

Global Online Certificate Course

The **Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)**—one of the leading think tanks in the Global South working on the politics of development, environment, and climate change—conducted a prestigious **Global Online Certificate Course** titled “**Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data for Effective Research and Communication, Environment, Science, and Development**” from **12 November 2025 to 26 November 2025**, which was subsequently extended up to **9 December 2025**.

In this advanced online programme, **eight (08) teaching faculty members and four (04) non-teaching staff members** from **Maharaja Lakshman Sen Memorial College, Sundar Nagar, Himachal Pradesh**, actively participated. Their participation was **generously sponsored by Prof. Radhika Chopra, President of the Managing Committee**, in honour and memory of **late Dr. Hari Sen Ji**, former President of the Managing Committee.

The course was designed to **empower participants with responsible and ethical use of Artificial Intelligence**, bridging the gap between **data, knowledge, and actionable outcomes**. It focused on enhancing research and communication capacities while enabling participants to create **meaningful societal impact** in the areas of **environment, science, development, and sustainability**.

These themes are particularly significant for the **state of Himachal Pradesh**, which faces pressing environmental and developmental challenges. The CSE Online Certificate Course thus served as an important step towards **building institutional capacity to leverage AI and data-driven tools** for addressing regional and global issues using the **latest technological advancements**.