KV-IIT students learn sustainable lifestyles

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IIT Indore conducted a session on 'sustainability and rural development', with the help of Kendriya Vidyalaya, IIT. The programme was honoured by the presence of the Padma Shri Dr Janak Palta McGilligan, founder-director of Jimmy McGilligan Centre For Sustainable Development, an Indorebased non-governmental organisation working for sustainable community development.

Neelam Malviya, principal KV IIT received the guests and gave a warm welcome on the school premises. The guests were welcomed by SP Hota, registrar IIT Indore. The pro-



gramme commenced with the display of a short video on the rejuvenation of lake and other green initiatives taken up by IIT Indore, followed by a brief introduc-

tion of the speakers by Chetna Khambede, PGT Biology, KV IIT.

Dr Janak spoke on 'Sustainable Living for Viksit Bharat'. She talked in detail about her life journey in the field to spread awareness regarding sustainable lifestyles. She elaborated on her struggle during her initial days and how she succeeded in establishing an institute in the field of sustainable development. The institute is dedicated to training people regarding solar cookers, organic farming, making organic products etc.

Moreover, another speaker of the session was Dr Ajay Chandak, a leading solar cooker designer, inventor and promoter who has brought changes in society through his technological interventions. Dr Chandak narrated his works as a consultant, designer and trainer for solar concentrators and renewable cooking solutions including solar, biogas and biomass systems.

Dr Debayan Sarkar, faculty IIT Indore gave a brief presentation regarding the works undertaken by IIT in the field of sustainable and rural development.

During the session, the students of KV-IIT actively participated in the session and cherished their knowledge and understanding of sustainable living.

The session was marked by the presence of Prof Suhas S Joshi, director IIT Indore, dignitaries of IIT Indore and teachers from KV IIT. A vote of thanks was given by SP Hota. The stage was managed by Shivanshi Laxmi and Kinjal Rai, students of KV IIT.

