

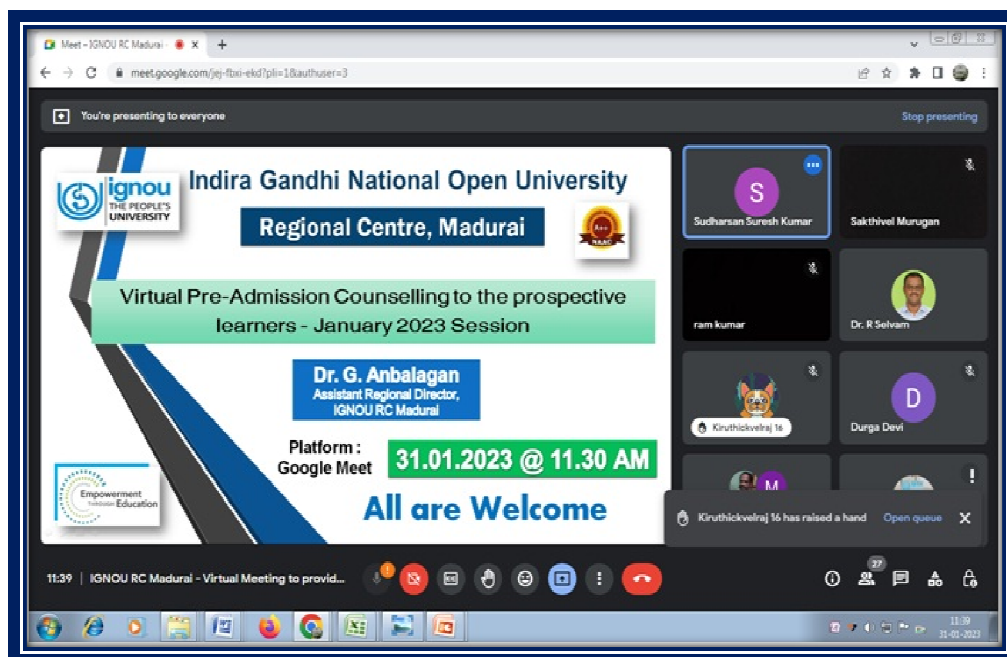
Regional Centre, Madurai

Achievements of the RC Madurai for the year 2023

IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai has actively engaged in various events/activities during the year 2023 and the following are its tangible achievements for the year 2023.

1. **Admission:** IGNOU RC Madurai has reached 106% Enrollment during the year 2023 by undertaking various digital and F2F promotional activities. The B.Ed. admission counselling covering the learners of six southern RCs through online mode as a Nodal RC.





2. **Establishment of LSC 43087:** As part of the expansion activities of the LSC Network in the Region, a new Learner Support Centre 43087 was established at the Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur to cater to the needs of learners from the Thiruvarur and its adjoining districts.
3. **Conduct of Online Counselling to the Low Enrollment Programme Learners:** RC Madurai has been designated as a Nodal RC for the conduct of Online Counselling (Theory sessions) to the Low Enrollment Programme learners clubbing all the RCs for the following Programmes,

January 2023 Session:

1. CTE Programme - Conducted by the LSC 2504
2. CCP Programme - Conducted by the LSC 43016
3. CAHT Programme - Conducted by the LSC 2503
4. CAL/CALOL & CTS/CTSOL Programmes - Conducted by the LSC 2568
5. MAJMCT/PGJMCT Programmes - Conducted by the LSC 2502

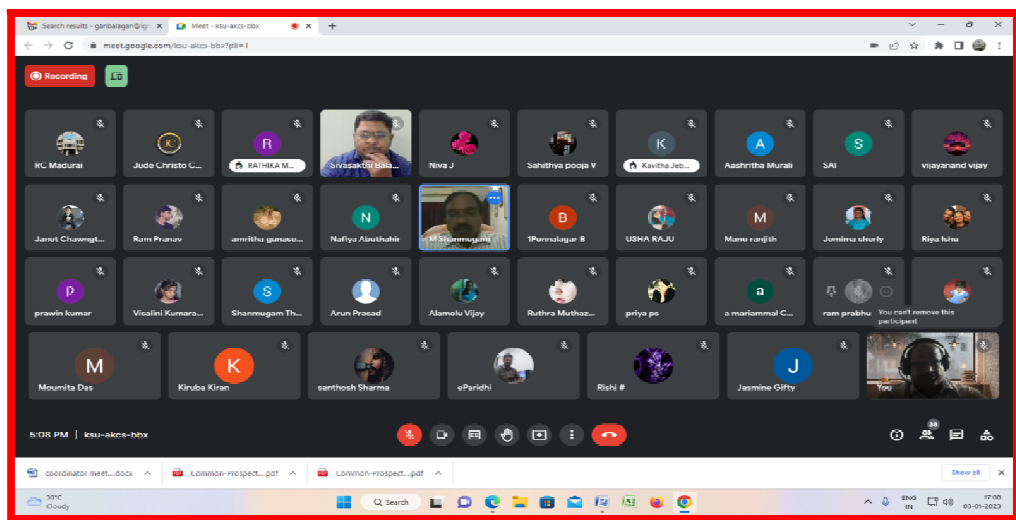
July 2023 Session:

