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*ENABLING UNIT (EU) IN COLLABORATION WITH
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CELL (EOC)*

ACADEMIC SESSION (2025-26)

Report On

SAMARTHYA'26

**“Inclusive Education: Ensuring Equal
Opportunities for All”**

**REPORT ON THE SESSION- “INCLUSIVE EDUCATION:
ENSURING EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL” ORGANISED
BY THE ENABLING UNIT AND THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
CELL ON APRIL 22, 2026 UNDER SAMARTHYA'26**

Title of the Event: SAMARTHYA'26 “Inclusive Education: Ensuring Equal Opportunities for All”

Date: April 22, 2026

Venue: Board Room, New Building

Time: 10:30 AM

Number of Attendees: 70+

Guest Speaker: Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta

INTRODUCTION

The College has established the **Enabling Unit (EU) and the Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC)** as it understands the needs of its special students as well as to students belonging to communities that have been historically denied various opportunities. The Enabling Unit tries to provide an enabling environment for special students through technological and other support to enable them to perform to the best of their abilities. The Equal Opportunity Unit attempts to help students to overcome their historical deprivation and to enable them to give their very best on par with other students. Both these units of the college coordinate their activities with the Equal Opportunity Cell of the University.

This year **EU & EOC organized SAMARTHYA'26**, where an interactive mentoring session based on the theme “Inclusive Education: Ensuring Equal Opportunities for All” was organized. It aimed to

provide insights into the real-life challenges of a person who has special abilities. The esteemed Chief Guest for the event **Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta** of Mata Sundri College (University of Delhi) was invited to share his life journeys, career experiences and reflections on a person with special abilities.

OPENING SPEECH AND INTRODUCTION

The session commenced with a warm welcome extended to the distinguished guest and all the attendees. Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta was introduced with great enthusiasm and reverence. Following this, the auspicious lamp-lighting ceremony took place, symbolizing enlightenment and positivity. The session was further blessed with the singing of the University's Kulgeet, setting a graceful and proud tone for the session.





THE MORNING SESSION

Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta

The session commenced with the chief guest taking the stage. Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta, Dept. of Hindi, Mata Sundri College (University of Delhi) began the session by reflecting on his journey from being diagnosed with polio at the age of 2 and a half years to now being a professor at a renowned university. His story inspired deeply the attendees that despite not being supported by his family he completed his graduation and meanwhile cleared the NET (National Eligibility Test) exam. His strong will and dedication enabled him to overcome these obstacles. Initially, he was appointed as a temporary teacher. Through consistent hard work, commitment, and resilience, he gradually progressed in his profession and eventually became a professor.

He emphasized on access audit which a university should conduct to know about the accessibility of college's resources for all students and teachers. His session concluded on how with inclusivity with the special students and small gestures act as a change in their lives and equal opportunities should be given to all at every stage of life.





CLOSING SPEECH and VOTE OF THANKS

The session concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, appreciating the time, efforts, and insights shared by Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta. He was felicitated by the faculty members and academic staff of the college as a token of gratitude and honor. The organizing team, faculties, and student volunteers of the Enabling Unit and the Equal Opportunity Cell were also acknowledged for their dedicated efforts that made this event a grand success.



CONCLUSION

The mentoring session on “From Adversity to Academia: A Journey of Resilience and Achievement” left a significant impact on all attendees. It offered valuable insights into the attendees as they also experienced the problems which special persons has to face from the society but with small step of inclusivity and kindness changes everything for them. Such an initiative by EU & EOC through SAMARTHYA played a vital role in bridging the gap between, students and special persons to live together share the same stage in life.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We extend our sincere gratitude to Prof. Lokesh Kumar Gupta. A heartfelt thanks to the Principal Sir- Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, faculties, EU and EOC members, volunteers, and students for their invaluable contributions to making this session successful and meaningful.

