

## **Report on "Safer Internet Day"**

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**Guest Speaker: Dr. Neelesh Yadav, Scientist IT & GIS Division, FRI, Dehradun.**

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Safe Internet Day is an annual event celebrated on February 7<sup>th</sup> to raise awareness about the importance of internet safety and security. This year's theme, "Together for a better internet," focuses on promoting positive online behaviour and fostering a safe and inclusive digital community.

As part of the celebrations, a guest speaker, Dr. Neelesh Yadav, a Scientist at the IT and GIS Division of FRI Dehradun, was invited to share his thoughts and insights on the significance of internet safety.

Dr. Yadav began his speech by highlighting the rapid growth of the internet and the various ways it has changed our lives. He then emphasized the importance of internet safety and the need to be cautious about the information we share online. He explained that the internet has become a platform for both positive and negative actions, and it is crucial to be mindful of the impact our online behaviour can have on others.

He emphasized the importance of protecting personal information, being cautious about the links and attachments we click on, and avoiding online scams and fraud.

Dr. Yadav also touched on the role of technology companies and the government in promoting internet safety. He encouraged tech companies to take responsibility for the content that is shared on their platforms and to implement measures to prevent harmful online behaviour. He also called on the government to provide support and resources to help individuals stay safe online.

The presence of Shri Vipul Garg, Smt. Rama Garg, and Smt. Ruchika Bhatnagar added to the significance of the event, as they emphasized the importance of promoting safe and responsible online behaviour among children and young people.

In conclusion, Sh. Vipul Garg also highlighted the need for individuals to be aware of the dangers associated with the internet, such as cybercrime, online harassment, and identity theft. His speech was a valuable addition to the celebrations of Safe Internet Day. His insights and perspectives on internet safety, along with the presence of prominent guests, were a reminder of the importance of being responsible and mindful when using online technology. By working together, we can create a better and safer online world for all.

The event was attended by the students of various departments along with faculty and staff.

