Institutional Innovation Council, GBU celebrated National Innovation Day on 15th Oct.2022 under the mentorship and able guidance of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Ravindra Kumar Sinha. The program which commemorated the birth anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was very well compared by Dr. Bhupendra Singh(Innovation activity coordinator). The event began with the address of Dr. Indu Uprety (President, IIC, GBU) who sketched the contribution of Dr. Kalam not only the field of missile technology and aerospace engineering but also in the area of medical technology in the form of "Raju Kalam stent". The address was succeeded by the enlightening words of Prof. N.P. Melkania (Dean academics, GBU) who shared his personal anecdotes with Dr. Kalam and also Dr. Kalams love for simplicity and nature.

The event was graced by the Dr. Neeraj Saxena, Advisor AICTE as the chief speaker. As a part of the TIFAC team implementing projects of Technology Vision 2020 he was responsible for the activities of educational institution under the mission REACH. In his highly motivating and informative lecture Dr. Saxena elaborated on three stages of innovation viz; *Ideation, Incubation and Innovation*. He emphasized on building a creative ecosystem in educational institution which centered around thinking, reflecting and doing, promoting STEM practical application. The setting up of IDEA labs, training of faculty as gurus, practical approach towards training starting from school level itself, consultancy to support and sustain IDEA labs and conversion of ideas into prototypes were the highlights of professor Saxena's lecture.

The program was concluded by the Vote of Thanks by Dr. Satish Mittal (Convenor, IIC, GBU) with an assurance from Dr. Saxena for his mentorship and guidance for GBU fraternity. The event was attended by Prof. Bandana Pandey, Dr. Neeti Rana, Dr. Arvind Singh, members IIC and faculty members and students from various schools.

