

## **REPORT ON THE UNODC WORKSHOP** **INCB ANNUAL REPORT AND PRECURSOR REPORT 2024**

### **INTRODUCTION**

On March 25, 2025, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) conducted a workshop on the presentation of the INCB (International Narcotics Control Board) Annual Report and Precursor Report 2024. The event focused on the pressing issues of substance abuse, narcotic and psychotropic substances, drug misuse prevention, and international drug control measures. The workshop was attended by Vice Principal Ms. Anupama Motwani and PGT Political Science/History Mr. Nilesh Roy, along with experts and officials from various government and international organizations.

### **WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS**

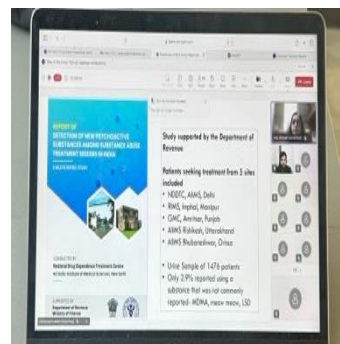
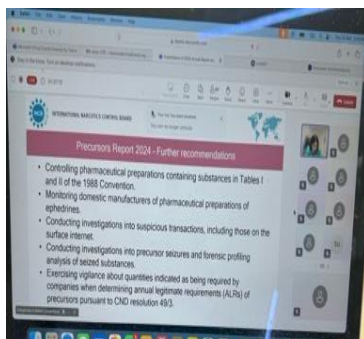
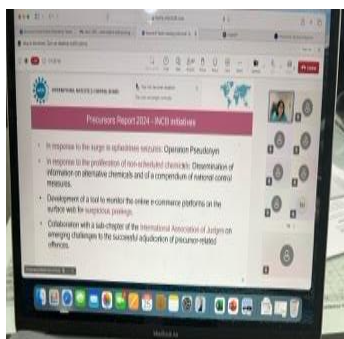
#### **Opening Remarks by Dr. Suruchi Pant**

Dr. Suruchi Pant delivered a presentation on the INCB Report, in which she discussed:

- The evolution of synthetic drug manufacturing, trafficking, and use, along with the threat to health and well-being.
- A global overview of common drug-related threats and the development of regional threats.
- The existing tools and initiatives designed to combat drug trafficking and misuse.
- Policy recommendations to enhance drug control measures.
- She then presented the Precursor Report, which focused on monitoring and controlling the chemicals used in drug production.

#### **She further emphasized the importance of:**

- Staying ahead of drug trends using data-driven approaches.
- Building resilience against risky behaviors within the education system.
- Directing resources effectively through innovation, communication, technology, and political will.



#### **Keynote Address by Ms. Jagjit Pawadia (INCB Member)**

Ms. Jagjit Pawadia introduced the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) and its role in monitoring and regulating drug control measures globally. She explained:

- The jurisdiction and responsibilities of the INCB.
- How the INCB ensures compliance with international drug control treaties.

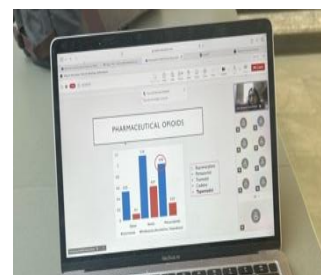
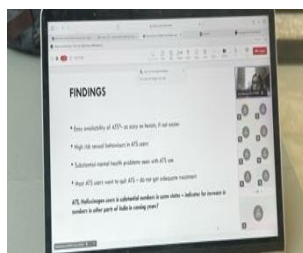
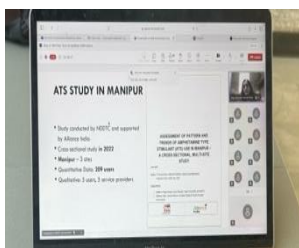
### **Evolution of Synthetic Drug Manufacturing, Trafficking, and Its Threat to Health**

The discussion moved toward the emerging challenges posed by synthetic drugs and their increasing impact on public health and well-being. Experts highlighted the growing trafficking networks, evolving smuggling techniques, and the medical consequences of synthetic drug use.

### **Presentation by Mr. Abhay Kumar Srivastava (Director General, DRI, Government of India)**

Mr. Abhay Kumar Srivastava provided insights into drug seizures over the past three years. He highlighted:

- New trends in drug smuggling, particularly through postal and courier services.
- The need for inter-agency cooperation to combat drug networks effectively.
- A key quote from his address: *"To fight a network, you need a network."*



### **Address by Mr. Vineet Vinayak (Additional Director General, NCB)**

Mr. Vineet Vinayak emphasized the government's commitment to combating narcotics and drug abuse. He discussed:

- The Government Helpline on Narcotics and Drugs, which provides support for individuals seeking help.
- The importance of upholding the three core United Nations objectives on drug control:
  1. Limiting drug supply.
  2. Reducing drug demand.
  3. Ensuring access to controlled substances for medical and scientific purposes.

### **Review of the INCB Report by Mr. Naval Kishore Ram**

Mr. Naval Kishore Ram reviewed the INCB Annual Report and Precursor Report 2024, offering critical insights into the current drug situation and the effectiveness of existing control measures.

### **Presentation by Dr. Anju Davan (AIIMS, Delhi)**

Dr. Anju Davan from the National Drug Dependence Treatment Centre (AIIMS, Delhi) presented a study on how drug abuse is affecting the medical field. She examined blood test results of drug-dependent patients, demonstrating the severe health consequences of drug abuse on individuals.

### **Conclusion and Vote of Thanks**

The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks to all the speakers, attendees, and organizers for their valuable contributions. The event provided important insights into drug control efforts, emerging threats, and strategies for prevention and treatment.

The participation of **Vice Principal Ms. Anupama Motwani** and **Mr. Nilesh Roy** in this significant workshop will help in spreading awareness and implementing preventive measures within the educational system.