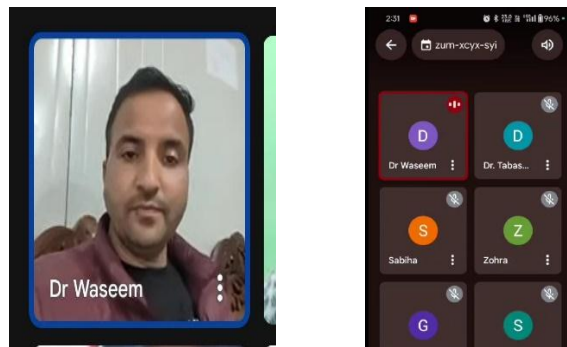


An online extension lecture (meet link <https://meet.google.com/pph-kpmq-vut>) titled "*Regional History of Kashmir*" was organized by Department of Medieval History, Hamidia Girls Degree College on 29/11/2024, at 2:00-4:00 with Dr. Waseem Ahmad Dar as the guest speaker and host was Dr. Tabassum Nigar. Dr. Dar, a Scholar of regional history with a deep understanding of the political, cultural, and social history of Kashmir, was invited to shed light on the region's historical significance and its unique evolution. The lecture aimed to educate students, faculty, and history enthusiasts about the rich and complex history of Kashmir.



Dr. Waseem Ahmad Dar, Assistant Professor Department of History, SMS (M) Govt. Degree College, Hyderpora, Cluster University Srinagar, distinguished historian specializing in the regional history of Kashmir, provided an insightful lecture that explored the historical evolution of the Kashmir Valley. Dr. Dar has written extensively on Kashmir's medieval and modern history, and his work has contributed to the academic discourse on the region's diverse heritage.

Dr. Dar began by tracing the early history of Kashmir, focusing on its integration into various empires, including the Maurya and Kushan empires. He highlighted the cultural and religious influences that shaped the region, from Buddhism to Hinduism. The lecture then moved to the medieval period, where Dr. Dar discussed the rise of Muslim rule in Kashmir, starting with the establishment of the Sultanate of Kashmir. He emphasized the Shah Mir Dynasty, about Bulbul Shah, about sayed mir Ali Hamdani and also about conversion in Kashmir their syncretic culture that developed during this period, with the blending of Persian, Central Asian, and indigenous Kashmiri traditions.

The extension lecture on the *Regional History of Kashmir* by Dr. Waseem Ahmad Dar was highly successful in offering an in-depth exploration of the region's complex history. It provided a valuable opportunity for students, faculty, and attendees to expand their knowledge of Kashmir's past and understand its relevance in the contemporary socio-political context.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Nuzhat Fatima, expressing gratitude to Dr. Waseem Ahmad Dar for his illuminating presentation and to the audience for their participation.