1. CNM Programme - Conducted by the LSC 43080
2. CBS Programme - Conducted by the LSC 40032
3. CALOL/CTSOL Programme - Conducted by the LSC 2568
4. CPABN/CPAKM Programme - Being held with the help of SOPVA, IGNOU
5. DVAPFV Programme - Conducted by the LSC 43078

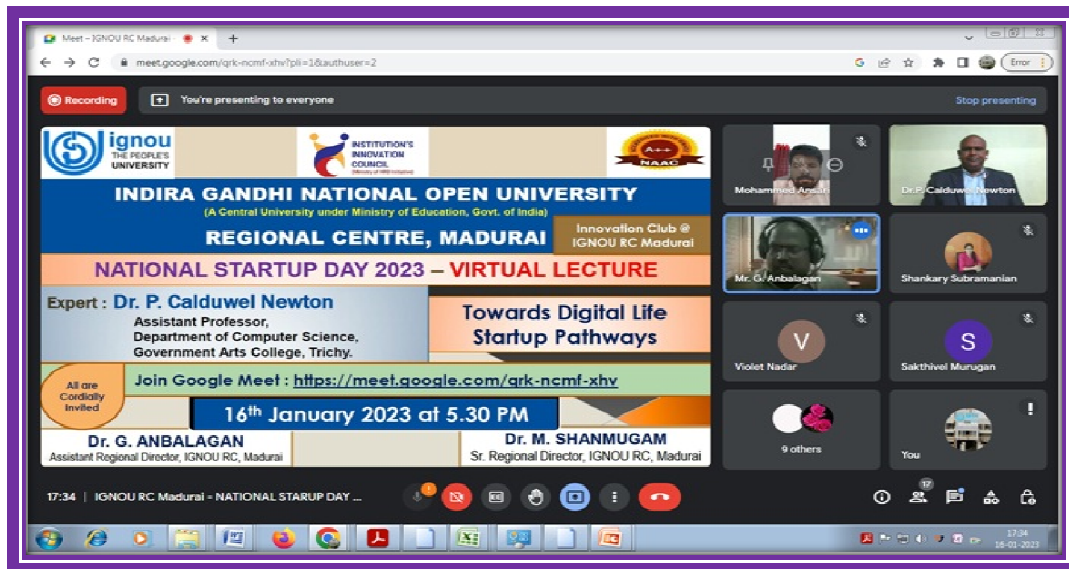
(Online Induction Meeting conducted to the Learners of above programmes for July 2023 session inviting Programme Coordinators from the respective schools)

4. **Innovation Club @ RC Madurai:** The Innovation Club under RC Madurai has conducted various events to boost the creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship among the learners and they are:

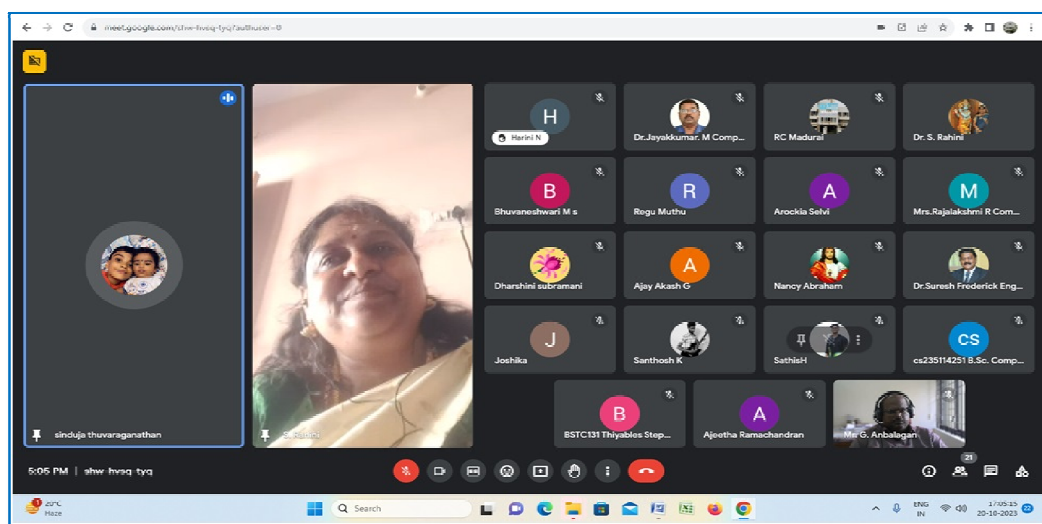
a. **Dr. K. Sivasakthi Balan**, Head - MSME Incubation Centre, Sri Sairam Engineering College, Bangalore delivered a **virtual lecture** on the topic "**Innovation and Our Emotions**" on 03.01.2023 to the IGNOU Learners of RC Madurai



