Thank you Dr. Sundeep

I welcome you all for the valedictory function today.

Engaging and involving all learners in the online platform is indeed a challenge. But it was an enriching experience for all of us, as we were trained in various ways of making our online sessions interactive and inclusive. There is huge need for organizing such events on a regular basis as such kind of training programmes are very essential for the professional development of the teachers and it is considered as one of the noblest professions.

I welcome the guest of honour for the day Dr. Yasmeen Lukmani whose presence is motivating for us all.

Dr Yasmeen Lukmani, formerly. Professor & Head of the

English Department at the University of Mumbai, and

Chairperson of the Board of Studies. She was educated at the

Universities of Mumbai and California, Los Angeles. At the

former, she studied English Literature, and at the latter,

Teaching English as a Second Language and Applied

Linguistics. The Communication Skills in English course at the

FYBA which she set up in 1977 became the prototype for

English language courses in the country. Under her leadership,

the State government set up an English Language Teaching Cell

within the English Department which initiated a number of

innovative English language programmes at the B.A. and M.A.

programmes of the University from 1975 to 2004. She has been

involved with curriculum development at various universities in

the country.

. Dr Lukmani has presented research papers at a number of

conferences, and has published many articles in scholarly

journals (both internationaol and Indian), as well as a few

monographs. She has brought out a two-volume set of audio-

cassettes called Stories for English Language Learning and

another audio-cassette called English Poetry from India. She has

also brought out an edited work on Kiran Nagarkar called The

Shifting Worlds of Kiran Nagarkar’s Fiction.

I would now like to invite Dr. Lukmani to say a few words.

Thank you Madam for an yet inspiring talk.

I would now like to invite Dr. Sandeep Joshi, Principal of Pillai College of Engineering to say a few words.

Thank you Sir for your motivating words.

Now I would like to invite our Head of Applied Science, Mathematics and Humanities department Dr. Arun Pillai to Say a few words.

Thank you Sir for your encouraging words.

Good evening to one and all present here, Honourable Guest Dr. Yasmeen Lukmani, respected Principal Dr. Sandeep Joshi & all the participants. It is such an honour for me to get the opportunity to thank you all dignitaries. On behalf of the Applied Science, Mathematics and Humanities deprtment, Pillai College of Engineering,  I extend a warm welcome to the people in the gathering. I would like to express my gratitude to all esteemed delegates of the webinar for their presence & contribution to make this webinar a great success.

I extend my gratitude to our honourable guest Dr. Yasmeen Lukmani to take out time from her busy schedule to grace the event. Thank you for inspiring & encouraging us with your words on this special day.

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Let's have a special Recognition to all the amazing participants who remained patient throughout and encouraged the morale of the speakers by their gusto and enthusiasm**.** Your response was overwhelming during every session.Hope, the modules learnt in this webinar will help you in adapting to the new normal of teaching- learning**.**Thank you, everyone, once again for making it a great success."