

Lady Shri Ram College for Women

Annual Report 2016

That alone is knowledge which leads to liberation

Lady Shri Ram College for Women: An Overview

Lady Shri Ram College for Women (LSR) has long been recognized as a premier institution of higher learning for women in India and has been consistently ranked as one of the top colleges in the country in nationwide polls. A centre of academic excellence and achievement, it is today one of the finest institutions for Social Sciences, Humanities and Commerce, while also offering B. Sc. Programmes in Mathematics and Statistics. Professional Courses like Elementary Education and Journalism and the flagship diploma course in Conflict Transformation and Peace Building are among its strengths.

Located at the cutting edge of knowledge, LSR has not just kept pace with the changing world but has been the pioneering spirit behind many innovations in the field of Education. Established in 1956 in the capital city of India, by the late Sir Shri Ram in the memory of his wife, the College had its modest beginnings in a school building in Daryaganj with 243 students, 9 faculty, 4 support staff and 3 distinct courses of study. Today, the College is located in a beautiful 15 acre campus in South Delhi, has over 2300 students, 130 faculty members, 80 administrative and support staff and 15 courses of study. In the early years, LSR provided a safe haven for young girls from conservative families who would otherwise be denied quality higher education. Today young women, flock to the College from not just every part of India but from several other neighbouring countries too. LSR has established its reputation as a training ground for women achievers who have broken the glass ceiling in different areas of endeavour.

One of the most important strengths of the College is the faculty which is known for its professionalism and commitment. The emphasis is on innovative pedagogic practices which encourage students to think critically. The College fosters a spirit of academic excellence, informed by humanism and a celebration of diversity and inclusivity. The vision is to empower young women to be leaders and change agents who are at the same time sensitive to social issues and problems. The alumna of the College have done pioneering work in a variety of fields – education(both urban and rural), law, media, government, the NGO sector or the corporate world. Yet many have also left promising corporate careers to work for the community. One of the most well known alumnae is the Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi.

LSR has a dynamic Office of International Programmes that has initiated collaborations with universities across the globe. These include short and long term exchange programmes, both for students and faculty, setting up of an international e-journal with women's colleges worldwide, organizing summer courses with reputed college from abroad and lectures and talks from faculty around the globe. Students participate on a regular basis in international conferences and LSR has organized and hosted prestigious international seminars and short courses for faculty and students from varied countries. If LSR today is seen as an acronym for Leadership with Social Responsibility, it is because of the constant endeavour to sensitize students to using the privilege of their higher education as a resource for the community. The College has consistently highlighted issues of violence against women and has initiated sensitization programmes on gender related issues. The College has also launched several community related projects including a Health initiative for the women of the near by urban village Zamrudpur. In addition, the College has started a programme called Connecting Dreams whereby students of LSR have adopted a village and have set up a community radio to be in constant touch with rural women. The College has begun Project Maati – an initiative to encourage organic farming in a village in Faridkot district of Punjab and to help market the produce of the village and empower

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the local women by selling their products in Delhi. To provide a truly inclusive environment the College has a State of the Art Resource Centre that enables differently abled and lesser privileged students to access the latest assisstive technology.

Along with academics, the stress is also on extra-curricular and co-curricular activities. LSR has an extremely active National Service Scheme, National Sports Organization and National Cadet Corps. In addition there are twenty two societies for extra-curricular activities like Debating, Dramatics, Dancing, Music, Creative Writing, et al. The student societies work throughout the year at an impressive pitch providing avenues for the expression of the creative potential of the student community. LSR perceives the real challenge to be that of infusing in students a sensibility that can differentiate between just making a career and having a vocation. To help students assume leadership of movements of social transformation, the College has initiated four Innovative Programmes – the Voluntary Agency Placement Programme which provides opportunities for students to make a positive contribution to community development and social welfare, Dhyana the Society for Consciousness and Awareness which encourages experiential learning, the Women's Development Cell which engages with women's issues and REACH which is an acronym for Reaffirming Equity, Access, Capacity and Humanism and deals with issues of affirmative and inclusive learning.



Trophy awarded by St. Xavier's College, Kolkata for Best Contingent at the National Economics Symposium - CONFLUENCE 2015 LSR Economics Department Team

Trophy awarded by Jai Hind College, Mumbai for Best Outstation Contingent at the National Economics Meet–ARTHANOMICS 2015 LSR Economics Department Team

Trophy awarded by Hansraj College, Delhi for Best Contingent at the National Economics Meet–INCEPTUM LSR Economics Department Team

The M.N. Srinivas Declamation Trophy

Neeti Prakash, Shambhavi Gupta

Trophy awarded by Miranda House for Best Delegation at ZENITH MUN 16

LSR MUN Team

Trophy awarded by Jesus and Mary College for Best Delegation at the MUN Conference

LSR MUN Team

Clash of the Titans Invitational Debate

Best Speaker - Nita Chowdhury

The Green Cup

Best greenery and cleanliness among

educational institutions

Department of Botany Cup

Best garden among educational

institutions

The Flower Show Committee Cup

Best rangoli

Best rock garden

The Delhi College Cup

The Dr. A.C. Janaki Amma Cup

Best border of mixed flowers

Best lawn amongst faculty members

The Hindu College Cup

Best table arrangement

The Laxman Sarin Cup

Best rock garden amongst faculty

members

The Ramjas College Cup

The Garden Committee Cup

Best shrubbery amongst faculty

members

The Indian School of International Studies Cup

Best floral work by malis

The Laxman Sarin Cup 3

Best wild flower arrangement

The Golden Jubilee Cup

Best artistic floral display

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet Archery Competition

Individual Recurve Round Gold Medal Neha Bhuswal

Individual Recurve Round Silver Medal Tithi

Indian Round 2nd Runners Up LSR Team

Individual Recurve Round Bronze Medal Shravini

University of Delhi Inter College Athletics Meet

4X100 m. Relay Gold Medal Mallika Dang, Uditi Murarka,

Anjali Sahani, Deepanjali

Sharma

800 m. Gold Medal Deepanjali Sharma

100 m. Silver Medal Mallika Dang

Long Jump Silver Medal Anjali Sahani

Shot Put Silver Medal Tanya Sharma

400 m. Silver Medal Uditi Murarka

200 m. Bronze Medal Mallika Dang

400 m. Bronze Medal Deepanjali Sharma

Discus Throw Bronze Medal Tanya Sharma

800 m. Bronze Medal Pushpa Repaswal

Javelin Throw Bronze Medal Sandhya Chauhan

27th North Zone Athletics Championship

4X100 m. Relay Gold Medal Deepanjali Sharma,

Anjali Sahani

4X400 m. Relay Gold Medal Deepanjali Sharma

800 m Gold Medal Deepanjali Sharma

Long Jump Gold Medal Anjali Sahani

Delhi State Athletics Tournament

Long Jump Gold Medal Anjali Sahani

Shot Put Gold Medal Tanya Sharma

Discus Throw Gold Medal Tanya Sharma

800 m. Silver Medal Deepanjali Sharma

100 m. Bronze Medal Mallika Dang

400 m.	Bronze Medal	Deepanjali Sharma			
Women's Festival Athletics Meet 2015-16					
Long Jump	Gold Medal	Anjali Sahani			
100 m.	Silver Medal	Mailika Dang			
800 m.	Silver Medal	Deepanjali Sharma			
400 m.	Bronze Medal	Deepanjali Sharma			
Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet- Athletics					
Shot Put	Gold Medal	Tanya Sharma			
Discus Throw	Gold Medal	Tanya Sharma			
100 m.	Gold Medal	Pushpa Repeswal			
Long Jump	Gold Medal	Tamanna Tiwana			
Triple Jump	Gold Medal	Tamanna Tiwana			
100 m.	Silver Medal	Uditi Murarka			
High Jump	Silver Medal	Pushpa Repeswal			
Javelin Throw	Silver Medal	Sandhya Chauhan			
Discus Throw	Silver Medal	Sandhya Chauhan			
Long Jump	Silver Medal	Yogesh			
Shot Put	Bronze Medal	Renuka Yaduvanshi			
High Jump	Bronze Medal	Yogesh			
Delhi State Para-Athletics Meet					
B2 Shot Put	Gold Medal	Pooja			
B3 Long Jump	Gold Medal	Yogita			
B3 Javelin Throw	Gold Medal	Yogita			
B2 Discus Throw	Silver Medal	Pooja			
B2 Javelin Throw	Silver Medal	Pooja			
B2 Shot Put	Bronze Medal	Sweta			
B2 100 m.	Bronze Medal	Sweta			

B1 200 m. Bronze Medal Hema

B1 Shot Put Bronze Medal Aparna

B1 Javelin Throw Bronze Medal Aparna

B3 Shot Put Bronze Medal Yogita

Para-Athletics National Championship

B2 Shot Put Gold Medal Pooja

B3 Long Jump Gold Medal Yogita

B1 100 m. Relay Silver Medal Suman

B1 Javelin Throw Silver Medal Suman

B2 Discus Throw Bronze Medal Pooja

B3 Javelin Throw Bronze Medal Yogita

Delhi University Equal Opportunity Cell Sports Meet

B1 200 m. Gold Medal Suman

B2 Discus Throw Gold Medal Pooja

B3 Javelin Throw Gold Medal Yogita

B2 Shot Put Silver Medal Pooja

B3 Shot Put Bronze Medal Yogita

B3 Long Jump Bronze Medal Yogita

Delhi University Inter College Badminton Tournament

Team Event Bronze Medal LSR Team

Delhi State Badminton Tournament

Doubles Gold Medal Noor Chhatwal

Mixed Doubles Gold Medal Noor Chhatwal

Women's Festival Badminton Meet

Singles Bronze Medal Noor Chhatwal

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet - Badminton

Singles Gold Medal Noor Chhatwal

Doubles Gold Medal Noor Chhatwal and

Vaidika Kota

Doubles Silver Medal Kajol Ved and Sunaina

North Zone Badminton Championship

Mixed Doubles Gold Medal Noor Chhatwal

Team Championship Silver Medal Noor Chhatwal

Royal Invitational Basketball Tournament Gold Medal LSR Team

Delhi University Women's Inter College Gold Medal LSR Team

Basketball Tournament

Maulana Azad Invitational Basketball Gold Medal LSR Team

Tournament

Kirorimal Invitational Basketball Gold Medal LSR Team

Tournament

Women's Festival Silver Medal LSR Team

YMCA Basketball Tournament Silver Medal LSR Team

Miranda House Sports Meet Silver Medal LSR Team

St. Stephen's Invitational Basketball Silver Medal LSR Team

Tournament

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet Silver Medal LSR Team

North Zone Basketball Tournament

Delhi University Team Gold Medal Saumya Babbar,

Shilpi Gupta, Bharti Singh,

Tanvi Prashar

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet - Chess

Gold Medal Paravathy S.L.

Bronze Medal Shivani

KMC Invitational Chess Tournament Silver Medal LSR Team

Miranda House Sports Meet Silver Medal LSR Team

Delhi State Junior Chess Tournament

Silver Medal Parvathy S.L.

Delhi University Inter College Women's Gymnastics

All Rounder Gold Medal Prerna

Women's National Gymnastic Championship

Table Vault Silver Medal Prerna

Delhi State Gymnastics Championship

Table Vault Bronze Medal Prerna

Uneven Bar Bronze Medal Prerna

Delhi State Gymnastics Championship

Table Vault Bronze Medal Prerna

Delhi State Judo Tournament

+70 kg Gold Medal Samiksha Malik

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet- Judo

+70 kg Gold Medal Samiksha Malik

40 kg Silver Medal Shivangi

40 kg Bronze Medal Antara

44 kg Bronze Medal Priya

48 kg Bronze Medal Khushboo

57 kg Bronze Medal Divya Singh

63 kg Bronze Medal Surbhi Gupta

Inter University North Zone Lawn Tennis Meet

Team Event Gold Medal Vineeta Singh

I.P. College Invitational Lawn Tennis Tournament

Silver Medal Shivya Sachdeva

Women's Festival Tennis Meet

Silver Medal Vineeta Singh

All India Inter University Lawn Tennis Championship

Team Event Bronze Medal Vineeta Singh

Delhi University Women's Inter College Lawn Tennis Championship

Team Event Bronze Medal LSR Team

8th Asian Air Gun Shooting Championship

Air Rifle Gold Medal Aashi Rastogi

Team Event Bronze Medal Aashi Rastogi

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet- Shooting

10 m. Air Rifle Gold Medal Aashi Rastogi

10 m. Air Rifle Silver Medal Sarveshwari Kumari

10 m. Air Rifle Bronze Medal Veronica Sudesh

10 m. Air Pistol Gold Medal Sanjana

10 m. Air Pistol Silver Medal Saumya Seth

10 m. Air Pistol Bronze Medal Aashi Rastogi

13th Asian Shooting Championship, Kuwait

Team India Gold Medal Aashi Rastogi, Sanjana

Sehrawat

All India Inter University Shooting Championship

Team Event Gold Medal Aashi Rastogi

Delhi State Shooting Championship

Shot Gun Skeet Gold Medal Ananya Chopra

10 m. Air Pistol Gold Medal Saumya Seth

Sports Pistol Gold Medal Sanjana

Shot Gun Skeet Bronze Medal Sarveshwari

12th International Junior Shot Gun Championship, Italy

Team India Bronze Medal Ananya and Maheshwari

7th International Junior Shot Gun Championship, Finland

Team India Bronze Medal Ananya and Meshwari

National Games Shooting Meet 2015, Kerala

Shot Gun Bronze Medal Maheshwari

National Shooting Championship

Shot Gun Skeet Gold Medal Sarveshwari

Air Pistol Gold Medal Sanjana

North Zone Shooting Championship

Air Pistol Gold Medal Sanjana

Shot Gun Skeet Gold Medal Sarveshwari

5th Gun for Glory Shooting Championship, Pune

Air Gun Gold Medal Aashi Rastogi

Surendra Singh Shooting Championship

Air Gun Silver Medal Aashi Rastogi

Team Event Silver Medal Saumya Seth

Delhi University Inter College Women's Shooting Meet

Air Rifle Bronze Medal LSR Team

Delhi University Inter College Aquatics Meet

4x100 m. Freestyle Relay Silver Medal LSR Team

4x100 m. Medley Silver Medal LSR Team

4x200 m. Freestyle Silver Medal LSR Team

100 m. Back stroke Silver Medal Apporva Duhan

50 m. Back stroke Silver Medal Ruhaab Khan

200 m. Back stroke Silver Medal Ruhaab Khan

100 m. Butterfly Silver Medal Vandita Dhariyal

100 m. Breast stroke Silver Medal Varsha

200 m. Breast stroke Silver Medal Varsha

200 m. Freestyle Gold Medal Vandita Dhariyal

400 m. Freestyle Gold Medal Vandita Dhariyal

Women's Festival Swimming Meet

4x100 m. Freestyle Gold Medal LSR Team

4x200 m. Medley Gold Medal LSR Team

4x200 m. Freestyle Gold Medal LSR Team

50 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

100 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

200 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

100 m. Butterfly Gold Medal Vandita Dhariyal

100 m. Freestyle Gold Medal Vandita Dhariyal

200 m. Breast stroke Gold Medal Varsha

400 m. Freestyle Silver Medal Vandita Dhariyal 200 m. Individual Medley Silver Medal Vandita Dhariyal

100 m. Breast stroke Silver Medal Varsha

100 m. Breast stroke Gold Medal Vani Sahni

Delhi State Swimming Championship

50 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

100 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

200 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

400 m. Individual Medley Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

Delhi State Swimming Championship

50 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

100 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

200 m. Back stroke Gold Medal Ruhaab Khan

Haryana State Swimming Championship

100 m. Back stroke Bronze Medal Apoorva

Delhi University Women Inter College Table Tennis Meet

Team Event Gold Medal LSR Team

Delhi University Women Inter College Table Tennis Meet

Team Event Gold Medal LSR Team

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet- Table Tennis

Team Event Gold Medal LSR Team

Singles Gold Medal Riti Shankar

Doubles Gold Medal Riti and Raktima

Mixed Doubles Gold Medal Rajeshwari Chada

Mixed Doubles Silver Medal Raktima Paul

Doubles Silver Medal Anshul and Malvika

Singles Silver Medal Raktima Paul

Singles Bronze Medal Rajeshwari Chada

All India Inter University Table Tennis Tournament

Team Event Gold Medal Riti Shankar

Haryana State Table Tennis Ranking Tournament

Individual Gold Medal Riti Shankar

Indian Junior Table Tennis Championship

Individual Silver Medal Riti Shankar

Cadet World Open Circuit Table Tennis Championship

Individual Silver Medal Riti Shankar

North and East India Taekwondo Championship

Individual Sparring Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Team Self Defense Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Individual Self Defense Bronze Medal Syeda Sana

South and West India Taekwondo Championship

Individual Sparring Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Team Self Defense Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Delhi State Taekwondo Championship

Individual Sparring Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Individual Self Defense Silver Medal Syeda Sana

South Asian ITF Taekwondo Championship

Individual Sparring Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Team Self Defense Gold Medal Syeda Sana

Individual Self Defense Bronze Medal Syeda Sana

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet- Volleyball

Team Event Silver Medal LSR Team

Delhi University Inter College Wrestling Championship

Gold Medal Samiksha Malik

Haryana State Wrestling Championship

Gold Medal Samiksha Malik

59th National Roller Sports Championship

Gold Medal Areesha Rana

Lady Shri Ram Prize for Academic Excellence Sakshi Ghosh,

3rd year History Honours

Kritika Mahajan,

3rd year Statistics Honours

Bhavya Kulshrestha,

3rd year Psychology Honours

Vaishali Pandey,

3rd year Sanskrit Honours

Dr. Bharat Ram Prize for Leadership and Apoorva Kavin

Teambuilding

3rd year Economics Honours

Shri Dolatrai M. Desai Prize for Leadership Shaqorika Das

3rd year Psychology Honours

Shri Ram Prize for the Best All-round Student Apoorva Kavin,

3rd year Economics Honours

Dipanjali Roy,

3rd year English Honours

Tanushree Roy,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Manju Bharat Ram Prize for Aesthetic Engagement

And Cultural Sensibility

Ishita Bajpai,

3rd year B. Com. Honours

M. K. Amrutha,

3rd year English Honours

Amba Dalmia Prize for Creative Talent and Sapna Dubey,

Commitment to the College

3rd year English Honours

Kanika Kalra,

3rd year Philosophy Honours

Aditi Chordia,

3rd year Psychology Honours

Principal's Prize for Fostering Academic Shivangi Gera,

Ethos of the College

3rd year B.Com. Honours

Malvika Sharad.

3rd year History Honours

Ujjavala Bothra,

3rd Year Economics Honours

Kamalini Hegde,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Faculty Prize Tanushree Roy,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Mrs. U.J. Rana Prize for Student Endeavour Pooja,

3rd year B.El.Ed.

Shivangi Anil,

3rd year Psychology Honours

Shefali,

3rd year History Honours

Shipra,

3rd year Hindi Honours

S. M. Luthra Prize for Contribution to the Kritika Mahajan,

Voluntary Agency Placement Programme 3rd year Statistics Honours

Purvashi,

3rd year Economics Honours

N. K. Mehta Prize for Meritorious Latika,

Contribution to College 3rd year B. Com. Honours

Ankurita,

3rd year Sanskrit Honours

Rena Sewak Prize for Public Speaking in English Rhea Grover,

3rd year B. Com. Honours

Saranya Nayak,

3rd year History Honours

Mannat Tipnis,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Prize for Excellence in Model United Nations Priyal Pandey,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Prize for Public Speaking in Hindi Shruti Jargad,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Anjali,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Anubha Dhar Prize for Creative Writing in English Sneha Roy Choudhury,

3rd year History Honours

Sanghamitra Aich,

3rd year English Honours

Shri Bharat Bhushan Aggarwal Srijnatmak

Lekhan Puraskar

Divya Joshi,

3rd year Hindi Honours

Chirashree Chakraborty Prize for Creative Writing in Indian Languages

Sanskrit Sharada,

3rd year Sanskrit Honours

Telugu Bhargavi Seelam,

3rd year Economics Honours

Urdu Shazia Naqvi,

3rd year B.El.Ed.

Hindi Anjali,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Bangla Hindolee Datta,

2nd year English Honours

Prize for Excellence in Western Music Satviki Adla,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Shri Prem Vallabh Joshi Prize for

Excellence in Indian Music

Poorva Joshi,

3rd year B. Com. Honours

Prize for Contribution to Choreography Sonali Sharma,

3rd year Journalism Honours

Prize for Contribution to Classical Dance Tanushree Roy,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Srishti Jain,

3rd year B. Com. Honours

S. J. Davar Prize for Contribution to English Dramatics Somaya Gupta,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Kalanidhi Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Art and Décor Tara Vidisha Ghose,

3rd year History Honours

Bhavya,

3rd year History Honours

Prakriti Shree Prize for Environmental Consciousness Niyati,

3rd year History Honours

Prize for Contribution to the Vandita Dhariyal,

National Sports Organisation 3rd year Psychology Honours

Komal Pahuja and V.K. Pahuja Prize for Excellence Jasmine Singh,

and Leadership in Sports 3rd year English Honours

Soumya Seth,

3rd year Economics Honours

Sarveshwari Kumari,

3rd year Philosophy Honours

Prize for Excellence in National Cadet Corps Surabhi Meena,

3rd year History Honours

Pallavi Seth,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Debolina Datta.