b. As part of the **National Startup Day**, IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai has organised a Virtual Lecture on the topic "**Towards Digital Life Startup Pathways**" on 16th January 2023. **Dr. P. Calduwel Newton**, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, Government Arts College, Trichy has delivered the talk on the topic Towards Digital Life Start-up Pathways as a Resource Person.



- c. IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai and LSC 2504 at Bishop Heber College, Trichy has jointly organised Webinar on the topic “**Innovative Entrepreneurship Strategies**” to the Learners on 20.10.2023 as part of celebrations of National Innovation Day in IGNOU. **Dr. S. Rahini**, Assistant Professor, School of Management Studies, SASTRA University, Thanjavur delivered the lecture on the topic.

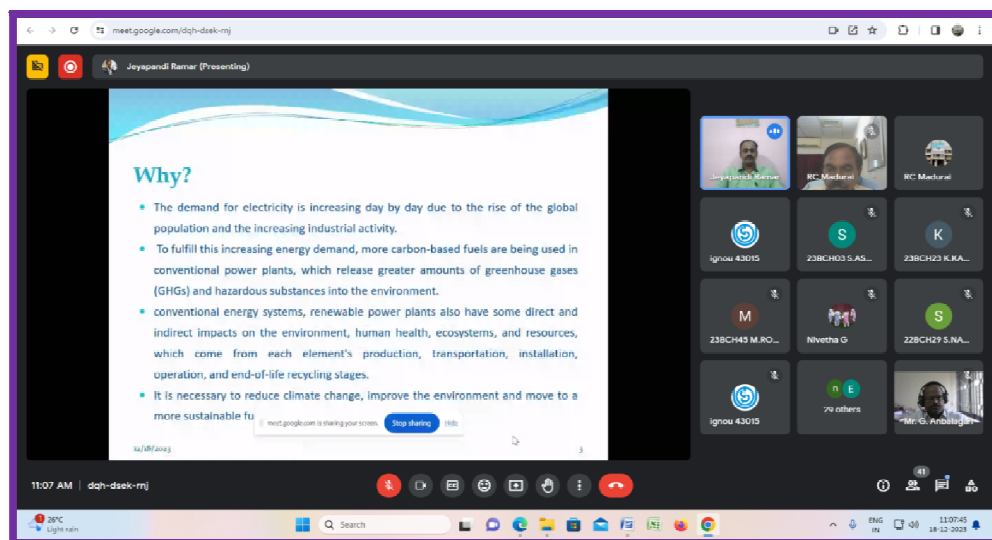


- d. IGNOU RC Madurai has organised a webinar on the topic “**Current Trends in Entrepreneurship**” in connection with the National Entrepreneurship Day on 16.11.2023. **Dr. R. Venkata Ravi**, Associate Professor and Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, Gandhigram Rural Institute (GRI - DBTU), Gandhigram, Dindigul has delivered the talk on the topic

