# Outreach Programme on World Computer Literacy Day 2023

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Occasion: World Computer Literacy Day 2023

Theme: "Literacy for human-centered recovery: narrowing the digital divide".

**Introduction:** World Computer Literacy Day 2023 was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Computer Science Department of Era University. Under the esteemed guidance of Dr. Santosh Kumar, Head of the Department of Computer Science, Era University, various activities were organized to spread awareness and enhance computer literacy among school students. The department took proactive steps to promote computer literacy among school students by organizing educational activities in collaboration with two local schools: Basic Vidyalaya Musahibganj and Kalicharan Inter College. The primary objective of the initiative was to enhance computer literacy among school students and promote awareness about the significance of technology in today's world.

#### **Activities Conducted:**

### 1. Basic Vidyalaya Musahibganj:

- The team from Era University's Computer Science Department conducted interactive sessions on the basics
  of computer operation, including understanding hardware components, software applications, and basic
  troubleshooting.
- Practical demonstrations were provided to help students grasp fundamental concepts such as word processing, internet usage, and email communication.
- Additionally, a quiz competition related to computer literacy was organized to engage students and reinforce their learning.

# 2. Kalicharan Inter College:

- At Kalicharan Inter College, the focus was on advanced computer skills and their applications.
- Workshops were conducted on topics such as programming fundamentals, cybersecurity awareness, and digital literacy.
- Hands-on sessions allowed students to experiment with coding exercises and learn about safe internet practices.
- A career guidance session was also organized to enlighten students about various opportunities in the field
  of computer science and technology.

#### Impact:

The initiative had a significant impact on the students:

- Increased awareness and understanding of computer fundamentals.
- Enhanced practical skills in using computers for academic and personal purposes.
- Improved confidence in adopting and utilizing technology for learning and problem-solving.
- Inspired interest in pursuing further education and careers in computer science and related fields.

# Feedback:

Feedback from the participating schools was overwhelmingly positive:

- Teachers appreciated the initiative taken by Era University's Computer Science Department to enhance computer literacy among students.
- Students expressed gratitude for the engaging and informative sessions, stating that they felt more confident in their computer skills.
- School administrations expressed interest in continuing such collaborations in the future to further promote technological literacy among students.

#### **Conclusion:**

World Computer Literacy Day 2023 was a resounding success. empowering students with essential computer skills and knowledge, this initiative has laid a foundation for their future success in an increasingly digital world. Such collaborative efforts between educational institutions play a crucial role in bridging the digital divide and fostering a technologically proficient society. The efforts of Dr. Santosh Kumar and his team were commendable in spreading computer literacy and inspiring the next generation of technologists.

#### **Recommendations:**

To build upon the success of Computer Literacy Day 2023, it is recommended to:

- Continue organizing similar outreach programs on a regular basis, targeting schools in both urban and rural areas.
- Explore opportunities for long-term partnerships with schools to provide sustained support for computer literacy initiatives.
- Incorporate feedback from participants to tailor future activities to the specific needs and interests of students.





