

**DEPARTMENT OF ORAL MEDICINE & RADIOLOGY , SUBHARTI DENTAL COLLEGE**

**2022**

**World No Tobacco Day**

**Date: 31-05-2022**

**Organized by: Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology, Subharti Dental College , Swami Vivekanand Subharti University , Meerut**

**Venue: subharti dental college lobby ,Subharti Dental College , Swami Vivekanand Subharti University , Meerut**

**Participants - 100 Delegates**

World No Tobacco Day was celebrated on 31st May 2022 by Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology under guidance of Dr. Nikhil Srivastava, Principal SDC with an aim of spreading awareness about the adverse effects caused by the use of tobacco. The program was graced by presence of Maj Gen G.K. Thapliyal, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Swami Vivekanand Subharti University who motivated and encouraged patients to quit this harmful habit.

Tobacco Cessation Centre was established in 2012 by Dr. Nikhil Srivastava, Principal SDC and it was the first of its kind in any Dental College in North India. Till now more than 15000 patients have taken benefit of this center and at present our quit rate is around 57%. Tobacco Cessation Centre runs on every Tuesday and Friday in Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology. The success of this center is recognized by National Cancer Journal and has published its report in their Journal.

The program was also attended by Dr. Abhay M. Shankaregowda, Pro-Vice Chancellor, SVSU and Dr. Rahul Bansal, Chairman Wellness Centre of SVSU who emphasized on ill effects of tobacco and advised patients to utilize the services of Tobacco Cessation Center. The main attraction of the programme was street play and musical choir performed by the students of BDS 2021 batch. Apart from this, students of various batches of BDS organized interesting stalls displaying patient motivating charts, models, games etc.

A small token of appreciation was presented to few of the patients who are able to quit their tobacco habit with the help of this center. A self-help No Tobacco Kit containing motivational book was also inaugurated on this day which shall help people quit tobacco.