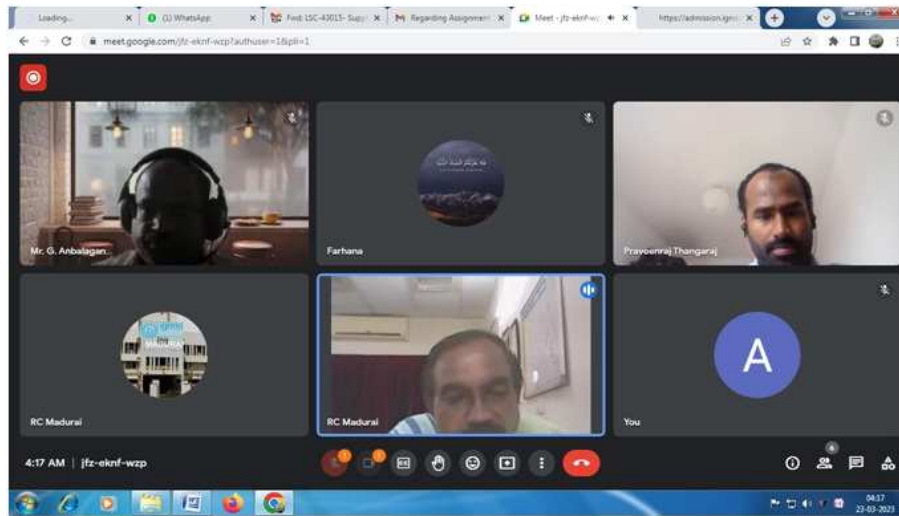
covering Entrepreneurship Skills, Social Entrepreneurship and inclusive Entrepreneurship as a Resource Person.



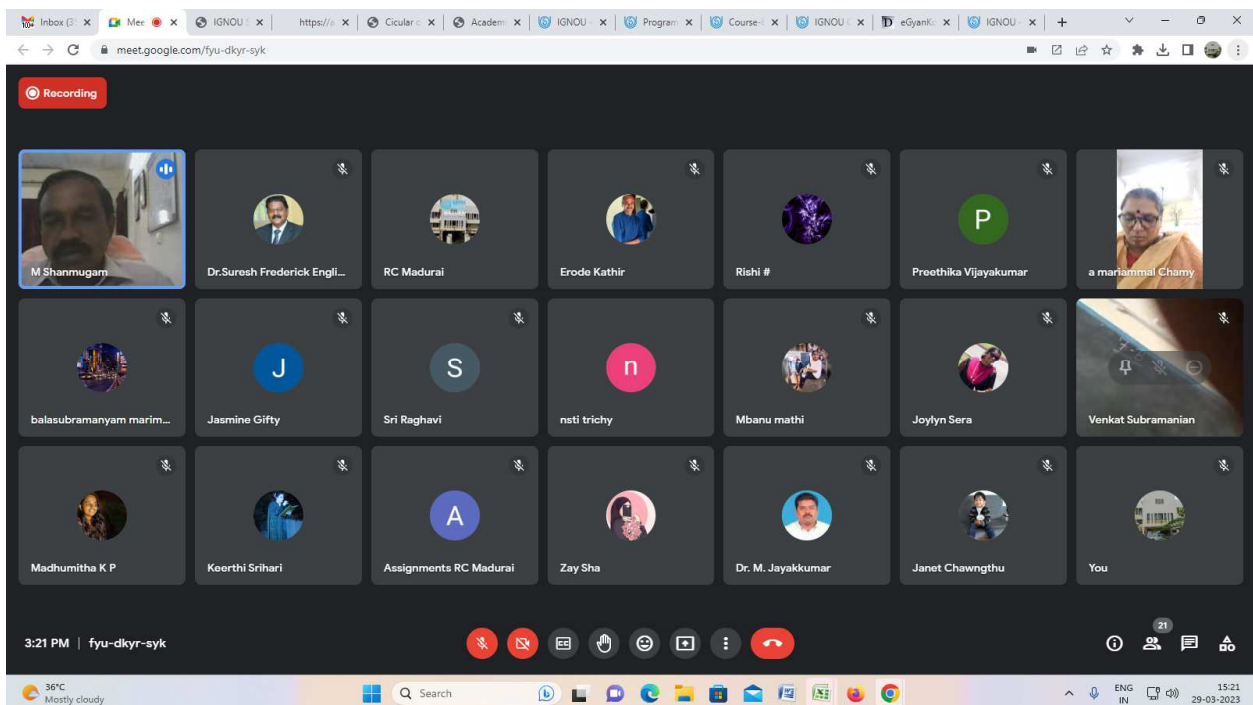
- e. A web lecture on “**GREEN ENERGY: DRIVING TO A SAFER FUTURE**” as part of the National Energy Conservation Day celebrations, under Innovation Club @ IGNOU RC Madurai was conducted on 18.12.2023 for the benefit of learners. **Dr. R. JEYAPANDI**, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biochemistry, American College, Madurai has delivered the talk on the topic highlighting the importance of Energy Conservation for the better future. Green Energy to safeguard the environment. Various utilisations of solar, wind and tidal energies. He appealed the participants to practice energy saving options towards a better future.



