

DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM: SAHAAFAT

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1. Workshop on Precision and Principles: Effective language for responsible journalism

Sahaafat – The Journalism Society, Kalindi College, University of Delhi, successfully hosted a workshop on “Precision and Principles: Effective language for responsible journalism” in the Media Lab on 18.10.24.

The workshop was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convenor and TIC, Department of Journalism; Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors. Journalism Students from all three years were present along with the faculty members, Dr. Ahana Chopra, Dr. Bharti, Ms. Mamta, Dr. Praveen Gautam and Dr. Keshav Patel.

The guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. Priyanka Sachdeva, Asst. Professor at Delhi School of Journalism, University of Delhi. The event commenced with a gracious welcome, by presentation of welcome souvenir to the guest as a token of appreciation by the faculty members of Sahaafat. Dr. Sachdeva who serves as the IAMCR PhD Ambassador in India and is a Research Associate with ICSSR for a major project on Northeast India, delivered an insightful session titled "Precision and Principles: Effective Language for Responsible Journalism." The workshop focused on the importance of accurate and ethical news writing in contemporary journalism.

During the workshop, Dr. Sachdeva explained Robert Gunning's principles, which emphasize simplicity, clarity, and the avoidance of jargon to make writing more accessible to the audience. She guided the participants on how these principles can be effectively used in journalistic writing to convey information with precision while keeping the reader engaged. The session concluded with a fun, interactive activity where participants applied these principles by drafting short news reports. Using the techniques discussed, they analyzed and improved their articles based on Gunning's writing principles and the Flesch formula. This hands-on exercise not only reinforced the theoretical aspects of the workshop but also allowed participants to experience the process of refining their work for precision and readability.

As the event ended the Vice-President of Sahaafat, extended a heartfelt vote of thanks to the guest and faculty. The event provided the students with enhanced viewpoints, practical knowledge, and motivation essential for maneuvering through the intricacies of clear writing.

2. Student's visit to the World Book Fair 2025

Sahaafat, the journalism society of Kalindi College on February 7th, 2025, embarked on an enriching educational visit to the World Book Fair, held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The World Book Fair is an annual literary extravaganza that brings together publishers, authors, and book lovers from across the globe, offering a diverse collection of books, interactive sessions, and insightful discussions.

The visit commenced at 11:00 AM. The vast exhibition halls were filled with an overwhelming variety of books spanning different genres, languages, and cultures. The fair showcased works from both Indian and international publishers, offering a unique opportunity to explore literature from various perspectives. Students from all three years of the journalism department participated in the visit, making it an inclusive and engaging experience for all. One of the highlights of our visit was attending a panel discussion on "The Role of Media in Shaping Public Opinion," featuring eminent journalists and media professionals. The discussion provided valuable insights into the responsibilities of journalists in an era of digital media and misinformation. The speakers emphasized the importance of ethical journalism and critical thinking in reporting news, which resonated deeply with us as journalism students.

Another engaging aspect of the fair was the interaction with authors and publishers. Many renowned authors conducted book signings and reading sessions, allowing us to gain firsthand knowledge of their creative processes. The vibrant atmosphere, filled with discussions on literature, publishing trends, and storytelling techniques, made the experience even more intellectually stimulating.

The international pavilions, displayed a rich collection of literature from countries like France, Japan, and Russia. These exhibits offered a global perspective on storytelling and publishing, broadening the student's understanding of world literature.

The book fair had rare books, collector's editions, and academic publications that enriched our knowledge and fueled our passion for reading and writing. The presence of digital publishing platforms and new-age storytelling techniques also highlighted the evolving nature of the literary world.

The visit concluded with a sense of fulfillment and inspiration. The World Book Fair was not just an exhibition of books but a celebration of knowledge, creativity, and the power of words. It reinforced the student's appreciation for literature and journalism, encouraging them to delve deeper into the world of writing and publishing.

3. Students visits Aadi Mahotsav Organised by TRIFED India

On 20th February 2025, Sahaafat – The Journalism Society, of Kalindi College visited Aadi Mahotsav, the National Tribal Festival, held at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi. Organized by Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED) under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, the event showcased the rich cultural heritage of India's tribal communities.

The festival featured over 1000 tribal artisans, performers, and chefs from across India. The students explored various stalls displaying tribal handicrafts, handlooms, jewellery, bamboo items, and pottery.

One of the key highlights for the students was the handicrafts and handloom section, where they witnessed exquisite tribal jewellery, textiles, bamboo work, paintings and pottery. They interacted with artisans from various states such as Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Nagaland, Odisha, and

Madhya Pradesh. These conversations offered insights into the symbolism, techniques, and stories behind tribal craftsmanship, often passed down through generations.

