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DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES AND DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

UNDER THE AEGIS OF DBT STAR STATUS AND STAR SCHEME

A WEBINAR FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF

ON

CYBER SURAKSHA

'Cyber security is much more than a matter of IT.'

Stéphane Nappo

An Interdepartmental Webinar on Cyber Security entitled "Cyber Suraksha" was organized under the aegis of DBT Star Status and Star Scheme by Department of Life Sciences in association with Department of Computer Science, K. C. College, HSNC University on January 27, 2021. This webinar was aimed to educate the Non-Teaching Staff about the importance of Cyber Security. 35 Non-Teaching Staff Members of 10 colleges across Mumbai and Parbhani Region, Maharashtra actively participated in this webinar. Mr. Sai Satish, Founder and CEO of Indian Servers, was invited as the resource person for the session. The webinar was organized with an aim to create awareness about cyber security amongst the non-teaching staff.

Dr. Sagarika Damle, HoD, Department of Life Sciences and Co-ordinator of DBT Star Status gave the welcome address and expressed her best wishes to the participants of this webinar. Mr. Sai Satish began the webinar with a small online interactive game with the participants, giving them examples about fraudulent calls and messages which should be ignored. With many such different examples Mr. Satish explained the various types of cybercrime that mislead people fall prey to miscreants. Later, Mr. Satish discussed some simple and easy ways in which everyone can safeguard themselves against cybercrimes and give themselves much needed cyber suraksha.

The session focused on three important aspects of cyber security, mobile security, laptop security and social media security. While discussing mobile security Mr. Satish explained the various ways in which it can be breached and gave 7 important tips to keep the mobile phone secure. The speaker then emphasized on ways and means to secure the laptops. Mr. Satish kept the participants engaged by making the session interactive. The participants got a hands-on experience to secure their mobile phones by following the instructions of the speaker. This

enabled them to update their mobile and laptop security instantly and trouble shoot the queries from Mr. Satish. While discussing the security breaching cases, Mr. Satish also helped the participants find out if their emails had been compromised and gave tips to make their email more secure. At the end of the session, Mr. Satish also insisted that the two-step verification step is a boon o safeguard the password and this should be brought in practice with immediate effect by the participants to avoid hacking of their respective email ids.

The webinar ended with a question and answer session where Mr. Satish cleared the doubts of the participants. As the session came to an end participants were invited to give their feedback. Many participants appreciated the speaker for explaining cyber security to them in simple words and also thanked the organizing committee for arranging such an important and relevant webinar. At the end of the webinar Dr. Tejashree Shanbhag, Vice Principal, K.C. College, HSNC University expressed her thoughts and congratulated all the participants of the webinar.

This webinar on Cyber Suraksha was a unique webinar as it was held in bilingual dialect, English as well as Hindi made it easier for the participants to follow the instructions. Though Mr. Satish was not well versed in Hindi he was patient and understanding. The audience were also kind and helpful throughout. The barrier of language was met with utmost grace and respect from everyone present. The webinar was a novel experience for everyone. A group photo was taken to remember this momentous and novel experience.

Expressing gratitude and appreciation is almost as important as the event. To thank everyone involved in the successful execution of the webinar, a beautiful vote of thanks was proposed by a member of organizing committee. The webinar was informative and helpful for the participants wherein they got insights on important and simple cyber security norms that one can follow. The purpose of this webinar was served in spreading awareness about cyber security.

The success of this webinar is the outcome of the efforts and challenges that were faced in the organization and execution by the organizing teams of the two Departments. The Departments of Life Sciences and Computer Science hope to continue this approach to learning in future and look forward to working collaboratively for helping society and bringing meaningful content to the world.

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