5. **Disposal of Students Grievances:** RC Madurai has disposed the students grievances received through emails, personal visits, iGRAM Portal and RTI etc. timely. Student grievances of around 1500 received through IGRAM portal for the year 2023 were timely replied/forwarded to the concerned divisions. Virtual Grievance Redressal Meetings conducted to the ODL and OL Programme Learners.



Virtual Grievance Redressal Meeting with OL Programme Learners on 23.3.2023



Virtual Grievance Redressal Meeting with BAPCH Programme Learners at the 43MS1, NSTIW, Trichy on 29.3.2023

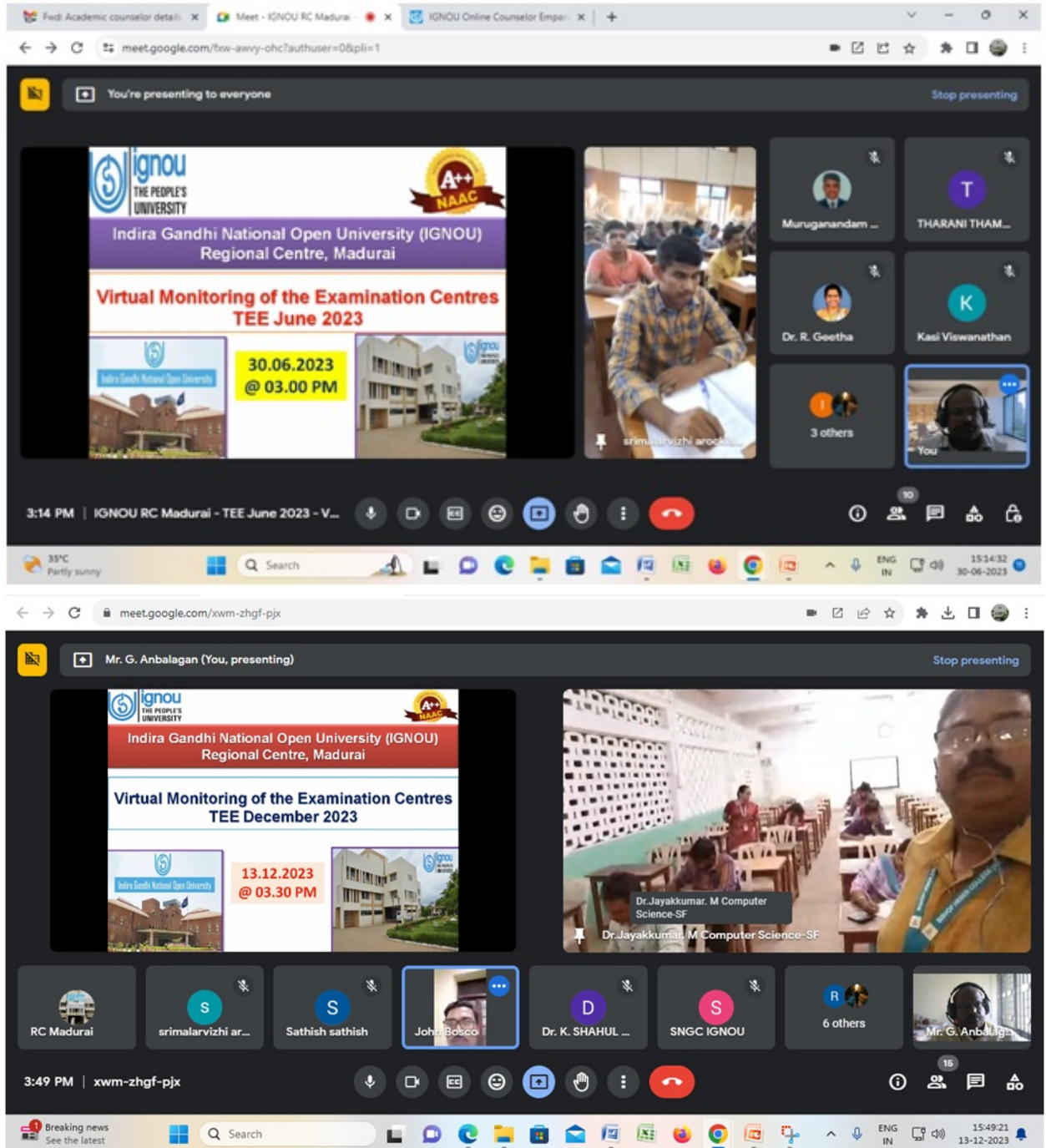
6. **Virtual Monitoring:** The conducts of Counselling Sessions (Online/Offline) at the LSCs, Term End Examinations were monitored through virtual mode and visits to the LSCs/ECs by the Academics of RC.



