



**Date/Day:** 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026, Sunday

### **Global Alumni Guidance Session**

**Objectives :** To provide students and early-career professionals with firsthand insights from global alumni, offering guidance on international education, career pathways, skill development, and networking opportunities to help participants make informed academic and professional decisions in a global context.

**Program Outcome:** PO3, PO7 and PO8

**Details of the Resource Person/Event:** Ms. Heena Chippa, Dispensary Manager, Community Pharmacist, UK

#### **Participant details:**

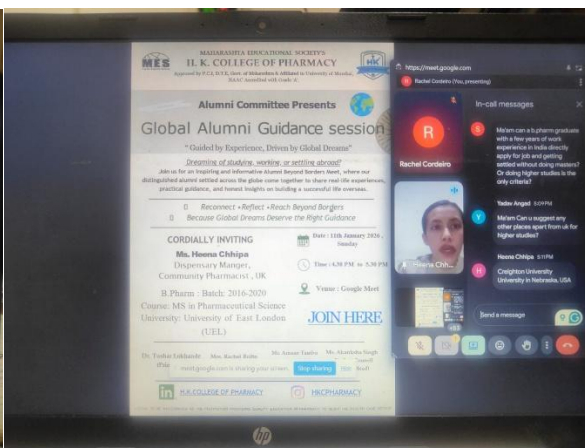
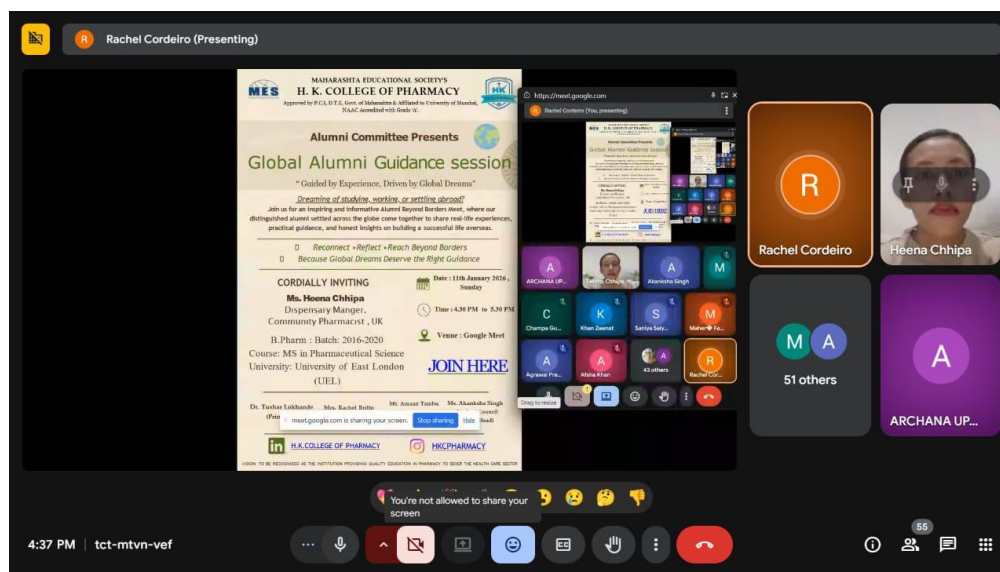
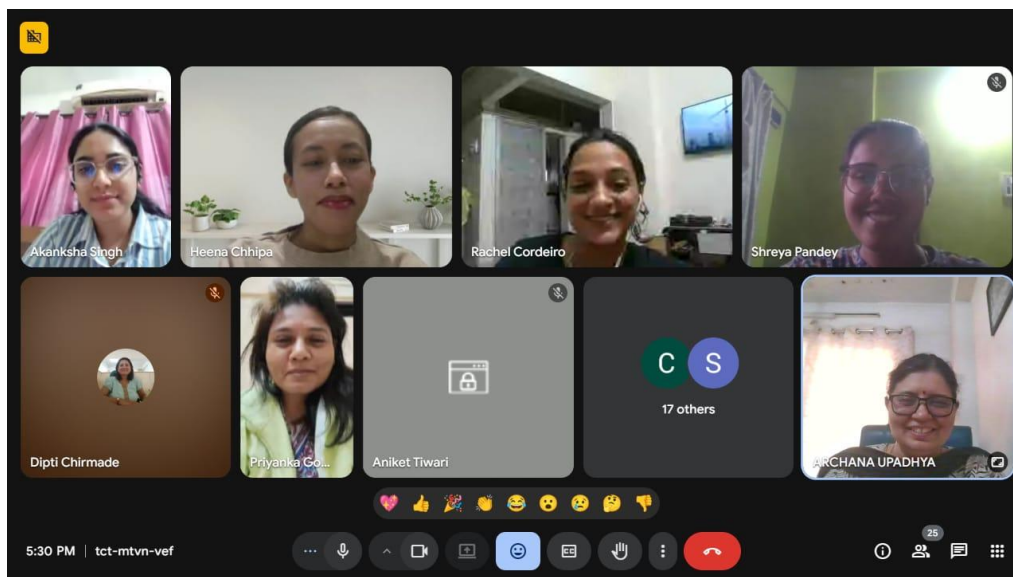
Total no. of college students: 55

Total no. of Teachers: 5

#### **Summary of the activity:**

Ms. Heena Chhipa, currently working as a Dispensary Manager and Community Pharmacist in the UK, shared her journey from completing an MSc in Pharmaceutical Science to securing a permanent role while pursuing sponsorship. She emphasized that success as an international student requires not only academic effort but also strategic financial planning, understanding immigration policies, and career-focused decision-making. She discussed practical budgeting tips (including moving out of student accommodation early to reduce costs), warned strongly about academic integrity and misuse of AI, and highlighted the importance of personally researching UK visa laws rather than relying solely on education counsellors. She also explained recent changes in UK immigration policies such as reduced PSW duration and increased salary thresholds and how these affect employability and sponsorship. Drawing from her own experience transitioning from part-time to full-time work, she advised students to treat their careers as a long-term commitment, focus on becoming indispensable to employers, and aim for roles with better sponsorship prospects, particularly RQF Level 6 positions and pathways like OSPAP for pharmacist licensing. She concluded by encouraging students to be proactive, well-informed, and resilient, stressing that while the UK still offers opportunities, success now depends heavily on preparation, research, and merit-based growth.

### Photo gallery:



**Key outcome of activity:**

- Students gained practical guidance on UK career pathways, sponsorship opportunities, and high-ROI options such as RQF Level 6 roles and OSPAP certification.
- Participants developed awareness of financial planning, academic integrity, and responsible AI use during international studies.
- Attendees learned about recent UK visa policy changes and the importance of independently researching immigration regulations.
- The session motivated students to adopt a long-term, merit-based career approach and take ownership of their professional journey.

**Link for social media:**

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