

## Independence Day Report 2021

75<sup>th</sup> year of Independence Day celebration was marked by tricolour hoisting by our Dean, Dr P F Kotur. He was accompanied by Dr V N Mahalakshmi, Dean HPE, Dr Rajan, Vice Principal-Academics, Dr Arunachalam, Vice Principal-Student Affairs, Dr Rajan, Director-School of Speech, Language Pathology, Dr Muthamizselvi, Principal-Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing and Dr Deepa, DMS. Everybody saluted the national flag while the national anthem was being played in the background. It was a small gathering with strict adherence to the Covid protocol.

Rest of the event was held virtually wherein all faculty members and students participated. Program hosts were II MBBS Students - Mr Rashwanth and Ms Pragathi Amrutha under the guidance Dr D Arunachalam, VP (Student Affairs) and Dr D Naresh provided the technical support.

Dr D Arunachalam, VP (Student Affairs) welcomed the gathering. This was followed by a video of flag hoisting which was recorded in the morning. Dr P F Kotur spoke passionately about the importance of freedom and advised our students to work for the betterment of the society to maintain and upkeep the glory of our country.

Dr. V. N. Mahalakshmi, DEAN HPE, introduced Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, an intensive, country wide campaign which will focus on citizen participation, to be converted into a 'Jan andolan', where small changes, at the local level, will add up to significant national gains. She also gave a video presentation of rare images on historical moments of India's independence collected from national archives.

Ist MBBS students participated enthusiastically. Ms Sri Lakshmi and Ms Mahima sang patriotic songs. The audience were spell bound by the speeches Mr Bragadeesh, Ms Kalyani and Ms Sushmitha gave thir views on past and future of our 75 years of Independence in English, Hindi and Tamizh. There was a mesmerizing dance performance by first year students Sheryl Rasiga, Priyadarshini, Gowri, Malavika, Sangamithra, Makashri.

Dr Lakshmi Jatiya, HOD, Department of Physiology proposed the vote of thanks.

The program concluded with a closing note and National Anthem.

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