Virtual Monitoring of the conduct of Practicals to the MSCDFSM and DDT Learners at the LSC 43086, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul on 19.05.2023



Virtual Monitoring of the conduct of Practicals to the BSCN-PB Learners at the LSC 2525P, SRIPMS, Coimbatore on 24.05.2023



- Channel Based Counselling in Regional Language Tamil for Swayam Prabha TV Channels:** IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai has conducted Live Channel Based Counselling Sessions in Tamil Language for the BAG Programme Learners as a Nodal RC in Tamil Nadu (Channel No. 09, and 17). Out of the total 244 sessions scheduled in the year 2023, live sessions of 238 were conducted successfully. As per NEP 2020 Guidelines, the Live Channel Based Counselling

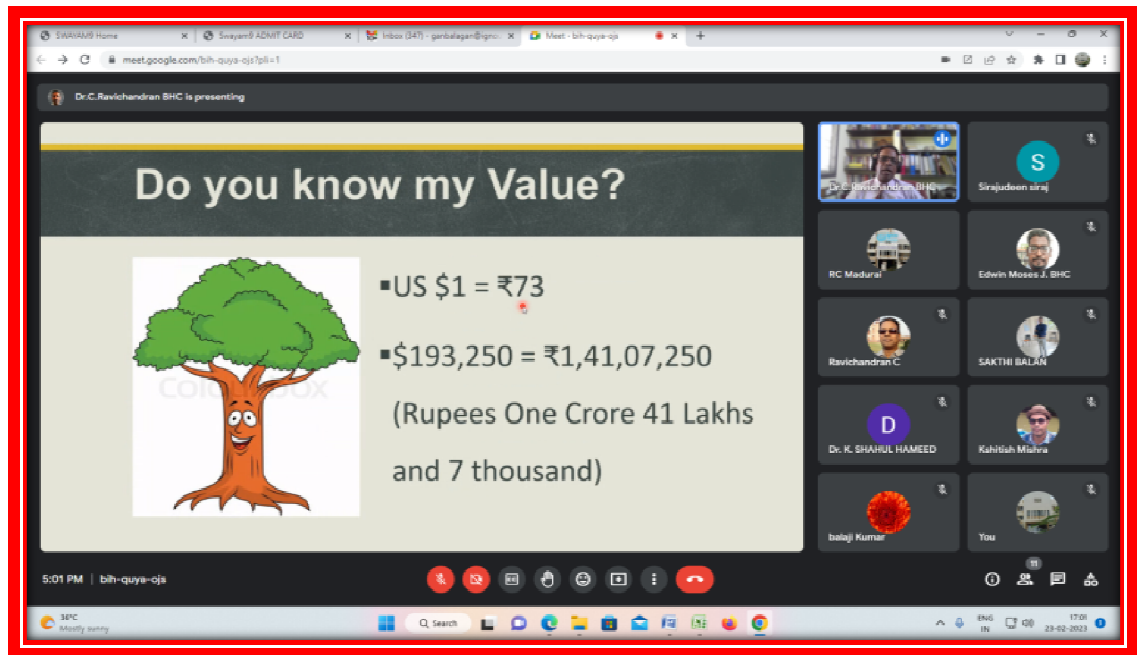
Sessions are conducted in the Regional Languages in IGNOU for the BAG learners through Swayam Prabha TV Channels.

The screenshot shows a live session interface for IGNOU. At the top, there are logos for IGNOU (The People's University), Swayam Prabha, and LIVE CLASSES. A blue banner below the logos reads 'Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)'. Below this, a white banner identifies the 'Regional Centre, Madurai'. The main content area features a video player with a white background and a woman speaking. The text on the screen includes: 'Channel 17 Live on 3rd March 2023', 'BPSE-142 அரசியல் அறிவியல் (Political Science) உலகமயமாக்கும் உலகில் இந்தியாவின் வெளியுறவுக் கொள்கை', 'INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY IN A GLOBALISING WORLD', 'BLOCK 1 Introduction', and 'அறிமுகம்'. A name tag for 'Dr. Anitha Selvaraj' is visible. At the bottom, a caption reads: 'Introduction - India's Foreign Policy, Block-1, Unit-1 (In Tamil) BPSE-142' and 'Channel Based Live Counselling Session in Tamil Medium for the Course Code – BPSE142 held on 03.03.2023'.

