

India March for Science - August 9, 2019

Chandigarh

In Chandigarh, the March for Science 2019 was organized by the March For Science, Chandigarh chapter. Researchers and students from IISER Mohali, Punjab University and NIPER participated in a silent march in Sector-17 market plaza, Chandigarh at 6 pm. A gathering of hundred and twenty odd people demanded adequate allocation of funds in research and educational sector and also appealed to the society in general and government in particular to curb the menace of the growth of pseudoscience. Nishat Fiza a Ph.D student of IISER Mohali as well as the convener of the Chandigarh chapter of March for Science delivered the inaugural speech and read out the message of the solidarity send by the International March For Science organizing committee. Other speakers in the gathering were Aman from Punjab University, Kala Pradeep an MS student of IISER Mohali and Subhadip Ghosh a postdoctoral fellow of IISER Mohali. The program was coordinated by Amartyajyoti Basu a masters student from Ambedkar University, Delhi. The speakers pointed out that fund slashing was hampering the functioning of different public universities and educational institutes leading to the disruption of proper education received by the students belonging to the disadvantageous section of our society. They also talked about looming danger of preaching and practicing of unscientific ideas in the name of science and urged the science loving people to protest strongly against any such practice.