3rd year Economics Honours

Prize for Contribution in National Cadet Corps Ojusvitashri,

3rd year Political Science Honours

Damini Rathore,

3rd year History Honours

Lok Mangal Puraskar for the Best NSS Organiser Geetika Ahuja,

3rd year Sociology Honours

Anupriya Singh,

3rd year Economics Honours

Lok Kalyan Puraskar for the Best NSS Volunteer Nihaar Kuthalia,

3rd year Economics Honours

Bhavya Arora,

3rd year Economics Honours

Prize for the Best Article in English in the College Magazine Aparajita Arya,

3rd year English Honours

Prize for the Best Article in Hindi in the College Magazine Chitranshi Srivastava,

3rd year History Honours

Shaili Rani Mathur Prize for the Best Student Deepika Arya,

Admitted to M.A (Previous) Sanskrit M.A. (Previous) Sanskrit

Prize for Regularity and Consistency in Academic Work Shivani Goswami

3rd year History Honours

Special Commendation for Meritorious Contribution to College Placement Team

Ishita Arun,

3rd year Psychology Honours

Meghna Mungikar

3rd year Economics Honours

Niharika Sachdeva

3rd year Economics Honours

Sarveen Singh

3rd year Economics Honours

Tanima Nigam,

3rd year Philosophy Honours

Certificates of Merit awarded for Contribution to the College Activities during the years 2013-2016

Alumna cell

1 Ankita Tulsiyan : 3rd Year Mathematics Hons. for contribution to the Alumna Cell

2 Jigisha Pallavi : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for best volunteer in the Alumna Cell

3 Lisa Anchalia : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for contribution to the Alumna Cell

4 Shweta Gupta : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for contribution to the Alumna Cell

Art and Decor

1 Aarti Kumari : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for contribution to Art and Décor

2 Hage Namie : 3rd Year History Hons. for contribution to Art and Décor

3 Kishnit Taneja : 3rd Year English Hons. for contribution to Art and Décor

Creative Writing

1 Chandrica Barua : 3rd Year English Hons. for Excellence in Creative Writing and Dance

2 Chitrangi Kakoti : 3rd Year English Hons. for Excellence in Creative Writing and Art

3 Sukhmani Gandhi : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for contribution to Creative Writing

Debating

1 Abhilasha Banerjee : 3rd Year Commerce Hons. for Excellence in Debating and MUN

2 Asees Bhasin : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Contribution to Debating

3 Shruti Nanda : 3rd Year English Hons. for Contribution to Debating

Dance

1 Aditi Jain : 3rd Year B. Com. Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dance

2 Anshu Agrawal : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dance

3 Kamalini Hegde : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dance

4 Mansha Mahajan : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dance

5 Meetali Rawat : 3rd Year Political Science Hons, for Meritorious Contribution to

Dance

6 Sumaiya Baba : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dance

Certificates of Merit

Dhyana

1 Shivani Sharma : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for Contribution to Dhyana

Dramatics

1 Aishaanyaa Tewari : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Excellence in Dramatics

2 Debosmita Das : 3rd Year English Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to Street

Theatre

3 Eeshta Malhotra : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for Excellence in Dramatics

4 Kamalini Hegde : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

5 Leah Grace Tenzing : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Excellence in Dramatics

6 Malvika Sharad : 3rd Year History Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

7 Mrinal Kaushik : 3rd Year B. El.Ed. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

8 Nishma Madhav : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

9 Parul : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

10 Saranya Nayak : 3rd Year History Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

11 Shrishti G. Krishnakumar : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to

Dramatics

12 Shweta Gopalakrishnan : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

and Elocution

13 Vishesha Singh : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Dramatics

ENACTUS

1 Arushi Gupta : 3rd Year Commerce Hons. for Contribution to ENACTUS

2 Bhavika : 3rd Year Commerce Hons. for Contribution to ENACTUS

Indian Music

1 Aditi Chordia : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to Indian

Music

2 Aditi Joshi : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to

Indian Music

Interface

1 Habiba Abrar : 3rd Year History Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Interface

Certificates of Merit

2 Mannat Tipnis : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to

Interface

3 Sabujkoli Mukherjee : 3rd Year History Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Interface

4 Tarini Verma : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Interface

International Programmes

1 Vaishali Verma : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to

International Programmes

MUN

1 Rhea Yadav : 3rd Year B. Com. Hons. for Excellence in Model United Nations

2 Tarana Farooqui : 3rd Year Journalism Hons. for Participation in Model United Nations

Projekt

1 Azra Qaisar : 3rd Year Journalism Hons. for Contribution to Projekt

2 Anusha Sunder : 3rd Year History Hons. for Contribution to Projekt

Public Speaking in Hindi

1 Parul Gangwar : 3rd Year B. Com. Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to Public

Speaking in Hindi

Quiz

1 Aqsa Zaidi : 3rd Year Journalism Hons. for Contribution to Quizzing

2 Shruti Jargad : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Contribution to Quizzing

REACH

1 Akriti Choudhary : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Contribution to REACH

2 Nikita Agarwal : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Contribution to REACH

3 Nidhi Mardi : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Contribution to REACH

SPIC MACAY

1 Anshu Agarwal : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Contribution to SPIC MACAY

Service to College

1 Jyotirupa Das : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Meritorious Service to College

2 Vaishali Pandey : 3rd Year Sanskrit Hons. for Meritorious Service to College

3 Ipshita Dasgupta : 3rd Year Economcis Hons. for Meritorious Service to College and the

Hostel Community

Certificates of Merit

Women's Development Cell

1 Abhilasha Sawlani : 3rd Year English Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to the Women's

Development Cell

2 Ishita Sharma : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to the

Women's Development Cell

3 Luvneeta Jalan : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Meritorious Contribution to the

Women's Development Cell

Western Music

1 Anna Charenamai : 3rd Year History Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to Western

Music

2 Bhavya : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Outstanding Contribution to Western

Music

3 Glory Salam : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Contribution to Western Music

4 Lentina Longkumar : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Contribution to Western Music

5 Roli D. Yeputho : 3rd Year History Hons. for Contribution to Western Music

6 Lucy T. : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Contribution to Western Music

7 Sharanya S. : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Contribution to Western Music

WUS

1 Meghna Gupta : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Contribution to WUS

2 Varuni Seth : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Contribution to WUS

College Colours for Outstanding Performance

1 Air Rifle Shooting : Aashi Rastogi, 3rd Year English Hons.

2 Athletics : Deepanjali Sharma, 1st Year English Hons.

3 Athletics : Anjali Sahni, 1st Year Political Science Hons.

4 Badminton : Noor Chatwal, 1st Year Economics Hons.

5 Basketball : Ankita Sherawat, 3rd Year Psychology Hons.

6 Basketball : Bharti Sihag, 3rd Year Statistics Hons.

7 Basketball : Biya Sidhu, 3rd Year History Hons.

8 Basketball : Chandrika Sharma, 1st Year Political Science Hons.

9 Basketball : Jasmine Singh, 3rd Year English Hons.

10 Basketball : Kritika Bahl, 1st Year Journalism Hons.

11 Basketball : Shilpi Gupta, 2nd Year B. Com. Hons.

12 Basketball : Shonika Rana, 2nd Year Economics Hons.

13 Basketball : Soumya Babbar, 2nd Year Journalism Hons.

14 Basketball : Tanvi Prashar, 1st Year B. Com. Hons.

15 Basketball : Vaishali Shokeen, 3rd Year History Hons.

16 Basketball : Varuni Beotra, 1st Year Psychology Hons.

17 Lawn Tennis : Vineeta Singh, 1st Year History Hons.

18 Para-Athletics : Pooja, 3rd Year B.El.Ed.

19 Para-Athletics : Suman, 1st Year B.El.Ed.

20 Para – Athletics : Yogita Pal , 1st Year English Hons.

21 Roller Skating : Areesha Rana, 2nd Year Mathematics Hons.

22 Shot Gun Skeet : Sarveshwari Kumari, 3rd Year Philosophy Hons.

College Colours for Outstanding Performance

23 Shot Gun Skeet : Maheshwari Chauhan, 2nd Year Philosophy Hons.

24 Shot Gun : Ananya Chopra, 1st Year Philosophy Hons.

25 Sports Pistol : Sanjana Sherawat, 2nd Year English Hons.

26 Table Tennis : Anshul Thakran, 2nd Year Mathematics Hons.

27 Table Tennis : Malvika Gupta, 3rd Year B. Com. Hons.

28 Table Tennis : Rajehswari Chadha, 2nd Year B. Com. Hons.

29 Table Tennis : Raktima Paul, 1st Year English Hons.

30 Table Tennis : Riti Shankar, 1st Year Political Science Hons.

31 Taekwondo : Sayeeda Sana, 1st Year Philosophy Hons.

Certificates of Merit - NSO

Archery

1 Atisha Gupta : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Excellence in Archery

Athletics

1 Mallika Dang : 3rd Year Statistics Hons. for Excellence in Athletics

2 Ria Bhargava : 3rd Year Statistics Hons. for Excellence in Athletics

3 Sandhya Chauhan : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Excellence in Athletics

Para - Athletics

1 Pooja : 3rd Year B. El. Ed. for Excellence in Para Athletics

2 Shipra Kumari : 3rd Year Hindi Hons. for Excellence in Para Athletics

Basketball

1 Ankita Sherawat : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Excellence in Basketball

2 Biya Sidhu : 3rd Year History Hons. for Excellence in Basketball

3 Jasmine Singh : 3rd Year English Hons. for Excellence in Basketball and Outstanding

Leadership as Captain of the Basketball Team

4 Shonika Rana : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Excellence in Basketball

5 Vaishali Shokeen : 3rd Year History Hons. for Excellence in Basketball

Chess

1 Shivani : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for Excellence in Chess

Judo

1 Surabhi Gupta : 3rd Year B. Com Hons. for Excellence in Judo

Lawn Tennis

1 Bhavika Wadhawan : 3rd Year Mathematics Hons. for Excellence in Lawn Tennis

2 Diksha Aggarwal : 3rd Year English Hons. for Excellence in Lawn Tennis

Shooting

1 Saumya Seth : 3rd Year Economics Hons. for Excellence in Shooting

2 Sarveshwari Kumari : 3rd Year Philosophy Hons. for Excellence in Shooting

3 Veronica Sudesh : 3rd Year Political Science Hons. for Excellence in Shooting

Certificates of Merit - NSO

Swimming

1 Vandita Dhariyal : 3rd Year Psychology Hons. for Excellence in Swimming

Table tennis

1 Malvika Gupta : 3rd Year B. Com. Hons. for Excellence in Table Tennis

Volleyball

1 Harshita Joon : 3rd Year Mathematics Hons. for Excellence in Volleyball and

Outstanding Leadership as Captain of the Volleyball team

2 Divya Patel : 3rd Year Statistics Hons. for Excellence in Volleyball

Contribution to NSO

1 Ayushi Gupta : 3rd Year Mathematics Hons. for Contribution to NSO

2 Nishma Madan : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Contribution to NSO

3 Tanushri Roy : 3rd Year Sociology Hons. for Contribution to NSO

4 Tara Vidisha Ghose : 3rd Year History Hons. for Contribution to NSO

Certificates of Merit - NCC

1. Sgt. Shrishti Bhogal : 3rd Year Mathematics Honours

2. Cdt. Priyanka Kaushik : 3rd Year English Honours

3. Cdt. Kiran Chawda : 3rd Year Economics Honours

4. Cdt. Naman : 3rd Year Economics Honours

5. Cdt. Ankurita : 3rd Year Sanskrit Honours

6. Cdt. Bhavya Gupta : 3rd Year Political Science Honours

7. Cdt. Sarita Choudhry : 3rd Year Journalism Honours

8. Cdt. Anuradha Giri : 3rd Year Sociology Honours

9. Cdt. Aishwarya Karan : 3rd Year Political Science Honours

10. Cdt. Rekha Yadav : 3rd Year Statistics Honours

11. Cdt. Priyanka Gahlot : 3rd Year History Honours

12. Cdt. Tholuponuri Aruna : 3rd Year Political Science Honours

13. Cdt. Shobha Yadav : 3rd Year Mathematics Honours

Certificates of Merit – NSS

1 Aishani Dhar : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

2 Zara Adil : 3rd Year History Hons.

3 Pooja Moitra : 3rd Year History Hons.

4 Aditi Mehndiratta : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

5 Divyanshi Choudhary : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

6 Kakul Ansari : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

7 Anahita Sagar : 3rd Year Journalism Hons.

8 Malvika Chauhan : 3rd Year History Hons.

9 Parul Manocha : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

10 Mansi Pandey : 3rd Year Sociology Hons.

11 Anjali Naidu : 3rd Year Economics Hons.

Certificates of Merit – Delhi University Flower Show

1. Trishla Bafna	:	2 nd Year History Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
2. Rimi Mondal	:	2 nd Year Commerce Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
3. Srishty Biswas	:	2 nd Year Economics Honours For Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
4. Bazilah Wani	:	2 nd Year Mathematics Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
5. Nitya Pahuja	:	2 nd Year Statistics Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
6. Swasti Gautam	:	2 nd Year Political Science Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
7. Sanjana Patro	:	2 nd Year Political Science Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
8. Manogya Sahay	:	2 nd Year Philosophy Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
9. Mounica Sreesai	:	2 nd Year Psychology Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
10. Anjana Dahiya	:	2 nd Year Psychology Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
11. Shikha Kansal	:	2 nd Year Economics Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
12. Vaishali Sharma	:	2 nd Year Sanskrit Honours for Outstanding Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
13. Suhani Kumar	:	3 rd Year Political Science Honours for Excellent Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
14. Prachi Das	:	3 rd Year Political Science Honours for Excellent Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
15. Veronica Sudesh	:	3 rd Year Political Science Honours for Excellent Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016
16. Himanshi Piplani	:	3 rd Year B. El. Ed for Excellent Performance at the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016

Certificates of Merit - Delhi University Flower Show

17. Shazia Naqvi : 3rd Year B. El. Ed for Excellent Performance at the Delhi University

Flower Show, 2016

18. M. K. Amrutha : 3rd Year English Honours for Meritorious Performance at the Delhi

University Flower Show, 2016

19. Milan Joji : 2nd Year Political Science Honours for Meritorious Performance at

the Delhi University Flower Show, 2016

20. Vanshika Parasher : 2nd Year History Honours for Meritorious Performance at the Delhi

University Flower Show, 2016

Certificates of Merit awarded for Contribution to the College Accreditation Process

1. Varuni Sethi 14. Shaina Ahluwalia

Swastika Jajoo
 Tanya Raj

3. Yamini Bhagat 16. Sruthi Vanguri

4. Muskaan Sandhu 17. Shriya Agarwal

5. Tanya Nagar 18. Sijan Thapa

6. Abhilasha Mansata 19. Ria Saraf

7. Thinley Choden 20. Pooja Parakh

8. Arnisha Dabley 21. Anina Dhaiya

9. Sneha Harsh 22. Vaidehi Mishra

10. Ayushi Jain 23. Krishna Priya Choragudi

11. Sana Jamal 24. Shagorika Das

12. Charul Katiyar 25. Suruchi Tripathi

13. Tushali Paliwal

Academic Prizes for University Results 2015

The following students have topped their courses in College and have also obtained positions in the University.

B. A. /B. Sc. (Honours / Programme) First Year

Highest Marks in Economics Ketki Gupta, 92%

Highest Marks in English Simran Khanna, 71.3% Highest Marks in Hindi Akshita Singh, 77.4%

Highest Marks in History Sahitya Poonacha, 76.6% Highest Marks in Journalism Sanjana Sanghi, 74.8%

Highest Marks in Mathematics Anika Jain, 92.1%

Highest Marks in Philosophy Prakriti Anand, 86.2% Highest Marks in Political Science Mahi Chauhan, 72.1% Highest Marks in Psychology Aarti Polavarapu, 87.4% Highest Marks in Sanskrit Vaishali Sharma, 86.3%

Highest Marks in Sociology Shyra Hoon, 72.4% **Highest Marks in Statistics** Mannat Arora, 90.5% Highest Marks in B. Com. (Honours) Malvika Talwar, 93.4% Highest Marks in B. El. Ed. Akshi Chauhan, 78.5% Highest Marks in B. A. Programme

B. A. /B. Sc. (Honours / Programme) Second Year

Highest Marks in Economics Ujjavala Bothra, 92.3% Highest Marks in English Abhilasha Sawlani, 79.5%

Tejasvi Nahata, 86.4%

Highest Marks in Hindi Divya Joshi, 74.4% Highest Marks in History Sakshi Ghosh, 80.9% Highest Marks in Journalism A.R. Rakshita, 81.1% Highest Marks in Mathematics Shruti Kaushal, 94.1% Highest Marks in Philosophy Shivani Sharma, 81.4%

Highest Marks in Political Science Anjali, 79.6%

Highest Marks in Psychology Bhavya Kulshreshtha,86.2%

Highest Marks in Sanskrit Vaishali Pandey, 86.8% Highest Marks in Sociology Kamalini Hegde, 78.8% Highest Marks in Statistics Kritika Mahajan, 91.8%

Highest Marks in B. Com. (Honours) Aditi Jain, 91.3% Highest Marks in B. El. Ed. Kajal Saini, 74.5%

Academic Prizes for University Results

B. A. /B. Sc. (Honours / Programme) Third Year

Shri J. N. Kataria Prize for the

Highest Marks in Economics : Vrinda Mittal, 90.04%

Highest Marks in English : Divya Garg, 70.31%

Smt. Rukmani Devi Prize for the Highest

Marks in Hindi : Priyanka Gond, 75.1%

Smt. Manorama Desai Prize for the

Highest Marks in History : Koyna Tomar, 75.1%

Highest Marks in Journalism : Sohini Chowdhury, 80.3%

Highest Marks in Mathematics : Jasmine Bhullar, 96.03%

Vivekananda Prize for the

Highest Marks in Philosophy : Rajnandini Rana, 79.7%

Smt. Rani Raghunath Sahai Prize for the

Highest Marks in Political Science : Sai Sangeet Jain, 70.4%

Highest Marks in Psychology : Arushi Kothari, 86.35%

Shri Karamchand Prize for the

Highest Marks in Sanskrit : Damini Jha, 79.86%

Highest Marks in Sociology : Arpita Mitra, 69.1%

Chameli Kiran Aggarwal Prize for the

Highest Marks in B. Sc. Statistics : Shivangi Gupta, 91.46%

Manish Gupta Prize for the

Highest Marks in B. Com. (Honours) : Tanvi Aggarwal, 88.7%

Highest Marks in B. El. Ed. (3rd Year) : Bhumika, 75.81%

Highest Marks in B. El. Ed. (4th Year) : Sarita Tiwari, 78.77%

Highest Marks in B. A. Programme : Veenu Singh, 85.25%

Teachers on Study Leave

Ms. Jyoti Darbari, Department of Mathematics, for Doctoral Research at Delhi University.

Ms. Monika Singh, Department of Mathematics, for Doctoral Research at Delhi University.

Ms. Punam Meena, Department of Hindi, for Doctoral Research at Delhi University.

Ms. Sentisungla Longchar, Department of Psychology, for Doctoral Research at Delhi University

Financial Assistance to Students

Freeships : 231 students

KPMG Scholarship : 37 students

Sikander Bakht Scholarship : 4 students

G.L. Bansal Scholarship : 2 students

ELSA Scholarship : 3 students

Tejaswi Rao Scholarship : 1 student

Shri Omkar Nath Scholarship : 2 students

Neha Puri Scholarship : 2 students

Morada Yashoda Chetna Scholarship : 1 student

Shri Har Dayal Walia Scholarship : 1 student

Shri Manohar Shyam Joshi Scholarship : 2 students

Vice Chancellor's Scholarship : 12 students

Marga Schulz Merit Scholarship : 5 students

Rotary Club of Chanakyapuri Scholarship : 3 students

South Campus Endowment Scholarship : 6 students

The College Library

The College Library with its fully computerized user-friendly data filing system has an invaluable collection of about 108436 books, 5970 bound journals, 1300 reprographic material and about 300 CDs and DVDs. It subscribes to a range of newspapers, national and international journals. The library has a book bank section, which enables students to borrow on a long-term basis. The Library is linked to the Delhi University Network, facilitating access to text and material. The Library is open from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm and is fully computerized with an error free database of all books and bound journals, created and maintained by the in-house team.

The Library has a special collection on Gandhiji under the section Gandhiana, on Gender Studies and Feminism in the section Women's Studies and on Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding. For students with special needs the Library has books in Braille script. In addition there is a collection of publications of the faculty and alumna of the College, under the section of Academic Publications. As part of the Golden Jubilee celebration of the College in 2006, a series of publications of the College including monographs on each Department were brought out. These are available in the Library.

In addition, the Library provides various online services. Along with the DU Network, it subscribes to NLIST and all students and faculty have individual passwords to access the sources. Under the User Literacy Program, the Library organizes a series of Orientation lectures and Workshops for e-resources for students and faculty.

As part of the current awareness service, a list of additions is provided monthly and news alerts are provided weekly in addition to SDI Services (Selective Disseminative Information) on demand. The Library displays book covers, along with their reviews, to inform readers about the current books. Under the Book Club, book talks are organized in which the authors and other speakers are invited to discuss the books.

The OPAC (Online Public Access of Catalogue) is fully accessible to readers and the circulation of reading material is also fully automated. Yet, although the Library is fully automated there is also a parallel system for accessioning of books. The full record is created and maintained manually as well as on computers.

VISION AND MISSION OF THE LIBRARY

- 1. To develop a Research and Learning Centre through digital facilities.
- 2. To develop a complete collection, by procuring all standard publications in different areas of Humanities, Social Sciences and basic Science.
- 3. To develop the Library as a Resource Centre of all e-resources.
- 4. To provide interactive reference series.
- 5. To train and develop an in-house team for proactive user services.

Distinguished Alumna Award



Deepika Shrivastava
(Class of 1976)

We proudly welcome Deepika Shrivastava to the Honour Roll of Lady Shri Ram College.

We take enormous pride in recognizing her exceptional service to children the world over,

For her sense of dedication and deep commitment to the cause of women's rights,

For her path breaking efforts towards making social spaces more equitable,

For her indomitable spirit in prevailing over challenges with courage and fortitude.

Deepika Shrivastava, the alumna we salute today, is an eminent woman who has made tremendous contributions to Social Sector Development. Her service to the well-being of children and women during a career spanning over three decades has earned her many accolades. She was awarded a plaque for dedicated service to the world's children, and a letter of appreciation for outstanding contribution, by the UNICEF Executive Director, UNICEF Headquarters, New York. She represents what the Lady Shri Ram College community values enormously – the zest to make a change for the better.

Deepika joined Lady Shri Ram College in 1970 and graduated in Economics Honours. She went on to study Human Development and Public Policy at the prestigious Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. Deepika has worked with a wide range of organizations including the United Nations, the Government of India and the corporate sector. Women and children's rights, improving nutrition and health and creating inclusive and sustainable growth have been central to Deepika's endeavours.

Deepika has worked on advocacy, policy analysis and development, social sector systems planning, management and monitoring, institutional capacity development and community processes. She has contributed significantly towards ameliorating the steeply declining Child Sex Ratio of the country, for example by enabling key states to evolve state specific strategies for care and protection of the girl child. Deepika has also contributed to the formulation and mainstreaming of the Twelfth Plan strategies and the chapter related to social inclusion, empowerment of minorities, education and the promotion of voluntary action.

Today we take deep pride as we celebrate this remarkable journey and the quest to bring about social equity in the face of manifold and difficult challenges.

Distinguished Alumna Award



Nita Chowdhury
(Class of 1975)

We proudly welcome Nita Chowdhury to the Honour Roll of Lady Shri Ram College.

We take tremendous pride in recognizing her outstanding contribution to the field of public administration,

For her strong sense of ethics and her will to stimulate inclusive development,

For the strength of her convictions and her contributions towards social upliftment;

For her deep and abiding devotion to the values of equality and justice.

Nita Chowdhury, the alumna we felicitate today, is a distinguished officer of the Indian Administrative Services (Uttar Pradesh Cadre, 1977). Nita joined Lady Shri Ram College in 1972 and graduated in Political Science Honours. Nita was an extremely active member of the college community with a variety of interests ranging from sports to debating. After completing her Master's degree, Nita went on to pursue LLB and then a doctoral degree in International Relations.

In her work, Nita has focussed on a wide range of areas. These have included public policy, problem solving, the changing paradigm of governance in field administration, agricultural diversification for income enhancement in the farm sector and public service and performance delivery guarantee. Law, rural economics, disaster management, left wing extremism, anti-insurgency and civil-military relations and law have also been issues important to Nita's work.

