation of faculty and Ph.D. Scholars:** Recognizing and encouraging the efforts of faculty members and research scholars of the Faculty of Arts (FoA), Manipal University Jaipur, who have made significant contributions to enhance the visibility of FOA, Manipal University Jaipur (MUJ) by publishing their innovative/impactful/socially relevant research in **Scopus indexed, WoS indexed, Q1 and Q2** research journals. Knowledge creation and dissemination are the foundation of any academic institution. Thus, the Research cell, Faculty of Arts, under the leadership of the Dean, organized an event for facilitating the faculty and research scholars (fulfilling the mentioned criteria) of FOA by awarding them a Letter of Appreciation by the Dean of Faculty of Arts.

2. Objectives of the Event

- To orient faculty members, doctoral research scholars, and students at the Faculty of Arts towards the idea of water conservation and simplistic life.
- To acquaint faculty members, research scholars, and students at the Faculty of Arts with the steps they can take for water conservation and contribute to environmental sustainability in their own ways.
- To acknowledge and appreciate the efforts of the faculty members, and Ph.D. research scholars of the Faculty of Arts by awarding an appreciation letter by the Dean FoA.
- To encourage the research aptitude in the Faculty of Arts members.

1. Beneficiaries of the Event

- Faculty Members, Research Scholars, and Students at the Faculty of Arts

2. Brief Description of the Event

The session started with a warm welcome extended to the Guest Shri Laxman Singh Ji, Dean FoA Prof. Dr. Komal Audichya, Directors, HoDs, Faculty Members, Research Scholars, and students by Dr. Jaivardhan Singh Rathore, who was the MC of the Event. Dr. Rathore introduced the Event by emphasizing the initiatives undertaken by Research Cell, FoA to promote and strengthen Research Activities at FoA. This was followed by the Lamp Lighting Ceremony by the resource person and the Dignitaries. The Felicitation of the Guest was done



by the President Prof. (Dr.) G.K. Prabhu and Dean, FoA Prof. (Dr.) Komal Audichya. The welcome address was delivered by Dean, FoA wherein the context was set for Water Conservation and the work done by Sh. Laxman Singh ji in Laporiya Village. Then the session began with the Guest Sh. Laxman Singh sharing his experiences with the audience about his journey in the late 70's toward water conservation due to the scarcity of water in his village. Sh. Laxman Singh Ji spoke about the Chowka system, a traditional water harvesting method in Rajasthan. He founded the NGO Gram Vikas Navyuvak Mandal Laporiya (GVNML). The efforts of Sh. Laxman Singh Ji have borne fruits in a drought-ridden small village (Lapodiya), 80 km from Jaipur. The expert talked about the need to stay connected to nature and to lead a simplistic lifestyle. The session was curated in the form of a talk show by Dr. Appoorv Saxena from the School of Journalism & Mass Communication. The session was highly interactive as there were questions from the Faculty Members and Research scholars in the audience. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Guest and other concerned persons by Prof. (Dr.) Geetika Tankha, Chairperson, Research Cell, FoA. The Expert Sh. Laxman Singh Ji was highly impressed by the enthusiasm and active participation of the audience. The event was coordinated by the Research Cell, FoA under the Guidance of Dean, FoA, Prof. (Dr.) Komal Audichya along with Prof. Geetika Tankha, Dr. V. Vineeth Kumar, Dr. Shilpi Gupta, and Dr. Jaivardhan Singh Rathore.

3. Photographs









4. Brochure or Creative of the Event

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Wednesday, **8th** Nov. 2023
11.30 AM - 1.00 PM
Dr TMA Pai Auditorium



5. Schedule of the event

8th November 2023, Smt. Sharda Pai Auditorium, 11:30 am to 1 pm.

6. Attendance of the event:

Total participants: **240**

7. Link of MUJ Website:

Event Coordinators:

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Prof. Geetika Tankha

Dr. V. Vineeth Kumar

Dr. Shilpi Gupta

Dr. Jaivardhan Singh Rathore