The visit offered students an enriching cultural experience and a deeper understanding of indigenous traditions, sustainability, and craftsmanship. Students noted the importance of preserving indigenous knowledge systems and how festivals like Aadi Mahotsav bridge the gap between tribal communities and the urban population. The exposure gained through this visit aligns with the broader educational goal of nurturing socially conscious and culturally aware individuals.

4. Workshop on Variables and Measurement Scales in Media Research

Sahaafat, the Journalism Society of Kalindi College, University of Delhi, successfully organized an insightful workshop on Variables and Measurement Scales in Media Research on 25th February 2025. The workshop was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convenor and TIC, Department of Journalism; Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors. Journalism Students from all three years were present along with the faculty members, Dr. Ahana Chopra, Dr. Bharti, Ms. Mamta, Dr. Praveen Gautam and Dr. Keshav Patel.

The session was conducted by Dr. Muskan Bhatnagar, a distinguished expert in E-commerce and Cyber Research. The workshop took place at the Media Lab from 10:30 AM onwards, attracting a significant number of students eager to enhance their research skills.

Dr. Bhatnagar provided an in-depth understanding of the fundamental concepts of variables and their role in media research. She explained different types of variables: independent, dependent, control, and extraneous and their significance in media studies. Furthermore, she elaborated on various measurement scales, including nominal, ordinal, interval, and ratio scales, and how they are applied in media research.

A key focus of the workshop was on sampling techniques, a crucial aspect of conducting effective research. Dr. Bhatnagar discussed probability and non-probability sampling methods, highlighting their practical applications in media analysis. The session was highly interactive, with students actively engaging in discussions and seeking clarity on complex research methodologies.

The workshop proved to be a valuable learning experience for all attendees, equipping them with essential research skills.

5. Student's visit to INDIA TV educational conclave

Sahaafat – The Journalism Society of Kalindi College, University of Delhi, on 27.02.25 successfully hosted a visit to India tv educational conclave.

The visit was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convenor and TIC, Department of Journalism; Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors and Dr Praveen Gautam, Coordinator of the event. Journalism Students from Second years were present along with the faculty members.

The India TV Educational Conclave is a prestigious event that brings together educators, policymakers, and industry leaders to discuss the future of education in India. A visit to this conclave provides a valuable opportunity to gain insights into emerging trends, innovative teaching methodologies, and the role of technology in education. Experts from various fields share their perspectives on improving the education system, addressing challenges, and preparing students for the evolving job market. The conclave also serves as a platform for networking and collaboration among educators, institutions, and policymakers. Attending such an event fosters a deeper understanding of the current educational landscape and inspires new ideas for reform and growth in the sector.

A visit to the India TV Educational Conclave provided students with valuable insights from experts on career opportunities, skill development, and educational trends. It inspired them through success stories, offered networking opportunities, and helped them understand new policies and innovations in education. The experience broadened their perspectives and motivated them to take charge of their future.

6. Workshop on The Art of Radio Production: From Script to Sound

Sahaafat –The Journalism Society of Kalindi College, University of Delhi, successfully hosted a workshop on “The Art of Radio Production: From Script to Sound ” in the Media Lab on 03.03.25.

The workshop was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convener, TIC–Department of Journalism; Dr. Keshav Patel, coordinator of the workshop; Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors. Journalism Students from all three years were present along with the faculty members, Dr. Ahana Chopra, Dr. Bharti, Ms. Mamta and Dr. Praveen Gautam.

The session was conducted by Dr. Shipra Dua, an Assistant Professor at Jagannath College, who has been associated with the industry for two years. The workshop aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the radio production process, from conceptualizing scripts to the final sound output.

Dr. Dua began the session by introducing the fundamentals of radio production, emphasizing the importance of clarity, creativity, and audience engagement. She highlighted the significance of scripting and how a well-structured script forms the backbone of a compelling radio program. The interactive session allowed students to analyze different script formats and understand how they are adapted for various radio genres, including news, talk shows, and storytelling segments.

Moving forward, she provided insights into sound design and editing techniques, demonstrating how voice modulation, background scores, and sound effects enhance the listening experience. She also shared industry-specific knowledge on the use of professional audio equipment and software, offering practical tips for aspiring radio producers.

The event was met with an enthusiastic response, as students gained valuable knowledge about the intricacies of radio production. The workshop successfully bridged the gap between theoretical

learning and real-world media applications, leaving attendees with a newfound appreciation for the art of radio production.

7. Workshop on Careers in Social Sector

Sahaafat –The Journalism Society of Kalindi College, University of Delhi, successfully hosted a workshop on “Careers in Social Sector” in the Media Lab on 06.03.25.

The workshop was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convener, TIC–Department of Journalism; Dr. Keshav Patel, coordinator of the workshop. Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors. Journalism Students from all three years were present along with the faculty members, Dr. Ahana Chopra, Dr. Bharti, Ms. Mamta and Dr. Praveen Gautam.

