

**Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur  
Department of Humanities and Social Sciences**

**HUM PALS: PEER ACTIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOLARS**

**A Report of the session conducted on February 25th, 2022**

The eleventh session of HUM PALS, was held on February 25, 2022 from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm to continue the spirit of self-learning, re-learning, and co-learning upwards and onwards, that builds the foundation of this noble and novel initiative undertaken under the aegis of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. The session started with an encouraging note by the HUM PALS team of the department wherein they accentuated the importance of adapting the practice of open deliberations. The discussion motivated all participants to interact openly in order to invoke quality research in the field of social sciences.



Mr. Prithvi Raj Singh Chauhan presented this extremely intuitive session, which was later opened to the audience for an interactive session. The research scholar from the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, threw light on the recent Central Budget. The topic for the presentation was, “Union Budget 2022-23”. The presentation started with a discussion on the current Russia- Ukraine conflict and its effect on geopolitics vis-à-vis India. The presenter explained that Budget is the estimate of receipt and expenditure of the Government and it falls under Article 112, of the Indian constitution. Mr.

Chauhan highlighted that the government's expenditure was on the higher side, because of the pandemic. Although, he emphasized that this year's budget was a balanced one.



The presenter threw light on some data which were part of the Budget 2022-23. The Fiscal deficit is projected at 6.9% of the GDP this year and it might overshoot even more due to various sanctions imposed on Russia, amidst conflict on the border. The schemes in focus for this fiscal year are- PM Gati Shakti, Inclusive Development, Climate Change, Energy Transition, and Financing in Investments. The government is also focusing on skill development for better employment opportunities and the development of MSMEs. The government is determined to develop infrastructure like roads and railways. However, few reductions were imposed in sectors such as education and health. These are the few loopholes in the Budget, which Mr. Chauhan highlighted. The scholar's all-inclusive presentation prompted many queries and suggestions, which led to an active discussion among the scholars and the faculty members.

The activity concluded with a token of thanks by the HUM PALS team to the presenter. The certificate of appreciation was presented to Prithvi Raj Singh Chauhan by Dr. Vibhuti Singh Shekhawat (Professor, Political Science), and Dr. Nidhi Bansal, Assistant Professor (Sociology), for his enthusiastic efforts. The session concluded by clicking a group picture to capture this moment to be appreciated time and again.