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Inauguration of

UNESCO BIOETHICS Unit

Affiliated to UNESCO Chair in Bioethics,
Haifa
&

Symposium on Bioethics

30th June and 1st July 2017

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ESTABLISHMENT OF UNESCO-BIOETHICS UNIT

Affiliated to UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Haifa, Israel

Distinguished Guest
Dr. Russell D'Souza
Head, Asia Pacific Division,
UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Haifa
(Melbourne, Australia)

Chief Guest
Dr. O.P Kalra
Head, AIHSU-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National Program
Hon'able Vice Chancellor, Pt B.D Sharma
University of Health Sciences, Rohtak

Guests of Honour

Dr. Geethalakshmi
Chair Faculty Development AIHSU-UNESCO
Chair in Bioethics National Program
Hon'able Vice Chancellor, The Tamil Nadu
Dr M.G.R Medical University, Tamil Nadu(TNMGRMU)

Dr. Bipin Batra
CEO, National Board of Examination
Head, NBE-UNESCO Chair in
Bioethics National Program

Dr. Mary Mathew
Head of the Indian Program,
UNESCO Chair in Bioethics
Professor, Manipal University

Date : 30th June & 1st July 2017 | Venue : Auditorium, Third Floor, C- Block



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Inauguration and Symposium report

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Organizers: Collegium of Deans

Objective of the programme:

Establishment of the UNESCO-BIOETHICS Unit in SGT University, affiliated to UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa, Israel on 30th June 2017

Followed by symposium- lecture by speakers related to Ethics on 1st July 2017

Speaker:

- 1) Dr Russell D'Souza, Head, Asia Pacific Division, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa, Israel
- 2) Dr Geethalakshmi, Chair Faculty Development AIHSU-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National Program and Honorable Vice-Chancellor, The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University(TNMGRMU).
- 3) Dr. Mary Mathew, Head of Indian Programme, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics , Professor, Manipal University

Audience :

The programme was intended to be attended by Faculty members and students. Multiple dignitaries attended the programme.

The Chief Guest for the inauguration ceremony was Prof. (Dr.) O.P. Kalra, Head, AIHSU-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National Program and Honorable Vice-Chancellor, Pt. B.D Sharma University of Health Sciences, Rohtak

Dr Bipin Batra CEO, National Board of Examinations, Head, NBE-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National program was the Guest of Honour

Dr Sukumar, Bioethics training faculty from MGR University, Dr Sanjay Tiwari, Dean and Principal, Postgraduate Institute of Dental Sciences, Rohtak, Dr Gajendra Singh, College of Pharmacy, Pt B D Sharma University and Dr Vikas Kakkar, Senior professor from ENT and Neel officer, Bioethics unit at Pt B D Sharma University also graced the occasion.



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Brief Report of the programme:

SGT in its quest of academic excellence, is always putting sincere efforts to achieve International recognition and has achieved a major milestone on 30th June 2017 with the establishment of UNESCO-Bioethics unit in SGT University affiliated to UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa, Israel.

Bioethics relates to the ethical issues pertaining to medicine, life sciences and associated technologies as applied to human beings. To revive these ethical principles, UNESCO established a chair in Bioethics at International centre of Health, law and Ethics, University of Haifa in 2001. Since then, it has spread its network in 5 continents and in about 56 nations worldwide.

The Inauguration of Unit in SGT University was done by Dr Russell D'Souza, Head, Asia Pacific Division, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics by presenting writ of appointment of establishment and Unit Head to Dr T.D Dogra, Pro-Chancellor SGT University. The Writ of appointment as Secretary of the Unit was awarded to Dr H.S Grover, Dean Education, Examination and International affairs. The appointment writ of establishment of student wing was given to Managing trustee Mr Dilpreet Singh Chawla and Dr M.S Sidhu. The Foundation steering committee members from the field of Medical sciences, Dental Sciences, Allied Health Sciences, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Behavioural Sciences, Agriculture, Indian Medical system and law were also given the certificates.