The session, featuring esteemed speakers Mr. Siddhant Talvar and Mr. Rohan Gupta, provided invaluable insights into careers in the social and development sector. Both speakers, with their diverse experiences and expertise, shed light on how young individuals can pursue meaningful careers that drive social change. The session was organized under the Punjab Youth Leaders Program, an initiative by ‘Sanjhi Sikhiya’, which focuses on transforming education in Punjab by empowering youth to become changemakers.

The discussion revolved around the importance of education, research, and strategic interventions in the social sector, highlighting the challenges, opportunities, and pathways for those aspiring to create an impact. This report captures the key insights shared by the speakers, emphasizing the growing need for passionate and skilled professionals in the development sector.

For students the session was an eye-opener, reinforcing the idea that a career in social development is not just about making a living, it’s about making a meaningful impact on the world.

8. Seminar on News , Narrative & Nari Shakti

Sahaafat –The Journalism Society of Kalindi College, University of Delhi, successfully hosted a seminar titled News, Narrative and Nari Shakti on 07.03.25 in Seminar room (T5).

The event was held under the direction of Dr. Meena Charanda, Principal of Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convenor and TIC, Department of Journalism; Dr. Aahana Chopra and Dr. Praveen Gautam, Convenors of the seminar and Dr. Vinay Rai and Dr. Gyamar Nemey, student advisors. Journalism students from all three years were present along with the faculty members Miss Mamta, Dr Bharti and Dr Keshav Patel

The esteemed guest speakers Dr. Lipakshi Khurana, a Senior News anchor (DD news) and Chandrika Joshi, a Renowned Newsreader (All India Radio), shared their insights on the evolving role of women in media narratives. Dr. Khurana highlighted how mainstream news often portrays women through a limited lens, either as victims or as symbols of resilience, rather than as multifaceted individuals shaping society. She emphasized the need for a shift in journalistic practices to ensure that women's voices are not only heard but also represented authentically in news discourse. On the other hand, Chandrika Joshi focused on the role of narratives in

empowering women, stressing that storytelling has the power to break stereotypes and challenge patriarchal norms. She cited examples of how digital platforms have given women a space to share their stories, unfiltered and uncensored, leading to greater awareness and societal change.

During the discussion, students actively engaged with the speakers, sharing their perspectives on the role of media in shaping gender narratives. Many expressed concerns over the way women are often portrayed in news, either as victims of violence or as exceptions in male-dominated fields, rather than as integral contributors to society. Some students pointed out how sensationalism in news reporting often overshadows the real issues women face, reducing their struggles to mere headlines instead of meaningful discourse.

Both speakers agreed that true 'Nari Shakti' (women's empowerment) can only be achieved when media narratives move beyond tokenism and actively work towards gender-sensitive reporting. They urged media professionals to take responsibility for shaping stories that reflect the diverse and dynamic roles of women in society. The discussion concluded on a powerful note, emphasizing that an inclusive, fair, and responsible media landscape is key to fostering real change. The event served as a reminder that the media is not just a mirror of society but also a tool to reshape it - one story at a time.

Photographs



A workshop on "Precision and Principles: Effective language in Journalism" was organised in the presence of all the faculty members.



The faculty members and students of the Department of Journalism at the “World Book fair 2025”



Students of Department of Journalism visit Aadi Mahotsav organized by TRIFED India



Dr. Muskan Bhatnagar engaging students in the workshop on Variables and Measurement Scales in Media Research, organized by Sahaafat, Department of Journalism, Kalindi College.



Students of Department of Journalism participates in the India TV Educational Conclave



Dr. Shipra Dua speaker for workshop on The Art of Radio Production: From Script to Sound being facilitated by Dr. Keshav Patel, Asst. Professor, Department of Journalism.



Mr. Siddhant Talwar speaker for the workshop on 'Careers in Social Sector' guiding the students of the Department of Journalism about different career opportunity in Social Sector.



Dr. Manisha Tomar, TIC, Journalism Department and Dr. Praveen Gautam, Asst. Professor, Journalism Department facilitating Ms. Chandrika Joshi speaker of the seminar on News , Narrative & Nari Shakti

List of guests that visited Department of Journalism 2024-25

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1	Dr. Priyanka Sachdeva	Asst. Professor at Delhi School of Journalism, University of Delhi
2	Dr. Muskan Bhatnagar	E-Commerce and Cyber Research Expert
3	Dr. Shipra Dua,	Assistant Professor at Jagannath College
4	Mr. Siddhant Talvar and	Volunteer at Sanjhi Sikhiya
5	Mr. Rohan Gupta	Volunteer at Sanjhi Sikhiya
6	Dr. Lipakshi Khurana	Senior News anchor (DD news)
7	Chandrika Joshi	Newsreader (All India Radio)