



Goa University

Name of Directorate: Directorate of Visiting Research Professor Programme

Report on Public Lecture

1. Title of the Event/Activity/program	Agnotology or the study of Ignorance Philosophical and Sociological Perspective.
2. Date and Time	06/11/2023 to 11/11/2023 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm
3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical
4. School/ Directorate/ Section	Directorate of Visiting Research Professor Programme
5. Collaborating Agency/School/Directorate	Discipline of Philosophy (SSPIS)
6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)	Enclosed
7. Number of Faculty attended/participated	11
8. Number of Student attended / participated	20
9. No. of external Student/ faculty/ other participants	03

<p>10. The objectives of the Program/activity/event</p>	<p>The public lecture on “Agnotology or the study of Ignorance Philosophical and Sociological Perspective” were delivered with the objectives of drawing the attention of scholars to the University horizon of ignorance as a result of one search for knowledge. However, we also consciously produce and spread ignorance. The consequences of post-truth thinking and its grasp over the social media has left the world of knowledge making distraught. Through these lectures, the VRPP professor addresses both the above dimensions of the making of ignorance. The VRPP course is designed to introduce the basic concept and thinking about agnotology and its relevance to our time.</p>
<p>11. Description of the Program/activity/event</p>	<p>The course consisted of 5 lectures of one and half-hours’ duration. The theme of the lectures were:</p> <p>The Spread of influence, Study of Post-truth world, the epistemology of ignorance, Epistemological fragmentation, The cultural production of ignorance, Censorship in the world of knowledge, commercially driven research and the construction of ignorance, climate Change denial and social theories of ignorance. The lectures were followed by discussions/ queries and classification sought by the participants.</p>

12. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event	The VRPP course on “Agnotology or the study of Ignorance Philosophical and Sociological Perspective” brought to light the dimensions of ignorance in the present knowledge and relevance of truth claims it has also pointed out, how certain industries like the tobacco industry in the west for long constructed a knowledge that underplayed the harmful effects of smoking, who there was a systematic affect to denied climate change etc.
13. Enclosures with report	Brochure, photos, Attendance of students/faculty/external participants, Bio Data of resource person.

Bio Data

Dhruv Raina is a philosopher and historian of science from India. He is best known for his work on the domestication of science in colonial India, transnational intellectual networks of science and historiographies of science. He was Professor of History of Science Education at the Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies (ZHCES), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (2003-2023). Before joining JNU, he was a scientist at the National Institute of Science, Technology and Development Studies (NISTADS), New Delhi from 1991 to 2002. He was the first Heinrich Zimmer Chair for Indian Philosophy and Intellectual History, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany (2010–11). His basic training is in physics (MSc Physics, IIT Bombay), and he completed his doctoral studies with Aant Elzinga in the philosophy of science from the University of Gothenburg, Sweden on the Jesuit enlightenment historiography of Indian astronomy and mathematics.

His intellectual association with S. Irfan Habib led to the publication of a series of research articles (collected lately as a volume titled, *Domesticating Modern Science*, 2004) on the cultural redefinition of modern science in colonial India. They edited a volume on Joseph Needham (*Situating the History of Science*, 1999) and also the section on Science in Twentieth South and South-East Asia for volume 7 of UNESCO's History of Mankind Project.^[1]

He is currently on the Council of the Division for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science and Technology of the International Union of History and Philosophy of Science and Technology (2020-2023).



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**PUBLIC LECTURE
BY**



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TOPIC

**"Agnotology or the study of Ignorance"
Philosophical and Sociological Perspective**

DATE & TIME

06th November
to
11th November
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

VENUE

D-VRPP Seminar Hall,
Directorate Block,
Goa University

- Participants: Any student at the Goa University is welcome to register. Lecture Session is open and free for students & general public, but registration is compulsory.
- Participation Certificate will be issued to all those who maintain minimum 75% attendance for the workshop.

For Detail And Online Registration:

Click Below.

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Lecture Coordinator



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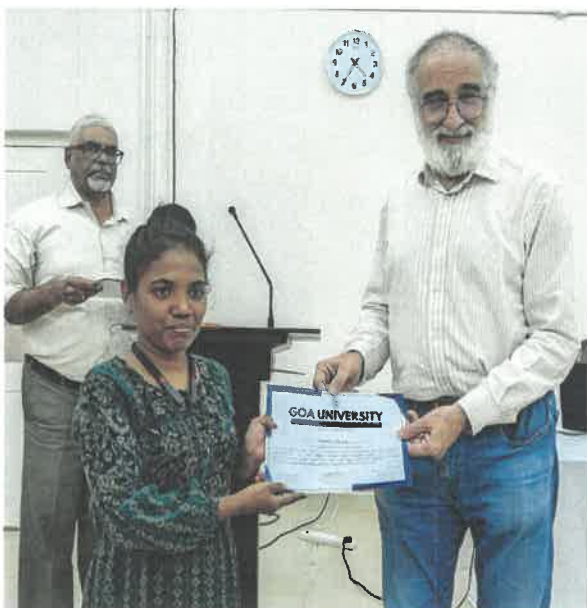
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