

**Respected Principal mam, respected HOD DR A.V. Nidhi Sir, Dr Jagdish Chand sir Dr Anil Thakur Sir and dear students**

It is indeed a matter of pride and joy for me to address you today on the occasion of the formation of the **Physics Department Society** at Government College Solan. As the General Secretary of this newly formed society, I feel a deep sense of responsibility to guide its activities and ensure that it becomes a vibrant platform for intellectual growth, scientific curiosity, and meaningful interaction among faculty and students.

The purpose of this society is not only to promote learning beyond the classroom but also to encourage research orientation, critical thinking, and the practical application of physics in solving real-world problems. I sincerely believe that this initiative will provide our students with the opportunity to share ideas, organize seminars, and engage in activities that strengthen both their academic and personal growth.

Today's gathering is even more significant as it coincides with the **International Day of Peace**. Peace is one of the highest aspirations of humanity, and as teachers and students of science, we must reflect on our role in nurturing it. Science, particularly physics, has given humanity great power—power to transform societies, to fuel progress, and to improve the quality of life. But the same power, when misused, can bring devastation.

The example of **nuclear energy** is the clearest reminder of this duality. While nuclear technology holds the promise of clean energy and medical advancement, its misuse has led to horrific consequences—from Hiroshima and Nagasaki to the looming threats posed by nuclear arsenals even today. It is a stark reminder that knowledge without wisdom can be dangerous.

On this International Day of Peace, let us reaffirm our commitment to guiding science in the service of humanity. As members of the Physics Department Society, let us resolve that our efforts will always focus on constructive applications—promoting sustainability, innovation, and above all, peace.

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**Thank you.**

Press Note

### **Formation of Physics Department Society at Government College Solan**

Solan, September 22:

Government College Solan organized a special program to mark the formation of the Physics Department Society, namely “Rishis of the Cosmos: Society for Astrophysics, Space-Time and Theoretical and Experimental Physics,” in the presence of Principal, faculty members and students.

The event began with an address by Dr. Anil Thakur, who welcomed the gathering and shared his views on the objectives of the Society. Head of Department, Dr. A.V. Nidhi, in her address, drew attention to the challenges posed by current international conflicts, stressing the need for peace-building efforts and the responsible use of scientific knowledge in resolving global issues. Principal, Dr. Maneesha Kohli, as Chief Guest, highlighted the problems of internal and social abuses, with a special focus on the rising menace of drug abuse among youth. She emphasized that true peace is incomplete unless society is free from exploitation, inequality, injustice, and substance abuse.

Students Gaurav and Vanshikha also delivered insightful talks on the theme of Peace, connecting it with human values and scientific responsibility. The program concluded with an inspiring address by Dr. Ishwar Dutt, General Secretary of the Society, who emphasized that science must be guided by ethics, recalling the lessons of nuclear energy’s misuse, and underlining the role of cooperation, sacrifice, and harmony as taught in the Vedas, Upanishads, and Bhagavad Gita.

On this occasion, students were also elected as representatives of the Society, ensuring their active participation in shaping its future activities. Dr. Jagdish Chand was also present during the event, lending his support and encouragement to the initiative.

The gathering ended with a collective resolve to make the Physics Department Society a dynamic platform for academic excellence, ethical values, and peace-oriented scientific progress.