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GDC Uttersoo organized one Day Seminar on Life and Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi

Under the chairmanship of Worthy Principal, Professor Mushtaq Ahmad Sohil, Debates and Seminar Committee and Department of History organized One Day Seminar under the theme "Life and Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi" on 8th October, 2024. The Programme was moderated by Dr. Showkat Hussain Ganie, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Botany. The programme started with a cordial welcome to the learned speaker of the Day, Ms. Ambreen Gul, Assistant professor, Department of Political Science, Govt. Degree College for Boys, Anantnag by worthy Principal. The Worthy chair also delivered keynote address in which different dimensions of the theme was hinted to and as such the stage was set for the speaker.



Speaking on the occasion, **Ms. Ambreen Gul** emphasized the different aspects of Gandhian philosophy. She mentioned that Gandhi led India's freedom struggle and also inspired many world leaders like Nelson Mandela of South Africa and Martin Luther King Jr. of the USA to fight against injustice, discrimination and championed the cause of civil and human rights. Highlighting his idea of nonviolence, Gul stated that nonviolence is not synonymous with passivism; rather, it is the primary weapon of courageous individuals. She aptly linked Gandhian philosophy to the current global challenges the world is facing, asserting that Gandhi's philosophy is the best way to overcome them. Gandhi was a strong advocate of decentralization, introducing his decentralization plan in 1946 and then again in 1948 to empower villages. His philosophy also emphasized the economic concept of sustainable development and environmental protection. The speaker emphasized that Gandhi's teachings are still relevant today, and we must uphold his principles of nonviolence, truth, decentralization, and sustainable development to create a better world.



The talk was followed by question answer session in which the speaker answered all the queries raised by the audience. The event was culminated with vote of thanks delivered by **Dr. Tariq Bashir**, Convener, Debates and Seminars Committee. The Convener thanked worthy Principal for encouraging the Committee to organize such type of Seminars. He also applauded the speaker for delivering efficiently theme oriented talk. The faculty members and students were also highly appreciated for their participation in the seminar and making the event a great success. The Debates and Seminar committee is grateful to Protocol Committee for providing light refreshments to the participants.

Dr. Tariq Bashir Convener, Debates and Seminars