## EVENT REPORT

**Event Name:** PhD Orientation

Venue: A Block, Discussion Room, 2 Floor

**Date:** 5 July 2023

**Time:** 10:00 AM to 4:00 AM

**Event Coordinator:** Dr. Merlin Thomas

Participants: Ph.D. Scholars

The program commenced with a friendly ice-breaking session, hosted by Dr. Ansa and Mr. Sabu, setting an inclusive atmosphere. Professors from diverse disciplines shared their wisdom: Dr. Meera Mathew emphasized attending research conferences, while Dr. Kusum Lata delved into the philosophical facets of research. The curriculum covered critical topics like research ethics, tools, design, methodologies, and literature reviews, all expertly conducted. A standout session was led by Dr. Prabha Zacharias on research writing, particularly beneficial for those with English backgrounds. In conclusion, the Ph.D. orientation program was an intensive, well-rounded experience that cultivated a sense of community and provided participants with invaluable insights and skills. These lessons are poised to serve as strong foundations for their future research endeavors.

## **Key Takeaways:**

- i. Participants gain exposure to diverse disciplines and research methodologies
- ii. Building connections during the program establishes a valuable network for future collaborations, peer support, and knowledge exchange.
- iii. The orientation equips participants with essential research skills, ethical considerations, and the confidence needed to embark on their Ph.D. journeys successfully.

**Feedback Analysis and Action Taken:** The Ph.D. orientation program received positive feedback, lauding its inclusive atmosphere, diverse insights from professors, and comprehensive curriculum covering research ethics, methodologies, and writing skills. Dr. Prabha Zacharias' session on research writing, particularly beneficial for non-native English speakers, was highlighted. Acknowledging this feedback, actions included documenting detailed feedback for improvements, integrating suggestions for future orientations, and ensuring ongoing support for participants' research journeys.

## **Poster:**



## **Geotagged Pictures:**

