

**GSMC -MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit
(UNESCO chair in Haifa)**

held on October 13, 2018 at 1.30 PM to 4.00 PM

The sessions of bioethics as per Module 1 of the UNESCO bioethics curriculum for first MBBS, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy students were held on Saturday, October 13th 2018 in MLT of College building. There were 5 sessions in the workshop. The faculty members of GSMC -MUHS UNESCO Bioethics [Haifa] Unit (GMUBU): Dr. Padmaja Marathe, Dr. Santosh Salagare, Dr Praveen Iyer, Dr Anjali Telang, Dr Mariya Jiandani, Dr Vyankatesh Rathod, Dr Padmaja Samant and Dr. Yuvaraj Bhosale conducted sessions on 'Introduction to Bioethics and Unit activities', 'Principles of Bioethics', 'Historical perspectives of Medical Ethics', 'Human Dignity and Human Rights' & 'Cultural Diversities' respectively. Dr. Jyotsna Thosar and Dr. Trupti Ramteke also attended the event.

Ninety-four first MBBS students, Thirty-seven Physiotherapy students and Twenty four Occupational therapy students attended this event. The first session on ' Introduction to Bioethics and Unit Activities' began with the explanation of the terms- Ethics, Medical Ethics, Bioethics by Dr. Padmaja Marathe. The information regarding formation of the GSMC-MUHS-UNESCO Bioethics Unit, unit members and activities of unit and Students' wing was given. Dr Santosh Salagare explained the principles of Bioethics and relevance of ethics in human life. Students reciprocated enthusiastically and enjoyed the interactive session. Dr Praveen Iyer and Dr Anjali Telang conducted session on historical perspectives of medical ethics. They covered this topic with respect to evolution of medical ethics during ancient era, medieval era and modern era with the help of video clips. Some recent violations of ethics and Medical ethics in research were also discussed. The session on 'Human Dignity and Human rights' was conducted by Dr Mariya Jiandani and Dr. Vyankatesh Rathod. They explained importance of human dignity and human rights in health care provider – patient relationship. In the next session of cultural diversity, Dr Padmaja Samant and Dr Yuvaraj Bhosale discussed the concept of cultural diversity, beliefs of different religions with examples. They also explained different approaches to health care by western population and others. The Session concluded with vote of thanks.



