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## International Institute for Population Sciences

# INAUGURAL CEREMONY

## FIRST BATCH OF NEP 2020



## Inaugural Ceremony of First Batch of NEP 2020, IIPS

International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, achieved a significant academic milestone with the inauguration of the first batch under the National Education Policy (NEP 2020) on 12th August 2025.

The event began with the auspicious ceremony of Deep Prajwalan.

**Prof. Archana Roy** hosted the program, extended a warm welcome to all the Freshers and wishes them for their upcoming journey.

**Prof. D.A. Nagdeve**, Director and Senior Professor (Additional Charge), addressed the gathering and highlighted the transformative goals of NEP 2020 and the Institute's role in fostering an equitable, inclusive and multidisciplinary educational environment.



As 12<sup>th</sup> August 2025 was the National Anti-Ragging day, a strong emphasis was made on student safety and awareness through dedicated Anti-Ragging orientation session by **Prof. R. Nagarajan**, sensitizing students to the importance of a safe and respectful campus culture and recommending the UGC's anti-ragging mechanisms for reference. He also introduced the members of the Anti-Ragging Committee and the Anti-Ragging Squad Team and motivated students to actively participate in the UGC Anti-Ragging National Contest.







Further, to ensure that students are informed about their rights and institutional support mechanisms, Prof. Archana Roy provided an orientation on the Internal Committee (IC) under the POSH Act, 2013, followed by in-depth legal insights from **Adv. Nayana Pardeshi** and **Adv. Mrudula Sawant**. The session emphasized on the importance of gender sensitivity and sexual harassment.



**Ms. Priti Thakkar**, highlighted the psychological and emotional support services available to students on campus.

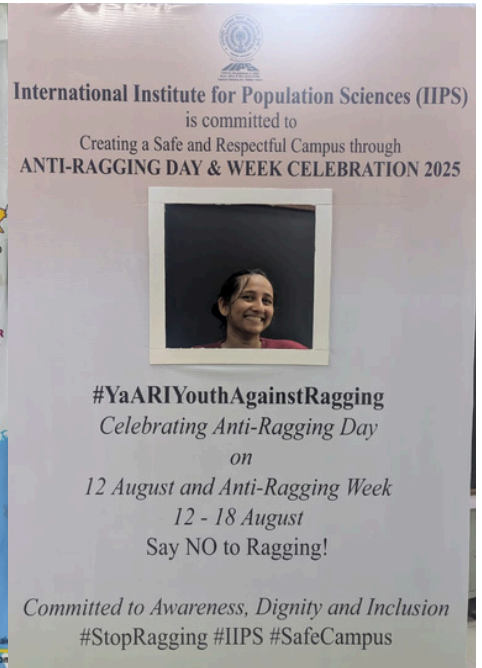
An interactive Q&A session allowed students to engage with faculty members and experts, addressing their queries and concerns related to academics and support services.



IIPS NEP organized five interactive activities at IIPS: Map Your Roots, Cultural Snapshot, NEP Theme-Based Speak Up, Word Drop IIPS and a One-Day Memory Capsule Card. The events increased students' awareness about NEP 2020, thrust areas and promoted cultural diversity. Additionally, dedicated selfie points were set up to encourage student participation.







The event concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks delivered by **Dr. Suresh Jungari**, acknowledged the contributions of everyone involved in making the inauguration a success.

The ceremony ended on a patriotic note with the Rashtrogaan, uniting all the attendees in a collective spirit of national pride and academic ambition.

