



## A REPORT ON NATIONAL PHARMACY EDUCATION DAY OBSERVED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2024.



**DR. B. C. ROY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY & AHS  
DURGAPUR**

*Organizes*

**National Pharmacy Education Day**



**"Pharma Anveshan 2024"**

6th March'24

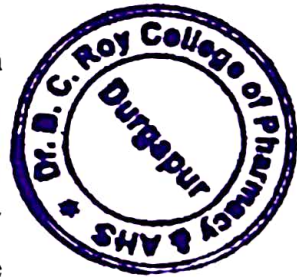
**Venue :APC ROY Seminar Hall**

**Time: 4:30-5:30 pm**

In observance of Professor Mahadeva Lal Schroff's birth anniversary, who founded pharmacy education in India, March 6th was designated as National Pharmacy Education Day. The Pharmacy Council of India (PCI), a statutory agency under the Ministry of Health that oversees pharmacy practice and education in India, declared the day.

The founder of Indian pharmacy education is Mahadeva Lal Schroff. In 1902, he was born in Darbhanga, Bihar. He has graduated from Banaras Hindu University's Engineering College. Upon finishing his engineering studies, he traveled to China, Japan, and the USA. After that, he graduated from MIT in the United States with a UG in chemistry and a PG in microbiology and chemistry. He established the United Provinces of Pharma Association in 1935. He oversaw the Indian Journal of Pharmacy as its editor. He was the founder of the Indian Pharmaceutical Congress, Bheshjayan, and Bhaishaj Patrika. In addition, he presided over the Pharmacy Council of India and the State Pharmacist Association. The IPA created the "Father of Pharmacy Award" in his honour.

The students, learned faculty members and the staff, of Dr. B.C. Roy College of Pharmacy & Allied Health Sciences observed National Pharmacy Education Day in APC Roy Seminar Hall. The program began with an inaugural address by the Principal, Prof. (Dr.) Samir Kumar




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Samanta Sir where he spoke about Prof. Schroff's pivotal role in shaping pharmacy education in India.

Prof. (Dr.) Subhabrata Ray, Professor-in-charge, PG Studies & Research delved into the theme of National Pharmacy Education Day of 2024 which is "Leveraging Synergism: Industry Academia Partnership for Implementation of National Education Policy 2024". To make the theme understandable for the students, he broke it down into three segments namely synergism, industry-academia partnership and National Education Policy. He further described that synergism signifies the power of collaboration, where the whole becomes greater than the sum of its parts, and the students, who are the future contributors of pharmacy ecosystem, can achieve remarkable outcomes by synergizing their knowledge, skills and passion. He further added under industry-academia partnership that collaborating with pharmaceutical companies, research organizations, and healthcare institutions bridges the gap between theory and practice. It allows to stay updated with the latest advancements, understand market dynamics, and contribute meaningfully to drug development and patient's care. Regarding the New Education Policy 2024, he stated that the policy encourages interdisciplinary learning, research and entrepreneurship and that the opportunities must be embraced to shape the future of pharmacy. He also told the students to be curious, to be able to collaborate, to be adaptable and to follow ethics. He concluded his delivery by motivating the students that they must bridge the gap between academia and industry, nurture innovation and contribute to build a healthier world.

In order to celebrate the day, the event management committee organized an online banner competition in which 75 students of B. Pharm participated. Hasina Khatun secured the 1<sup>st</sup> position, Joydeep Banerjee secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> position and Rupam Mondal secured the 3<sup>rd</sup> position. A debate competition was also conducted. Poulomi Maity won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize and Anirban Adhikary won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize. The program ended with a vote of thanks delivered by Sri Sagar Sengupta, Associate Professor & Registrar, BCRCP.

  
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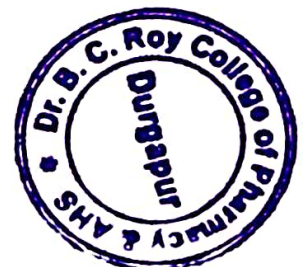
Name of the Event: National Pharmacy Education Day.

Date: 06<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

Venue: APC Roy Seminar Hall.

No. of Participants: 107.

  
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