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Sajjana Sallapa - An evening with scholars was held at JU – CMS seminar hall. It brought together the academicians and non academicians who were interested in working on **Jaina studies**. The guest of Honor for the evening **Prof. Peter Flugel** and **Prof. Ingrid Schoon** were introduced by **Dr. Hampa Nagarajaiah**.

Prof. Flugel threw light on the extent of research on Jaina studies at the University of London and was keen on spreading awareness about the Newsletter from '**Jaina Studies**' published from his University. The publication carries articles from scholars across the globe.

India being the birth place of Jainism and his visit to **Shravanabelagola** has inspired him to take up Jainism as his field of research. He also spoke about the decline in the interest of Jaina studies in India and urged the scholars to encourage and enlighten the youngsters.

Mr. Rahul Kapoor, Founder of Jain Youth Leadership Forum spoke about his commitment in involving youth to understand their roots using modern methods and technology.

During the Q&A session, Prof. Flugel addressed questions on Influence of Jainism on Modern Culture and Jainism as a faith would continue to influence the youth. He requested the Jain University to conduct more sessions on Jainism to the students and to adopt **Vegetarianism** as an Influence of Jainism.

The session was indeed a memorable evening for the hosts and guests.