

Press Release

World Bioethics day celebration was held in King George's Medical University on 6th December 2018 by Department of Medical education for the 3rd consecutive year. The theme was "Solidarity and Cooperation" as declared by UNESCO. Prof Shally Awasthi (Head Department of Medical Education) mentored the programme and welcomed all the guests. She emphasized the importance of solidarity and cooperation in medical education and practice. She said that at the first level, solidarity is at interpersonal level and can be synonymous to fraternity. At the second level it is solidarity between groups to ensure benefit to all who are equals- that is to all humans. And at the third level it is by law, which ensures that there is distributive justice. She said Ayushman Bharat was an example of solidarity at national level. She said solidarity was the guiding principle behind public health and global health. She said solidarity is essential for societal benefit and must be inculcated in all.

The chief guest for the occasion was Dr. Urvashi Sahani, an Ashoka fellow, social entrepreneur, women right activist and educationist. She gave a powerful speech on gender equity, equality and the need to adopt an expanded universal identity by each individual as an important component of solidarity and cooperation. She said that concept of solidarity was within our constitution and is principle of democracy. It must be taught within schools and across all educational institutions to ensure national cohesiveness.

Prof A.P. Tikku (Head of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics) was the institutional guest speaker on the topic and emphasized the importance of leadership as a prime requisite for building up solidarity.

Prof. ML Bhatt (Vice Chancellor, King George's Medical University) extended his blessings for the occasion. Prof Madhumati Goel (Dean Faculty of Medicine and Nursing), Prof Vinod Jain (Dean Faculty of Paramedical Sciences), Prof Ashutosh Kumar (Head Department of Pathology) were also present to grace the occasion. The chief guest and other dignitaries felicitated all the participants of poster competition for their efforts. The event was organized, compared and coordinated by Prof. Vimla Venkatesh and Dr. Chanchal Rana. The overall programme was informative, well streamlined and well presented.