Through the course of a long and celebrated career Nita has held many notable posts. These include being the Secretary, Ministry for Women and Child Development, Secretary, Youth Affairs in the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs, DM, Jalaun, Kanpur, Commissioner of Muradabad and Agra divisions, and Principal Secretary of Industrial Development, Health and Taxation departments in the UP Government. She was also posted as Joint Secretary in Department of Animal Husbandry, Govt. of India. In all her endeavours, Nita has displayed a high level of dedication and commitment towards progress and positive change.

Today we applaud Nita Chowdhury for her remarkable achievements.

Felicitations

25 Years of Service

Dr. Krishna Menon : Political Science Department

Ms. Rukshana Shroff : English Department

Mr. Shailesh Kumar : Administrative Officer

Mr. Pradeep Kumar : Accounts Department

Mr. Vikram Singh : Administration Department

Farewell

Dr. Manjula Bhandari : Sanskrit Department

Ms. Meera Baijal : History Department

Faculty Achievements 2015-16

Dr. Suman Sharma, Principal

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper on "Women, Justice and Human Rights A Case Study of Widows in South Asia" at ISA Human Rights Joint Conference held at The Hague, The Netherlands, June 8-10, 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Higher Education in India: Challenges and Prospects" October 7, 2015 at King's Worldwide Office, King's College, London.
- Delivered a lecture on "Peace Studies in India" at the Institute of Middle East Studies, October 8, 2015, King's College, London.
- Delivered a lecture on Disaster Research Programme at a National Seminar on Exploring Social Sciences
 Tools on the theme "Role of Youth and Colleges in Disaster Preparedness" organised by Disaster
 Research Programme and NDMA, 21 September 2015.
- Principal Investigator, University Grants Commission (UGC) Major Research Project on Climate Change (2012-2016).
- UGC Nominee, ASD Government Degree College for Women, Kakinada, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh (India) – 2015.
- Appointed Member, International Collaboration Committee, University of Delhi 2015.
- Appointed Member, UGC Expert Committee on Construction of New Hostels for Women 2015.
- Nominated Chairperson by the UGC for Physical verification evaluation of ongoing projects for the construction of Women's Hostel at the Kalyani University, Nadia District & Murshidabad District of West Bengal – 2016.
- Appointed Head, Cluster-Colleges collaboration with Disaster Research Programme, Trans-Disciplinary Research Programme in Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) – 2016.
- Appointed Member, Education Courses Admission Committee of Delhi University for the Calendar Year – 2016.
- Appointed Member, Internal Advisory Monitoring and Evaluation Committee (IAMEC) of Sarojini Naidu Centre for Women's Studies (SNCWS), Jamia Millia Islamia – 2016.

Department of Commerce

Dr. Arvind Kumar

- Chaired Technical Session on Carbon Credits, Waste Management and Environmental Sustainability and participated in the 3rd International Conference on 'CSR & Sustainable Development' on May 4-5, 2015 at Sharjah, UAE.
- Delivered a lecture as a Key Note speaker in a National Seminar on "Act East Policy of NDA Government" at RCA Girls PG College, Mathura on 2 February 2016.
- Chaired a session on "Data Analytics in Healthcare Sector" at an International Conference BDAB 2016 on March 18, 2016.

Department of Economics

Parul Gupta

- Was awarded the Joel Dean Undergraduate Teaching Award for excellent performance as a teaching assistant in the Department of Economics, Johns Hopkins University, 2015. http://econ.jhu.edu/2015/ 05/21/2014-2015-professor-joel-dean-undergraduate-teaching-awards-announced/
- Was appointed as Short Term Consultant, World Bank, Washington DC, May-December, 2015.

Department of Elementary Education

Dr. Kalyani Akalamkam

Publications

- A. Kalyani. Grow with Science Class 6,7 and 8, Headword Publishers, New Delhi (2016) ISBN-978-38-393275-7
- Akalamkam, K.; Dhillon, M. D.; Ahuja, K.; and Papneja, D. (2016): "Identities in conflict: A Comparison of Drawings of Muslim Adolescents in Kashmir and Delhi", SAGE Open, January-March 2016: 1-11, DOI: 10.1177/2158244015623596. Online ISSN: 2158-2440 http://sgo.sagepub.com/cgi/reprint/6/1/2158244015623596.pdf?ijkey=zkZ8Usq9HqtRnzn&keytype=finite

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper on "From 'Being' to 'Becoming'- Pre-service teachers' beliefs and the impact on their classroom practices" at National Conference 'Teacher Education: Issues and Challenges,' February 17, 2016 organized by CIE, University of Delhi under aegis of MHRD, Govt. of India.
- Chaired the session Inclusion-classroom processes at the National conference 'Inclusion: Socio political
 perspectives' at CIE, University of Delhi, under aegis of MHRD, 8 February 2016.
- Appointed Resource Person for Curriculum development of D. El. Ed course at Jamia Millia Islamia University, February 2016.
- Participated in a training cum learning workshop 'Creative Dialogues on Violence Prevention' organised by WISCOMP in November 2015.

Projects

• Granted Innovation Project 'Believe in myself- Fostering self esteem in female adolescents'. Innovation Project LSR 301, University of Delhi, 2015-2016.

Tripti Bassi

- Presented a paper "Gendered Socialisation Experiences of Rural Sikh Girls in Ferozepur, Punjab," at Comparative Education Society of India 2015 Conference organised by Azim Premji University and the Institute of Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru on the theme 'Education-Domination, Emancipation and Dignity.'
- Participated as Convener, B. El. Ed. admissions in the segment on Elementary Education organised by Doordarshan on 2 June 2015.

Dr. Jonaki Ghosh

Publications

- Ghosh, Jonaki B. (2016), Algebraic Thinking through Koch Snowflake Constructions, Mathematics Teacher, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) 109 (9): 693-99, ISSN
- Ghosh, Jonaki B. (2015), Technology in the Mathematics Classroom: A Perspective from India, Proceedings of the 20th Asian Technology Conference in Mathematics (ATCM) held at Leshan, China in December 2015. ISBN 987-0-9821164-9-4
- Contributed an article titled "Hill Ciphers II" in *At Right Angles: A Resource for School Mathematics* (AtRiA), Volume 3 (3) November 2015.

Conferences and Workshops

- Delivered an invited talk titled "Technology in the Mathematics Classroom: A Perspective from India" in the 20th Asian Technology Conference in Mathematics (ATCM) held at Leshan, China from 16-20 December 2015. The paper has been published in the conference proceedings.
- Delivered an invited talk titled "Developing Students' Mathematical Thinking through Explorations and Investigatory Projects" at the Technology and Innovations in Mathematics Education (TIME 2015) conference held in Vidya Prathistha College of Engineering, Baramati, Pune from 4-7 December 2015.
- Presented a paper titled "Developing Mathematical Thinking through Technology" in the conference Emerging Trends in Science and Mathematics Education" held at Central Institute of Education (CIE), Faculty of Education, University of Delhi on February 18 and 19, 2016.
- Conducted a workshop for Mathematics teachers on 'Developing Mathematical Thinking' at Vasant Valley School on 9 April 2015.
- Conducted a workshop for Mathematics teachers titled 'Empowering the Mathematics Teacher: Enlivening the Mathematics Classroom' at Sanskriti School on 8- 9 May, 2015.
- Conducted a workshop session for primary Mathematics teachers in the Summer Teachers' Fellowship Programme organised by the Regional Resource Centre for Elementary Education (RRCEE), Faculty of Education, University of Delhi on 12 June 2015.
- Conducted a workshop session for primary Mathematics teachers in DIET, Keshavpuram on 26 June 2015.

Projects

 Conducted a Research Project on 'Integration of Graphics Calculators in the Senior Secondary Mathematics Classroom' in 15 Kendriya Vidalaya schools of Delhi. 500 students and 15 mathematics teachers from these schools participated in this study. The project was funded by Casio India.

Deepika Papneja

Publications

Ahuja, K.; Dhillon, M. D.; Akalamkam, K. and Papneja, D. (2016): "Identities in conflict: A Comparison of Drawings of Muslim Adolescents in Kashmir and Delhi", SAGE Open, January-March 2016: 1-11, DOI: 10.1177/2158244015623596. http://sgo.sagepub.com/cgi/reprint/6/1/2158244015623596.pdf?ijkey=zkZ8Usq9HqtRnzn&keytype=finite

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper on "Mapping Conflict in Schools: A Step towards creating Peace and Equity" at the 6th International Conference of the Comparative Education Society of India on 'Education, Domination, Emancipation and Dignity' organised at the Azim Premji University, Bengaluru, from December 14-16, 2015.
- Conducted a three days workshop for 40 teachers on the theme 'School and the Teacher' at *Adharshila*, in Madhya Pradesh from 21-23 September 2015.
- Participated in a Three day Workshop titled 'Creative Dialogues on Violence Prevention' organised by WISCOMP, 24-26 November, 2015.

Projects

- Granted Innovation Project 'Believe in myself- Fostering self esteem in female adolescents,' Innovation Project LSR 301, University of Delhi, 2015-2016.
- Granted Star Innovation Project of Rs. 8 lakhs by the University of Delhi for a study of 'The Role of Pedagogy in Strengthening Indian Democracy-Margins and Mainstream, Understanding the North-East.' (With Dr. Krishna Menon, Dr. Madhu Grover, Ms. Dipti Nath and Dr. Ujjayini Ray).

Dr. Bhawana Arora

Publications

- Arora, B. "Globalization and Technology: The Growing Interdependence and its Impact" published in the edited volume *Learning Technologies in Education* in 2015 by Jamia Millia Islamia. ISBN: 978-93-84869-29-8
- Arora, B. "Perspectives on Education and Globalization: Policy and Implications" published in the Journal Contemporary Dialogue in 2015. ISSN: 2348-8697
- Arora, B. "Preparedness of State, Administrators and Teachers for Implementing RTE- Issues and Concerns." (Research Paper) published in the edited volume, *Education as a Basic Right of Humankind* in 2015 by Indialogue Foundation: Dialogue for Peace; Jamia Millia Islamia and Gandhi Smriti & Darshan Samiti. ISBN: 978-81-931347-0-2
- Arora, B. "Changing Paradigms in Education under Gobalization: Implications for Preparing Teachers for Diversity" published in *Annubhooti: National Journal of Teacher Education*, BSAIE publication, Vol (i) in 2015. ISSN: 2454- 9657

- Presented a paper "Preparedness of State, Administrators and Teachers for Implementing RTE- Issues and Concerns" at the International Conference on 'Education as a Basic Right of Humankind' held on October 2-3, 2015 organised by Indialogue Foundation: Dialogue for Peace; Jamia Millia Islamia and Gandhi Smriti & Darshan Samiti.
- Presented a paper on "Global Perspective in Higher Education Policy: Impact on Science as a Subject" at the International South Asian Conference on 'Social Policy in Higher Education: Challenges and Possibilities' held on November 19-21, 2015 at Central Institute of Education, New Delhi.
- Presented a paper titled "Globalization and Changing Trends in Science Education in Schools: Implications for Teacher Education Programmes" at a National Conference on 'Emerging Trends in Education: New Paradigms' organised by Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, University of Delhi March 10-11, 2016.

 Presented a paper on "Teacher Education for Change: Special Focus on North-East Students" at National Workshop on 'Understanding North- East India: Dialogue on Educational Issues and Challenges' organised by Central Institute of Education on 13-14 March, 2015.

Dr. Rohit Bhatia

Publications

- R. Bhatia, R.Tandon, B. Arora, P. Attri "Chemical crosslinking: role in protein and peptide science". *Current peptide and protein science*. 2015 ISSN: 1875-5550. Impact factor:2.38. (Corresponding author)
- S. Garg, R. Bhatia, P. Attri. "Black but Gold: Carbon nanomaterials for waste water purification" in Nanomaterials for water remediation (Smithers Rapra publishers).
- R. Bhatia, S. Garg, P. Attri. "Sol-gel based synthesis of metal oxide nanoparticles for air and water purification" in "Smart Ceramics: Preparation, properties and applications" (Pan Stanford Publisher, Singapore).

- Poster Presentation: "Green synthesis of TiO₂ nanoparticles using rheum emodi rhizome extract and its antibacterial, antioxidant and DNA interaction study" Nikita, Vaishali, Amber, Kritika, Sakhshi, Nitika, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia– presented at National Conference on 'Nanoscience Opportunities and Challenges', Feburary 19-20 2016, organised at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, Delhi. (Awarded 3rd prize for best poster)
- "Synthesis of Nanoparticles Using Green Methodology And Their Application" Renuka ,Kushal, Akshu, Aarti, Shalini, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at National Conference on 'Nanoscience – Opportunities and Challenges', Feburary 19-20, 2016, organised at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi.
- "Development of antibacterial diapers with Ag nanoparticles," Mansi, Shabana, Bharti, Tahzeeb, Soumya, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at National Conference on 'Nanoscience - Opportunities and Challenges,' February 19-20, 2016, organised at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi.
- "CRISPR-CAS9 In Genome Editing" Tanya Jain, Tanya Khanna, Anupa T Anil, Muskan Nagi, Simran Nagi, Komal Sharma, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at National Symposium on 'Manmade Diseases: An Urban Menace,' February 11-12, 2016, organised at Maitreyi College University of Delhi.
- "Nutraceutical For Diabetes Management: Theoretical Investigation of Dietary Anthocyanin" Sheetal Handu, Jyoti Verma, Rohit Bhatia, Divneet Kaur presented at National Symposium on 'Manmade Diseases: An Urban Menace,' February 11-12, 2016, organised at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi.
- "Microbiology in future" Mansi, Shabana, Bharti, Tahzeeb, Soumya, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at MICROVITAE, Feburary 10, 2016, organised by Ram Lal Anand College, University of Delhi.
- "Binding Interaction of DNA With Various Drugs" Neha, Neema, Jyoti, Princy, Shivani, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at 22nd ISCB International Conference on 'Recent Trends in Affordable and Sustainable Drug Discovery and Developments,' February 6-8, 2016, organised by Uka Tarsadia University, Surat.
- "Isolation of acid phosphatase from vadia radiate and their entrapment in hydrogel." Tanya Khanna, Anupa, Tanya Jain, Muskan Nagi, Simran Nagi, Komal Sharma, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at ETFC-Emerging Trends & Future Challenges in Chemical Sciences, February 3-4, 2016, organised by Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi.

- "Hydrogel- a cheap alternate protein concentrator" Mansi, Shabana, Bharti, Tahzeeb, Soumya, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at ETFC-Emerging Trends & Future Challenges in Chemical Sciences, February 3-4, 2016, organised by Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi. (Awarded 3rd prize for best poster.
- "Ecofriendly synthesis of silver nanoparticles and study of its antibacterial and antioxidant properties."
 Manisha, Sonia Mondal, Manju Lakshmi, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at ETFC-Emerging Trends & Future Challenges in Chemical Sciences, February 3-4, 2016, organised by Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi. (Awarded 2nd prize for best poster).
- "Antibacterial, Antifungal and Antioxidant Properties of Aromatic Functionalised Fullerence." Deepali, Shivani, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at ETFC-Emerging Trends & Future Challenges in Chemical Sciences, February 3-4, 2016, organised by Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi.
- "Drug designing and structure activity relationship." Anupa T Anil, Simran Nagi, Tanya Khanna, Tanya Jain, Muskan Nagi, Komal Sharma, Taruna Arora, Rohit Bhatia presented at National Symposium on 'Lifestyle Disorders (NSLD):Understanding the Molecular Mechanisms,' January 28-29, 2016, organised by Shivaji College, University of Delhi.
- "Antibacterial effects of titanium dioxide nanoparticles, lauhabhasm and haradh" Vaishnavi Mukkawar, Shireen S, Tanishka Yadav, Sonu Singhal, Harshdeep Kaur, Rohit Bhatia, Taruna Arora presented at National Symposium on Lifestyle Disorders (NSLD): Understanding the Molecular Mechanisms, January 28-29, 2016, organised by Shivaji College, University of Delhi.
- "Evaluation of Herbal Extracts As Potential Antihyperglycemic Agents." A. Swarnkar, L. Sharma, M. Ghosh, N. Sahu, N. Luthra, Rohit Bhatia, T. Arora presented at 10th Annual Symposium on 'Frontiers in Biomedical Research,' October 29-31, 2015, organized by ACBR, University of Delhi.
- Made a presentation on "Natural Colorant-Based For Improved Seed Performance" at India International Science Festival on 5-7 December 2015 at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.
- "Functionalized Nano-Carbon Material For Organic Solar Cell And Flexible Super-Capacitor Application" presented at India International Science Festival on 5-7 December 2015 at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

Department of English

Dr. Rita Joshi

Publications

Joshi, R. May 2015. The Simla Paintings and Other Stories. Delhi: Heritage Publishers. Well-known
poet Sudip Sen included this book in his selection of Best Books of 2015 in the Sunday Guardian 3
January, 2016.

Conferences and Workshops

 Attended a Writers' Conference organised by the academic journal Voices at Diggi Palace, Jaipur on 19-20 December 2015.

Dr. Madhu Grover

Conferences and Workshops

 Presented a paper titled "On the edge: The conundrum of Kipling's ambivalent fictions" at an International Conference on 'Kipling in India: India in Kipling' at Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, 26-28 April 2016 in association with the Kipling Society, United Kingdom.

Dr. Shernaz Cama

 Dr. Cama has been on sabbatical leave on Deputation to the Ministry of Minority Affairs as the Chief Coordinator for the Everlasting Flame International Programme 2016, New Delhi. She has been working since May 2015 in the UK to create collaborations with SOAS, University of London as the SOAS exhibition 'Everlasting Flame: Zoroastrianism in History and Imagination' was proposed to be showcased in India under the Ministry of Minority Affairs Scheme Hamari Dharohar. She has created collaborations with the British Library, the British Museum, the V&A, the Ancient India and Iran Trust and the Wellcome Institute.

Publications

- Cama, S. "Khatta Meetha: A Descriptive account of Parsi Food," *Traditional Cuisines of India* ed. S.K. Misra, Indian Trust for Rural Heritage and Development.
- Cama, S. "Sacred Armour: Relevance in a Changing World," *Zoroastrian Flame: Exploring Religion, History and Tradition*. Eds. Williams, Alan, Sarah Stewart & Almut Hintze, London, 2016.
- Cama, S. *Threads of Continuity: Zoroastrian Life and Culture*, a Compendium published in conjunction with the exhibition of the same name, March, 2016.

Conferences and Workshops

- Curated and presented International Exhibition and cultural events, Such A Long Journey, focussing on the contribution of Zoroastrians and Parsees to world culture, March, 2016.
- Created a major Programme of collaboration with ICHTO, the Iranian Cultural, Heritage and Handicraft and Tourism Organization leading to the Iran Government agreeing to loans with India.
- Appointed Curator of the SOAS Everlasting Flame Exhibition at the National Museum, New Delhi and Curator of the Exhibition *Threads of Continuity: Zoroastrian Life and Culture* at the IGNCA.
- Organised an International Academic Conference 'Zoroastrianism in the New Millennium' on 22-23
 March a part of the Everlasting Flame programme, conducted jointly by Parzor and the National Museum
 Institute, a Deemed University.
- As part of the EF Cultural Programme organised a Film and Art Festival with talks and performances by eminent personalities in collaboration with the India International Centre and the IGNCA.
- Made a presentation at the ICH Conference, Tehran on "Mehregan," one of the seasonal festivals and presented a paper on 4 October 2015.
- Sent a paper on "Navroze" to the ICH Conference, Tehran in March, 2016.
- Delivered a talk at Ashoka University, Sonepat under the Young India Fellowship Programme on 'Different Faiths of India and their Contemporary Relevance' on 9 November 2015. The topic of her speech was "Zoroastrianism: Can a Bronze Age Faith Survive in a Post-Modern World?"
- Chaired the Session on "Parsi Excavations at Sanjan" by archeologist Dr. Rukhana Nanji at the India International Centre, November, 2015.
- Represented Parzor at the International Udvada Utsav held in Udvada, Gujarat, 23-26 December 2015.
 A film Jiyo Parsi was produced by her for this occasion.

Dr. Maya Joshi

Publications

 Published a chapter titled "Rahula Sankrityayan and Buddhism: A Complex Engagement," in On the Trail of Buddhism in Asia: Reflections on Tradition and Practice, Eds. Suchandana Chatterjee and Sushmita Bhattacharya, Kolkata: Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies/Pentagon Press. 2016. pp 76-87. ISBN978-81-8274-830-9.

Conferences and Workshops

- Delivered a talk titled "Myths Beyond Borders? Reflections on Teaching Barthes in Delhi", at 'Roland Barthes: Today, Here: An International Workshop', at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Delhi, (organised by IITD, Institut Francais En Inde and ICSSR) Dec 10-11, 2015.
- Delivered a talk titled "Volga se Ganga: Vyakhyaan aur Paricharcha", at the Department of Hindi, LSR College, January 28, 2016.

Dr. Arunima Ray

• Was awarded her Ph.D. Degree in June 2015.

Publications

- Ray, Arunima. "The Politics of the Body: Wollstonecraft Interrogating Rousseau." http://theapollonian.in/ ISSN 2393 9001
- Ray, Arunima. "Confronting the Aboriginal and the Colonial History: Reading White's A Fringe of Leaves." Postcolonial Approaches to Literature: Text, Context, Theory. Eds. Subashish Bhattacharjee, Saikat Guha and Mandika Sinha. New Delhi: AuthorsPress. ISBN-10: 9352071190.

Dipti Nath

Publications

- Nath, Dipti. "Memory, Imagination, History and Identity: David Malouf's Writing and the Postcolonial."
 A Warble of Colonial Voices: An Anthology of Short Stories and Poems, Volume II. Someshwar Sati,
 Ed. Worldview: Delhi. (2015) ISBN: 978-93-82267-16-4.
- Nath, Dipti. "Postcolonial Literatures and Questions of Form" *Writing the Postcolonial: Poetics, Politics and Praxis.* Someshwar Sati, Ed. Worldview: Delhi. (2016) ISBN: 978-93-82267-15-7.

Conferences and Workshops

Conducted a three hour session on 'Gender in Literature and the Arts' at Engendering Research:
 Perspectives and Possibilities, An International Training Workshop for Faculty Members of Sherubtse
 College, Royal University of Bhutan, 22-25 January 2016, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, organised
 by Women in Security, Conflict Management and Peace (WISCOMP).

Projects

• Granted Star Innovation Project of Rs. 8 lakhs by the University of Delhi for a study of 'The Role of Pedagogy in Strengthening Indian Democracy-Margins and Mainstream, Understanding the "North-East'. (With Dr. Krishna Menon, Dr. Madhu Grover, Ms. Deepika Papneja and Dr. Ujjayini Ray).

Wafa Hamid

Publications

 Hamid, Wafa, "The Poetics of Identity in Agha Shahid Ali's Ghazals" in G D Goenka Journal of Applied Psychology: Research journal for School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Vol I Issue 2. July-Dec 2015. ISSN 2395-1036. Pp. 82-89. Print.

