

Report on Guest Lecture: "History and National Myth"

With the support and guidance of Fr. Francis Pinto SJ, Director, St. Joseph's University, Shift III, the Department of History (Shift III) and the History Association, La-Storia, organized a guest lecture on the topic "History and National Myth" on 20th September 2024, at 4:30 PM in De Nobili Hall.

The event was organized by Mr. Mahesha D K, Assistant Professor, Department of History, St. Joseph's University, and featured Dr. Vagishwari S P, Head of the Department of International Studies, Political Science, and History at Christ (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, as the resource person. The lecture was conducted for second and final-year undergraduate students across all BA combinations, including ECH, JSO, and PYE.

The session began with Mr. Mahesha D K welcoming the resource person, faculty members, and students. Dr. Vagishwari's lecture focused on the intricate relationship between history and national myths, shedding light on how historical narratives influence national identity and politics. Her talk provided valuable perspectives that prompted both students and faculty to reflect on the subject critically.

The lecture concluded with a question-and-answer session, where students and faculty actively engaged in a lively discussion, posing thoughtful questions that further enriched the dialogue. The event was attended by Mr. Prashanth Kumar, Faculty in Economics and Coordinator of Shift III, Dr. Chandini, Faculty in Sociology and Coordinator of Humanities, Shift III, and Sr. Sally Joseph, Faculty in Journalism.

Mr. Prashanth Kumar delivered the closing remarks, expressing gratitude to Dr. Vagishwari S P for her insightful lecture and thanking all those who contributed to the successful execution of the event.

The lecture was attended by 150 participants and was deemed highly fruitful and educational by all present.

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