

A Gujarat State Pharmacy Council (GSPC) sponsored two days Refresher Course for Registered Pharmacists was organized by Maliba Pharmacy College (MPC) on November 4-5, 2017

Pharmacists play an important role in community health care providing information on medications to patients. In order to help pharmacist to acquire knowledge of new and banned drugs, drug interactions and side effects, GSPC has started Refresher Courses which is mandatory for all registered pharmacists to renew their existing registration.

Considering the above perspectives, Ms. Ditixa Desai and Mr. Avinash Khadela had organised the Refresher course after seeking approval from GSPC and have received a grant of rupees twenty five thousand to conduct the course.

Day 1 of the event began with the UTU anthem, which was followed by key note address from Dr. Shailesh A. Shah, Principal, Maliba Pharmacy College and Course Director of the said event. Dr. Ashish Mishra, Academic Head, Maliba Pharmacy College gave a brief introduction of two days event to the participants. Dr. Shrikant Joshi, Associate Professor, Maliba Pharmacy College and GSPC member, briefed the audience regarding the activities of GSPC. Mr. Avinash Khadela delivered a vote of thanks for the event.

A series of lectures began with the lecture of Dr. Ketan Ranch (Associate Professor, MPC) who delivered a talk on 'Good Dispensing Practices' which was followed by a session on 'Self Medication And Its Demerits' by Mr. Samaresh Pal Roy (Assistant Professor, MPC). Various aspects of 'Drug-Food Interaction' were highlighted by Dr. Sandesh Lodha (Associate Professor, MPC) and lastly Dr. Biren Shah (Associate Professor, Shree Naranjibhai Lalbhai Patel College of Pharmacy, Umrakh) delivered his lecture on 'Medication Error'.

Day 2 of the event began with UTU song, which was followed by an expert session on 'Medication Adherence' by Mr. Avinash Khadela (Assistant Professor, MPC). Ms. Arti Gupta (Assistant Professor, MPC) and Mr. Praful Dedhiya focused on 'Evaluation of Drug and Herbal Drugs Interactions' and 'Digitization of retail medical store', respectively.

The lectures were followed by a written exam of the participants and valedictory function. The event had 140 participants and was held at Shrimad Hall of the university. The event was supported by the faculty member, students and non-teaching staff of Maliba Pharmacy College.



Inaugural ceremony of the refresher course



Participants



**Lecture of Dr. Ketan Ranch on Good Dospensing Practices** 



Awarding certificate and memento to speaker Mr. Samaresh Pal Roy by Ms. Rutvi Vaidya



Lecture of Dr. Sandesh Lodha on Drug-food Interaction



Lecture of Dr. Biren Shah on Medication Error



Awarding certificate and memento to speaker Mr. Avinash Khadela by Dr. Ashish Patel



Awarding certificate and memento to speaker Dr. Arti Gupta by Dr. Sonia Pandey



Lecture of Mr. Praful Dedhiya on Digitization of retail medical store



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