- Hamid, Wafa (Nov 2015-Feb 2016) "Beyond the Margins: Caste Culture and Politics in Daya Pawar's Baluta" [Review of the book Baluta by Daya Pawar trans. by Jerry Pinto] in The Earthern Lamp Journal. Vol. III, Issue II (ISSUE 8). ISSN: 2327-29. Web. http://www.earthenlampjournal.com/issue8/bookreview.php?review id=63
- Hamid, Wafa (Nov 2015-Feb 2016) "A classic with contemporary relevance" [Review of the book In a Land Far From Home: A Bengali in Afghanistan (Deshe Bideshe) by Syed Mujtaba Ali. Translated from Bengali by Nazes Afroz] in The Earthern Lamp Journal. Vol. III, Issue II. (ISSUE 8) ISSN: 2327-29. Web. http://www.earthenlampjournal.com/issue8/bookreview.php?review id=73
- Hamid, Wafa (Feb 2016) "Memory's Landscape" [Review of the book Ashes, Wine and Dust by Kanza Javed] in The Earthern Lamp Journal. Vol. IV, Issue I. (ISSUE9) ISSN: 2327-29. Web. http://www.earthenlampjournal.com/bookreview.php?review_id=73
- Hamid, Wafa (Feb 2016) "Home in the world" [Review of the book *Matchbox:* Stories by Ashapurna Debi translated by Prasenjit Gupta] in *The Earthern Lamp Journal*. Vol. IV, Issue I. (ISSUE9) ISSN: 2327-29. Web. http://www.earthenlampjournal.com/bookreview.php?review id=61

Conferences and Workshops

- Delivered lectures on "English and Indian English Literature", "The Rise of the Vernaculars Literature" and "Hindu Nationalism, Hindu-Muslim Relations and Violence" for a course on Indian Culture under the Soka-University-St. Stephen's College Academic Partnership Programme 2016 on 24-26 February 2016.
- Participated in the International Workshop on 'Roland Barthes: Today, Here' held at Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Delhi, 10-11 December 2015.
- Faculty resource person for 'Translating India/Understanding Diversity' series, A Katha-IGNOU Initiative, 21 September 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Indian Culture through English Language" for a course on Indian Culture under the Soka-University-St. Stephen's College Academic Partnership Programme 2015 on 9-11 March 2015.
- Invited as member of Moderation Board of Humanities & Social Science Discipline, for moderation of Question Papers of End Semester Examinations (Odd Semester) of G.D. Goenka University held on 29 October 2015.

Department of Hindi

Dr. Priti P. Prajapati

Publications

- Prajapati, P. "हिन्दी गुजल की सांगीतिक सम्प्रषणीयता" (pp. 389) in the special issue (May August 2015) on 'Contemporary Hindi Ghazals' of अलाव, a bi-monthly literary journal. ISSN: 2278-5884
- Prajapati, P. "विकलांग स्त्री अस्मिता और हिदीं सिनेमा" in "भारतीय सिनेमा और नारी" (Navbharat Publication) in the year 2015. ISBN: 978-93-82119-30-
- Prajapati, P. "ठुमरी की मेरी गुरु" published in Sangna, a quarterly journal of the Sangeet Natak Academy, Delhi.

- Presented a paper titled "Aadhunik Hindi Kavita ka sangeetik roopantaran: Sampreshan ki naveen Sambhavnayen" on March 2-4, 2015 at the International Confest 'Plurilingualism and Orality in Translation' held at Indraprastha College for Women, Delhi.
- Invited to give a Hindustani Classical Vocal Recital organised by Sankalp, a national level organization promoting upcoming Indian Classical musicians.
- Interviewed by Doordarshan (India's National TV Channel) on their programme, 'Images' which celebrates life and works of inspiring women.
- Interviewed by FM Rainbow (India's National Radio Channel) on their programme, 'Images' which celebrates life and works of inspiring women.
- Invited to participate as a poet in a Kavi Sammelan organized by All India Confederation of the Blind (AICB).
- Invited as poet in a Kavi Sammelan organised by Kamala Nehru College.
- Initiated an inter-disciplinary series of lectures, अंतर अनुशासिक व्याख्यन एव परिसंवादमाला. This lecture series brought together faculty members from the departments of History, Psychology, English, Sociology and Sanskrit to share their knowledge and research with Hindi-medium students.

Dr. Darshna Dhawal

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper on "Mohan Rakesh ke Natkon ke Nari Paatr: Aadhunikta Sandharbon mein" at a two day National Seminar on 'Hindi Natak aur Rangmanch: Prasangita aur Choonotiya' in PGDAV college (DU) 6-7 November 2015.
- Presented a paper on "Media me dalit stri ka sthan" at a Two day National Seminar on 'Bhartiya sahitya me dalit stri ka chitran aur chintayen vishya sandharb: samajik parivesh' in Kamala Nehru College, Delhi University, 2-3 November.

Dr. Sarika Kalra

Publications

- Kalra, S. Muktibodh aur Raghuveer Sahay ke Kavya ki Antarvastu. Delhi: Sanjay Prakashan, 2016. ISBN NO—978-81-7453-324-1.
- Kalra, S. "Dohri Mansikta" in GIA (Group in Action] Challenges for Women in the 21st Century 2015, Volume 1, Issue 1, May-Aug 2015.
- Book Review "Samkaleen Stree Vimarsh ko Vinay Kumar Pathak ki den" published in Shod Sanchar Bulletin from Lucknow, ISSN NO- 2229 3620, April-September, 2015.
- Kalra, S. "Pata Badal Gaya Hai" in Navlekhan Hindi Kahaniyan from National Book Trust ISBN 978-81-237-7785-6.
- Kalra, S. "Pata Badal Gaya Hai" in Sahitya Amrit Literary Magazine December, 2015. ISSN 2455-1171.
- Kalra, S. "Celebrity" and "Peela Kagaz" poems published in Mantvya 4, Lucknow ISSN no 2350-0050.
- Kalra, S. "Mannu Bhandari ki Katha Nayikayein" published in conference proceedings, 18-19 March 2016. ISSN no 978-93-82597-49-0.

- Presented a paper on "Mannu Bhandari ki Katha Nayikayein" at an International Seminar organised by DAV College, University of Delhi on 18-19 March 2016.
- Presented a paper at a National Seminar on 'Rajsatta ka Sangharsh aur Bhakti Kavita' conducted by Shri Aurobindo College, University of Delhi, 18-19 September 2015.
- Presented a paper in an International Seminar on 'Samay ke Sath Media Samay ke hath Media' conducted by Govt. College, Sanjouli, Shimla, H.P., 5-6 October 2015.
- Presented a paper on "Badalte Pariprekshya aur Bhartiya Nari" at 10th National Conference on 'Women in Indian Culture Through the Ages' at University of Mysore, Karnataka conducted by Indian Council for Historical Research, New Delhi & Centenary Celebration Committee of University of Mysore, Mysuru from 24-26 December 2015.
- Presented a paper on "Bhojpuri ko Bhikhari Thakur ka avdan-Bideshiya" in a two-day National Seminar organized by D. A. V. College (Evening) University of Delhi on 12-13 February 2016.
- Was invited to attend the 10th World Hindi Conference by Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of India at Bhopal from 10-12 September 2015.

Dr. Kanchan Verma

Publications

 Verma, K. Hindi Mein Shakespeare ke Sukhant Natak: Anudit Bhasha aur Kathya, Published by EPH New Delhi. ISBN- 978-93-5073-610-4.

- Presented Paper in Hindi on the topic "Poorvottar Bharat Ke Janjatiyun ki Bhashaon ke vikas mein Hindi ki Bhoomika" at Mizoram Hindi Training College, Aizwal from 22- 24 September 2015.
- Paper selected for Presentation on the topic "Use of Film as a Pedagogic Tool in Language Teaching" in International Conference on 'Humanity, History and Society and IEDRC' at the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands from 20-21 March 2016.
- Conducted workshop on the topics 'Hindi Language Teaching in the Middle School' and 'Theatre in Language Class Room' for In-service TGT Teachers and Teacher Educators at Senior Secondary Girls School, Noida from 24-28 August 2015, organised by SCERT, New Delhi.
- Conducted a session for WISCOMP on 'Stereotypes and Discrimination: Popular Culture and Stories
 of Change' as part of the workshop 'Gender, Violence and Youth Citizenship: Training for Youth from
 Urban Slums, Low Income and Displaced Communities' in Delhi-NCR at India Habitat Center, New
 Delhi on October 2, 2015.
- Conducted a session for WISCOMP on 'Imagining Change: Young Women's Choices and Future' as part of the workshop titled 'Hum Sabal: Samanta ki ore, Gender Equality, Freedom and Violence Prevention' at IIC Annexe, New Delhi from 23-24 November 2015.
- Participated in a one Day National Seminar organized by B.El. Ed Department, Lady Shri Ram College for Women on 'Pedagogical Discourse in Teacher Education: Films as a Pedagogic Tool' held on September 7, 2015.
- Participated in a Two Day WISCOMP Workshop on 'Hum Shashakt: Mahila Hinsa ke Virudh Ekjut' at India Habitat Center, New Delhi, 8-9 July 2015.

 Participant in a Two-Day National Seminar on 'Media: Sarokar, Samaj aur Sahitya' organised by Motilal Nehru College, University of Delhi on 24- 25 March 2015.

Department of History

Dr. Vasudha Pande

Publications

- Pande, V. "Anthropogenic Landscapes of the Central Himalayas," History and Nature Seminar 673 September, 2015, pp.48-53 ISSN 0971-6742
- Edited the E-book Cultures in the Indian Sub-Continent I ISBN No. 978-93-85611-61-2
- Edited the E-book Cultures in the Indian Sub-Continent II ISBN No.978-93-85611-6
- Editor, Revised Version BHIE -107 *Modern Europe* Indira Gandhi Open University November, 2015.
 - The Origins of Modern Politics I, 1 ISBN 978-93-85911-00-2
 - The Origins of Modern Politics II, 2 ISBN 978-93-85911-01-9
 - Industrialisation in Europe, 3 ISBN 978-93-85911-02-6
 - Modern Industrial Society, 4 ISBN978-93-85911-03-3
 - The Nation State System, 5 ISBN 978-93-85911-04-0
 - Colonialism and Imperialism, 6 ISBN 978-93-85911-05-7
 - The Crisis of the 20th Century I, 7 ISBN 978-93-85911-06-4
 - The Crisis of the 20th Century II, 8 ISBN 978-93-85911-07-1

- Presented a paper "Pedagogy in a Digital Age, Breaking Boundaries: Interdisciplinarity, E-Learning and Universities without Walls" Project EQUAL, Jadavpur University, 7-8 January 2016.
- Presented a paper on "Changing Landscapes in the Himalayas: The Gorkha Empire, Unfolding Central Himalaya: The Cradle of Culture," International Seminar, Doon Library and Research Centre, 11-12 December 2015.
- Presented on "Foraging Traditions of the Central Himalayas, Tracing Mountain Landscapes: Connecting Himalayan Cultures," Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, 23-24 September 2015.
- Gave a talk on "Kumauni and Uttarakhandi Identities in the Central Himalayas- c. 1800-2000." Making
 of Regions in South Asian History, Department of History, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi, 9-10 March
 2016.
- Presented a paper on "Writing Environmental Histories: Narratives from the Central Himalayas" at the Creative Theory Annual Conference, India International Centre, September 5-6, 2015.
- Gave a talk on "Gender, Generation and Labour in Rural Uttarakhand: Exploring Intersectionalities through the Prism of Social Ecology" organised by Uttarakhand Seva Nidhi Paryvaran Shikshan Sansthan, Almora on 6-7 June 2015 Review of ICSSR sponsored research project.

- Presented a paper "Folk and Literary Culture in the Making of Kumaun Literary Cultures and History" in South Asia National Seminar, History Department, Jamia Millia Islamia, 11-12 March 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on the Occasion of Republic Day at Press Enclave, New Delhi, 26 January 2016.
- Delivered a lecture at the Hindi Department Lady Shri Ram College on "Lok Geet Sangrah Ki Vishamtayen" on 5 November 2015.
- Delivered a lecture at St. Stephen's College on "From Poetry to Prose: Rajula Malushahi, a Ballad from Kumaun" on 16 October 2015.
- Delivered a lecture at the Department of English, Lady Shri Ram College on "200 Years after Waterloo: Napoleon and French Political Culture" on 8 October 2015.
- Delivered a lecture at Almora Degree College on "Historiography of Kumaun Studies" on 27 July 2015.
- Delivered a lecture at Kirori Mal College on "Cultural and Intellectual Developments in Europe from 1850-1914" on 9 April 2015.

Awards

 Received the Daughter of Uttarakhand Award given by Shail Savera and Newspaper Owners Congress on 21 April 2016 at IIC New Delhi.

Dr. Smita Sahgal

Publications

- Sahgal, S. "Situating Kingship within an Embryonic Frame of Masculinity in Early India" in *Social Scientist*, Vol. 43, Numbers 11-12, November-December 2015, pp. 3-26. ISSN 0970293.
- Book Review of Jaya Tyagi's, Contestation and Compliance: Retrieving Women Agency from Puranic Traditions in Indian Historical Review, 42(2), pp. 336-339, 2015, ISSN 03769836.

Conferences and Workshops

- Delivered a talk on "Contesting notions of Virility and Violence: Alternative images of masculinity within the Mahabharat," at the Aung San Suu Kyi Centre for Peace at Lady Shri Ram College on 11 August 2015.
- Interacted with members of Study Circle of bureaucrats and ex-civil servants, Noida on the topic, "Draupadi and Madhavi: Reading Trajectories of some Women Characters of the *Mahabharata*," 19 February 2016.
- Chaired a session and delivered a talk on "Output of Quality Assurance in Higher Education; the Evolution of a Complete Individual," at Fourth National Student Academic Congress, Maharaja Agrasen College, 12 March 2016.
- Delivered a talk on "Reflections on Gender Relations within the *Mahabharata*," at Sharda University, Greater Noida, 17 March 2016.

Dr. Pankaj Jumar Jha

• Awarded Ph.D. by the Department of History, University of Delhi for thesis entitled 'Reading Vidyapati: Language, Literature and Cultural Values in 15th Century North Bihar'.

Conferences and Workshops

 Presented a paper entitled "Historical Knowledge and the Making of Subject-populace in Multi-lingual Times" at the Department of History, University of Delhi, North Campus on 2 September 2015.

Dr. Shatarupa Bhattacharya

Publications

Bhattacharya, S. "Religious Traditions: Puranic-Hinduism and Tantricism," in *History of India, 750-1200*, (2015), online resource created and hosted by Institute of Lifelong Learning, University of Delhi. ISSN No. 2349-154X (http://vle.du.ac.in/mod/resource/view.php?id=12318)

Department of Journalism

Dr. Vartika Nanda

Publications

- Nanda, V. Raniyan Sab Janti Hain: Vani Prakashan, 2015 (selected amongst TOP 5 books by Femina)
- Nanda, V. Khabar Yahan Bhi: Samayik Prakashan, 2015.
- Nanda, V. "Tinka Tinka Tinka Tinke Main Bhi Aas Hai" in Media Vimarsh, December 2014, P-164-169, ISSN. ISSN 2249-0590
- Nanda, V. "Media Space Main Aurat Ki Maujoodagi" in Media Vimarsh, Sept 2015, P 37-40, ISSN 2249-0590.
- Nanda, V. "Radio Karega Kamal" in Media Vimarsh, April- June 2015, Page 32, ISSN 2249-0590
- Wrote "Tinka Tinka Dasna" theme song and created a calendar for Dasna jail, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- Wrote "Gaon Ki Selfie" song on women's empowerment.
- Scripted and directed a musical video on Tihar jail, *Tinka Tinka Tihar*.

- Delivered a talk on "People Friendly Policing" at Rajasthan Police Academy in collaboration with BPR & D, 6 October 2015.
- Invited to speak as the Chief Guest at a function on 'Media ke Zamane main Hindi,' organised by NTPC, Delhi, 14 September 2015.
- Delivered a talk on "Naye Daur main Patrakarita aur Sahitya ka Rishta," to the Hindi Department, Hindu College, Delhi University, 7 September 2015.
- Delivered a Keynote Address, "Hindi aur Media," at NTPC, Delhi, 1 September 2015.
- Invited as Judge and Speaker at Abhivyakti, CDOT, Delhi, 18 June 2015.
- Was the Keynote Speaker on "Women's Security(Post Nirbhaya)," at SAMPURNA, Delhi,10 May 2015.
- Invited as speaker and moderator, Online Journalism, Samayik Prakashan, Delhi, 21 November 2015.
- Delivered a talk at UNICEF Technical Advisory Group Meeting, Delhi,10 June 2015.
- Nominated as a member of the Council of MNREGA, Ministry of Rural Development.

- Appointed Expert on the Evaluation Committee as a member for DD-Urdu Channel.
- Appointed Member of the General Council of the Sahitya Kala Parishad in the Department of Art, Culture & Language, Ministry of Education, Government of NCT of Delhi.
- Appointed Member of 3-member jury for NSFA and SFFI at FTII, Pune in February 2015 for the selection of films.

Awards

- Featured in the Limca Book of Records, 2015 for authoring *Tinka Tinka Tinka Tihar*, the first collection of poems written by selected women inmates of Tihar Jail.
- Awarded Ojaswini Vishisht Alankaran, for her work on Prisons and Media, 13 December 2015.
- Javitri Devi Joshi award for her contribution to human interest stories, 10 October 2015.
- Laadli Media and Advertising Award for Gender Sensitivity for the public service film, *Nanakpura Kuch Nahi Bhoolta*.
- Women Achiever Award by Delhi Study Group, 2015.

Mr. Anugyan Nag

Publications

 Nag, A. "Locating Rituparno Ghosh in Tollywood" in Rituparno Ghosh: Cinema, Gender and Art (December, 2015) Routlege, Edited by Sangeeta Dutta, Kaustav Bakshi and Rohit K. Dasgupta. ISBN: 978-1-138-95390-1.

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper with Spandan Bhattacharya "Constructing the Popular through an Industrial Discourse: Post Liberalization Bengali Cinema through Tollywood" in UGC Sponsored National Conference 'Imagining the Indian Popular: Globalisation and its dis/contents,' March 3-4, 2016, Zakir Hussain College (Evening).
- Appointed Collegium Member at the 34th La Giornate Cinema Del Muto-Pordenone, Italy, from 3-10 October 2015.

Department of Mathematics

Dr. Bhavneet Kaur

Publications

 Kaur, B., & Aggarwal, R. (2015). "Robe's Restricted Problem of 2+2 Bodies with Perturbations in the Coriolis and Centrifugal Forces with a Roche Ellipsoid-Oblate System". In I. J. Rudas (Ed.). Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on 'Applied and Theoretical Mechanics' (MECHANICS '15), Kuala Lumpur, Malyasia (pp. 40-51). (ISSN: 2227-4588, ISBN: 978-1-61804-304-7).

Conferences and Workshops

 Presented a paper titled "Robe's Circular Restricted Problem of 2+2 Bodies with a Roche Ellipsoid-Triaxial versus Oblate System" at the International Conference on 'Current Trends in PDEs: Theory & Computations', South Asian University, New Delhi, December 28-30, 2015.

- Presented a paper titled "Robe's Circular Restricted Problem of 2+2 Bodies with a Roche Ellipsoid-Triaxial System" at the International Conference on 'Celestial Mechanics & Dynamical Astronomy', Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, December 15-17, 2015.
- Attended and presented a paper titled "Robe's Restricted 2+2 Body Problem Revisited with the Bigger Primary a Roche Ellipsoid" at South Asian Mathematics Research Scholars Meet, South Asian University, New Delhi, May 8-9, 2015.
- Attended and presented a paper titled "Generalised Robe's Circular Restricted Problem of 2+2 Bodies" at a Symposium on Indian Women and Mathematics 2015, University of Delhi, April 2-4, 2015.

Department of Political Science

Dr. Krishna Menon

Publications

- Menon, Krishna (2016) "On the Question of Free Speech and Censorship" in Sentiment, Politics, Censorship- The State of Hurt. Edited by Ramdev, Devesan Nambiar and Bhattacharya. Sage, New Delhi ISBN 978-93-515-0304-0, pp 252-264.
- Malhotra, Meenakshi and Menon, Krishna (2016) "State Intervention in Women's Rights" in Women and Empowerment in Contemporary India. Edited by Brati Biswas and Ranjana Kaul. Worldview Publications, New Delhi. ISBN 9789382267256, pp 142-154.
- Menon, Krishna (2016) Review of Indian Classical Dance The Renaissance and Beyond by Leela Venkataraman in the Book Review. http://www.thebookreviewindia.org/articles/archives-4807/2016/january/1/the-story-of-indian-dance.html ISSN: 0970-4175, pp. 37-39.
- Menon, Krishna "Temples of Equality" in The Deccan Chronicle/ Asian Age, New Delhi, 30 January 2016.
- Menon, Krishna "What Women Want" in the The Deccan Chronicle/ Asian Age, New Delhi, 8 March 2016.
- Menon, Krishna "Society is the Widow Maker" in The Asian Age, 31 March 2016. New Delhi.

- Presented a paper on "Schooling the Indian Woman's Body-Questions of Gender and Globalization in Asia" in Conference on the Social Sciences, Sociology and Globalization in Asia at Hiroshima, Japan, 24-26 August 2015.
- Presented a paper on "The Nation and Its Music- Questions of Caste and Gender in the Classical Music of South India" at a seminar in the School of Development Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi, 12 February 2016.
- Conducted a workshop on 'Marxist Feminism and Radical Feminism' at National Workshop on Feminist Theory at the Women's Studies and Development Centre, University of Delhi, 1 March 2016.
- Conducted a workshop on 'Gender in the workplace.' at In-service Course for Post Graduate Teachers of Computer Sc. (2nd Spell) 2015-16, Kendriya Vidyalaya organized by MHRD, GOI, 29 December 2015.
- Conducted a workshop on 'Towards Equality- Feminist Understanding of Violence' at 'Creative Dialogues on Violence Prevention' organized by WISCOMP, 24 November 2015.

