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## REPORT

Sub: Report of the Seminar commemorating National Voters Day.

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The SVEEP Committee of the college organized a seminar to commemorate National Voter's Day. The event began with an inspiring welcome address by Prof. Yasmin Bashir, the Principal of the college. In her speech, the Principal emphasized the significance of the day, stating, "National Voter's Day reminds us of the importance of our most fundamental democratic right – the right to vote. On this day, we underscore the necessity of active and informed participation in shaping the future of our country."

She further remarked, "Voting is not merely a right but a duty that empowers us to build the nation we envision. It is through voting that we express our opinions, uphold justice, and ensure equality. Every vote matters, and together, our collective will shapes the destiny of our country."

Following the welcome address, Dr. Ashfaq Maqsood Ali, Assistant Professor of Political Science, delivered an expert talk on the theme "Psephocracy, Voter, and the Democratic Drift." Drawing on research-based insights, Dr. Ashfaq highlighted how democracy is increasingly under strain in contemporary world, where fear-psychosis often discourages criticism of undemocratic practices.

Despite these challenges, Dr. Ashfaq expressed optimism, noting that people are beginning to recognize the importance of democracy in their personal lives. He also observed that even critics of democracy have started defending it in light of authoritarian tendencies throughout the world systems that stifle debates and discussions. The expert urged the audience to take pride in National Voter's Day, a celebration of the empowerment of common citizens in shaping the political system of governance.

The seminar concluded with an engaging interactive session where students and faculty posed questions and shared observations on the theme. Before the vote of thanks, all attendees, including faculty and students, took a solemn pledge to uphold democratic principles and actively participate in democratic processes to strengthen the nation.

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