



Press Release

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India Meteorological Department is celebrating "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" from 18 to 24 October 2021, under which many informative and entertaining programs are being organized by the department.

During this period, "Lecture Series" is also being organized by the scientists of the department on the topics related to meteorology. In the same series, in coordination with Dr.K.K.Singh Scientist 'G' and Mrs.Sarita Joshi, a lecture was organized by the headquarters of the department from 11.30 am to 12.30 am for visually impaired students / teachers through virtual medium in which Shri J. P. Gupta, Scientist 'F' and Head Meteorological Centre, Lucknow delivered a lecture on "Weather and Climate Services" to visually impaired students/teachers in which a large number of visually impaired students/teachers participated through virtual medium.

The purpose of organizing this program was to provide information on important topics like 'weather' related to the general public and to respond to their curiosity so that they can also understand the importance of Weather & climate and their applications to society.

Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, Director General of Meteorology welcomed all the students and teachers in the program. He said that all the students and teachers would definitely benefit from this lecture as weather affects every section of the society and everyone is curious to know about its forecasting system. Organisation of such programs especially for visually impaired students will surely motivate them to know more about weather and climate.

During the programme, Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, Director General of Meteorology also released the document provided in Braille script on the topic "Weather and Climate Services".Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, Director General of Meteorology thanked the Blind Relief Association for translating the document in Braille.

Mr. J. P. Gupta in his lecture provided information about 'Weather Forecasting System in India' to the visually impaired students. It included weather forecasting services of the department, warning systems, climate related topics, types of warnings such as cyclone warning, many extreme weather events like heavy rain, flood, heat wave, frost, thunder storm etc.

At the end of the lecture, students and teachers interacted with experts by asking interesting questions.

According Program coordinator Dr. KK Singh, e-certificates will be provided to all the students connected through virtual medium in the program.

The Principal and Executive Secretary of the Blind Relief Association appreciated the lecture organized by the India Meteorological Department for visually impaired students and teachers and said that their students would definitely be benefitted from it.

At the end of the program Smt. Sarita Joshi, Assistant Director (Official Language) thanked all the students and the dignitaries participating in the programme.
