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**A REPORT ON 3rd NATIONAL PHARMACOVIGILANCE WEEK & WORLD
PHARMACIST DAY, ORGANIZED BY IQAC, BCRCP ON 22nd SEPTEMBER
2023.**

 **DR. B. C. ROY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY & AHS** 
DURGAPUR
Celebrates
3rd National Pharmacovigilance Week & World Pharmacists Day
With a Seminar
on
"Pharmacist's Role in Strengthening Health System: Boosting Public
Confidence on Pharmacovigilance and on Organ Donation"
Organized by
IQAC, BCRCP

Speaker
Dr. R. S. Thakur
Former Registrar, PCI
22nd September, 2023, 10:30 am
Venue: Acharya P.C. Roy Seminar Hall

Medicines and vaccines have transformed the prevention and treatment of diseases. In addition to their benefits, medicinal products may also have side effects, some of which may be undesirable and / or unexpected. Pharmacovigilance is the science and activities relating to the detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other medicine/vaccine related problem.

Dr. B. C. Roy College of Pharmacy & Allied Health Sciences also celebrated the 3rd National Pharmacovigilance Week and the World Pharmacist Day with a Seminar on "Pharmacist's Role in Strengthening Health System: Boosting Public Confidence on Pharmacovigilance and on Organ Donation", which was organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), BCRCP, the venue being APC Roy Seminar Hall. The speaker for the day was Prof. Ram Sharnagat Thakur, former Registrar, Pharmacy Council of India.

The program began with the welcoming of the dignitaries on to the dais, which was followed by the inaugural address of the IQAC Chairman Prof. Dr. Samir Kumar Samanta, Principal IQAC. Dr. Subhabrata Ray, Professor-in-Charge, PG Education & Research and the IQAC Coordinator also addressed the students where he gave a brief information about pharmacovigilance, its needs and importance, the significance of World Pharmacist's Day and



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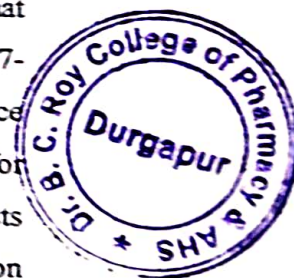


its current theme. He also introduced the speaker and asked the students to gather as much as knowledge they can from the resource person.

As the selected theme of World Pharmacist's Day for 2023 is "Pharmacy strengthening health systems", Dr. Thakur discussed about the National Health Policy 2017 where he spoke about the aim and objectives of the same. He spoke on preventive, promotive, curative, rehabilitative services provided through public health centre, the role of Pharmacist in National Health Policy, the need for improving the public centre capacity for manufacturing essential drugs and vaccines, anti-microbial resistance, i.e., use of antibiotics in poultry farm and the use of pesticides, the mid-level service providers in pharmacy, the paramedical skill development for a pharmacist, professional education regulation, drug regulation, medical technological advancement, the role of central and state government in regulating health, the public healthcare structure in India and the National Public Health system of National Rural Health Mission.

Dr. Thakur also expressed his views on Pharmacovigilance. He made the students understand in a very simple manner the importance of pharmacovigilance. He informed the students about the safety aspect of the drugs that were taken into consideration after the Elixir Sulphanilamide disaster and also about the thalidomide disaster and its after effects. Through his discussion on Kefauver- Harris Drug Amendment of 10th October 1963, the students gained knowledge that this amendment ensured reassessment of all medicines of US Market licensed between 1937-1942 for safety and efficacy. He also commented and elaborated on the Pharmacovigilance indicators of the World Health Organization, the strategy of the World Health Organization for monitoring a country's pharmaceutical situation. He also discussed the role of Pharmacists associated in different sectors. At the end Dr. Thakur also spoke on World Organ Donation Day in order to raise awareness about the importance of and help people understand organ donation. Organ transplantation can help in saving and transforming the lives of people who have been fighting to survive.

The students seemed to have enjoyed the session very much as a large number of students actively became a part of the seminar. The seminar was an interactive one. It enabled not only the students but also the teachers to gain knowledge on different spheres which will make the



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subject easier to understand. The event ended with a voted of thanks delivered by the IQAC coordinator, Prof. Dr. Subhabrata Ray.

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Date: 22nd September, 2023.

Venue: APC Roy Seminar Hall.

No. of Participants: 129.


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