The list of members is as follows:

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Name of Member</u>
Head, Bioethics unit	Dr T.D Dogra
Lead Bioethics unit	Dr M.S Sidhu
Secretary	Dr H.S Grover
Nodal Officer	Dr S.C Mohapatra
Joint Secretary	Dr Astha Chaudhry
Members	Dr Sham Lal Singla Dr Sarla Hooda Dr Pradeep Singhal Dr Anil Gupta Dr Suma G.N Ms. Chinna Devi M Ms. Shashi Bala Dr Joginder Yadav Dr Sheetal Kalra Prof Ramachandra Nisargi Dr Vijay Bhalla Dr V.K Govila Dr Archana Dr Waheeda Khan Dr Nudrat Jahan Dr. K R Dagur
Members (Legal)	Dr Rajiv Khanna and Dr Suman Gupta



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The Chief Guest for the inauguration ceremony was Prof. (Dr.) O.P. Kalra, Head, AIHSU-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National Program and Honorable Vice Chancellor, Pt. B.D Sharma University of Health Sciences, Rohtak. Dr Kalra in his address stressed upon the deteriorating doctor-patient relationship and stressed upon the growing need to inculcate ethical values among the students by incorporating ethics as a part of medical curriculum.

Dr Geethalakshmi, Chair Faculty Development AIHSU-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National Program and Honorable Vice-Chancellor, The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University(TNMGRMU) was the Guest of Honour. Dr Geethalakshmi enlightened that the aim of this program is to stimulate an International network of institutes for medical ethics training and to help associating higher education institutes in both developing and developed countries.

Dr. Mary Mathew, Head of Indian Programme, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics , Professor, Manipal University and Dr Bipin Batra CEO, National Board of Examinations, Head, NBE-UNESCO Chair in Bioethics National program were the Guest of Honour and they stressed upon the need to develop up to date syllabus for medical ethics education and also highlighted that this will open opportunities to collaborate and participate in the research activities related to Bioethics across the Globe.

Dr Sukumar, Bioethics training faculty from MGR University, Dr Sanjay Tiwari, Dean and Principal, Postgraduate Institute of Dental Sciences, Rohtak, Dr Gajendra Singh, College of Pharmacy, Pt B D Sharma University and Dr Vikas Kakkar, Senior professor from ENT and Neal officer, Bioethics unit at Pt B D Sharma University also graced the occasion. The program included lamp lighting ceremony by all the dignitaries and the ceremony was concluded with the deliberation of vote of thanks from Secretary of Bioethics unit and Dean International affairs, Dr. H.S Grover for making the event a grand success.

In continuation with the inaugural ceremony of UNESCO-Bioethics unit at SGT University, A symposium on Bioethics was conducted on 1st July 2017 at T.V.Studio.

The symposium started by the introduction of UNESCO Universal Declaration on Human Rights by Dr Russell D'Souza, Head, Asia Pacific Division, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa.

The multiple challenges in teaching Bioethics to teachers and students were discussed by Dr Mary Mathew, Head of the Indian Program, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Professor, Manipal University. Dr Mary told that ethical issues are faced by the Health Sciences students from the first year itself when they are exposed to cadaver. So, ethics teaching is mandatory in all Health Sciences students.

A very informative interactive session followed Dr Mary's Lecture where ethical dilemma was discussed through a case study and the valuable inputs from dignitaries were indeed helpful for our faculty members and students.



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Dr Geethalakshmi, Chair Faculty development AISHU-UNESCO Bioethics National Program and Vice Chancellor Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University discussed the Bioethics Curriculum development and implementation and also presented the Bioethics curriculum that has been implemented in MGR University.

The session was concluded by Lecture on Medical Education and Ethics of caring by Dr Russell D'Souza where he discussed the multiple philosophies of caring that should be incorporated in the medical curriculum.

Overall, the program was very informative and the unit at SGT University will aim to take the bioethics learning a step further.



The Dignitaries sitting on the dias including the Distinguished guest Dr Russell D'Souza, Chief Guest- Dr O.P Kalra, Guest of Honour- Dr Geethalakshmi, Dr Mary Mathew, Dr Bipin Batra, Managing Trustee-Mr Dilpreet Singh Chawla and Pro-chancellor Dr T.D Dogra



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Pro-chancellor Dr T.D Dogra welcome address



Chief Guest- Dr O.P Kalra Address



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Guest of Honour- Dr Mary Mathew Address



The Distinguished guest Dr Russell D'Souza presenting the writ of appointment to Pro-chancellor Dr T.D Dogra as Unit Head of UNESCO-BIOETHICS unit at SGT University



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The Distinguished guest Dr Russell D'Souza presenting the writ of appointment as Joint Secretary to Dr Astha Chaudhry



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Dr Russell D'Souza delivering lecture on "Universal Declaration of Human Rights" on 1st July 2017



Dr Mary Mathew delivering lecture on "Challenges in teaching Bioethics" on 1st July 2017