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Expert Lecture No. 01

Event Name	Expert Lecture on ““Echoes Across the Ocean: The Hidden Spiritual and Cultural Connections Between India and Africa.””
Organising Department	Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, NIT Raipur
Name of Resource person	Mrs. Deepti Kataria
Designation	Secretary of the Africa Study Centre, Cairo, Egypt
Date/Day	02/03/2026; Monday
Time	03:30 PM — 05:30 PM
Venue	Language Lab, CCC Building, NIT Raipur
Total Participants (Students and Faculties)	40
Program Coordinator	Dr. Chetna Sharma Rajput and Dr. Anil Manjhi

Title of Lecture:

“Echoes Across the Ocean: The Hidden Spiritual and Cultural Connections Between India and Africa”

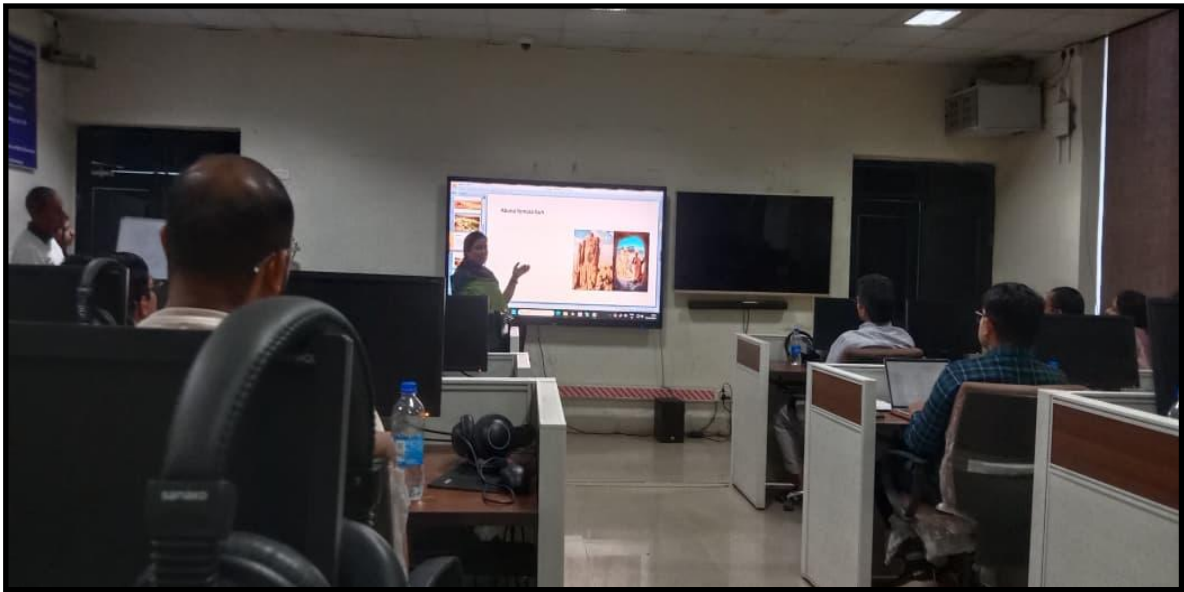
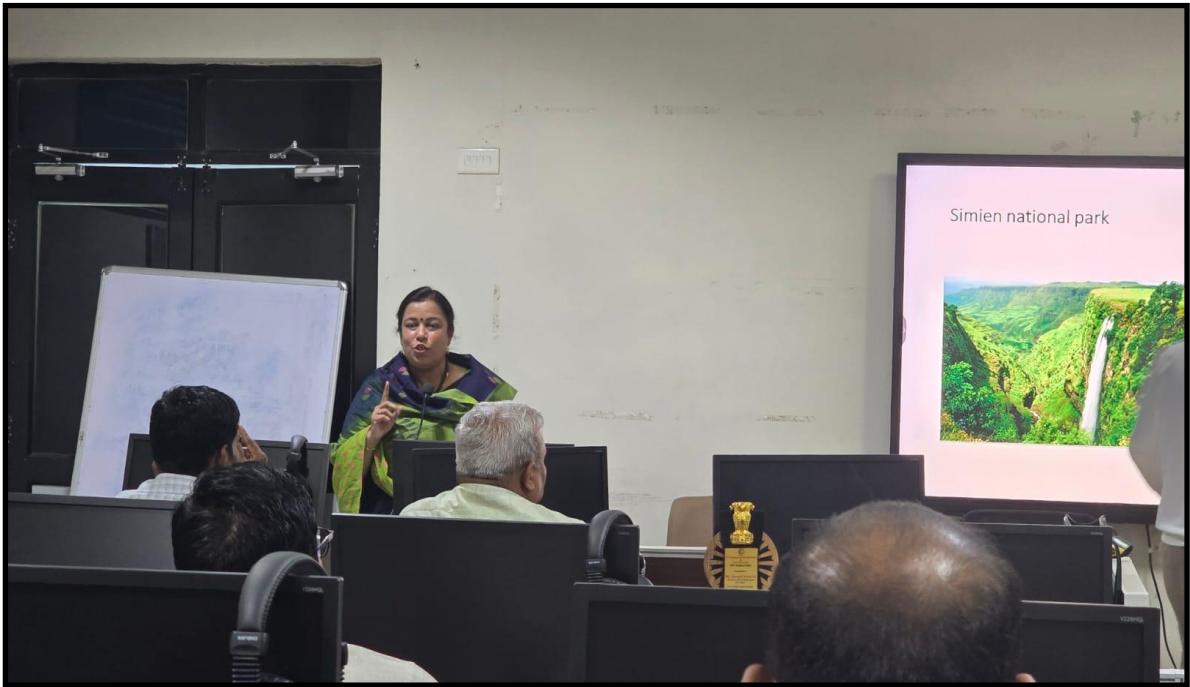
Event Summary:

