POSTGRADUATE AND RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY VIVEKANANDA COLLEGE

(Residential & Autonomous- A Gurukula Institute of Life Training) College with Potential for Excellence (Re -accredited with "A"grade (CGPA 3.59/4 on 3rd Cycle by NAAC) Tiruvedakam West, Madurai -625 234, Tamil Nadu, India.

ONE DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ON LAB SAFETY PRACTICES (Under DBT STAR College Scheme)

Invitation



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Report:

A one day orientation programme on "Lab Safety Practices" funded by DBT under **DBT-STAR College Scheme** was organised on March 19, 2022 by Postgraduate and Research Department of Chemistry, Vivekananda College, Tiruvedakam West, Madurai. Dr.A.Kannan and Dr.S.Ellai Raja, convenor and organising secretary respectively, scheduled this programme. The Inaugural session commenced at 10.00 a.m. with customary prayer "Om sahanavavathu" followed by welcoming the gathering by Sri.B.Servaramuthu, Head & Assistant professor of Chemistry. Dr.A.Kannan, Assistant Professor cum Convenor elaborated the gist and essence of hosting this programme. Dr. T. Venkatesan, Principal, gave presidential address highlighting the theme of chemistry and its application in our life. It was followed by two Felicitation addresses. Dr.V.Parthasarathy, Vice Principal cum DBT-Star Scheme Coordinator delivered the Felicitation address-I and the resource person Prof.(Dr.)S.Murugesan, Chairperson and Head, Department of Inorganic Chemistry, School of Chemistry, Madurai Kamaraj University delivered the Felicitation address-II, where the latter shared a tragic incident involving his own scholar in the chemical laboratory of Madurai Kamaraj University. It was a typical example of experiment practicals done sans safety measures that ultimately end up in chemical accidents. Students were stunned to learn the toxic effect of chemicals that they handle inside the laboratory. An approximate of forty students (PG-all and UG-II year only), and the lab assistants from various science departments of our college attended this programme. Certificates were distributed to the participants. The resource person was gifted with two books written by our founder swamiji Srimath Chidbhavananda. Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr.S.Ellai Raja, Assistant Professor cum organising secretary. Mr.A.Dharmanandam, Assistant Professor, chaired the Master of Ceremony. The meet dissolved with customary climax prayer "Sarve Bhavanthu".