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SWAYAM Cell

REPORT ON THE FIRST SWAYAM ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Organised by: SWAYAM Cell in collaboration with the Department of Commerce
Date: 30 October 2026
Time: 10:40 AM – 11:45 AM
Venue: College Hall, 4th Floor
Participants: Undergraduate (B.Com) and Postgraduate (M.Com) Students
Total Student Participation: 139



Glimpses of the Programme

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Glimpses of the Programme

1. Introduction

The SWAYAM Cell of St. Xavier's College, Simdega, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce, organised the first Departmental SWAYAM Orientation Programme for the students of B.Com and M.Com on 30 October 2026 at the College Hall, 4th Floor.

The programme aimed to create awareness among students about SWAYAM and other online learning platforms and to encourage them to incorporate online learning into their academic journey and lifelong learning practices.

The programme was initiated by the Head of the Department of Commerce, **Asst. Professor Anamika Nisha Runda**, who welcomed the initiative and highlighted the importance of online learning in enhancing students' knowledge, skills and understanding.

2. Proceedings of the Programme

The orientation programme was conducted by **Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta, SWAYAM Coordinator**, using a PowerPoint presentation titled *"Online Learning Platforms Orientation Programme"*.

At the beginning of the session, the Coordinator shared his personal experience of online learning by displaying six SWAYAM certificates earned by him. This served as a practical

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example of how online learning platforms can be used for continuous professional and personal development.

The Coordinator then briefed the students about various online learning platforms, particularly:

- **SWAYAM** – An initiative of the Government of India offering courses across various disciplines.
- **SWAYAM Plus** – Focusing on industry-oriented and skill-based learning.
- **Coursera** – Providing courses from universities and institutions across the world.
- **IBM SkillsBuild** – Offering learning opportunities in technology and professional skills.
- **Google Digital Garage** – Providing digital skills and career-related learning.
- **Infosys Springboard** – Offering technology and professional development courses.

During the session, students were asked to download the SWAYAM mobile application from the Google Play Store. The Coordinator provided a practical demonstration of the SWAYAM platform to familiarise students with its various features and functionalities.

Students were guided on how to search for specific courses, explore the course catalogue, access detailed course information, and understand examination schedules, assessment criteria and certification requirements. They were also briefed about the role of National Coordinators responsible for offering courses in different disciplines.

The demonstration helped students understand the complete process of exploring and selecting courses on SWAYAM and enabled them to become familiar with the platform so that they could independently access and enrol in courses of their choice.

The Coordinator explained the advantages and benefits of online learning, including flexibility, accessibility, exposure to global instructors, updated knowledge, skill development and improved career opportunities.

3. Message from the SWAYAM Coordinator

During the session, Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta encouraged students to make online learning an integral part of their lives, not merely for obtaining certificates but for continuously acquiring knowledge, understanding and skills in whichever field they choose to pursue in the future.

He emphasised that it is now up to each individual to take responsibility for their own learning and development. Students were encouraged to keep learning and updating themselves to move ahead in life with confidence and enthusiasm.

He further highlighted that acquiring relevant skills helps individuals remain consistent, confident and aware of changing opportunities and developments. He urged students to develop a lifelong learning attitude so that they could face future challenges with greater confidence and preparedness.

4. Student Participation and Feedback

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A total of **139 students from B.Com and M.Com** attended the programme. The students showed considerable interest in the discussion on online learning platforms and remained enthusiastic and attentive throughout the session.

The students provided positive feedback and expressed their willingness to continue learning through online platforms such as SWAYAM. Their response reflected an encouraging interest in exploring online courses for academic enrichment, skill development and future career advancement.

5. Address by the Head of the Department

At the conclusion of the session, **Asst. Professor Anamika Nisha Runda, Head of the Department of Commerce**, emphasised the importance of making effective use of online learning opportunities to enhance knowledge, skills and understanding.

She encouraged students to actively participate in online courses and utilise the available digital learning resources to supplement their classroom education and prepare themselves for future opportunities.

6. Vote of Thanks

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by **Ms. Rani Pareya, Semester II, B.Com**. She expressed gratitude to the Department of Commerce, its faculty members, SWAYAM Coordinator Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta and all the students for their participation and support in making the programme successful.

7. Acknowledgement and Appreciation

At the end of the programme, the SWAYAM Coordinator expressed his sincere gratitude to the Principal of the College for the support and encouragement extended towards promoting online learning initiatives.

He also acknowledged the cooperation and contributions of:

- **Asst. Professor Anamika Nisha Runda**, Head of the Department of Commerce and SWAYAM Cell Member.
- **Asst. Professor Lipica Subir**, Department of Commerce and SWAYAM Cell Member.
- **Asst. Professor Sonu Shoban Murmu**, Department of Commerce.
- **Mr. Sagar Tirkey**, Computer Lab Technician.
- **Mr. Sandeep Kerketta**, Electrician.

The Coordinator also expressed his appreciation to all the Heads of Departments for agreeing to organise separate SWAYAM Orientation Programmes for their respective departments, thereby ensuring that students across the College receive an opportunity to become familiar with online learning platforms.

Special thanks were extended to all the undergraduate and postgraduate students of the Department of Commerce for attending the programme patiently, attentively and in a disciplined manner.

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8. Faculty Members and SWAYAM Cell Members Present

Department of Commerce Faculty Members:

1. Asst. Professor Anamika Nisha Runda – Head of the Department
2. Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta – Assistant Professor
3. Asst. Professor Lipica Subir
4. Asst. Professor Sonu Shoban Murmu

SWAYAM Cell Members Present:

1. Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta – SWAYAM Coordinator
2. Asst. Professor Anamika Nisha Runda
3. Asst. Professor Lipica Subir

9. Outcomes of the Programme

The orientation programme achieved the following outcomes:

1. Created awareness among students about SWAYAM and other online learning platforms.
2. Familiarised students with the benefits and opportunities offered by online learning.
3. Encouraged students to explore online courses for academic and professional development.
4. Motivated students to adopt lifelong learning as a habit.
5. Highlighted the importance of continuous upskilling and updating knowledge in a rapidly changing world.
6. Generated positive interest among students in enrolling in online courses, particularly through SWAYAM.

10. Conclusion

The first Departmental SWAYAM Orientation Programme for the Department of Commerce was successfully conducted with enthusiastic participation from 139 B.Com and M.Com students.

The programme reinforced the idea that learning should not be restricted to classrooms or formal academic qualifications. Online learning platforms provide valuable opportunities for students to continuously update their knowledge, develop relevant skills and remain prepared for future challenges.

The programme concluded on a positive note, with students expressing their willingness to make online learning a regular part of their educational and professional journeys.

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