

World Optometry Day Celebrations at SRM University - 2015

March 23st is commemorated as Optometry day & the week as optometry week. We at SRM celebrated Optometry day on March 27th 2015. The event targeted at giving knowledge on "What next after completing 4 years of studies" & cultural events. The Medical College Auditorium was packed with around 450 members (students & faculties) of various Optometry Colleges in & around Chennai. The program started off with an Artistic yoga followed by a short film portraying the life of optometry students. Both the events were presented by optometry students of SRM University. It was well appreciated by the students of various colleges.

Dr. K. Sridhar, Pro Vice Chancellor (Medical), SRM University, inaugurated the function, Dr. James Pandian, Director, Medical (Planning), SRM University presided, Dr. A. Sundaram, Dean (Medical), delivered the key note address. Chief Guest of the day was Mr. Harish L, Asst. General Manager - Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital & Operations Manager, Optometry Council of India, took everyone through the "Past, Present & Future of Optometry". He also briefed about the role of Optometry Council of India & the need for a government approved council for Optometry. In the forenoon session there were talks on various optometry specialties by eminent speakers. Ms Anathalakshmi, National Head of Professional Services, Essilor Pvt. Ltd envisaged on "Thinking beyond Clinical Optometry", Ms Kiran Kumari, Optometrist, Sunayana Laser vision Centre gave an overview on "Role of optometrist in Diagnostic center", Dr S.Ve Ramesh, Associate Professor - Optometry, Manipal University, inspired the students & faculties on the "Scope of Research in Optometry & Vision Science".

The afternoon session was intriguing with inter-collegiate competitions. "Work it your way" - Make your own innovative instruments, Bausch & Lomb trophy was bagged by the Shri Prakash institute of Optometry, winners & SRM University, runners. Mr. Jasmin Mehta, Professional Services Manager, Alcon- India conducted the Contact Lens Quiz. The Alcon trophy for quiz was bagged by Elite School of Optometry, winners & Vasana Institute of Ophthalmology & Research, runners. In (Keep) brush away - Finger painting competition, with a theme "Vision with & without Correction", the first position was won by Shri Prakash institute of Optometry & the second position by Elite School of Optometry. SRM University won the first prize & Vasana Institute of Ophthalmology & Research was second in Solo Singing "In Tune Karaoke" competition, sponsored by Soni Opticians. Tap your Feet - Group Dance Competition was won by students of SRM University & the runners up were from Elite School of Optometry. The highlight of the day was "Chronicles of Spectacles" - a Ramp walk by optometry students of SRM University with handmade spectacles from 14th century till date, sponsored by Lawrence & Mayo. The show was highly praised & lauded by all. The function was a grand success with the active participation of all students, support from SRM & the other sponsors - "Shree Ganesh Enterprises", "Appasamy Associates" & "Essilor India Pvt Ltd".



Inaugural Function



Events during the celebration