"Space on Wheels" at Bahttadev University

The VIBHA – ISRO "Space on Wheels" programme has been organised at Bhattadev University on 25th and 26th Sept, 2024. This is a significant initiative to promote space education and awareness designed by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) in collaboration with VIBHA (Vijnana Bharati) and NESM. The whole programme was proficiently co-ordinated by Swapnajyoti Sarma and Dr. Debajyoti Dutta from the Dept of Physics, Bhattadev University.

The project which involves a mobile exhibition unit that travels across various regions to bring space science and technology closer to the public, especially students, is a great initiative.

On this occasion, BU organized some special talks on Space science on 25th Sept, 2024. Dr. Upakul Mahanta, Associate professor, Department of Physics delivered a enriching speech on India's Chandrayan mission for the school students. Mr. Debashish Baruah, Junior Scientific officer, ASSAC, Bigyan Bhawan talked about Drone technology and its application to our day-to day life. Miss. Hiya Medhi, ACS, Election officer, Bajali District also addressed the students and encourage them to participate in the programme actively. Prof. Parimal Bhattacharjee, President, North East Science Movement, explained the aims and objectives of VIBHA (Vijnana Bharati) in the programme. The session was chaired by Dr. Arup Bharali, HoD, Department of Physics. The talks were designed in such a way that the school students can learn and grab something from it. Students have also enjoyed by visiting the Space on Wheel bus as it is well equipped with the different models related to India's Space mission.

On 26th Sept, 2024, in the inaugural session of, the Vice- Chancellor of Bhattadev University, Prof. Dhanpati Deka, chaired the session where designated guests from Vijnana Bharati, NESM, NECTAR, ASCPCR attended. Shri Shiv Kumar Sharma, National Organising Secretary, Vijnana Bharati addressed the students and elaborated the development path of Indian Science and Technology, particularly space science. Shri Praveen Ramadas, National Joint Organising Secretary, Vijnana Bharati, Mr. Phanindra bujurbaruah and Mrs. Maushumi Brahma from Assam State commission for protection of child right also shared their insightful thoughts with the students. Dr. Ashraful Amin, the District Development Commissioner of Bajali also encouraged the students with his words. Shri Rajib Ch Sarma, General Secretary, NESM, North East Initiative of Vijnana Bharati, Kishur Shivam, Prominent social worker, Satyam Tripathi from NECTAR were also present in the programme.

After the inaugural programme, a quiz competition on space science was held among the school students where 22 groups from different schools in the locality participated. The quiz programme was conducted by Kanak Das, Dr. Rupjyoti Gogoi, Dr. Rinkumoni Kalita and Mrinmay Medhi of Bhattadev University.

The "Space on Wheel" bus was operating in the University premises for students for both the days.















