Report of Webinar on "Rise & Relevance of the Internet During the Covid-19 Pandemic" (In the Context of Punjabi Language & Literature)'

on 27 May 2020

The Department of Punjabi, Sri Guru Gobind Singh College of Commerce, Delhi University organized a webinar and an interactive session with Dr. C.P. Kamboj, Assistant Professor, Punjabi Computer Help Care Center, Punjabi University, Patiala. The theme of the webinar "Rise & Relevance of the Internet During the Covid-19 Pandemic" (In the Context of Punjabi Language & Literature)' was decided keeping the needs of the students amidst the ongoing crisis in the backdrop. On 27 May 2020 students and faculty of Punjabi department joined zoom meeting to acquaint themselves of the e resources available for easy learning and to make teaching learning process an enriching experience. Dr. Taranjeet Kaur, Head, Department of Punjabi convened the meeting followed by Principal, Dr.Jatinder Bir Singh's welcome address. He highlighted the relevance of the topic and extended his wishes for successful session that can add to the skills of faculty and benefit students at large. He emphasised that crisis has encouraged us to go online but teaching learning can be made more interactive through Apps and e-resources, the information about which is either limited or not available. The information gap about those can be filled up by webinar like the one organised by the department and congratulated the department for the same.

Dr. Taranjit Kaur emphasized on the need of the teachers and students of Punjabi-language and literature, to be up-to-date with the advent of computers and the internet.

Dr. Kamboj , the resource person held an interactive session with faculty and students. Making effective use of technology, shared his lectures as well as screens to show the different aspects of the subject on a practical level. He discussed Punjabi fonts/Unicode and the problems associated with them and their solutions. The participants were introduced to the software 'Akhar' developed by Punjabi University, Patiala especially for Punjabi students, researchers, teachers, and journalists. Various Punjabi websites, applications (apps), and e-resources related to Punjabi language and literature added to the knowledge of faculty and students. His session concluded with his interaction and clearing of doubts and queries. The event was a grand success; it ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Manjeet Kaur.