8. **SATHEE Video Translation/Recreation Project of the IIT-Kanpur:** IGNOU RC Madurai has identified Faculty Members/Experts for the SATHEE Video Project of IIT-K, out of them 12 Faculty members/Experts has successfully uploaded their videos and these are approved by the IIT Kanpur. All these Faculty members/Experts are ready for the project activity.

9. **Extension Activities:**

i) IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai has conducted **Webinar on the Topic “Science and the Environment”** as part of the **National Science Day events**, on **23.02.2023** through Google Meet. **Dr. C. Ravichandran**, Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences, Bishop Heber College, Trichy has delivered the session narrating the impact of science in human environment and various inventions that helps to combat the effects of the pollution in the environment. Further he has appealed the participants to practice environmentally sound practices towards sustainability. The function was attended by the LSC Coordinators, Academic Counsellors and Learners of RC Madurai.

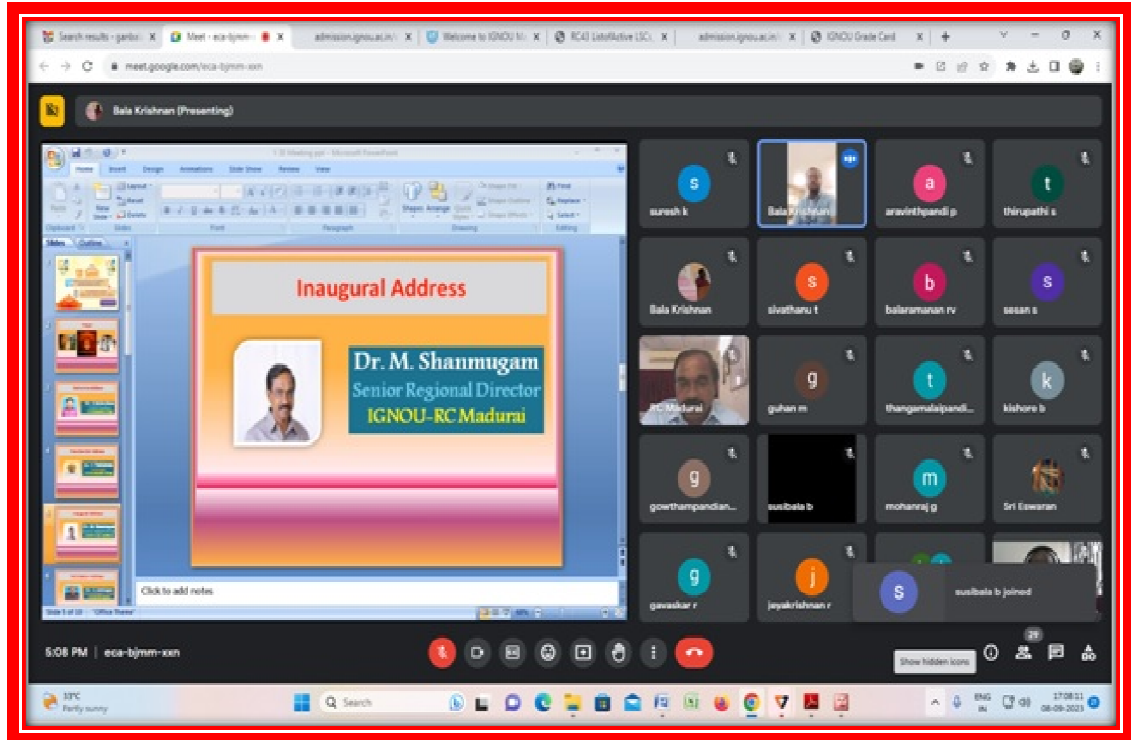


- ii) **Mann Ki Baat - 100th Special Episode of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India**, promoted to the Learners and General Public in April 2023.



- iii) IGNOU LSC 43016, Vivekananda College, Madurai, and IGNOU RC Madurai have jointly organized "**Y20 Yuva Manthan Model G20**" to the Learners, Online Mode through Google Meet on **08th September 2023**. **Dr. M. Arulmaran**, Assistant Professor of Economics, Vivekananda College, Madurai delivered a Special Address about the G20 Summit. The Youth Speakers have were presented their topics on the following themes:

- a. Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction,
- b. Health Wellbeing and Sports
- c. Peace Building and Reconciliation
- d. Youth in Democracy and Governance
- e. Industry 4.0 and Innovation



- iv) Under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, RC Madurai has conducted Tree Plantation Drive at Government Higher Secondary School, Kovilpapakudi and also distributed energy conservation pamphlets to the students.



