

## EXPERTS CONVENE IN THESSALONIKI FOR “ART OF HEALING” ON ADDICTION TREATMENT



“THE ART OF HEALING” International event at Greece 2024

Shri. Sanjay Baniwal IPS, former Director General of Tihar Prison, along with Dr. Rajesh Kumar and Mr. Manish Kumar, Team Leader, actively participated in the prestigious "Art of Healing" Global Event held in Thessaloniki, Greece, from June 26th to 28th, 2024. Hosted by the ISSUP Greece National Chapter, this notable event attracted a diverse group of professionals and experts from around the world.

Key discussions centered on substance use prevention and the promotion of psychosocial health, with a focus on integrating holistic and evidence-based approaches. The event highlighted the importance of comprehensive strategies in addiction treatment and fostered significant collaboration and dialogue among global leaders in the field.



Session on Identifying, Assessing, and Treating Children for Substance use Disorders. Data and Experiences from Across the globe.



## SPYM and SHIV NADAR UNIVERSITY LAUNCH “UJJWAL DADRI” TO ADDRESS SUBSTANCE USE IN RURAL AREAS



“Ujjwal Dadri” Initiative led By Dr. Rajesh Kumar

The "Ujjwal Dadri" initiative, a joint effort by SPYM and others, addresses alcohol and substance abuse in ten villages of Dadri block, Gautam Buddha Nagar. It features Baseline and Needs Assessments, Community-Based Peer-Led Interventions, and the NAVCHETNA Module. The program also involves Panchayati Raj Institutions and women’s Self-Help Groups to ensure broad community engagement.

ISSUP India enhances this initiative by providing expert guidance, facilitating training, and fostering collaboration. Their support strengthens the program’s implementation and evaluation, aiming to create a healthier and more informed community.



Community connect programme: Drug free Noida

### MAKING NOIDA DRUG FREE

A recent meeting with the District Magistrate of Gautam Buddha Nagar and senior officials advanced the Drug-Free Gautam Buddha Nagar (Noida) initiative by stressing the need for collaboration among government bodies, law enforcement, and community organizations. The District Magistrate’s support emphasized key strategies such as community programs, awareness campaigns, and enhanced monitoring. ISSUP India contributes by providing expert guidance, training, and facilitating stakeholder collaboration, ensuring the effective and sustainable implementation of these substance abuse prevention strategies.



## "NAVCHETNA Module to Empower Uttarakhand Students with Life Skills and Substance Abuse Prevention"



"NAVCHETNA" Module set for Launch in Uttarakhand

**Dr. Rajesh Kumar** and **Mr. Gary Reid** recently met with SCERT officials in Dehradun to discuss implementing the **NAVCHETNA** Module across Uttarakhand schools. This training program focuses on enhancing life skills and preventing substance abuse among students. The initiative aims to integrate NAVCHETNA into school curricula, train educators and counselors, and engage students through interactive workshops. The goal is to foster a drug-free environment and support students' overall growth.



### Ujjwal Dadri Project: Boosts Life Skills and Substance Abuse Awareness

SPYM, with support from Shiv Nadar University and **ISSUP**, conducted **NAVCHETNA** training in Dadri and Noida schools. **Mr. Subimal Banerjee** led sessions on drug prevention at Army Public School, collaborating with **Chakra Foundation**, Samarpan Foundation, and TEACH. The program aimed to equip students with life skills and raise awareness about substance abuse.



Mr. Subimal Banerjee conducting sessions on drug use prevention