- Was Consultant Resource Person for The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung to discuss the paper "Political Feminism in India" by Prof. Vibhuti Patel & Radhika Khajuria, New Delhi, India, 24 February 2016.
- Was the chair in a Seminar Panel on "Gender, Conflict and Displacement" by Department of Political Science, University of Delhi, ICSSR National Seminar 7-8 August 2015, New Delhi, India.
- Delivered a lecture on "Socialist Feminism and Feminist Political theory" at Centre for Women's Development Studies, University of Delhi, April, 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Feminist Research Methodology" at Qualitative Research Methodology workshop, NUEPA, New Delhi, 5 August 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Women's Movement in India" at Department of Psychology, Lady Shri Ram College, 8 August 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Contemporary Women's Movement –Issues and Challenges" at O.P. Jindal Global University, 15 October 2015.
- Delivered a lecture on "Women and Law" at Hans Raj College, University of Delhi, 5 November 2015.
- Was the Resource Person for International workshop for faculty from Sherubtse College, Royal Bhutan Embassy, Bhutan organised by WISCOMP.
 - Gave lectures on "Feminisms- People, Politics and Philosophy" & "Resisting Violence-In Pursuit of Equality," 22-25 January 2016, New Delhi.
- Delivered a lecture on "Democracy, Social Exclusion and Rights in Contemporary India" at an ICSSR supported seminar at Miranda House, 20 April 2016.
- Appointed as Member of Government of NCT Committee to sensitize young people of the Universities about PC-PNDT Act, Government of NCT, Delhi, March, 2016.
- Appointed Consultant Resource Person for Centre for Advocacy and Research (CFAR), Strengthening Public Discourse on Domestic Violence on and off the Media- Panelist, 11 December 2015.
- Appointed Consultant Resource Person for International Centre for Advocacy and Research, Developing the Idea of School of Life: Facilitating Multi-Stakeholder Exchange. Panelist, New Delhi, 24 August 2015.

Projects

 Star Innovation Project granted Rs. 8 Lakhs by the University of Delhi for a study of 'Role of Pedagogy in Strengthening Indian Democracy-Margins and Mainstream Understanding the North-East.' (With Dr. Madhu Grover, Ms. Dipti Nath, Ms. Deepika Papneja, and Dr. Ujjayini Ray)

Dr. Sunalini Kumar

Publications

- Kumar, S. "Sense and Sentimentality: A Political Fable" in Rina Ramdev, Sandhya Devisan Nambiar, Debaditya Bhattacharya (ed.) The State of Hurt: Sentiment, Politics, Censorship. New Delhi, Sage, 2015. ISBN 9789351503040.
- Kumar, S. Women's Empowerment: A Critical Survey edited book, New Delhi, Worldview Publishers.
- Co-authored book on Political Theory. Orient Blackswan.

- Review of Eat Dust by Hartman de Souza (Harper Collins 2015), in Himal South Asian Magazine. ISSN: 1012-9804. Appeared in the December 2015 Print Quarterly Edition – Vol 28, Number 4.
- Kumar, S. "JNU Bashing is an Old Pastime but Things Just Got Much Worse" in www.scroll.in (February 14, 2016)
- Kumar, S. "To Nivi Ma'am With Love" in *Outlook* Magazine web edition (March 15, 2016)
- Kumar, S. "When Crime Becomes Ordinary, Ordinary Life Will be Criminalised," www.kafila.org, March 13, 2016.
- Kumar, S. "Apologise to the Nation, All of You." www.kafila.org, February 25, 2016.
- Kumar, S. "Which COURT of Justice for Vinay Sirohi? www.kafila.org, November 13, 2015.
- Kumar, S. "Yes, the Biharis chose Mud over the Lotus. Get Over It." www.kafila.org, November 10, 2015.
- Kumar, S. "The Fiction of Fact Finding: Harassment of Delhi University Teachers Union President." www.kafila.org, October 18, 2015.
- Kumar, S. "House of Cards." www.kafila.org, October 13, 2015.

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper titled "How do we solve a problem like Delhi? Capital City Development and National Planning in Early Postcolonial India" at International Seminar titled 'Urbanism, Exclusion and Social Change' organized by the Humanities and Social Sciences Department, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan, March 2016.
- Presented a paper titled "Ambedkar on Nationalism as Social Democracy: Revisiting Old Insights in New Times" in National Seminar on 'Revisiting Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in the Era of Globalisation' organized by Political Science Department, Shaheed Bhagat Singh College at Jawaharlal Nehru University, March 2016.
- Delivered a Skype Lecture on "The Crisis in JNU", Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, February 2016.
- Delivered a talk on "Women and Nationalism" at St. Stephen's College, February 2016.
- Made a presentation at a 3-day International Workshop titled 'Pathways to Sustainable Urbanisation' organised by International Social Science Council, Jawaharlal Nehru University and Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, JNU, January 2016.
- Discussant for a Paper Presented by Professor Ravi Sundaram at CSDS Annual Faculty Seminar, December 2015.
- Supervised M. Phil awarded under supervision to Priti at the Department of Political Science, University
 of Delhi, December 2015.

Awards

- Was awarded a one year Visiting Fellowship at Centre for Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, July-ongoing.
- Selected for the Fulbright-Nehru Postdoctoral Fellowship for 2016-17 at Columbia University, U.S.A.

Mahesh S. Panicker

Conferences and Workshops

 Presented a paper on "Changing Laws, Changing Practices: Disability, Law and Recognition" in Second National Conference on 'Discrimination, Difference and Legal Justice in India' at Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 3-4 February 2016.

Dr. Siddharth Tripathi

Awarded Ph.D. for 'The European Union and Norms Promotion in Security Sector Reform:
 A Comparative Study of Bosnia-Herzegovina and Afghanistan', by Jawaharlal Nehru University,
 25 January 2016.

Publications

• Tripathi, Siddharth (March 2016), "EUPOL Afghanistan: What can the EU Learn?", Atlantic-Community.org, URL: http://www.atlantic-community.org/-/eupol-afghanistan-what-can-the-eu-learn-

Conferences and Workshops

 Delivered a lecture on "The EU as a Normative Actor," at a Workshop on 'Regional Powers and EU Foreign Policy,' PRIMO and Centre for European Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 28 April 2015.

Priya Kumari

Publications

- Kumari, P. "The Arctic Council and Indigenous Population," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), *Arctic Perspectives*, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-2-6.
- Kumari, P. "Arctic Littorals Augment Military Capabilities," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), Arctic Perspectives, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-2-6.
- Kumari, P. "Indian President's Visit to Arctic Neighborhood," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), *Arctic Perspectives*, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-2-6.
- Kumari, P. "Assessing India's Need for a Polar Icebreaker," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), Arctic Perspectives, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-2-6.
- Kumari, P. "Myanmar's Emerging Equation with China," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), Maritime Perspectives, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-1-9.
- Kumari, P. "New Actors of the RIMPAC Exercise 2014: China, India and Norway," in Vijay Sakuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana (eds.), Maritime Perspectives, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation, (2015), ISBN: 978-81-930159-1-9.
- Kumari, P. "The Common (Wealth) of Youth," *Open Democracy: Free Thinking for the World,* London and republished by *Commonwealth Action: Promoting the Commonwealth in the 21st Century*, 28 August 2015.

Department of Psychology

Dr. Priti S. Dhawan

Publications

Dhawan, P. "Levels of Significance". Research paper written for the Statistics journal, February 2016.

Conferences and Workshops

- Was the Key note speaker at K.R. Mangalam School, Air Force auditorium, March 2015.
- Delivered a Public Lecture on "3R's of Knowledge" at Campus Calling series, a *Hindustan Times* Initiative, June 2015.
- Delivered a Public Lecture on "Are we logged on or hooked on?", India International Center, 2 February 2016.

Projects

• Granted Innovation Research Project 'Believe in myself: Fostering healthy self-esteem in female adolescents'. (LSR 301) with Dr. Megha Dhillon, Dr. Kalyani, Dr. Kanika Ahuja, Ms. Deepika Papneja.

Dr. Kanika Ahuja

Publications

Ahuja, K.A., Dhillon, M., Kalyani, A. & Papneja, D. (2016). "Identities in conflict: A comparison of drawings of Muslim adolescents in Kashmir and Delhi". Sage Open, January-March, 2016, 1-11. DOI: 10.1177/2158244015623596.

- Conducted a talk cum interaction on "Preparing for a new beginning," with parents at orientation to Nursery in various branches of Amity School, Saket on 30 March 2016 and in Vasundhara on 2 April 2016.
- Held a lecture cum interaction titled "Overcoming transitional roadblocks" for parents at orientation to Class I, Salwan Public School, 27 February 2016.
- Delivered a lecture cum interaction titled "Making the right career choices" at Pathways School, Gurgaon, 11 February 2016.
- Delivered a talk "Is DU Calling?," to students of Class XII, Birla Vidya Niketan on 17 July 2015.
- Participated in a talk cum interaction titled "Campus Calling", organised by Hindustan Times for admission seekers, 30 May 2015.
- Participated in a panel discussion on career choices with parents and students of Class XII, Bluebells School, 16 May 2015.
- Conducted a talk cum interaction titled "Starting school on the right foot," with parents at the orientation to Nursery, Amity School, Noida on 6-7 April 2015.

- Conducted a series of workshops on 'Enhancing self esteem' for students of Class IX-XII in Kendriya Vidyalaya, Andrewsganj 25 January, 2016; 10 February, 2016; Andhra School, ITO on 11 December, 2015 and Pushp Vihar on 15 December 2015.
- Organised two workshops 'Building emotional literacy' and 'Facilitative communication in the classroom,' for teachers, Srijan School, 29-30 June 2015.
- Delivered a TED talk titled "Me diabetic, You depressed: Are we different?," TEDx at Birla Public School, Pilani, 11 April 2015.
- Attended King's College London for a week-long Professional Development Visit, 12-16 October 2015.
- Delivered a talk on "Lets Uncomplicate Mental Illness: Lessons from Social Psychology" to Scholarly Activity and Publications (SAP) Group of University teachers, mental health nurses, and midwives, London South Bank University, London on 19 October 2015.
- Delivered a talk on "Where does beauty lie? In the eyes of the beholder, media or oneself?" to undergraduate students of Psychology, Kings College London on 16 October 2015.

Projects

- Granted interdisciplinary Innovation Research Project LSR 301 (along with Dr. Priti Dhawan, Dr. Kalyani A., Dr. Megha Dhillon & Ms. Deepika Papneja) titled 'Believe in myself: Fostering healthy self-esteem in female adolescents', 2015, funded by University of Delhi.
- Principal Investigator as part of the Star Innovation Project titled 'Mirror Mirror on the wall...Am I the loveliest of them all?' 2016, funded by University of Delhi.

Dr. Megha Dhillon

Publications

Dhillon, M. D.; Ahuja, K.; Akalamkam, K. and Papneja, D. (2016): "Identities in conflict: A Comparison of Drawings of Muslim Adolescents in Kashmir and Delhi", SAGE Open, January-March 2016: 1-11, DOI: 10.1177/2158244015623596. Online ISSN: 2158-2440 http://sgo.sagepub.com/cgi/reprint/6/1/2158244015623596.pdf?ijkey=zkZ8Usq9HqtRnzn&keytype=finite

Conferences and Workshops

• Presented a paper titled 'Believe in myself: Fostering healthy self-esteem in female adolescents', at the NAOP Conference, 25th Silver Jubilee Convention, Allahabad, 2016.

Projects

• Granted Innovation Research Project 'Believe in myself: Fostering healthy self-esteem in female adolescents'. (LSR 301) with Dr. Priti Dhawan, Dr. Kalyani, Dr. Kanika Ahuja, Ms. Deepika Papneja.

Dr. Sentisungla Longchar

Conferences and Workshops

• Was resource person at a one day State Level Seminar, Sakus Mission College, Dimapur, Nagaland on 'Rethinking Education and Society,' 2 March 2016.

Department of Sanskrit

Dr. Pankaja Ghai

Conferences and Workshops

- Presented a paper on "Dating of Apastamba and Bodhayana Dharmsutras: An analysis" in National seminar on 'Vedic chronology: A reassessment' organised by Department of Sanskrit, University of Delhi and Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan on 26-28 September 2016.
- Presented a research paper on "References of Mind and Body and States of Consciousness in Upanishads" at a National Seminar on 'Science and Spirituality in Vedic Traditions: Modern Context' organised by Wider Association for Vedic Studies and Delhi Sanskrit Academy, Delhi on 27-29 November 2015.
- Attended the national workshop entitled 'Pramukha Upanishadon mein Lokadharma' organised by Special Centre for Sanskrit studies, JNU, Delhi and presented a research paper on "Pramukha Upanishadon mein Aachar Nirupan" in November 2015.
- Delivered a talk on "Kautilya Arthashastra: Eka Parichaya" in a series of inter disciplinary lectures organised by the Department of Hindi, LSR, on 10 March 2016.

Dr. Vandana Bhan

- Presented a paper on "Vartman Jagat ki Kuch Samasyayen evam Gita mein Nihit Samhadhan" at an International Seminar organised by the Department of Sanskrit, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, December 2015.
- Presented a paper on "Kalidas ki Shakuntala Sashakta Nari ka Pratiman" at a National Seminar, Department of Sanskrit, Bharti College (DU), Delhi, February 2016.
- Presented a paper on "Upanishadon mein Ganitiya Siddhant" at a National Seminar, Department of Sanskrit, Vivekananda College (DU), Delhi, February 2016.
- Presented a paper on "Sanskrit Shastron ke Adhyayan par Paristhitiyon ka Prabhava" at a National Seminar, Department of Sanskrit, DU South Campus, Delhi, March 2016.
- Presented a paper on "Aadhunik Yug mein Upanishadon ka Mahatva" at the Akhil Bhartiya Sanskrit Sammelan, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, Delhi, March 2016.
- Delivered a talk on "Sanskrit Origin of Words used in Daily Office Work," presented at Transport Research Wing, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India, August 2015.
- Gave a talk on "Vartman Jagat Ki Kucch Samasyayen Va Geeta Mein Nihit Samadhan," on All India Radio, Kurukshetra, December 2015.
- Prepared the Sanskrit Qawalli Team for Sanskrit Week Celebration, Department of Sanskrit, University of Delhi, August-September 2015.
- During Gita Jayanti celebrations in Kurukshetra, delivered talk on All India Radio Kurukshetra on the topic "Vartman Jagat ki Kuch Samasyayen evam Gita mein Nihit Samhadhan."
- Worked as analyst on the papers presented in the Upanishad group (all four sessions) during Akhil Bhartiya Sanskrit Sammelan, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, Delhi, March 2016.

Department of Sociology

Dr. Saswati Bhattacharya

Publications

• Bhattacharya, S. "Hands that craft: The 'Art' of idol-making in West Bengal," in *Kala The Journal of Art History Congress* Vol:XXI, 2015-2016 ISSN 0975-7945.

Conferences and Workshops

 Papers accepted at 3rd ISA Forum Conference to be held at Vienna, Austria July 10-14, 2016 namely, "Analysing a Spectacle: Durga Puja and the Possibilities of a Temporal Art Form." and "Akshardham Temple in Delhi: Conjuring Heritage, Strengthening Communities."

Department of Statistics

Dr. V. Ravi

Conferences and Workshops

 Attended and presented two papers at a Conference held between 24-26 February 2016 at Waljat College of Applied Sciences, Sultanate of Oman. The two papers won the prize for best papers in a session and overall conference. Also, chaired a session in the conference.

Department of the B.A. Programme

Dr. Sushila Madan

Publications

- Jain R., Madan S., "Cloud Shield: Model to Secure User Data While Using Content Delivery Network Services" World Academy of Science, Engineering and Technology *International Journal of Computer* and *Information Engineering* Vol:3, No:1, 2016. International Science Index Vol:3, No:1, 2016 waset.org/ abstracts/37699.
- Jain R., Madan S., Garg B., "Framework to Secure Data Access in Cloud Environment" Springer International Publishing Switzerland 2015. Y.Tan et al. (Eds.): ICSI-CCI 2015, Part II, LNCS 9141, pp 127-135, 2015. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-20472-7_14
- Kaul A. & Madan S., "A Progressive Software Project Management Maturity Model (PSPM³) for GCC countries" in *International Journal of Emerging Technologies in Computational and Applied Sciences*; May 2015: ISSN (Print) 2279-0047; ISSN (Online) 2279-0055.
- Sahi, G., & Madan S., "STEP model approach for linking website usability dimensions and website success measures in B2C e-commerce Setting" *Int. J. Business Information Systems*, Vol. 20, No. 2, Page:219-237, 2015.

Conferences and Workshops

 Delivered a talk on "Empowering Women to Lead Change" in a National Seminar in Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Kharkhoda, Sonepat (Haryana), Sponsored by DGHE, Panchkula (Haryana) on 15 December 2015.

- Delivered a talk on "Emerging Trends in IT: Ubiquitous Computing, Green Computing, Big Data " for PGT Computer –Science teachers of Kendriya Vidyalya at Sainik Vihar Delhi-34 on 2 January 2016.
- Delivered a session on Research Directions in "Cloud Security and Cyber Security" on FDP programme (10 – 15 February, 2016) on "Current Trends in Cloud and Cyber Security", organised & conducted by Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Engineering, New Delhi, on 13 February 2016.
- Delivered a talk on "Ubiquitous Computing", in a 'Seminar On Emerging Trends And Technologies,'
 ACM Student Chapter, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, Delhi University, on 22 February 2016.
- Chaired Technical Session in "Cyber Security: Contemporary Threats and Solutions" in a National Conference On Emerging Trends In Information Technology (NCETIT' 2016) organised by Institute Of Information Technology & Management In Collaboration With Institute Of Innovation In Technology & Management on 19 March 2016.

Meenakshi Pahuja

Publications

Co-Authored the 35th Annual Swimming Statistical Bulletin-2015

- Was a Resource Person for Curriculum and Syllabi Designing of Skill Development Programmes/ selffinancing Programme for Diploma Level Courses (Vocational Training Programme) at the National Seminar organised by Indira Gandhi Institute of Physical Education & Sports Sciences, Department of Physical Education, University of Delhi held on 22 March 2016.
- Attended Trurf-2015-16, 7th Global Sports Summit, International Convention on 'Business of Sports' organised by FICCI & Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India on 22 & 23 February 2016.
- Mentioned in the Limca Book of Records 2016 in addition to having been named in the 2013 Edition of The Limca Book of Records.

 Disaster Risk Reduction and Community Resilience Building: Half day workshop organised in collaboration with Disaster Research Program, JNU on 20 January 2016. This was an initiative of sensitizing the youth by involving them in a participatory neighbourhood mapping programme. The participants included Mr. O.P. Singh (IPS) Director General, NDRF, Prof. Amita Singh (JNU), Prof. Milap Punia (JNU), Dr. Suneeta Reddy (JNU), Dr. Suman Sharma (Principal LSR and also Core College



Coordinator), students and faculty of colleges like Miranda House, Gargi College, Kamala Nehru College, Motilal Nehru College, teachers from Government neighbourhood schools of LSR and RWA representatives from Garhi village.

LSR has been identified as the nodal college for this programme which aims to work with students and various societies such as NSS and



environment clubs to sensitise and make them part of social citizenry.

- Visit of Principals from Andhra Pradesh: 30
 Principals, lecturers of government Colleges along with Joint Director, Collegiate Education Department of Andhra Pradesh visited Lady Shri Ram College for women on 6 January 2016 as part of a 5 days training programme on leadership development organised by NUEPA for women administrators of Andhra Pradesh.
- Understanding Diversity: Focus on the North East: Day-long Seminar with the key note address by the Hon'ble Minister of State for Home Affairs, Mr. Kiren Rijiju on 30 September 2015. Events included Panel Discussions on 'Conflict and/of Identity' and 'Narrating Difference: Literature, Identity and Orality' with Dr. Sanjoy Hazarika, Jamia Millia Islamia, Dr. Bimol Akoijam, JNU, Ms. Sentisungla Longchar,





LSR, Dr. Senganglu Thaimei, Miranda House, Dr. Joy Pachuau, JNU and Dr. K.B. Veio Pou, Shaheed Bhagat Singh College as panelists. In addition there was a theatre performance, a lecdem on the martial art of Manipur, movie screenings followed by discussions with the directors, a cultural performance by students and exhibitions by HIVE, the fine arts society and PROJEKT, the film society of the College.

- Domestic Violence and Sexual Harassment of Women: Workshop with some of the city's top judicial magistrates organised by the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of the college along with the Women's Development Committee on safety of women at work place. The workshop was conducted jointly by Metropolitan Judicial Services Member Chetna Singh, Secretary Delhi Legal Services Authority Monika Saroha and Delhi Metropolitan Magistrate Shreya Arora Mehta.
- Anubandh- 100 Mile Communities: Ms. Ela Bhatt was invited to speak on her latest book titled Anubandh followed by a Panel Discussion with Ms. Bhatt and 2 student representatives on 'The relevance of Sustainable Development in the 21st Century and Conscious Capitalism'.
- Visit by the High Commissioner of Australia: On 22 of January 2016, when the High Commissioner of Australia, His Excellency, Mr. Patrick Suckling visited LSR, together with members from the Australia-India Institute and spoke to students about Australia-India

Relations. His Excellency was introduced by Prof Amitabh Mattoo, CEO of the Australia India Institute.



- 'Being Young and Woman': Dialogue with students and faculty members from Fairfield University, Connecticut held on 5 of January, 2016. The session began with Dr. Suman Sharma welcoming the visitors to LSR. Themes discussed included the role of the family in development, identity formation within complex and heterogeneous societies, relationships/ intimacy and negotiating the multiple worlds that young people find themselves belonging to simultaneously.
- Econvista 2016: Second International Economics Students' Symposium, on the theme 'Global Economic Crises since 1970s: Issues, Implications and Resolutions' held from January 28-30, 2016. The Symposium sought to deliberate upon the probable causes, sociopolitical implications and the possible future corrective actions to a series of economic crises since the 1970s, which still continue to plague the lives of large numbers of people in this interconnected globalized world of today.
- Pedagogical Discourse in Teacher Education-Using Films as a Pedagogical Tool: National Seminar organised by the Department of Elementary Education on 7 September 2015.



Events included a Panel discussion on 'Films as a Pedagogic Tool in Initial Teacher Preparation' with panelists Prof. Namita Ranganathan, CIE, Dr. Bimol Akoijam, JNU, Ms Samina Mishra, Film-maker and Ms Nidhi Gulati, Department of Elementary Education, Institute of Home Economics, followed by parallel interactive sessions in different disciplines -Learner Studies; Educational Studies; Pedagogical Studies – Sciences (including EVS) and Mathematics; Social Sciences and Languages. The event saw an active participation of teacher-educators from various institutions who shared their experiences of using films in their teacher education classrooms and explored further possibilities of the same.

- Chat With a Diplomat: Session hosted by the Department of Political Science in association with Global Youth India and the American Centre on 22 September 2015 on India-US relations and the American Culture. The speakers were Ms. Jessica Edwardsen, Press Officer, US Embassy, India, Ms. Emily, Programme Director, American Centre, US Embassy, India, and Mr. Branden Young, Deputy North India Coordinator, US Embassy.
- Litmus: The Annual English Department Symposium took place in March 2016 on the theme 'Bodies of Conquest: Narratives of Territory in Mythology.' The symposium included panel discussions, student discussions, paper presentations and a photography and art exhibition titled "Mapping the Self".

