

**REPORT-LECTURE ON “ROLE OF ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE AS A  
LEADER OF OPPOSITION IN INDIAN POLITICS”**

On December 21, 2024 a lecture titled *"Role of Atal Bihari Vajpayee as a Leader of Opposition in Indian Politics"* was held at the Department of Public Administration, University of Lucknow. The Lecture was organized by the Counseling and Guidance Cell in collaboration with Atal Sushasan Peeth, University of Lucknow aiming to provide insights into the leadership qualities of one of India's most revered political figures. The event was honored by the presence Prof. Narendra Kumar from Centre of Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU, as the guest speaker.

The poster features the University of Lucknow logo on the left and the Atal Sushasan Peeth logo on the right. The background shows a large, classical building with a dome. The text is centered and reads: **UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW**, **ATAL SUSHASAN PEETH, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION &** in collaboration with **COUNSELLING AND GUIDANCE CELL**. It organizes a Lecture on **"Role Of Atal Bihari Vajpayee as a Leader of Opposition in Indian Politics"** on **DECEMBER 21, 2024** at **Time : 12:00 noon**. The Chief Speaker is **Prof. Narender Kumar** from the Centre of Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU. The Convenor is **Prof. Nand Lal Bharti** from Atal Sushasan Peeth. The Venue is **Prof. V. K. N. Menon Auditorium (D.P.A. Hall)**. A portrait of Atal Bihari Vajpayee is shown on the right side of the poster.

The primary objective of the lecture was to examine Atal Bihari Vajpayee’s role as the Leader of Opposition and his influence on shaping Indian democracy. The event aimed to equip the participants with a deeper understanding of his leadership style, political strategies, and the impact of his opposition leadership in the Indian political landscape. By analyzing his

political career, the lecture also sought to shed light on the importance of the opposition in a healthy democracy.

The event began with the traditional lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the commencement of knowledge sharing and honoring the values of wisdom, learning, and enlightenment, setting the tone for the lecture.



The lecture commenced with a warm welcome note by the event organizers, who emphasized the significance of the topic and the impact of Atal Bihari Vajpayee's leadership on India's political landscape. The host of the event, Dr. Utkarsh Mishra introduced Prof. Narendra Kumar, highlighting his academic expertise and his notable contributions to the field of political studies.

Prof. Narendra Kumar began the lecture by providing a historical context of Vajpayee's political career, focusing on his time as the Leader of Opposition in the late 1980s and early 1990s. He discussed Vajpayee's unique political style, which was marked by his eloquence, diplomacy, and ability to build consensus across party lines. The speaker highlighted how Vajpayee's leadership as the Leader of Opposition played a crucial role in shaping the political discourse in India, especially during turbulent times for the opposition.





Prof. Kumar discussed how Vajpayee’s speeches in the Parliament were always marked by a blend of strong conviction and measured diplomacy, earning him respect from both allies and adversaries. He explored Vajpayee’s strategy of maintaining a balance between being a vocal critic of the government and advocating for national interests, thereby establishing him as a reliable and responsible opposition leader.



After the lecture, an interactive Q&A session was conducted, during which students and faculty members engaged with Prof. Kumar, raising questions about the relevance of Vajpayee's leadership qualities in contemporary politics. Prof. Kumar addressed these queries with insightful responses, drawing comparisons between Vajpayee's approach and that of present-day opposition leaders.

Prof. Nand Lal Bharti, Head of the Department of Public Administration emphasized the significance of understanding Atal Bihari Vajpayee's leadership as the Leader of Opposition, highlighting his contributions to strengthening democratic values, fostering national unity, and inspiring effective political discourse in India.



Dr. Vaishali Saxena, Director of the Counseling and Guidance Cell, delivered the vote of thanks at the event, expressing sincere gratitude to Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Alok Kumar Rai, Chief Speaker, Prof. Narendra Kumar, Centre of Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU. She also thanked the Head of the Department of Public Administration, Prof. Nand Lal Bharti and all participants for their collaborative efforts that contributed to the event's success.