The Industry Institute Collaboration Cell (IICC) of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS), National Institute of Technology Raipur, organized an expert talk on “Echoes Across the Ocean: The Hidden Spiritual and Cultural Connections Between India and Africa.” The session was delivered by Mrs. Deepti Kataria, Secretary of the Africa Study Centre, Cairo, Egypt, and was attended by faculty members, research scholars, and students. The objective of the talk was to explore the deeper philosophical, spiritual, and cultural connections between Indian and African civilizations. Mrs. Kataria highlighted striking similarities in oral traditions, community-oriented lifestyles, indigenous knowledge systems, and reverence for nature. She emphasized how both cultures value harmony, ethical living, and interconnectedness. Drawing upon Vedantic philosophy and traditional African spiritual perspectives, she explained the shared belief in the unity of existence and the balance between individuals, society, and the

cosmos. The session encouraged participants to view global cultures through a lens of shared heritage rather than division. The lecture concluded with an interactive discussion, making it intellectually enriching. Overall, the session enhanced cross-cultural understanding and inspired participants to appreciate the universal values connecting human civilizations.

Event Photographs





Expert Lecture No. 02

Event Name	Expert Lecture on “A Dialogue on Theories, Methods and Research Possibilities”
Organising Department	IICC, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, NIT Raipur
Name of Resource Person	Prof. Binod Mishra
Designation	Professor, Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee
Date/Day	25/05/2026; Monday
Time	04:30 PM — 06:30 PM
Venue	APJ Abdul Kalam Yoga Hall, NIT Raipur
Total Participants (Students and Faculties)	23
Program Coordinator	Dr. Anil Manjhi & Dr. Chetna Sharma Rajput

Title of Interaction:

“A Dialogue on Theories, Methods and Research Possibilities.”

Event Summary

The Industry Institute Collaboration Cell (IICC) of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS), National Institute of Technology Raipur, organized an interactive session for research scholars on 25 May 2026 in the Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Yoga Hall. The session was delivered by Prof. Binod Mishra, Professor, Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, IIT Roorkee, and coordinated by Dr. Chetna Sharma Rajput and Dr. Anil Manjhi under the guidance of Prof. Samir Bajpai. The primary objective of the session was to provide academic guidance, motivation, and research-related insights to the scholars and faculty members. During the interaction, Prof. Mishra shared his academic experiences and emphasized the importance of dedication, originality, consistency, and ethical practices in research. He highlighted the need for identifying relevant research problems, enhancing academic writing skills, and focusing on quality publications. The session was highly interactive, with research scholars introducing their research areas and discussing their ongoing work. Prof. Mishra offered valuable suggestions on literature review, publication opportunities, interdisciplinary research, and future research directions. He also addressed common challenges faced by

scholars and recommended strategies such as focused reading, systematic planning, and regular academic discussions to strengthen research outcomes. The session concluded with a question-and-answer segment, during which Prof. Mishra addressed scholars' queries and encouraged them to pursue quality research with confidence and commitment. Overall, the interaction proved to be highly enriching and beneficial, providing practical insights for academic growth and future research endeavors.

Event Photographs