- MAAZI-O-MUSTAQBIL: The Annual Academic Meet of the History Department. Organised on the 26-27 February 2016. The theme for the fest was the Future of Indian Pasts. Events included a story-telling session by Prof. Bharati Jagannathan – 'Hanuman's tail, Sita's tale, Vibhisana's Telltale: The Many Tales of Ramakatha'. There was also a Panel session titled 'Commissions and Omissions in the Changing Landscape of the Past Panelists included Prof. PK Dutta, Prof. Hilal Ahmed and Prof. Shubhra Nagalia.
- ENIGMA: The Mathematics Department's Annual Academic Meet was organised on 19 February 2016. The meet included events such as paper presentations, a debate and a photography competition. 200+ students from various colleges participated in the meet.
- POLPOURRI: Annual Academic Meet of the Department of Political Science. The theme for 2016 was 'Understanding War in the 20th Century' which was explored through a variety of engrossing events, including a Panel Discussion with Prof. Varun Sahni, Prof. Navnita Chadha Behera, Brig. Gurmeet Kanwal and Mr. Salman Haider, on the theme, a movie screening of Turtles Can Fly which was then discussed with students and a quiz. The meet ended with Jang ke Rang, a cultural event that explored nuanced understandings of war.
- From Stumbling Steps to Confident Leaps: Harnessing the Power of Positive Psychology: Seminar organised by the Department of Psychology on 19-20 February 2016. The seminar aimed at expanding knowledge of positive psychology principles and their application in everyday life. The objective of the seminar was to understand the significance of constructs such as Hope, Resilience, Gratitude and Forgiveness and their relationship with wellbeing.
- SANSKRITI: Annual Academic Meet of the Department of Sanskrit. Organised on 23 February 2016, it was a rich blend of culture, linguistic unity and academics. It extended the opportunity for the students to showcase their talents in public speaking, music and art. It also helped in developing a sense of pride for the Sanskrit language.

• KULA: The Annual Academic Meet of the Sociology Department held on March 18-19, 2016, was a two day long inter-disciplinary Symposium on South Asian Urbanisms. The inaugural lecture by Dr. Gautam Bhan from Indian Institute of Human Settlements, Bangalore was followed by three panel discussions on the themes: Remembered Cities, Lived Cities and Imagined Cities. The aim was to break the disciplinary barriers to inspire the sociological imagination about cities. The panels comprised of a set of distinguished scholars, activists, and theatre personalities.

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- NSS-LSR volunteers Apoorva Sharma, Akshita Singla and Malvika Verma conceptualized a rural entrepreneurship model by the name Basta: Waste to Worth and were selected to present their ideas at the UN Headquarters, New York as part of the US Based Non Profit A Million for a Billion and India Partner Connecting Dreams Foundation Programme.
- Aparna Sachdeva was selected to represent the University of Delhi as part of the Student Study Abroad Programme at King's College, London. She also received the Aket Kansil Memorial Award presented to the Visually Impaired students securing highest position at the CBSE class 12th examination.
- 3. Aashi Rastogi won the Gold Medal in the Asian Air Gun Championship and the Asian Shooting Championship held in Kuwait.

- Ananya Chopra won the Team Bronze in the 7th
 Junior Shot Gun Championship held in Finland
 and the 12th International Shot Gun
 Championship held in Italy.
- 5. SUO Surbhi Meena represented India as a Youth Ambassador as part of the NCC Youth Exchange Programme to Russia.
- 6. SUO Damini Rathore represented India as a Youth Ambassador as part of the NCC Youth Exchange Programme to Singapore.
- 7. Diksha Pandey, Ipsita Dasgupta, Mehar Panwar, Nivedita Jha and Rijhima Rishi were selected by Citizens Alliance, an empanneled I&PRD, Govt of Bihar for a field research project on Inclusive Development titled BadhChala Bihar.
- 8. Swastika Jajoo won the International Blogger Contest organised by the Jaipur Literature Festival. She was invited to write officially for the festival from 18 26 January 2016 and was selected to attend the Global Youth Consultation as a member of the United Nations Major Group of Children and Youth to Doha, Qatar on October 1 and 2, 2015 where she was part of the Drafting Committee.
- Parinaaz Saini was selected to represent the country at a Special Olympics Event- 'GENUIN: Social Impact Summit' at Los Angeles, USA by Special Olympics Bharat under the Sports Authority of India.



ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

The academic year 2015-2016 was witness to a wide range of intellectual activities organised by the various Departments and their respective associations. These events provided intellectual stimulation for students by enabling them to interact with academicians and resource persons of international and national repute while simultaneously providing platforms for collaboration, dialogue and exchange. The lectures, seminars and workshops organised by the Departments throughout the year facilitated an atmosphere of academic excellence, research-oriented collaborations and helped in the expansion of the intellectual and creative output of the students.

Department of Commerce

Academic Meet

The Department of Commerce organised its Annual National Meet COMQUEST on October 15 and 16, 2015. The event saw huge participation from the best colleges of University of Delhi apart from outstation colleges including college delegations from Nepal and Bhutan. COMQUEST began with the most high profile event of the meet – The Panel Discussion. The topic of discussion was 'Emerging Start-up Culture in India' and the panel consisted of Mr. Naman Sharma (Founder, U'th Time), Mr. Nishant Mittal (Founder, Testament), Mr. Onkar Khullar (Founder, I Impact India), Mr. Snehil Khanor (Founder, Find Yahan), Mr. Vineet Gupta (Co-





Founder, Jamboree and Ashoka University), Mr. Vimblendu Jha (Founder, Million Kitchen), Mr. Rajiv Vij (Founder, Carzonrent) and Mr. Suchir Suri (Founder, Food Talk India). Ms. Naghma Sahar (Associate Editor and Senior Anchor, NDTV) was the moderator for the discussion. The discussion was a hotly debated one and saw extremely pertinent issues being raised like that of tax laws and reforms, business against startups, central bank policies and CSR.

Day 1 of COMQUEST saw three competitive events take place, starting with the business plan event 'Game plan'. The online preliminary round was a case study to test the analytical and logical ability along with problem solving and decision making ability of the participants. Twelve teams were shortlisted for the finals in which they were asked to present their business plans. All three awards at this event were bagged by NSIT. The most popular event at COMQUEST was 'Quizinga' - the business quiz organised by The Dais with Quiz Master Balasubramanyam Pattath. The guiz covered issues ranging from marketing to business, current affairs and commerce. COMQUEST also witnessed one of a kind Treasure Trove which is the conventional treasure hunt, only this time, with clues based on business incorporating an online GK quiz, a beg, borrow, steal, search in the college campus followed by clues tracking to get to the final clue, reaching first would lead to victory.

Day 2 began with 'Virtuoso: The Best Manager Event' which saw participants put to test their advertising, marketing and brand-building skills. This event started with an auction of different assets from the hospitality industry where the participants raced to build the most luxurious hotel with a given budget. Eight participants were shortlisted for the second round where they faced a crisis situation. This round saw a lot of creativity and some spectacular ads to revamp the tarnished image of existing companies. The final round saw 5 top contestants design a new product and build a marketing campaign around the same. Next was 'Stock Maze: The Mock Stock Event', organised by the BSE Institute Limited. This event saw one of the highest participations. The mock stock simulated the conventional over-the-counter trading of stocks and was set in a real-time updating stock market. The first position was bagged by LSR. The Indian High-Level Economic Meet was a one of its kind politico-economic committee simulation. A joint high level meeting between representatives from the Ministry of Finance, Reserve Bank of India and prominent civil society members took place which engaged students in a heated discussion on "Improving the ease of Doing Business in India with special emphasis on International Investment sentiments and digitization of the economy". The best delegate award was bagged by Sankalp Sharma who represented Mr.Arun Jaitley, Minister of Finance, Government of India. 'Vortrag', the paper presentation event tested the research and analytical skills of students. The final event saw 12 shortlisted teams presenting their research papers

on one of the three topics- "Don't blame Germany for the Greece's debt crisis", "Scenario of Aviation sector in India: Can we expect the worries to fly away soon?" and "Is disinvestment really that good for India or is a rethink in order?" The team from NSIT won the event.

The Department officially brought the meet to an end at the closing ceremony on the 16th.

Lectures and Talks

On 15 September 2015 the Department organised a talk on "Careers in Management Accounting" by CIMA. The talk was delivered by Ms. Kanwaljeet Khurana (F.C.A, CFE-USA).

On 24 September 2015 a talk was conducted on "Career Paths after Graduation". The speaker was Mr. Vineet Gupta, Managing Director, Jamboree.

An interactive session on "Techniques to solve Case Studies" in association with Princeton Review took place on 6 October 2015.

On 17 March 2016 Deloitte organised a talk on "Inclusion in the Corporate sector". The speaker was Ms. Nitasha Islam, USI Audit Senior Manager. On 18 February 2016 a session on "Statement of Purpose" by Princeton Review took place.

Association Highlights

On 3 November 2015 Ms. Guneet Kaur conducted a session on the "Graduate School Maverick Programme". Around 10 teams were shortlisted for the case study round. A team also qualified for the nationals held at Deloitte University, Hyderabad. On 5 November 2015, the Department conducted an assembly in the auditorium. With the startup culture slowly dominating the corporate world, the change in the business environment was highlighted by the students.

Department of Economics

Symposium

The Department of Economics organised its second International Economics Students'

Symposium, ECONVISTA 2016 on the theme 'Global Economic Crises since 1970s: Issues, Implications and Resolutions' from January 28 to 30, 2016. The broad objective was to deliberate upon the probable causes, socio-political implications and the possible future corrective actions to a series of economic crises since the 1970s, which still continue to plague the lives of large numbers of people in the interconnected globalized world of today. ECONVISTA witnessed participation from institutions of national and international repute including Kathmandu College of Management Nepal, University of Kabul, Ashoka University, IIM Indore, Loyola College Chennai, Jai Hind, Mumbai, Christ University, BITS Pilani, St. Xavier's Kolkata and Symbiosis, Pune. Students from Hindu, Miranda House, College of Business Studies, Sri Venkateswara College and many others across the University of Delhi too participated with great enthusiasm.

On the opening day, ECONVISTA 2016 began with its new initiative, 'Ideas Forum', an event devoted to dialogues with academic experts and scholars in the field on issues of global concern. The Keynote Address by Dr. Shankar Acharya, Honorary Professor, ICRIER on "India's Macroeconomic Policies - Past Crises and Challenges Ahead" set the tone for the ensuing deliberations. While emphasizing the need to focus on inclusive growth, he also drew attention to some specific policy challenges currently being faced by India like the GST bill, labour reforms and bad

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capitalization of public sector banks. 'Global Financial Crises: A Societal Perspective' was the theme of the panel discussion chaired by Dr. Pradeep Agarwal, Institute of Economic Growth. Dr. Shamika Ravi, Brookings Institution, Mr. G. Sampath, *The Hindu* and Ms. Jayshree Sengupta, Observer Research Foundation (ORF) were the eminent panelists. The ensuing discussion brought



together diverse perspectives on the pros and cons of globalisation and the impact of the global crises on India. The experts particularly emphasized how good institutions were fundamental to overcoming any crisis. The Research Methodology Workshop by Ms. P. P. Krishnapriya, Consultant at ICRIER, covered the nuances of data analysis and some guidelines on writing a research paper. A fitting finale to the day was provided by Dr. Sumangala Damodaran, Ambedkar University Delhi with her discussion cum demonstration on the theme 'Music in the Times of Crisis: Reflections from Recent History'. The role of alternative mediums in understanding crises was much appreciated by the young scholars.

Ideas Forum was followed by two days packed with events which rested on applying and testing classroom learning in creatively constructed, intelligently designed and well simulated real life situations. Dr. Saroj Gupta Memorial Paper Presentation, 'Crisis Divination', 'Eco Matters', 'Eco Prayog', 'Monopoly Reloaded', 'Quest Maestro', 'Checkmate', and 'Policy Dilemma' were some of the other highlights of ECONVISTA 2016.

Lectures and Talks

The Department invited Dr. Pulapre Balakrishnan, Ashoka University on 6 August 2015 to speak on "The Monetary Policy Function in the Draft Indian Financial Code". Dr Pulapre Balakrishnan brought to light some interesting clauses of the draft of Indian Financial Code (IFC), which was released on 23 July 2015.

On 20 August 2015, Dr. Ashwini Deshpande, Delhi School of Economics addressed members of the Department on the "Economics of Discrimination". Dr. Deshpande talked about the book *Identity and Economics* which focuses on how social identities govern the behaviour of the people and how it eventually shapes an economy.

Dr. Sisir Debnath, ISB, was invited on 3 September 2015 to discuss "Correlation vs. Causation". The lecture commenced with the story of a physician, John William Snow, who not only established a correlation between cholera outbreaks and drinking water from hand pump but also managed to establish the causation.

Dr. Atul Sood, Jawaharlal Nehru University addressed the Department on 10 September 2015 on "Rethinking India's Development". He discussed how privatization is based on the tenet of hefty subsidies which favour the rich at the cost of the poor.

On 22 September 2015, Dr. Indradeep Ghosh, Meghnad Desai Academy of Economics spoke on "Why is the Euro in a crisis?" Dr. Ghosh offered an insightful and emphatic account on the Euro Crisis, dwelling on its multifaceted dimensions like output crisis, unemployment crisis, debt crisis, banking crisis etc.

Dr. Subir Gokarn, Brookings India was invited to the Department on 3 November 2015 to discuss "Indian Growth: Short term drivers and long term challenges". The lecture aimed to give a broad overview of the European economy before and after the Euro crisis.



As part of the Dr. Saroj Gupta Memorial Special Lecture and Scholarship Award, Dr. Dipa Sinha, Centre for Equity Studies spoke on "Hunger Amidst Plenty: Role of National Food Security Act" on 18 February 2016. Dr. Sinha drew a causal link between food insecurity and malnutrition with empirical findings for India.

A Guest Lecture was organised during the Financial literacy week from 7-10 March 2016. The speaker was Dr. Indira Rajaraman, an ex IIMB faculty and a research scholar at Harvard and Stanford. This insightful session on "Union Budget" analysed the new budget in terms of the country's treasury.

Association Highlights

The Department Clubs functioned very effectively throughout the year, with a range of activities. The Books and Documentary Review club organised several book reading sessions like the one on *Why Nations Fail*, authored by Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson, which helped students in understanding better the economic policies adopted in various circumstances. Such discussions were supplemented by screening many insightful documentaries including *Commanding Heights: The Battle of Ideas, Princes of Yen, Last Train Home*, etc.

As part of the 'Beyond the Classroom Club' initiatives, two educational visits were organised for the students. The first one was to NITI Aayog on 3 September 2015, where a group of 29 members were introduced to the functioning of the institution by a panel of esteemed experts. The

other exposure visit to Deen Dayal Research Institute in Chitrakoot during 10 to 12 December 2015 gave the students an enriching experience on self-reliance model for rural areas based on integral humanism.

The Financial Literacy week was one of the flagship initiatives of the FISCUL to spread awareness amongst students regarding various aspects of financial markets. The other sessions conducted by the club on Syrian crisis, Chinese stock market crash, asset mortgage crisis of 2007-08, etc helped the students explore different aspects of crises.

A preliminary session on research was organised by the Econ Whiz Club, where Mr. Udayan Rathore, faculty of the Department, was invited to discuss the alternative ways of writing a research paper, the issue of plagiarism, self-plagiarism etc. TEC also trained the students of the Department in solving case studies for interviews, which got an overwhelming response from participants.

Achievements and Awards

The Department of Economics won Best Contingent Award at CONFLUENCE X, and INCEPTUM, 2015, organised by the St. Xavier's College, Kolkata and Hansraj College, Delhi respectively. In addition, the LSR Economics Department team was declared Best Outstation Contingent Team at ARTHANOMICS 2015, the National Economics Meet at Jai Hind College, Mumbai. Students of the Department also won prizes in several events like paper presentations, quiz, debate and case studies at national level economics symposiums held at St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, Jai Hind College, Mumbai and Hansraj College, Delhi. The prestigious Dr. Saroj Gupta Memorial Scholarship Awards, 2016, were conferred on Deepali Garg and Aindrilla Mukherjee of the first year, Ketki Gupta of the second year and Nandini Kumar of the third year of the Department.

Department of Elementary Education

Seminar and Academic Meet

A National Seminar on 'Pedagogical Discourse in Teacher Education- Using Films as a Pedagogical Tool' was organised on 7 September 2015. It began with a panel discussion on 'Films as a Pedagogic Tool in Initial Teacher Preparation' with panelists Prof. Namita Ranganathan, CIE, Dr. Bimol Akoijam, JNU, Ms Samina Mishra, Filmmaker and Ms. Nidhi Gulati, Institute of Home Economics, followed by parallel interactive sessions in different disciplines - Learner Studies; Educational Studies; Pedagogical Studies -Sciences (including EVS) and Mathematics; Social Sciences and Languages. The event saw active participation of teacher-educators from various institutions who shared their experiences of using films in their teacher education classrooms and explored further possibilities of the same.

The much awaited two day Annual Academic Meet, SEHAR was organised on 22 and 23 January 2016. This year the theme was 'Gender and Sexuality: Emerging issues in Education' and an enriching programme was put up by the Department. It began with a Keynote address on "Gender Justice and Women Empowerment" followed by a panel discussion on 'Gender and Sexuality' in which speakers highlighted both the feminist and masculine perspectives, as well as the queer perspective. The two day event included a play, book reading of *Vagina Monologues*, workshops on Understanding Sexuality and Addressing Sexuality in the classrooms as well as student events such as debates and Ad-Mad.

Lectures and Talks

On 18 August 2015, Prof. Avijit Pathak, JNU, was invited to deliver a talk on the theme "Social implications of Schooling". The Department invited Ms. Shikha Gulati, Bluebells School, to deliver a talk on "Children's Literature and School Library-Perspectives and Experiences". To expose students to language pedagogy in elementary

classrooms, a talk on "Methodologies for Teaching Language: Reflections from the Field" by Ms. Keerti Jayaram was organised. Prof. A.K. Sinha was invited to deliver a talk on "Teaching Syntax in Primary School". An engaging talk on "Men's Beauty Parlours/ Masculinities" by Mr. Faizal Ahmed helped students to develop a critical perspective on issues of gender and sexuality. On 7 April 2016, the Department organised a talk by Prof. Anita Charles, Visiting Fulbright Scholar, on "Constructivism".

Workshops

Story telling workshops were conducted throughout the year. On 18 October 2015, the Department invited Ms. Moloyshree Hashmi to interact with the second year students and to uncover various aspects of story-telling. Another workshop was conducted by Ms. Jaishree Sethi on 21 January 2016 to help students reflect upon various story-telling skills.



A workshop on 'Developing Appropriate Material for Teaching' was conducted by Shahji from Jodogyan.

Association Highlights

The orientation ceremony was held on 15 July 2015 which comprised of exciting ice-breaking activities and games to let the new entrants experience the magic of LSR and give a glimpse of the next four years in the Department.

An Inter Department Debate competition 'Manthan' was organised by the Department in collaboration with the Hindi debating society Vaktritva.



Department of English

Academic Meet

The Annual English Department Symposium LITMUS took place in March 2016 on the theme 'Bodies of Conquest: Narratives of Territory in Mythology.' Pre-litmus events included a talk titled "Shangri La to GPS maps: Stories of Tibetan Myths and Legends" by Mr. Tenzin Tsundue, Tibetan Poet and Activist and a discussion on "Bodies of Women Bhaktas: Myths or Biographies?"by Dr. Bharati Jagannathan, Delhi University. The symposium included panel discussions on 'Postcoloniality and the Body in Mythology', 'Conquest/Conflict: Bodies of War' and 'Myth, Madness and the Grotesque', student discussions on 'The Child and Family in Fantasy Fiction and Modern Myth Making', paper presentations and a photography and art exhibition titled 'Mapping the Self' inaugurated by Mr. Chandan Gomes (Shri Aurobindo Center for Arts and Communications, Delhi). It explored the themes of construction and deconstruction of identities. Dr. Rupendra Guha Majumdar, Delhi University, Prof. Rukmini Bhaya Nair, IIT Delhi, Mr. Abhishek Majumdar, Indian Ensemble Theatre Group, Bangalore, Prof. Mallarika Sinha Roy, JNU and Prof. Manjeet Baruah, JNU were among the esteemed speakers for various events.

Lectures and Talks

Several talks were organised through the year. Professor Craig Brandist from the University of Sheffield, England spoke on "Early Soviet Critique of Information and European Philology and the Rise of Post Colonial Theory" on 4 August 2015. The talk addressed how Marxists and Orientologists in revolutionary Russia (c.1904-1930) challenged assumptions of Western scholarship about the East, while opposing the assimilation of the same assumptions by the nascent nationalist movements that opposed them. A dialogue on "Existentialism" was facilitated by Dr. Madhu Grover, faculty member on 28 August 2015 which examined the philosophical, literary, aesthetic, and cultural impact of Existentialism as a philosophy, with a focus on the works of Albert Camus and Jean-Paul Sartre. On 1 September 2015, Prof. Daryl Jones, Trinity College, Dublin spoke on "Popular Fiction". Prof. Jones gave a fascinating lecture about zombies, vampires and other supernatural or scientifically produced monsters as much more than figments of our imagination. On 11 September he spoke on "Pride and Prejudice: After 200 years." Prof. Dhananjay Singh, JNU was invited to speak on "Natyashastra" on 18 September 2015. He spoke about the various elements of performance in the classical Sanskritic context and the varying commentaries that have been generated from them. On 8 October 2015, Dr. Vasudha Pande of the History Department delivered a lecture titled "Magna Carta and the French Revolution". She highlighted the role of Magna Carta and how it was taken up periodically as the banner of discontented subjects rallying against their monarch and the programme for political reform which included the calls for its reconfirmation. "The Pleasures of Writing Formal Poetry in the Age of Free Verse" were discussed by Dr. Anannya Dasgupta (Shiv Nadar University) on 29 September 2015. Dr. Dasgupta's belief that there is art in the everyday was reflected in the poems she chose to read out.

Ms. Wafa Hamid, a faculty member of the Department took a session delineating the MLA format and academic writing on 18 February 2016. The session proved to be immensely helpful in



familiarizing the attendees with the MLA format and research methodologies.

On March 17 2016 Mr. Rafiul Alom Rahman, LGBTQ and gender rights activist based in Delhi delivered a talk on "Being Queer and Muslim in India today."

Association Highlights

The Department screened segments of the film version of the play *Duchess of Malfi*. This was a much acclaimed version but it was interesting to see how the students took a very critical stance about the production. The bits of the play that were screened were carefully chosen to encompass all its major themes and issues.

Snippets from *Waiting for Godot* were also screened which enabled the audience to understand the essence of a meta-theatrical text that constantly moulds itself according to the medium of reception – textual or visual.

The Department organised a film screening of *My Beautiful Laundrette*, followed by a discussion moderated by Ms. Dipti Nath, to understand the finer workings of how screenplays get translated into a film.