## Attendance

Counseling And Guidance Cell : Lecture (21-Dec-2024)

"Role of Atal Bihari Vajpayee as a  
Leader of Opposition in Indian  
Politics"  
By - Prof. Narendra Kumar  
(JNU)

### Attendance

1. Aisha Zaher. Research scholar Aisha
2. Richa Yadav Research scholar R
3. Anjali Sahu MA (1st sem) A
4. Anjali Gupta MA (1st sem) An
5. Aniket Chourasia MA (1st sem) Aniket
6. Ravi Kumar MA (1st sem) Ravi
7. Anubh P. P. MA (1st sem) Anubh
8. Sandup Kumar MA (Sem I) Sandup
9. Purnit Yadav MA (Sem I) P
10. Moongi Pius Moongi MA (Sem I) M
11. Ankit Sahani B.A. (Sem V) A
12. Aniraj Rahman Ph.D. Aniraj
13. Uttarak Singh BA U
14. Payal Kant B.A. P
15. Mahd. Tanu Rakesh Research scholar Mahd.
16. Abhay Kumar Jaiswal B.A. (Sem. Ist) Abhay
17. Aadarsk Kumar Banwal B.A. (Sem. Ist) Aadarsk
18. Atharva Sharma B.A. (Sem Ist) Atharva
19. Shivaji Agrahari B.A. (Sem Ist) Shivaji Agrahari
20. Ramshabod - B.A. 1st sem, Ram
21. Shalabh Agarwal MA (1st Sem) Shalabh
22. Shakina Siddique MA (1st sem) Shakina
23. Yuvansu Patel MA (1st Sem) Yuvansu
24. Arjun Upadhyay MA (1st Sem) Arjun
25. Kush Tiwari MA (1st Sem) Kush
26. Chitranshi Shukla MA (1st sem) Chitranshi
27. Namrata Maurya MA (1st sem) Namrata

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| 28) | Marwan Alkozai       | phD                        | <u>Marwan</u>      |
| 29) | Shivakshi Yati       | BA (sem 1)                 | <u>Shivakshi</u>   |
| 30) | Tanya Shukla         | MA (sem 1)                 | <u>Tanya</u>       |
| 31) | Mariya Rashid        | MA (sem 1)                 | <u>Mariya</u>      |
| 32) | Kausambi Singh       | (Research Scholar)         | <u>Kausambi</u>    |
| 33) | Saurabh Verma        | MA (Sem-I)                 | <u>Saurabh</u>     |
| 34) | Shalini Mishra       | M.A - Sem - II             | <u>Shalini</u>     |
| 35) | Anushka Singh        | MA - sem - III             | <u>Anushka</u>     |
| 36) | Pragya Chaturvedi    | M.A. - Sem III             | <u>Pragya</u>      |
| 37) | Aditi Singh          | B.A. VII <sup>th</sup> Sem | <u>Aditi</u>       |
| 38) | Mudita Verma         | MA - Sem I                 | <u>Mudita</u>      |
| 39) | Vanishika Srivastava | MA Sem I                   | <u>Vanishika</u>   |
| 40) | Akash Kumar Singh    | M.A - Sem I                | <u>Akash Singh</u> |
| 41) | Shrishti Singh       | BA sem I                   | <u>Shrishti</u>    |
| 42) | Suchita Tripathi     | BA (Sem I)                 | <u>Suchita</u>     |
| 43) | Rupam Patel          | BA (Sem I)                 | <u>Rupam Patel</u> |
| 44) | Palak Tewari         | B.A (Sem I)                | <u>Palak</u>       |
| 45) | Swati Das            | (Research Scholar)         | <u>Swati</u>       |
| 46) | Ishita Singh         | B.A (Sem I)                | <u>Ishita</u>      |
| 47) | Ayushi Soni          | B.A (Sem 1)                | <u>Ayushi</u>      |