- v) RC Madurai has organised Tree Plantations in the campus involving Staff and school students from Bethshan Special School, Madurai on 12.10.2023 as part of the "Amrit Kalash Yatra" programme. The LSCs under RC Madurai have also participated in the Tree Plantation Drive involving NSS volunteers at the Host Institutions.



- vi) As part of the Swachhata Pakhwada Special Campaign 3.0, IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai has organized a National Webinar on "**Environment and Health - Lifestyles for Sustainability**" on **13.10.2023**. **Dr. R. Mohanraj**, Professor, Dept. of Environmental Science and Management, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli has delivered the Session on the topic **Environment and Health - Lifestyles for Sustainability** highlighting various impacts of pollution, consumption of natural resources, energy crisis, Environmental friendly lifestyles to conserve the environment and towards sustainability, etc.



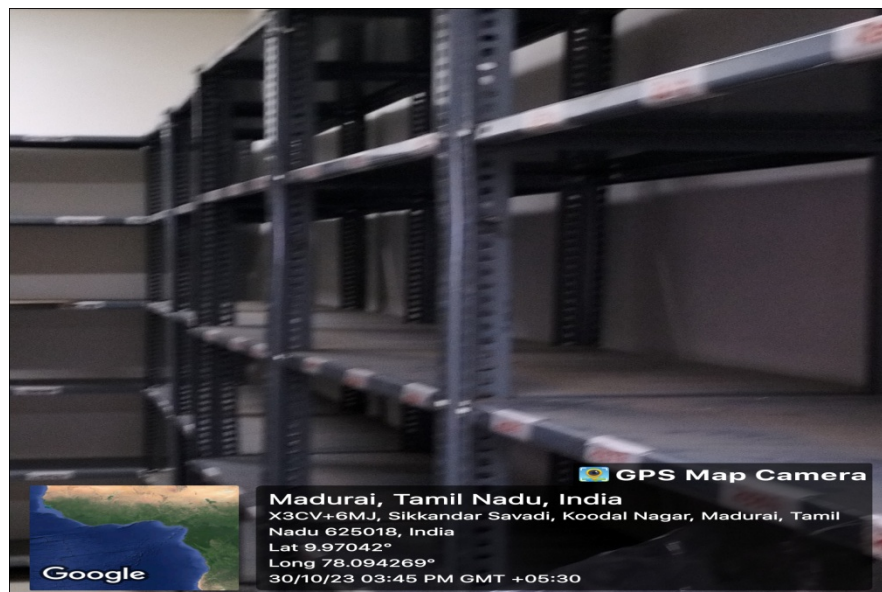
- vii) IGNOU Regional Centre, Madurai, and Dept. of Zoology, Madura College, Madurai jointly organised an Awareness Programme on **Millets and Ancient Indians** for the College Students on 13.12.2023 from 10 AM to 12 Noon to sensitize them about the consumption of millets and its health benefits also to create awareness to them on various Programmes offered by IGNOU through ODL and Online Learning mode. **Dr. M. Shanmugam**, Sr. Regional Director, IGNOU RC Madurai has welcomed the participants and briefed them about the role played by IGNOU in the promotion of inclusive education to all segments of society. **Dr. S. Dinakaran**, HOD & Associate Professor, Dept. of Zoology, Madura College, Madurai has felicitated the gathering and gave insight about the use of millets during ancient times. The Resource Person **Mr. Annavayal Kalimuthu** from Thirumangalam, Madurai made a detailed presentation about various types of millets and its significance in human health. **Dr. G. Anbalagan**, Asst. Regional Director IGNOU RC Madurai has delivered the vote of thanks and presented a session on the Objective and role of IGNOU in

promoting ODL and Online Learning in society highlighting the various programmes offered by the University.



Mr. Karthikeyan, Asst. Coordinator at the RC- LSC 43015 and faculties, staff, have attended the event. Around 140 students from Madura College, Madurai attended the awareness Programme, the pamphlets of IGNOU Programmes were distributed to them.

viii) As a part of Special Campaign 3.0 conducted by the Government of India, RC Madurai has disposed off MeLT van and other Obsolete materials and earned an income of Rs.2,54,901/- and a space of about 50 Sq.M has been created in the RC.



- ix) Dismantling work of three Gyan Vani stations at AIR Coimbatore, Trichy and Tirunelveli was done as per the instructions from EMPC.

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