Tuesday Lecture 1: 10th March, 2026

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Bethune College, organised the inaugural discourse of the re-initiated Tuesday Lecture Series, titled "Happiness: Is It a Chimera?", on 10 March 2026 at 3:00 PM in the College Auditorium. The series had remained discontinued owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and its aftermath, and this lecture marked its formal revival. The resource person was Prof. Pushpa Misra, psychoanalyst, former Principal and alumna of Bethune College. The programme was open to UG and PG students and faculty members.

Drawing on the speaker's background in psychoanalysis, the lecture invited participants to reflect on happiness as a human experience. In her lecture, Prof. Misra approached the question posed in the title from a psychoanalytic perspective, examining whether happiness is an attainable state or an elusive ideal that recedes as it is pursued. By bringing students and teachers from different levels together at a common lecture, the programme served the IQAC's aim of academic enrichment and re-established a regular platform for subsequent Tuesday lectures on varied subjects and speakers.

The inaugural discourse of the re-initiated series was received with interest by everyone.



