

EVENT REPORT

ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB

“BEYOND THE VOTE”

Becoming an informed, responsible & active voter

Organised by	Electoral Literacy Club, Government Degree College, Sanjauli
Date	5 September 2026
Venue	Government Degree College, Sanjauli, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
Theme	Electoral literacy, responsible voting and informed citizenship

Introduction

The Electoral Literacy Club of Government Degree College, Sanjauli, organised an awareness programme titled “**Beyond the Vote**” on 5 September 2026. The programme focused on developing electoral awareness among college students and encouraging them to become informed, responsible and active participants in the democratic process.

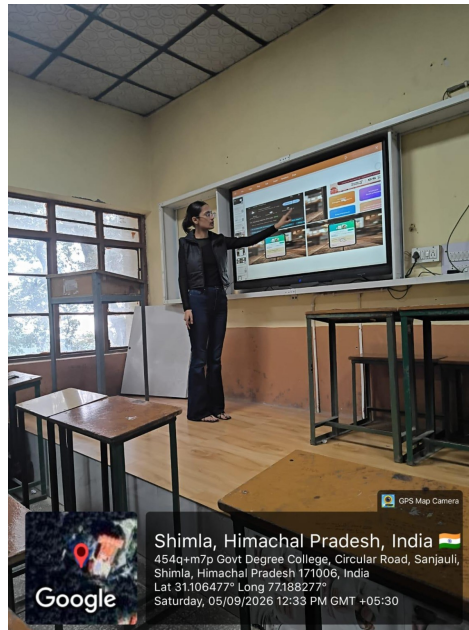
The session highlighted that voting is not merely a right but also an important civic responsibility. Students were encouraged to understand electoral procedures, verify information before sharing it, and make informed choices.

Objectives of the Programme

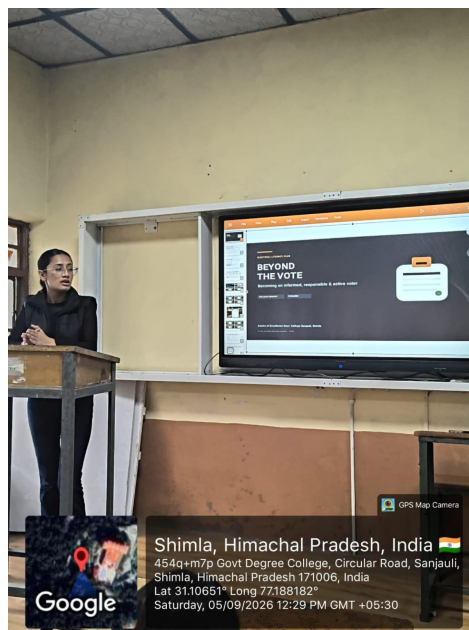
- To create awareness about the importance of voting in a democracy.
- To encourage young citizens to participate responsibly in the electoral process.
- To provide basic information about voter registration and Voter ID related procedures.
- To develop the ability to identify reliable electoral information and avoid misinformation.
- To promote responsible use of social media in relation to elections and public information.

Photographic Record

Glimpses of the Electoral Literacy Club's "Beyond the Vote" awareness programme



Photograph 1

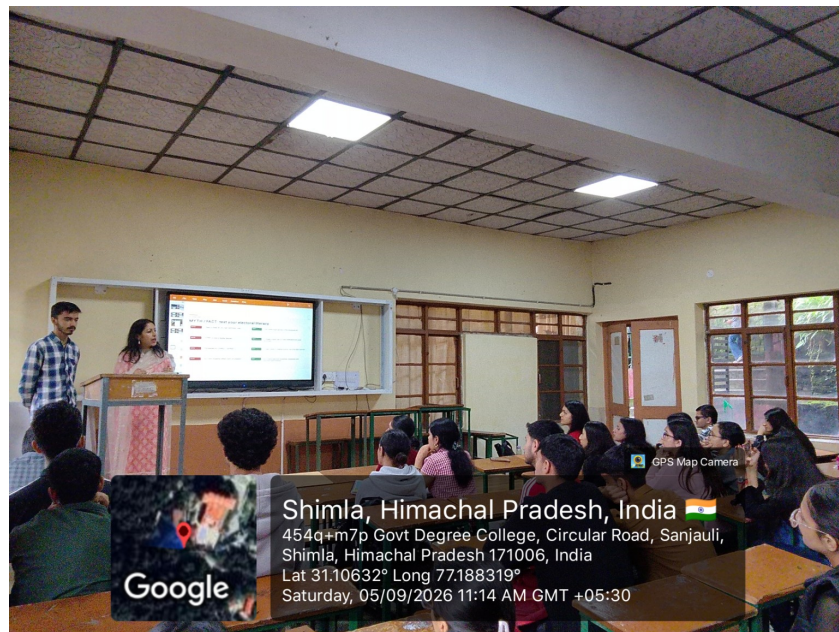


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Proceedings, Key Areas and Conclusion

Proceedings of the Event

The programme began with an introduction to the purpose of the Electoral Literacy Club and the relevance of electoral awareness for young citizens. The presentation titled “Beyond the Vote” was used to explain key concepts in an accessible and interactive manner.

The presenters discussed voter registration, responsible voting, electoral information and the role of citizens in a democracy. Students were also engaged through question-and-answer and myth-versus-fact activities, helping them reflect on common misconceptions related to elections.

A dedicated segment addressed social-media behaviour and encouraged students to verify information before sharing it. The session connected electoral participation with digital responsibility and informed citizenship.

Key Areas Covered

- 1. Importance of Voting:** The session explained how voting enables citizens to participate in government and influence public decision-making.
- 2. Voter ID and Registration:** Students were given information about voter enrolment, registration and related electoral services.
- 3. Electoral Literacy:** The programme stressed the need to understand election-related information, check facts and distinguish authentic information from misleading claims.
- 4. Social Media and Voting:** Students were encouraged to pause before sharing election-related content and verify information from reliable sources.
- 5. Rights and Responsibilities:** Students were reminded that an informed voter contributes to a healthier democratic culture.

Student Engagement

Students from B.A. 1st, 2nd and 3rd year took part in the awareness programme. Their engagement through listening, discussion and interactive activities supported the objective of promoting electoral literacy within the college community.

Conclusion

The Electoral Literacy Club’s “Beyond the Vote” programme was a meaningful initiative towards strengthening electoral awareness among college students. It encouraged students to look beyond simply casting a vote and understand the wider responsibilities of an active citizen—being informed, verifying information, respecting democratic processes and participating responsibly.