Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies

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Fake News Workshop

Department of Journalism and Mass Communication (under the Aegies of IQAC and Google Initiative)

Online workshop by Shri Nimesh Kapoor, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India

on topic -

'Facts Verification'

The workshop aimed in giving students a better understanding about the importance of fact verification focusing on recent research and media coverage: false information coming from unreliable sources to tackle "fake news" and create products that support journalists and the broader industry.

Dr. Umesh C Pathak (Associate Professor) delivered the welcome address.

The event proceeded with the address of Prof. Ravi Kumar Gupta, Director, MAIMS, highlighting the need of an hour to be aware about the disinformation and misleading which is lead to infodemic. He emphasized that it will be a learning experience for the students. He also appreciated all the efforts of the faculty event conveners.

The workshop focused on enhancing knowledge of media specialists on fact-checking, which is an element of media information literacy (MIL) and a necessary 21st-century skill . The workshop covered MIL and fact-checking concepts, definitions, integrative approaches, resources, tools, and practical examples of media initiatives identifying fake and promoting MIL.

Workshop participants also explored the methods and tools to verify facts on google and through govt. provided sites . Students also perform practical experiment on how to verify facts using several application present online.

The workshop concluded with Prof. Dr. Vinita Gupta HoD department of journalism and mass communication giving the vote of thanks.

Faculty Convenor -Dr. Umesh C Pathak , Associate Professor

Faculty Co - Convenor -Ms. Shifali Ahuja , Assistant Professor Student Coordinators-

Ashna Vig, Naman , Madhav Thukral, Deepali Chanana coordinated the workshop in a very efficient manner.

(Prepared by

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