

## Report on Quality Connect Orientation Programme March 2024

On 1st March 2024, the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Northern Regional Office, Chandigarh, organized a *Quality Connect Orientation Programme* at Government College, Palampur. Er. Suresh Gopal and Sh. Pankaj Patial were the resource persons from BIS Chandigarh. The event aimed to raise awareness among students about the importance of quality standards in everyday products and how BIS plays a vital role in maintaining and regulating these standards across India.

Around 70 students from the science stream participated in this interactive and informative session. Through real-life examples and an engaging presentation, the BIS team highlighted the value of certified products and how consumers can identify and choose quality-assured items. The session also educated students on the hallmarking of goods, ISI certification and the processes involved in standardizing products in various sectors.

Dr. Anil Azad, Principal of the host college, along with faculty members Dr. Anupama Sharma, Prof. Poonam, and Prof. Manju, extended their support and presence throughout the event. The technical staff, including lab assistants Rishu and Kulbhushan, also contributed to the successful organization of the programme.

The orientation provided students with a deeper understanding of the BIS framework and inspired many to consider how scientific knowledge can be applied to real-world quality assurance. The programme concluded with a Q&A session, allowing students to clarify doubts and express their views.

Overall, the session proved to be highly beneficial, informative, and motivating for the students and faculty alike.

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