

Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur

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HUM PALS: PEER ACTIVE LEARNING FOR SCHOLARS

Interactive session on

‘Audience: A Film Screening and Discussion’ on November 22, 2022

The Eighteenth Session of HUM PALS was conducted on December 13, 2022, from 11:00 AM onwards in VLTC to continue the spirit of self-learning, re-learning, and co-learning that builds the foundation of this noble and novel initiative undertaken under the aegis of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. The session was opened by Student Co-Ordinators of HUM PAL – Mr Mohit Joshi and Ms Heena Choudhary, who introduced the research scholars with the agenda of the session titled "Audience: A Film Screening and Discussion." The Oscar-nominated Short Film "Kavi" was screened and left for open discussion amongst scholars. KAVI is the story of a little boy whose father is an indentured enslaved person because he owes money to the enslaver. According to the discussion held after the movie screening, the following comments and observations emanated:

1. "The movie is very well structured".
2. "Every aspect of the movie is elegant and compelling. It rushes and captures and holds the viewer's attention".
3. It encapsulates a harsh, disguised reality of India.

The movie portrays how a man searching for food, and shelter can be forced to reduce himself to mere crumbs, quickly bounced between society's capitalist and money-minded people. In such scenarios, men, women and children are trapped in slavery and work as imprisoned labourers. The movie poignantly displayed this hard-to-digest reality. The session was left open for peer learning through open discussions and deliberations on the concerns the film addresses.


