

# **Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur Department of Humanities and Social Sciences**

## **HUM PALS: PEER ACTIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOLARS**

### **Report of the session conducted on March 10, 2025**

The 24th session of HUM PALS was successfully conducted on March 10, 2025, under the aegis of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. The session was opened by Labhisha, who introduced Prof. Sudhir K. Jain, Adjunct Professor at IIM Jammu, MNIT Jaipur, and former Vice-Chancellor of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra (J&K). Prof. Jain delivered an expert session on "Writing a Thesis and the Subsequent Research Journey: Some Tips."



Following this, Prof. Manju Singh addressed the audience, emphasizing the core philosophy of HUM PALS in fostering self-learning, re-learning, and co-learning, which form the foundation of this transformative academic initiative.

Prof. Jain began the discussion by distinguishing between different levels of research, such as Ph.D. theses and consultancy projects, highlighting their varying objectives and methodologies. He elaborated on research quality and career prospects, emphasizing the importance of maintaining academic integrity and originality. He provided a detailed explanation of the research process, covering all essential steps and outlining the sequence of thesis chapters, with specific guidance on their content and structure. He also highlighted common mistakes made by researchers, such as starting directly with sections without a proper introduction and background. Additionally, he shared valuable insights on effective writing, time management, and resource utilization, while also discussing common mistakes in academic writing and research documentation. He provided guidelines on font size, spacing, citations, and correctly framing research objectives.

The session was honored by the presence of renowned faculty members, including Dr. Preeti Bhatt, Prof. Manju Singh, Prof. Vibhuti Singh Shekhawat, Dr. Dipti Sharma, and Dr. Nidhi Bansal.

The session concluded with an engaging open discussion, where participants actively interacted and received personalized feedback from Prof. Jain. The event ended with a group photograph and refreshments. This session proved to be highly enriching, offering valuable guidance to aspiring researchers and reinforcing HUM PALS commitment to academic excellence and collaborative learning.

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