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## Report on-Screening of 'The Elephant Whisperers'

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Today, the 8<sup>th</sup> of April, 2023 an award winning documentary film, "The Elephant Whisperers" was screened before the commencement of a lecture on "Different Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights" organized by IQAC in collaboration with the Department of English. The decision to screen the film was taken in an instant as the resource person, Dr. Partha Pratim Medhi was delayed.

The Elephant Whisperers is a 2022 Indian documentary film directed by documentary filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves. The documentary is about the bond that develops between a couple and an orphaned baby elephant, Raghu, who was entrusted to their care. The film highlights the challenges facing elephant conservation in India and the need for more people to help care for orphaned calve.

It won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Film at the 95th Academy Awards, making it the first Indian film to win an Academy Award in that category.

The film had its world premiere on 9 November 2022 at Doc NYC Film Festival, a film festival for documentaries in the United States.

The film is produced by Mumbai based production house Sikhya Entertainment, led by Guneet Monga Kapoor and Achin Jain. It was released by Netflix globally on 8 December 2022 for streaming.

The main purpose of screening the film was to bring awareness among the students about conservation of animals.

There were 100 student participants and 10 faculty members attending the screening session.



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Fig.1. Snapshot of screening of 'The Elephant Whisperers'



Fig.2. Snapshot of screening of 'The Elephant Whisperers'





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## Fig.3. Snapshot of the documentary film being screened



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