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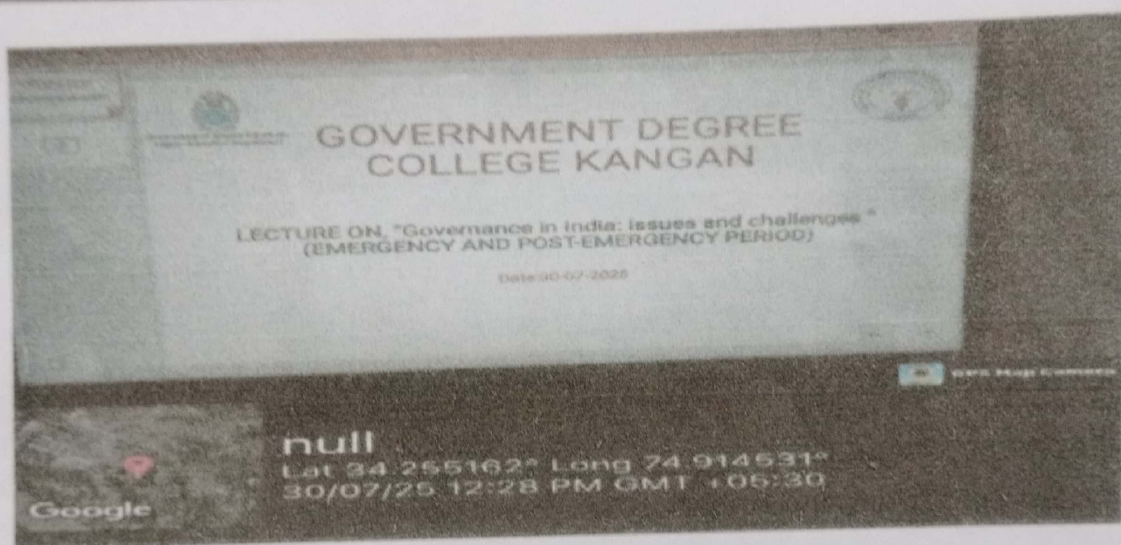
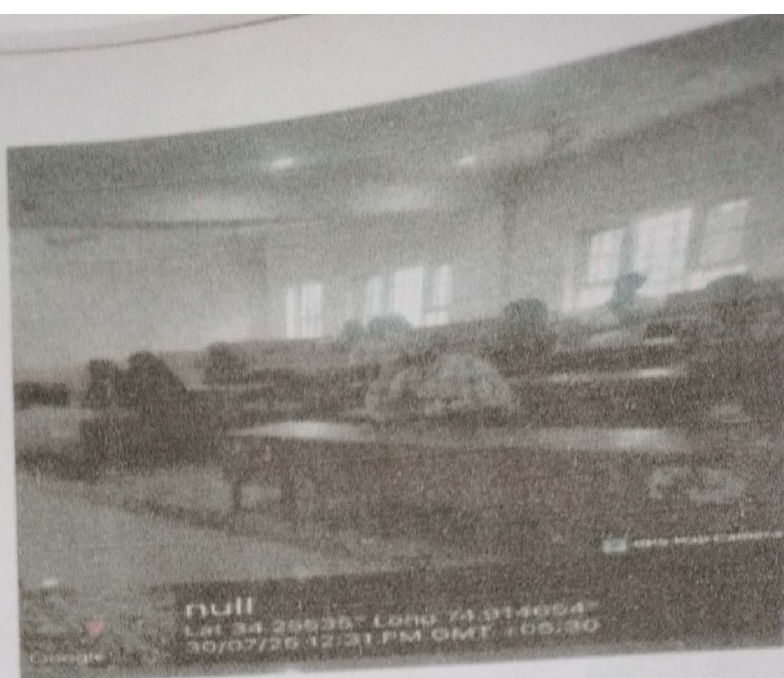
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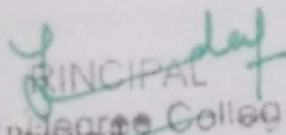
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## *Report on Governance in India: Issues and Challenges*

As part of the celebration of **Viksit Bharat Yuva Connect Program** Department of Political Science Government Degree College Kangan organised a Lecture under the theme **“Governance in India: Issues and Challenges” (Emergency and Post-Emergency Period)** on 17-04-2025..The lecture was delivered by the Prof. Zahoor Ahmad Dar Head Department of Political Science. The lecture addressed core governance challenges in India, grounded in frameworks of institutional integrity, public accountability, policy implementation, and citizen participation. It also showcased innovations and reforms shaping public administration. The discussion highlighted the evolving landscape of governance, especially from emergency period to post-emergency period especially moving from traditional government-centric models to a more inclusive approach involving the private sector and civil society. On **June 25, 1975**, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi proclaimed Emergency under Article 352 citing “internal disturbance,” leading to suspension of civil liberties and press censorship. State powers became dominated by the central executive—a sharp shift from India’s quasi-federal model .It led to governance crises in India and the democratic process came under threat of the ruling party. Roughly **1, 11,000 individuals** were detained under MISA and DIR laws, press was suppressed, political opponents jailed, and dissent crushed across India’s democratic space. Following the lecture, a lively interactive session took place where students and faculty members raised insightful questions regarding the practical implications of the new laws, potential ambiguities, and the way forward for legal professionals. The speaker patiently addressed each query, providing clarity and further enriching the understanding of the audience. The lecture was highly informative and provided a crucial understanding of the paradigm shift occurring in India's criminal justice system.

Prof Waseem Yaseen Head Department of Environmental Science extended a vote of thanks to the speaker for sharing his valuable insights to the audience and also thanked Worthy Principal Dr Sadaf Nazir for her whole hearted support for organising such informative lecture.



  
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