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Soladevanahalli, Bengaluru-560107

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Report Submission: 18/06/2026

Semester	EVEN	Academic	2025-26	Venue:	AI011F50-LH
		Year:			AIGS
Date:	17/06/2026	Time:	10.30AM -12.00PM	Duration:	1 hour:30 min

TYPE OF EVENT: GUEST TALK

EVENT NAME: UNDERSTANDING CRIME: THEORIES, CRIMINAL PERSONALITY, REHABILITATION AND PREVENTION.

Target Audience: IV Sem M.Sc. Psychology Students	Number of Participants: 18
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Objectives:

- To understand major theories of crime and the psychological, social, and environmental factors that contribute to criminal behavior.
- To examine the characteristics and personality factors associated with criminal behavior and their implications for assessment and intervention.
- To explore evidence-based approaches to criminal rehabilitation and strategies for effective crime prevention at individual and community levels.

Program Introduction:

The Department of Psychology organized guest talk on 17th June 2026. Swapna Gowri CS Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, AIGS discussed on understanding crime: theories, criminal personality, rehabilitation and prevention. The entire event was coordinated by Ms. Dhrusya Manoj, Assistant Professor and was attended by IV Sem Msc Psychology students.

Theme of the Event:

Guest Talk on understanding crime: theories, criminal personality, rehabilitation and prevention by Swapna Gowri, Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, focuses on understanding the multifaceted nature of crime through major criminological and psychological theories. It explored how personality traits, cognitive processes, and environmental influences contribute to criminal behavior. The session highlighted the importance of identifying factors associated with criminal personality and offending patterns. Emphasis was also placed on rehabilitation approaches that facilitate behavioral change and successful reintegration into society. Finally, the discussion underscored the significance of evidence-based crime prevention strategies in promoting safer communities and reducing recidivism.



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Resource Person : Ms. Swapna Gowri, Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology , AIGS.

Detailed Report:

The Department of Psychology organized a Guest Talk on 17th June 2026. Ms. Swapna Gowri C.S., Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, was invited to discuss the topic "Understanding Crime: Theories, Criminal Personality, Rehabilitation and Prevention." The entire event was coordinated by Ms. Dhruya Manoj, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, and was attended by MSc Psychology students.

The event began with a brief introduction by the students, who welcomed the participants and outlined the objectives of the guest talk. Ms. Dhruya Manoj then formally welcomed the gathering and introduced the resource person, Ms. Swapna Gowri C.S. The session was organized with the objective of enhancing students' understanding of criminal behavior, the psychological and social factors contributing to crime, and contemporary approaches to rehabilitation and crime prevention.

The resource person provided a comprehensive overview of major criminological theories that explain the causes of criminal behavior, including biological, psychological, sociological, and environmental perspectives. The discussion highlighted how factors such as family background, peer influence, socioeconomic conditions, personality traits, and cognitive processes contribute to the development of criminal tendencies. Students were introduced to various theoretical frameworks that help explain why individuals engage in criminal activities and how these theories are applied in criminological research and practice. The session further explored the concept of criminal personality, focusing on behavioral characteristics, personality traits, emotional factors, and psychological mechanisms commonly associated with offending behavior. The speaker emphasized the importance of understanding individual differences and the interaction between personal and environmental factors in shaping criminal conduct. Relevant case examples and real-life scenarios were discussed to provide students with practical insights into the assessment and understanding of criminal behavior.

The session concluded with an interactive discussion where participants actively engaged with the resource person by raising questions and sharing their perspectives on crime, criminal behavior, and rehabilitation. The guest talk provided valuable insights into the interdisciplinary nature of criminology and enhanced students' understanding of the psychological dimensions of crime and its prevention.



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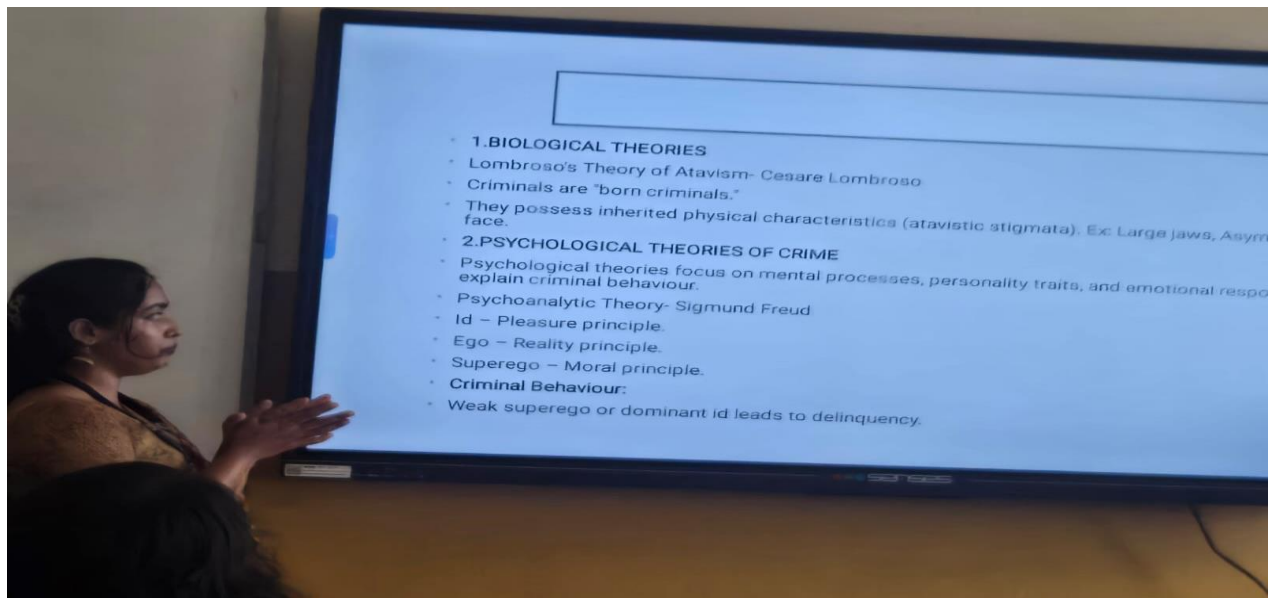
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Class on Prevention of Crime



Selected Student Talking About the Case



In Detail Discussion About Theories of Crime.



Group Photo of Participants with Guest

Outcomes:

- Participants will develop a comprehensive understanding of major theories explaining criminal behavior and the factors contributing to crime.
- Participants will gain insight into the personality characteristics and psychological processes associated with criminal behavior.
- Participants will be able to appreciate the role of rehabilitation and evidence-based interventions in reducing recidivism and promoting offender reintegration.

Conclusion:

The guest talk on “Understanding Crime: Theories, Criminal Personality, Rehabilitation and Prevention” provided students with valuable insights into the complex nature of criminal behavior and the various factors that contribute to crime. The session enhanced participants’ understanding of criminological theories, criminal personality traits, and evidence-based approaches to offender rehabilitation. It also highlighted the crucial role of psychologists and other professionals in crime prevention and the promotion of social well-being. The interactive discussions and practical examples enriched the learning experience, enabling students to appreciate the interdisciplinary nature of criminology and its relevance to psychological practice. Overall, the program was highly informative and successful in broadening students’ knowledge of crime, rehabilitation, and preventive interventions.



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Audience Feedback Summary:

