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Earthquake Awareness Outreach Program Held at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad

The Observational Seismology Laboratory of the Department of Applied Geophysics at Indian Institute of Technology (ISM) Dhanbad organized an “Earthquake Information and Awareness Outreach Program” for students of G.S. Adiwasi High School, Yadavpur, on April 11.

The program aimed to enhance scientific awareness and preparedness among school students regarding earthquake hazards. Prof. Mohit Agrawal led an engaging and interactive session, explaining the fundamentals of earthquakes, their causes, and practical measures to mitigate associated risks. “Awareness and preparedness are the most effective tools to reduce the impact of natural disasters like earthquakes. Educating young minds is a crucial step towards building resilient communities,” said Prof. Agrawal.

Earlier, Prof. Soumen Maiti, Head of the Department of Applied Geophysics, warmly welcomed the participants and highlighted the importance of such outreach initiatives in bridging the gap between scientific research and society.

Students actively participated in hands-on learning through informative models and interactive demonstrations, supported by research scholars, master’s students, and project assistants. The initiative was conducted under a project funded by the National Council for Science and Technology Communication (NCSTC), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, which promotes science communication and outreach across the country.

The event witnessed the active involvement of research scholars and students including Abhishek Tiwari, Rahul Nagle, Gokul, Subhajeet Manjhi, Honey Tomar, Samapti Mondal, Shwetha Pulli, Himanshu, and Ankit Patel, along with Mr. Chandraprakash Bhaskar. The visiting students were accompanied by Dr. Yoganand Jha and Mr. Kumar Sundaram, who also delivered the vote of thanks.

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