Department of Hindi

Lectures and Talks

For the first time the Hindi Department initiated a series of Inter-Departmental lectures by faculty members of the college on diverse topics ranging from Kautilya and Vidyapati to Manto. It provided

a platform for learning newer ways of engaging with literary texts. This series was conceptualised by the senior faculty member of the Department, Dr. Priti Prakash Prajapati. The series began with the lecture by Mr. Pankaj Jha from the History Department on the topic "Vidyapati ke Kavya Mei Parampara Aviam Yugbodh" followed by another faculty from the same Department Dr. Vasudha Pande on "Badalte Samajik Sandarbh va Sarokar: Rajula Malushahi". Dr. Megha Dhillon from the Psychology Department analysed prolific writer Manto's short stories from the psychological perspective and the title of the paper was "Sahitya" Adhyayan ki Manovaigyanik Drishti: Manto ki Kahaniyan". Dr. Anjali Bhatia from the Sociology Department gave a lecture on the topic "Sahitya Adhyayan ki Samajshastriya Drishti", Dr. Sushma Bhatnagar spoke on "Bhashantaran: Sambhavna Aivam Chunautiyan" and Dr. Pankaja Ghai from Sanskrit Department spoke on the topic "Kautilya aur unka Arthashastra" and highlighted its relevance in contemporary India. These lectures were interactive and helped the audience to understand and engage in their academic pursuits.

In addition, a series of in-house talks by faculty members of the Hindi Department were organised. Dr. Kanchan Verma's paper on "Abhivyakti ke Naye Aayam: Hamlet se Haider" included a discussion on the literary texts and cinematic adaptation of Shakespeare's drama in the Indian context.

Association Highlights

Hindi Sahitya Sabha, the Department Association functioned very effectively throughout the year with a range of activities. Faculty lectures were followed by student paper presentations on the theme 'World Literature' in which various papers was presented on Maxim Gorky, Ismat Chugtai, Pablo Neruda, Taslima Nasreen and Paulo Coelho. These presentations gave students an excellent opportunity to hone their understanding of texts and concepts.

This year, the Association screened three movies based on three different key issues from different



time zones. The first movie in the series was *Sadgati* based on the story by renowned author Premchand, highlighting the plight of Dalits in Indian society. It was followed by a discussion moderated by Dr. Kanchan Verma. The second movie was *Kabir: Hadd Anhadd* a documentary depicting the life and philosophy of great Bhakti saint Kabir highlighting the relevance of his teachings in today's socio-political context. The third movie was *Haider* directed by Vishal Bhardwaj. The discussion that followed was on Creative freedom versus Original text.

The students put up an interesting performance during the morning assembly on the occasion of Hindi *Divas* which was well received by the audience. To encourage unique literary ideas and new forms of writings; creative writing competitions were held throughout the year and the winning entries were put up on the Departmental Wall Paper *Poorva*.

In addition to paper presentations and film reviews, various Public Speaking competitions were organised to encourage the students to participate and compete. A Department trip to Chennai, Mahabalipuram and Puducherry was organised. Students of the Department actively contributed to the Department wall paper *Poorva* throughout the year and also to the Department news letter *Doorva* which is in the fourth year of its publication.

Divya Joshi from the third year, Kanchan Sharma and Archana from the second year were awarded the Bindu Agarwal Scholarship by the Department.

Department of History

Academic Meet

On the 26 and 27 of February 2016, the History Department organised its annual academic fest MAAZI-o-MUSTAQBIL. The theme for the fest was 'The Future of Indian Pasts'. Events on the first day included a story-telling session by Prof. Bharati Jagannathan- "Hanuman's tail, Sita's tale, Vibhisana's Telltale: The Many Tales of Ramakatha". There was also a panel session titled 'Commissions and Omissions in the Changing Landscape of the Past' in which Prof. P. K. Dutta, spoke on "The Many Pasts of the Future", Prof. Hilal Ahmed discussed "The Politics of Past" and Prof. Shubhra Nagalia examined "Restoring/ Recuperating/Reconstructing What? The Political Economy of Memory". This was followed by a lecture by Mr. Rajkamal Jha titled "When History Breaks 24X7". The final session was on 'Constructing Communities in Print and Politics' in which Prof. Nivedita Menon discussed "Sanitizing Hinduism: Hindutva Politics and the Nation" and Prof. Ritu Sinha spoke on "Inventing Past as Future: The Popular Gita Press". On the second day there were lectures by Prof. Yogendra Yadav on the "Future of Swaraj", by Prof. Janaki Nair on "The Public Life of Indian History and the Sense of the Past", by Prof. Dilip Simeon on "The Quest for Significance" and by Prof. Gopinath Ravindran on "The Institutional Pasts of Indian History Writing and Future Prospects".

Lectures and Talks

Several lectures were organised through the course of the academic session. These included a lecture by Mr. Ashok Bhowmick on "The Politics of Art" on 15 September 2015, a talk by Mr. Rahul Sharma on "War Photography" with vintage cameras on display on 13 October 2015, a talk on "The Students Movement of 1968" by Mr. Mukul Manglik on 24 February 2016 and finally a lecture



on "Post Modernism" by Mr. Pankaj Jha, faculty member of the Department on 17 March 2016.

Association Highlights

A screening of the movie Muzaffarnagar Baaqi Hai on 28 August 2015 was organised by the Books, Films and Heritage Walks Club of the Department. This was followed by a discussion with the filmmaker, Mr. Nakul Singh Shawney. On 11 September 2015, four short movies of 9 minutes and 11 seconds were screened, each followed by a discussion. The movies related to the 9/11 attacks and American capitalism. A few days later on 26 September 2015 a heritage walk to the historical site of Jahapanah in collaboration with INTACH was organised. On 6 October 2015 the Department held its assembly which included a shayari session putting forward strong social messages and discussed Shahid Ameen's essay, "Gandhi as Mahatma".

On 8-9 October 2015, a workshop on 'Conservation of Heritage' and a heritage walk to the Safdarjung tomb was organised by INTACH. Twelve students



from the Department participated in the workshop. A few days later members of the Department travelled to Camp Potter's Hill near Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.

On 27 October 2015, Ms. Saman Habib and Mr. Sanjay Muttoo performed *Lucknow in Letters*-a multilingual reading of letters written to and from Lucknow ranging from 1857 to the contemporary times.

At the end of October 2015, the farewell of Ms. Meera Baijal, an invaluable faculty member of the History Department took place.

The new semester commenced with a trip to the National Museum on 16 January 2016. A number of pre-events were held for MAAZI-o-MUSTAQBIL between 11-25 February. These included a treasure hunt, a screening of the documentary *Red Ant Dream* and discussion with filmmaker Mr. Sanjay Kak and student paper presentations by two students, Sakshi Ghosh and Shreya Dua.



Department of Journalism

Academic Meet

JUXTAPOSE held on 8 and 9 October 2015 was dedicated to understanding the evolving identity of the Indian media and the various identities media has created. The Department looked at how, over the years, media has deconstructed identities and used its diverse tools to reconstruct public perceptions. As a pre-event, the All India Media

Meet (AIMM) was organised on 7 October 2015. Drawing inspiration from the structural foundation of a Model United Nations conference, the AIMM set the stage for the journalists of various media houses along with media regulatory bodies to represent media's concern over the issue of freedom of expression in the light of recent killing of journalists. The need of media and government to be independent bodies and inadequate self-regulatory measures in media organizations were the other pertinent issues of discussion.

The first day of the meet began with 'Vox Populi' 2015 - The Annual Turncoat Debate wherein the motion was - 'The House Believes That Film Certification is synonymous to State Welfare and Not Public Welfare'. This was followed by a panel discussion on 'Media's Content: A state of Compromise or Progression?' It centred around the impact of digital media and its content, free speech, reasonable restrictions and corporate ownership. The panelists included eminent media personalities like - Mr. Abhinandan Sekhri, Ms. Shoma Chaudhary, Ms. Ritu Kapur and Ms. Supriya Sharma and the discussion was moderated by Mr. Anshul Tewari. 'Ad Mad' 2015 brought day one to an entertaining close. The participants were given a product on the spot and were expected to advertise them under 3 minutes.

Day two began with a paper presentation on the theme 'Samantha vs Savithri-Representation of gender identities in 21st Century Sitcoms'. The event was effective in drawing the attention of the viewers/students/avid consumers on how sitcoms in a subtle way strengthen existing stereotypes.



This was followed by a panel discussion on 'Alternative vs Mainstream Cinema: Will the Spectrums ever Converge?' The panelists on board were, Mr. Pankaj Butalia, documentary filmmaker, Mr. Aamir Bashir, actor and filmmaker, Mr. Adil Hussain, an actor and Ms. Shohini Ghosh from AJK Mass Communication Research Center. The discussion was moderated by Ms. Abhija Ghosh from JNU. In the afternoon a media quiz was conducted Mr. Adittya Nath Mubayi, Director of Quiz Craft Global. The Department also organised the following online events: 'Panorama, Photography Competition', 'Filmstrip, Film Making Competition' and 'Minimize It!, Poster Making Competition'.

Workshops

The Department organised a workshop on 'All India Radio News' with special focus on the format of news magazines on 6 August 2015. This workshop was conducted by Ms. Sarita Barara from All India Radio. The workshop included practical exercises.

A two day long workshop on 'Sound for Radio' conducted by Mr. Asheesh Pandya from FTII was organised on the 3 and 4 of September 2015. The first part of the workshop covered 'Understanding Sound, Sound Recording' while the second part made students aware of different types of microphones and sound editing techniques.



On 15 February a workshop on 'Radio Production' was conducted by Ms. Sarita Barara in which students produced a real radio story and broadcast it.

A 'Video Editing' workshop was conducted by filmmaker Mr. Rajan Kumar Singh on 5 March 2016 in which he explained the basics of the video editing software - Final Cut Pro and answered individual queries.

A workshop on 'Advertisement Campaign and Designing' took place on 14 March 2016. This workshop was conducted by Mr. Arnab Banerjee, Creative Director, Graphic Designer and Entrepreneur and Ms. Vineetha Raghavan Grover, established Ad-Designer. How to design an Ad Campaign was the major focus of the workshop.

Panel discussions, Lectures and Talks

On 15 September, the Department organised a panel discussion on the 'Changing Nature of Sports Journalism in India.' The panelists included Ms. Neeru Bhatia, *The Week Magazine* and Mr. Novy Kapadia, a reputed sports journalist. The discussion was moderated by Mr. Aniket Mishra, Founder of *Barefoot Magazine*. The discussion was centered around the following topics: the relationship between Sports Journalists and Sports Federations/Bodies, how advertising, ownership patterns in Sports Journalism affect sports and its coverage and the Politicization of Sports.

An interactive session on "Cyber Laws and New Media" was held in which Mr. Siddharth Narrain, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, Delhi discussed existing laws on cybercrimes.

Ms. Shruti Goel, Indraprastha College for Women was invited for a special lecture on "International Media Scenario".

Mr. Manoj Sharma, Public Relations expert introduced students to the key concepts of Public Relations and helped students in designing a PR campaign.



The Department invited Mr. K.G. Suresh, Senior Journalist for a special lecture on "Rural

Journalism" on 18 March 2016. Students also shared their own experiences of working with community newspapers.

Department of Mathematics

Academic meet

On 19 February the Department of Mathematics, celebrated its Annual Academic Meet, ENIGMA. The meet commenced with an inter college debate competition called 'Integrating Minds' with the motion, 'Reality can be proven only mathematically'. Students from seven colleges presented their views on various dimensions of reality and diverse notions on proof using mathematical tolls and techniques.

The Mathematical Rangoli was an art competition which received an overwhelming response from the students. The participants etched out awe-inspiring creative designs based on mathematical shapes and symbols.

'Click-o-Math', a photography competition received 80 entries from various colleges in Delhi of which 20 were chosen and displayed with captions. The theme was Symmetry and the pictures displayed the exceptional relationship between mathematics and the environment. 'Twist in the Tale' tested the multitasking abilities of its participants in the most ingenious way. It involved four riveting rounds of quirky yet simple tasks that the teams had to perform, while simultaneously answering questions



based on logical reasoning and elementary mathematics. The meet concluded with the most awaited competition 'Sherlocked', an event to test the wit and intelligence of budding detectives by solving the murder mystery. The event saw enthusiastic participation from colleges across the city with 125 entries. Further rounds included 'The Game is on', 'Where Is the Key?', 'Tick-Tock' and 'Catch Me If You Can' which was the last part of the hunt.

Anupama Dua Paper Presentation

The Anupama Dua Paper Presentation and Scholarship Function was held on 20 February 2016. The function was graced by Mr. and Mrs. Dua. The paper presentation function provided students with a platform to explore areas of mathematics outside the prescribed curriculum and present their research to a large audience. This year witnessed diverse papers ranging from the



"Continuum Hypothesis" to areas of recreational mathematics like "The Mathematics of Pursuit" and "Evasion and Applications of Mathematics in Robotics, Architecture and Music" among many other interesting topics.

Scholarships were awarded to the students scoring the first and second position in the University examinations in the first and second year.

Workshops

The Editorial Board of the Mathematics Department organised a two day workshop titled 'An

Introduction to LaTeX' on 8 September 2015 followed by another session on 11 September 2015 conducted by Mr. Mahesh Kumar and Mr. Yograj Chauhan, faculty, Mathematics Department which was attended by over 50 students. LaTeX is a high-quality typesetting system which includes features designed for the production of technical and scientific documentation. The workshop provided a platform to eager students from first and second year to gain a thorough insight about the working and use of LaTeX.

A workshop titled 'Exploring Mathematics through Autograph' by Dr. Douglas Butler, held on 9 December 2015, was instrumental in bridging the

gap between school teachers and college professors. This hands-on workshop focused on the use of technology in mathematics learning and provided a unique opportunity to learn about the popular dynamic software Autograph. The workshop was open to mathematics teachers from schools and colleges and Mathematics teacher educators.

Lectures and Talks

The Department organised a guest lecture by Dr. Salem Nafiri on "Control Theory" on 23 July 2015. The talk was an educational session for both the students and teachers as it highlighted the diversity of mathematics and its application in various real life problems.

The Department organised a talk by alumna Dr. Devika Sharma, on 17 March 2016 on "Higher Dimensions in Mathematics". She also spoke to the students on career options in the field of Mathematics.

Association Highlights

The Editorial Board of the Department released the Annual Mathematics Journal: Éclat, Volume VII. The compilation contained four categories of mathematics namely, History of Mathematics, Rigour in Mathematics, Inter disciplinary aspects of Mathematics and Extension of course content.

"Access Control Theory", "Monte Carlo Simulations" and Nash Equilibrium are a few research papers that were published in the journal.

The Department also published its annual newsletter *Quantum* which presented an overview of the Departments activities, experiences of students, mathematical and non-mathematical articles and poems by students.

Department of Philosophy

Academic Meet

ALETHEIA, the annual academic fest of the Department of Philosophy, attained an international level in 2016 by hosting participants as well as speakers from around the globe. The one-day fest comprised of a panel discussion, an exhibition curated by the students, competitive events and performances by students of the Department and the esteemed Asmita Theatre Group. A Panel Discussion on 'Climate Change-Policy and Ethics' witnessed a discussion on the current Indian stand and the issue of balancing individual rights and resources. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Prodipto Ghosh, TERI. Panelists included Hon. Mr. Justice Michael D. Wilson, Judge, Supreme Court of Hawai'l, Hon. Ms. Justice Sabrina S. McKenna, Associate Judge, Supreme Court of Hawai'i, Mr. Amitabh Sinha, The Indian Express, Ms. Jayashree Nandi, The Times of India and Dr. Rekha Navneet, Gargi College. The Department organised Slam Poetry as a pre-event. Online Photography and four other philosophical themebased competitive events in the form of Picture Interpretation, Dialogue Writing, Debate and Art were held on the day of the fest. Ilm-e-falasafa, an exhibition representing a philosophical world was curated and put up by the students. Kalavati ka Tarana, a graceful Kathak performance drew the evening to a close followed by Asmita Theatre Group's A Woman Alone. Prof. H.S. Prasad, HoD Philosophy Delhi University, graced the event as the chief guest for the occasion and awarded the prize to the winners.

Workshops and Screenings

A workshop titled 'Research Paper Writing in the field of Philosophy' conducted by Dr. Nilanjan Bhowmick was organised on 9 October, 2015.

A Short Film on Killing, a Polish movie which is largely considered a reason for the abolishment of the death penalty in Poland was screened and followed by a student debate on the same theme. BBC's Mark Steel, a funny philosophical lecture was also screened to engage students in a philosophical dialogue.

Lectures and Talks

On September 11, 2015 the Department invited Dr. Rohit Negi, Ambedkar University to address the students on "Environmental Ethics: Rethinking Ecology and Responsibility". The Department also hosted a talk on "Humanising Law through Public Interest Litigation" by Dr. Aman Hingorani, Supreme Court of India on September 24, 2015. The discussion revolved around the unique jurisprudence of Indian Public Interest Litigation (PIL) that requires the courts to take on a remedial role to check societal malaise and to protect human rights of the poor and destitute.

Association Highlights

Noesis, the journal of the Department, was released on College Day. The journal consisted of 12 research papers and articles from students of the Department. The editorial board consisted of



student editors (design and content) and two faculty advisors.

Department of Political Science

Academic Meet

The theme for POLPOURRI 2016 was 'Understanding War in the 20th Century'. This theme was explored through a variety of engrossing events, including a panel discussion with Prof. Varun Sahni, Prof. Navnita Chadha Behera, Brig. Gurmeet Kanwal and Mr. Salman Haider, movie screening and discussion on *Turtles Can Fly*, and a quiz 'Dialectic' which was open to students from other colleges. The meet ended with 'Jang ke Rang', a cultural event that explored nuanced understandings of war. POLPOURRI received encouraging participation and was a stimulating experience for all those in attendance.

Lectures and Talks

This year, the Department hosted a series of guest lectures on a plethora of themes. Dr. Rajan Harshe



marked the beginning of a session of engagement with a guest lecture on globalization, a multi layered social process that fluctuates the contours of international relations. Understanding politics has always been a work of innovative inquiry, which was manifested in the delivery of the lecture by Prof. Pushpesh Pant on the "Politics of Food". As any student of the Department would say, politics is everywhere and nothing falls beyond its ambit. The Department organised 'Chat with a Diplomat', in co-operation with the US Embassy and Global

Youth India, in light of the dynamic India-US relations, to enable students to ideate on foreign policy issues and interact with foreign policy makers from the US embassy. Prof. Nikhil Dev delivered a lecture on "The meaning of development in the 21st century". His thoughtful lecture evoked debates on corruption and the foundations of a nation. Another lesson on international relations came from Dr. Nikita Setov, who was invited in collaboration with Global Youth India, a foreign policy forum run by the students of the Department. His talk on "Indo-Russian Bilateral Relations since 2010" provided an interesting platform for the comparison of foreign policies across these two nations. The talk allowed students to examine the role of national interests in foreign policy. Meanwhile, Prof. Achin Vinaik drew attention back to internal affairs with his lecture on "Nationalism and Communalism". This lecture was especially well-timed in light of recent events around the country. This engaging session allowed students to think critically about ideas of patriotism and nationalism. This line of debate was taken further by Prof. Neera Chandhoke with her talk on "The rise and fall of secularism". With this session, students were better able to interpret political realities.



Workshops

The year began with a Research Methodology Workshop during which Dr. Shweta Singh helped students understand the process of research. A Right to Information Workshop was also held as a result of Prof. Nikhil Dey's visit, where he suggested this initiative for the Department.



Organised by MKSS and NCPRI, the workshop was facilitated by Mr. Venkatesh Nayak from the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative. This was a particularly engaging session where students contemplated the discourse on the practice of the RTI Act. It was also a call to action as students expressed the desire to exercise their right in a positive manner.

Prof. Randhir Singh Award

The Department's most looked-forward to event-The Annual Prof. Randhir Singh Award for excellence in Political Theory serves as an encouragement to students to achieve the highest levels of excellence in Political Science. This year, the honored students were Shruti Sinha, Shruti Jargad, Shruti Balaji, Sharanya, Vani Bhardwaj and Anjali Singh, who then made presentations related to political ideas. The ceremony encouraged students to work to expand the frontiers of their knowledge and strive for excellence.

Association Highlights

The Department conducted a Parliament trip which was arranged for all the students of the Department in cooperation with MP, Mr. Gaurav Gogoi.

Students were provided a unique experience with Democracy at the Jan Lokpal, an open platform for discussions and grievance redressals that was appreciated by the students for its democratic nature.

Department of Psychology

Seminar

The Department of Psychology organised a seminar titled, 'From Stumbling Steps to Confident Leaps: Harnessing the Power of Positive Psychology' on the 19 and 20 of February 2016. The seminar aimed at expanding knowledge of positive psychology principles and their application in everyday life. The objective of the seminar was to understand the significance of constructs such as Hope, Resilience, Gratitude and Forgiveness and their relationship with well-being. These constructs were explored through a variety of mediums including panel discussions such as 'Aashayein: The Role of Hope in Overcoming Lifethreatening Illnesses' moderated by Dr. Parul Bansal and 'Like a Phoenix: Resilience and Growth' moderated by Dr. Priti Dhawan, a student panel discussion titled 'The Impact of Modernization on Relationships' facilitated by Dr. Kanika Ahuja, workshops, a film screening and a cultural performance by the students of the Department -Noora. Ms. Harmala Gupta, founder of Can Support, Dr. Sameer Malhotra, Max Health Care, Dr. Priya Bir, Indian Association of Positive Psychology and Mr. Gautam Yadav, activist for rights of the LGBT community, were among the esteemed speakers invited for the seminar. An important element of the seminar was the Department's annual National Paper Presentation Competition, which saw the participation of students from different colleges within and outside the University of Delhi. Other events included a short-film making competition and a case study competition on Positive Psychotherapy.

Lectures and Talks

a. Zeal

This year, the Department initiated 'Zeal'- a series of events involving interactions with experts from different therapeutic sub-fields of psychology. Three lectures were conducted. The first Zeal event was a workshop on Family Counseling and Transactional Analysis by Dr. Pearl Drego in August 2015. In the following month, well-known

psychologist Dr. Arpita Anand spoke on "Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy." The final Zeal event in January 2016 was a workshop on 'Play Therapy' conducted by Dr. Lavina Nandafrom Children First.

b. Inter Departmental Events

Recognizing the need for disciplines to build bridges and learn from one another, interactions with faculty members from different Departments of LSR were organised. Dr. Krishna Menon, Department of Political Science, delivered a lecture on "Women's Movements in India" in August 2015. Dr. Anjali Bhatia, Department of Sociology, in November 2015 was invited to talk about the "Sociology of Food." The final session held in February 2016 was on "An Introduction to Behavioural Economics" by Mr. Udayan Rathore, Department of Economics.

c. Other Talks



Other distinguished guests invited to the Department this year included Dr. S. K. Khandelwal, Associate Professor of Psychiatry at AIIMS who discussed "Substance Abuse and Dependence." and Dr. Madhavi Menon, Ashoka University who spoke on

"The Many Desires of Chouboli". Ms. Sramana Majumdar, Jamia Millia Islamia, spoke on "Criminal Psychology" while Dr. Raman Deep Pattanayak, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, talked about care-giving in the context of persons with mental illness.

