

## ELTAI Jabalpur Chapter

### **Total number of Members: 66**

Jabalpur chapter was added to ELTAI on 2nd Feb 2013. It was inaugurated by Dr. Ghanshyam Iyenger, National Vice-President of ELTAI. The executive committee was formed by nomination of the office-bearers. A **Workshop on Professional Development** was organized on this occasion. Dr. Abha Pandey, Convener of the workshop, highlighted the importance of professional development and announced the names of the members of the executive committee of Jabalpur Chapter of ELTAI. A book titled *The plays of Girish Karnad: A study in myths and gender* and written by Dr. Abhishek Kosta, member ELTAI, Asst. Professor, Panagar, Jabalpur was also released by the guests on this occasion. Initially there were 26 members in Jabalpur Chapter.

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### **Activities conducted during the year 2013-14**

- **Establishment of Digital Multimedia Language Lab:** The department established a Digital Multimedia Language Lab in the College with the Equipment Grant from UGC, Bhopal. Lab equipment and software was purchased. The lab was inaugurated on 21 September 2014 by UGC, CRO Dr. G. S. Chauhan from the Regional Office of UGC, Bhopal.
- **Short-Term Certificate Course in Communicative English:** A short-term

certificate course in **Communicative English** for two months was conducted in 2013-14 by the department for the students. The objective of the course was to improve the communicative competence of the students in English. Special emphasis was on Listening and Speaking skills. The response of the students for the course was unprecedented. 68 students registered themselves for the course. Two batches were formed. The focus of the sessions held in the course of fifty days in September and October was to break the ice and familiarize the students with meeting and greeting, introducing themselves and others, describing people, places, objects, and places, giving information, asking questions, arguing and making short conversations.

- **Symposium on Teaching and Learning English as a Second Language:** ELTAI Jabalpur Chapter in co-ordination with the Department of English, Govt. Mahakoshal Arts and Commerce College organized a Symposium on "Teaching and Learning English as a Second Language" on 22nd March 2014 in the College Auditorium. Dr. Abha Pandey, Convener of the Symposium, highlighted the objectives of Symposium.

The report of different activities of 2013-2014 of all colleges around the district was read by the Secretary Dr. Pratibha Kumar. The occasion was graced by the Chief Guest Dr. Neeraj Agnihotri, from the Institute of Excellence for Higher Education, Bhopal.

Professors, research scholars and students of Jabalpur and nearby districts were present in large numbers. The members were reminded about extending their membership. Forty new members joined in the year 2014.

• **Report on Non-conventional activity conducted by literary club 'Blossom':**

In every academic session the department of English organizes various Non-Conventional activities under the literary club 'Blossom'. **Word Power** game was conducted on 13th Sept. 2014.

**Quiz on English Grammar** was conducted on 18th Sept 2014. **A film**

**show** of the animated film 'Croods' was organised on 30th Sept 2014 in the language lab. This activity was based on listening skills, the emphasis being on accents and pronunciation. Forty students were present along with the staff. **Extempore speech** competition was held on 12th Nov. 2014. **Quiz on Literature** was conducted on 18th Nov. 2014. All the activities were organised by the co-ordinator of non-conventional activity Dr. Meena Keller and Dr. Smita Belwanshi. About 150 students benefitted from these activities.

*Dr. Abha Pandey, Coordinator*

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## GRAMMAR CAN BE FUN

**Why are teachers rather special?**

**They are usually in a class by themselves.**

**Prof.: This test is 'multiple choice'.**

**Student: Then I choose not to take it.**

**What's the difference between an active verb and a passive verb?**

**An active verb shows action. A passive verb shows passion.**