REPORT

Workshop on

"Ethnobotanical aspects, Phytochemical analysis & therapeutic uses of Medicinal plants"

DATE: December 20, 2024

VENUE: Senior Chemistry lab, XII-A TIMINGS: 08:30am to 3:30pm RESOURCE PERSONS: **Dr. Suresh Kumar, Dr. Vandana** ACCOMPANYING RESEARCH SCHOLARS: **Ms.Harsha Singh, Mr. Sachin Mahawar** CLASSES: XI-B, XII-B,C ORGANISED BY: **Ms. Pooja Seth, Ms. Tanya Dawar, Ms. Chahat Mehra**

The workshop was attended by 25 students from classes XI-B, XII-B and XII-C. The workshop was divided into 3 sessions. The first session was conducted by Dr. Suresh Kumar who is a celebrated expert in ethnobotany and medicinal botany and holder of the SARC Gold Medal and the Lifetime Achievement Award in XII-A where he introduced the terms and concepts associated with ethnobotany through a powerpoint presentation and explained the importance of medicinal plants in our lives along with procedures of extraction of various medicinal components from them.

The second session preceded by a break was held in **Sr. Chemistry Lab** where students performed **hands-on experiments for extraction of various components from Neem Powder** while understanding the **use of various apparatus and equipments** required for the purpose. This session was conducted by **Ms. Harsha Singh and Mr. Sachin Mahawar**. This was followed by a break.

The third session was conducted by **Dr. Vandana** in XII-A where she explained the use of various **spectroscopy techniques used for the characterisation of compounds in Chemistry** and how this could be **integrated to the study of medicinal plants**. Dr. Vandana is a pioneer in organic chemistry and medicinal plant research.

The workshop saw an **active participation** by the students who were **extremely fascinated by the field of Medicinal Chemistry and its future perspectives**. The resource persons were also quite impressed by the intellectuality of the students. It was a very fruitful and interesting session for the students.