Third White coat ceremony and annual research day

On 11th November 2024, AIIMS Rishikesh proudly hosted its third White Coat Ceremony and Annual Research Day, a momentous event that highlighted the commitment of new medical students to compassionate and ethical healthcare. The day began with the inauguration of the Scientific Exhibition, followed by a spiritual start with Ganesh and Saraswati Vandana.

The exhibition showcased AIIMS Rishikesh's research achievements from the past year, featuring impactful research publications by faculty, students, and scholars, patents awarded to faculty members, and student-led research projects. Additionally, the exhibit presented prestigious research grants secured by faculty, reflecting the institute's commitment to high-impact medical science and innovation. This comprehensive display celebrated the collaborative research efforts that have advanced healthcare knowledge and solutions over the last year.

In a proud and solemn moment, students participated in the White Coat Ceremony, led by the Dean of Examinations, where they took an oath to uphold values of empathy, integrity, and dedication in their medical journey. The inspiring AIIMS anthem filled the hall, motivating both students and faculty. Adding to the day's significance, the release of the Student Almanac and Climate Newsletter underscored AIIMS Rishikesh's dedication to environmental awareness alongside medical excellence.

Chief Guest Dr. Dharmender Singh Gangwar, in his keynote, spoke about the white coat as a powerful symbol of trust and responsibility, urging students to embrace the roles of a great physician: healer, critical thinker, lifelong learner, and leader in the art of medicine. He highlighted that a good physician treats disease, whereas a great physician treats the person with the disease.

Guest of Honour Dr. Parvinder Kaushal praised AIIMS Rishikesh for its recent 14th national ranking and its beautiful campus, emphasizing core values like self-awareness, self-management, and professionalism. He encouraged students to blend empathy with continuous learning to meet the evolving demands of healthcare.

Esteemed dignitaries, including Prof. Meenu Singh, Executive Director; Prof. Jaya Chaturvedi, Dean (Academics); Prof. S.S. Handu, Dean (Research); Prof. Patil, Dean (Examinations); and Prof. Sanjeev Mittal, MS, shared inspiring messages on service, ethical responsibility, and the pursuit of knowledge.

The ceremony concluded with the Research Day Awards, honoring faculty and students for their exceptional contributions to healthcare research. Awards recognized high-impact publications, achievements in securing extramural funding, patents, and innovative projects. Special accolades were given to reviewers of the Research Review Board, acknowledging their role in maintaining the quality and rigor of research at AIIMS Rishikesh. This event reaffirmed the institute's dedication to fostering a culture of excellence in medical science and education.