The Book, Documentary and Reading Club

The Club organised several interesting events throughout the year. Significant among these were group discussions around Coursera videos on the 'The Psychology of Popularity.' Some of the topics covered by the course included reasons underlying the human need for popularity, scientific research on the topic, the impact of popularity on moods and behaviour and the long term effects of

experiencing popularity in childhood and adolescence. The sessions were facilitated by different faculty members of the College including Dr. Megha Dhillon, Ms. Amrita Pain, Ms. Khyati Tripathi and Ms. Priyanka Padhy.

Many interesting films and documentaries were also screened. In some cases, the film makers, such as Mr. Rajesh Jala who directed *Children of the Pyre* and Ms. Iffat Fatima, maker of *Khoon di Baarav* were able to participate in the post-screening conversations. Both documentaries depicted lives of people either forgotten or silenced by the more privileged and powerful.

Works of great writers such as D.H. Lawrence and Sadat Hasan Manto were discussed by Ms. Kasthuri Kanthan from the Department of English and Dr. Megha Dhillon from the Department of Psychology, respectively. A session titled 'Quibbling with the Quibbler' on the Harry Potter series was facilitated by Ms. Wafa Hamid, from the Department of English. Peer moderated sessions also took place including a discussion on *Water* by Deepa Mehta and *The Lottery* by Shirley Jackson.

Association Highlights

In October 2015, the Department released its annual magazine *Zeitgeist*. The magazine contained articles, stories, poems, comics and artwork by students from various Departments. These works were on a variety of themes including morality, travels undertaken and dreams.

In November 2015, students of the Department attended two workshops with a delegation visiting from Western Sydney University, Australia. One workshop conducted by Dr. Kanika Ahuja, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology was on 'Cultural Differences and Commonalities' and the other by Dr. Renu Narchal, Professor at Western Sydney University was on 'Intellectual and Learning Disabilities'.

The Department's annual academic journal Learning Curve was released in April 2016 with research papers drawing from different sub-fields of psychology.

Mental Health Awareness Week

A significant event in the academic calendar of the Department is the Mental Health Awareness Week (MHAW) organised with the objective of creating a better understanding of mental health issues and challenging the stigma that surrounds mental illnesses. The Department collaborated with World University Service for MHAW this year. Several events took place including the performance of a street play titled Chand Panno Mein Zindagi, directed and enacted by the students of the Department. Performances took place at Dilli Haat, Connaught Place and other colleges of the University of Delhi. An interactive session on breaking myths surrounding mental illness was organised in the college auditorium and conducted by Dr. Kanika Ahuja. In addition, Ms. Ananya Tripathi, alumna of the Department, facilitated workshops on individual differences with children in the MCD Primary School, Zamrudpur and Kendraiya Vidyalaya, Andrews Ganj. The week also involved a workshop on 'Crisis Intervention in Child and Mental Health' by well-known child psychiatrist, Dr. Amit Sen, a student photography exhibition on the theme 'Blurred Lines' and three assemblies in college to share information related to mental health.



Department of Sociology

Academic Meet

The annual academic meet KULA 2016 was held on March 18-19, 2016 and was a two day long inter-disciplinary Symposium on 'South Asian Urbanisms'. The event was inaugurated by Dr. Suman Sharma, Principal, LSR followed by an inaugural lecture by Dr. Gautam Bhan from the Indian Institute of Human Settlements, Bangalore. This was followed by three panel discussions on the themes: 'Remembered Cities', 'Lived Cities' and 'Imagined Cities'. The idea was to keep the dialogue structured without giving up a sense of play and to break the disciplinary barriers to inspire the sociological imagination about cities. The panels comprised of a set of distinguished scholars, activists, and theatre personalities, viz., Prof. Gauhar Raza, NISCAIR, Prof. Sasanka Perera, SAU, Prof. Rita Brara, DSE. Ms. Ananya Bhattacharya, Society of Labour and Development, Dr. Jayani Bonnerjee, OP Jindal Global University, Prof. Jagan Shah, National Institute of Urban Studies, Dr. Jaideep Chatterjee, Shiv Nadar University, Ms. Kavita Bhanot, Novelist and Dr. Subhashree Bhattacharya, University of Delhi.

Lectures and Talks

The Department organised an Inaugural Lecture by Prof. Avijit Pathak titled "Crisis in Education: Learning Sociology Meaningfully" on September 3, 2015 and another invited lecture by Prof. Sujatha V. (JNU) titled "Sociology of Health and Medicine" on September 27, 2015.

Association Highlights

The Sociology Department organised the Annual Fresher's Declamation titled 'The Politics of Being Apolitical' on August 25, 2015 and four movie screenings; *Boys Don't Cry* on September 22, 2015, *12 Angry Men* on 13 October 2015, *Caste on the Menu Card* (with a discussion with one of the directors, Ms. Ananyaa Gaur) on 14 January 2016 and *The Stuart Hall Project* on 24 February 2016.

The final semester students, accompanied by two faculty members, went to Hyderabad for their annual field trip from January 15-27, 2016.

The students participated extensively in various college fests across the university and did the Department proud. First year students Neeti Prakash and Shambhavi Gupta were the winners of the rolling trophy for the prestigious M. N. Srinivas Annual Declamation, hosted this year by JDMC.

Department of Sanskrit

Academic Meet

SANSKRITI, the annual academic meet organised this year on 23 February 2016 was a rich blend of culture, linguistic unity and academics. It provided the opportunity for students to showcase their talents in public speaking, music and art. It also helped in developing a sense of pride for the Sanskrit language. SANSKRITI saw participation from a wide range of students across a plethora of colleges. Literary and cultural events took place



such as the Sanskrit Speech competition (public speaking event), music (Shloka Recitation) and art (Sketching) competitions.

Lectures and Talks

The Department organised a talk on "Polity in Kautilya's *Arthashashtra*" on 25 February 2016 by Dr. Renu Bahl (Department of Political Science, LSR). The talk threw light on the major aspects of Kautilya's Arthashashtra including the seven parts of a kingdom (*saptaang rajya*) and four ways of making someone do a task (*saam, daam, dand, bhed*).



Association Highlights

On 18 March 2016, the Department organised a one day field trip to the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), Delhi for the students of second and third year to compliment their study of water harvesting in Sanskrit scriptures. Through the visit, students were able to understand modern and traditional methods of water harvesting used in India.

The Sanskrit Department organised the 'Sanskrit Week' between 26 August and 31 August 2015. Events included a performance and presentation of Sanskrit *kaavyali*, presentation of *Madhuraashtrakam* song and speech, a cultural dance and violin instrumental.

Delhi Sanskrit Academy organised the solo Shloka Recitation competition on 31 October 2015 in which a number of students participated and won awards.

There were various intra class competitions organised by the Association such as Sanskrit Prose reading, sketching competition on the basis

of the shlok, Shloka Recitation competition and Sanskrit Speech competition.

Department of Statistics

Academic Meet

MOMENTS, the Department's annual academic meet took place on the 4 and 5 of March 2016. The inaugural lecture was delivered by Mr. S.C. Gupta. He discussed the role of statistics in everyday life. There was also a lecture on "Data Analytics and its relevance in social media ecommerce" by Mr. Vibhor Gupta. Mr. Gupta discussed how widely data analytics is being used in the e-commerce sector as well as social networks and how the two are getting interconnected. Mr. Rahul Sinha conducted a two hour workshop on 'Advanced Excel' enabling the attendees to be more data aware. The workshop was attended by students from various Departments of different colleges. Finally 'Numismatrix', the General Quiz was conducted by Balasubramanyam Pattath and Aastha Mathur from The Dais. The quiz saw participation by 10 teams from different colleges in Delhi.

Lectures and Talks

A lecture on "Biostatistics" by Dr. Pandey, Head of Biostatistics at AIIMS was organised on 3 September 2015. Dr. Pandey introduced students to the application of statistics in medicine. His talk opened up an important avenue for students to pursue after graduation.



A lecture on "Big Data and its Future" by Mr. Satmeet Sion was organised on 22 September 2015. Mr. Sion spoke about the growth of Big Data analytics in the last few years. He also spoke about the immense potential in this field and the need for trained statisticians to carry it forward.

Association Highlights

On 28 August 2015 an educational Trip to SRF Bhiwadi took place. Students learnt statistical quality control techniques from experts in the area.

On 18 March 2016, a session was conducted titled "Inside Internships" by two students of the Department, who have interned at IIM Bangalore and ISI Delhi helping the students grasp the nuances of internships in different fields.

B.A. Programme Department

Academic Meet

The annual academic and cultural meet of the Department, SAMAGAM, was held on 17 March, 2016. The theme was, 'Queens of Quarantine'. The fest was an attempt at creating awareness about the lives of young, ostracized widows and half widows, and women involved in sex work and the rehabilitation of the same. Keeping in mind the theme, the fest encompassed myriad events.

The day began with a an enriching inaugural talk by social activist, Mrs. Guneet Sethi and was followed by a talk on "Human Rights of Sex Workers", by Dr. Rumki Basu, a professor of the Political Science Department, Jamia Milia Islamia. What ensued was a panel discussion on 'Widows and their Lives: An Insight into the Experiences of Young widows and Half widows', with Dr. Pearl Drego, Director, TACET, Dr. N. Hamsa, Executive Director, WPC, Mrs. Jasjiwan Kaur, President, War Widows Association and Mrs. Mahinder Kaur, Treasurer, War Widows Association as panelists.



In addition an inter college quiz, titled, 'DAME IT!' was held in collaboration with the Quiz Society. The fest also comprised an online creative writing competition and an online photography competition. The competitive events witnessed a large amount of participation from various colleges such as Hindu College, Daulat Ram College, etc.

Association Highlights

The film, *Margarita, with a Straw* was screened on 8 October 2015. The screening was followed by a stimulating discussion among the students of various departments of the college. The purpose of the event was to shed light on the concerns of people with disability and to raise awareness about the same. It also aimed to focus on the problems of and stigmas attached to the lives of those belonging to the queer group.

The event was an enriching experience and received an audience in great numbers.

The Aung San Suu Kyi (ASSK) Centre for Peace

Events and Activities organised in 2015-16

The Aung San Suu Kyi Centre for Peace organized the following lectures on a wide variety of issues related to Conflict Transformation and Peace Building.



Prof. Swaran Singh, Diplomacy and Disarmament at Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament (CIPOD), School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, examined Karl Deutsch's Integration Theory for Building International Peace.

Dr. Karin Polit Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg spoke on trauma in post-conflict societies with a focus on refugees and migration especially in the context of Europe.

Mr. Ravi Nair, recipient of the M A Thomas, National Human Rights Award for 1997 and the Executive Director of the South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre (SAHRDC) enlightened students on various issues related to human rights and human rights violations happening around the world with a special focus on post-conflict societies.

Prof. Bharat Desai, Professor and Chairperson, Centre for International Legal Studies School of International Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University and an expert on international law described the prohibition of the threat or Use of Force in the UN charter.

Ms. Rita Manchanda, Research Director for South Asia Forum for Human Rights, journalist, writer and scholar and a founder and national committee member of the Pakistan India People's Forum for



Peace and Democracy spoke on Gender and Peace Building by emphasizing on the evolution of women's peace movement specially locating it in South Asia.

Prof. Ummu Salma Bava, Director, Europe Area Studies Programme and Professor of European Studies at the Centre for European Studies, and Co-ordinator, The Netherlands Prime Minister's Grant, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi explained the importance of Peacebuilding in Post-Conflict Societies by giving examples of the Balkan Crisis especially the case of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Ms. Shaguna Gahilote, Assistant Head of Mission, Medicins Sans Frontieres, India spoke on the relevance of Education for Peace and gave a broad overview of Peace Education in India.

Dr. Smita Sahgal an Associate Professor at the Department of History, Lady Shri Ram College gave a detailed understanding of masculinity within the Mahabharata. She is currently involved in a project titled, 'Masculinity in early India: Exploring the possibility of a Discourse'. As part of the lecture she explored the contesting notions of virility and violence and looked at alternative Images of masculinity and conflict around gender issues.

Mr. Dilip Simeon, a well known labour historian and public intellectual in India who is also the chairperson of the Aman Trust, gave a lecture on

Culture as a site of Conflict. Giving examples from the field, the lecture was well received by the students.

Prof. Karl Roberts who is a forensic psychologist and Chair of Policing and Criminal Justice at the University of Western Sydney in Sydney, Australia gave an overview on Police Reforms and Community Policing. His areas of expertise are within the field of interpersonal violence and law enforcement investigation with a focus upon the behavioural assessment of offenders, investigative interviewing by law enforcement and risk assessment and risk management.



National Service Scheme

The National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers remained active through the year and organised and participated in a host of activities ranging from those mandated by the University of Delhi (DU) to inter-college events organised by LSR-NSS and intra-college events held in conjunction with other societies and Departments within LSR. In addition, training workshops were also organised.



The DU Mandated events included the Matdaata Mahotsav held from January 14-17, 2016 which included a Graffiti Competition and a Slogan Writing Competition on the topic- "Role and Participation of Women and Youth in Democracy" and the celebration of Swami Vivekananda's Birth Anniversary on January 12, 2016 which included a quiz and thescreening of the documentary, Vivekananda by Vivekananda at the NSS, DU Centre. In addition, to mark the 153rd birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was observed from October 29 - 31, 2015. The focus was on issues related to National Integration and National Identity and included a rangoli competition, a debate on the topic- 'National Integration and Harmony: Role of the Youth' and an article writing competition on topics such as "Contributing factors to National Unity", "Identity and National Identity", "Unity in diversity" and "Role of festivals in promoting peace and harmony".

NSS took the lead in celebrating International Yoga Day on June 21, 2015 in college by organizing an inspirational talk on Yoga by Mr. Rakesh Tiwari and a yoga workshop for all the students and staff members of LSR. On August 6, 2015, NSS, LSR organized a talk on Cyber Security by the



internationally renowned speaker, Mr. Rakshit Tandon, an Indian Computer Security Expert who has addressed major cyber security conferences, including those of the United Nations. A first of its kind slam poetry workshop, which explored the fascinating world of the spoken word and how it can be woven into children's stories was organized on 25 August 2015. The session was conducted by the Teach for India Fellows and attended by NSS volunteers.

In the month of September, NSS focused on spreading awareness about the importance of cleanliness. The NSS Day celebrations on 24 September 2015 included activities such as "The Clean Campus Drive - where the NSS volunteers cleaned the entire college campus and held a Slogan Writing competition and Street Play on Cleanliness and Dengue awareness. Prior to these celebrations NSS conducted a cleanliness drive keeping in mind the call for a Swachha Bharat, from the 8-12 of September across the entire campus.

As a part of the US based non-profit 1M1B: A Million for A Billion and Indian partner Connecting Dreams Foundation internship programme, three NSS volunteers from LSR, who conceptualized a rural entrepreneurship model by the name 'Basta: Waste to Worth' were selected to present their idea in the United Nations New York Headquarters at the 'Change the World' Young Entrepreneurs

Programme on 11 October 2015. The NSS team competed with teams from USA, Spain, Caribbean and India. Now, they are building an LSR team to cater to rural areas and slum dwellings of India.

National Service Scheme



The Annual Diwali Mela, titled *Noor* this year was held on 31 October 2015 in the college premises. Ms. Nita Chowdhary, an alumna and a civil servant was the chief-guest on the occasion. Other than the vibrancy of the stalls put up by NGOs and student entrepreneurs, there were dance performances by students of LSR and children from Child Development Programme.

The second Anuual NSS inter-college Seminar NEXUS was held on 16 April 2016 on the theme 'Changing Contours of Education in India'. A plethora of events were organised such as 'Edunotion Genesis', Mandal Commission, 'Initiate', 'Nazariya' and 'Prachayi' and witnessed massive participation.

The Annual Day which traditionally has been the closing event of every session for NSS was held on 19 April, 2016 and included several



performances of dance and slam poetry by the kids from NSS' teaching projects and also an AV message from the old of *Aashirwaad*.

An important initiative this year was the attempt by NSS to collaborate with other groups and societies in the College while organising events. NSS in collaboration with the Office of International Programmes, hosted Lynchburg College, USA. The representatives introduced the volunteers to several courses such as Non-Profit Leadership Studies among others. NSS in collaboration with Reach, the college organisation that empowers the differently-abled students, hosted the: 'Test the Taste' event during LSR's annual Cultural Fest, Tarang'16. A newspaper collection drive was organised in collaboration with Prakriti, the environment society, and the collected papers were recycled and turned into new notebooks to be distributed among the students of NGOs associated with NSS. A Gender Sensitization Workshop was organized in collaboration with the Women's Development Cell, LSR for the children of the Child Development Programme and Indradhanush project. The children were engaged in various exercises over a couple of weeks and core problems of gender-based discrimination were gradually discussed.

Last but not the least, two training workshops were organised. The Ideation to Action Convention held on 19 September 2015 and organised by the NGO Connecting Dreams Foundation saw participation from over 15 colleges across Delhi University, including SRCC, Hansraj, Sri Venkateswara and SSCBS. The aim of this convention was to equip the volunteers associated with the project with the skills required to work in a rural setting as well as come up with innovative and sustainable solutions to existing problems in village communities.

At the Volunteer- Training Session held on 14 October 2015, NSS collaborated with Teach for India to train volunteers for addressing classroom efficiency and mechanisms to make learning a funfilled experience for the children of the various projects.

National Sports Organisation (NSO)

The National Sports Organization (NSO) of Lady Shri Ram College remained extremely active throughout the year and played an integral part in the all-round development of students. Members of NSO won accolades in a wide range of sports not only at the state and national level but at the international level as well. The Sports Union for the year 2015-16 year consisted of Vandita Dhariyal as President, Rujuta Bhagwat as Vice President, Malavika S. Pai as Secretary and Shilpi Gupta as Treasurer.



The College Gymnasium was the hub of fitness for students as well as teaching and non-teaching staff. Members had access to the latest Electronic Cardio Vascular Treadmills, free weights, crosstrainer and gym balls and new equipment added this year further enhanced the facility.

Shooting

The Shooting team included national and international players and was made up of seven members namely Saumya Seth (Captain), Sarveshwari Kumari, Veronica Sudesh, Sanjana Sehrawat, Maheshwari Chauhan, Aashi Rastogi, Ananya Chopra and Malavika S Pai.

Aashi Rastogi and Sanjana Sehrawat participated in the Asian Shooting Championship held in Kuwait where Aashi won the individual gold in the air-gun category and bronze in the team air gun category and the team gold in the air rifle category while Sanjana won a gold medal in the air pistol category. Aashi also won a gold medal in the 5th Gun for Glory Championship held in Pune, in the All India Inter University Shooting Competition and in the

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet, and a silver medal at the Kumar Surendra Singh Shooting Championship. Sanajana won a gold medal at the 59th National Shooting Championship, the North Zone Shooting Championship and the Delhi State Shooting Championship. She also won a silver medal in the 59th National Shooting Championship and the Delhi State Shooting Tournament and a bronze medal in the North Zone Shooting Championship.

Ananya Chopra and Maheshwari Chauhan, both proficient skeet shooters represented the country at the International 7th Junior Shot Gun Cup held in Finland and the 12th International Shot Gun Cup held in Italy where Ananya won the team bronze medal and Maheshwari an individual bronze. Ananya also won a gold medal in the Delhi State Shooting Championship. Maheshwari was crowned the national champion after a great run at international tournaments throughout the year and was awarded a bronze medal at the National Games held in Kerala.

Sarveshwari, Maheshwari and Sanjana made the college proud by participating in the World University Games held in Gwangju in South Korea. Saumya, Sarveshwari and Maheshwari were also selected to represent the University of Delhi in the All India Inter University Shooting Championships held in Patiala. The air rifle team consisting of Veronica, Sarveshwari and Aashi secured third place in the Delhi University Inter College Women's Shooting Tournament. Sarveshwari won a gold medal at both the North Zone Shooting Championship and the National Shooting Championship and a bronze at the Delhi State Shooting Meet. Veronica Sudesh won a bronze medal in the individual category at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet. Saumya Seth won a gold medal at the Delhi State Shooting Championship, a silver medal at the North Zone Shooting Championship and the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet and was part of the first runners up team at the Kumar Surendra Singh Shooting Championship.

Basketball

The Basketball team comprising of Jasmine Singh (captain), Ankita Sehrawat, Shonika Rana,

National Sports Organisation

Vaishali Shokeen, Biya Sidhu, Chandrika Sharma, Tanvi Pashar, Shilpi Gupta, Bharti Sihag, Kritika Bahl, Varuni Beotra and Soumya Babbar won several prestigious tournaments this year. These included the Royals Invitational Basketball Tournament, the Maulana Azad Invitational Basketball Tournament and the Kirori Mal Basketball Invitational Tournament. They were the runners up at the YMCA Invitational Tournament,



the Women's Festival Tournament, the Miranda House Sports Meet, the St. Stephen's Invitational Basketball Tournament and the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet. The LSR basketball team created history by winning the prestigious Delhi University Inter College Women's Basketball Tournament for the second time. Soumya, Jasmine, Tanvi, Bharti and Shilpi were chosen as part of the Delhi University team this year where Jasmine was the vice-captain. The Delhi University team stood first at the north zone level, they further went for the All India University Tournament. Shilpi, Jasmine, Ankita, Tanvi and Kritika represented Delhi at the Federation Cup held in Goa.

Swimming

The Swimming team was captained by Ruhaab Khan with Varsha Malik as vice-captain. The other team members included Vandita Dhariyal, Vani Sahni and Apoorva Duhan. The team won the

overall championship at the Women's Festival Swimming Meet and the Delhi State Swimming Meet. The team won the runners up trophy at the Delhi University Inter College Swimming Tornament. The team won gold medals in the 4x100 m. freestyle relay, 4x100 m. medley relay and the 4x200 m. freestyle relay at the Women's Festival Swimming Meet. The team also won silver medals in the 4x100 m. freestyle relay, 4x100 m. medley relay and 4x200 m. freestyle relay at the Delhi University Inter College Women's Aquatic Meet.

Ruhaab Khan won gold medals in the 50, 100 and 200 m. backstroke in the Delhi State Swimming Meet, the Women's Festival Swimming Meet and the Delhi University Inter College Aquatic Meet and a gold medal in the 400 m. individual medley at the Delhi State Swimming Meet. She also won two silver medals at the Delhi University Inter College Women's Aquatic Meet in the 50 m. and 200 m. backstroke and another silver medal in the 400 m. individual medley at the Delhi State Swimming Championship.

Apoorva Duhan won a gold medal in the Delhi State Women's Swimming Meet, a silver medal in the 100 m. backstroke in the Delhi University Inter College Aquatic Meet and a bronze medal in the 100 m. backstroke in the Haryana State Swimming Championship. First year student, Vani Sahni won gold medals in the Delhi State Senior Swimming Championship and the Delhi Women's Swimming Competition. Varsha Malik won gold medals in the 200 m. breaststroke in the Women's Festival Swimming Meet and in the 50 m. butterfly at the Delhi State Senior Swimming Championship. She won silver medals in the 100 m. breaststroke at the Women's Festival Swimming Meet, the Delhi University Inter College Aquatic Meet and the Delhi State Senior Swimming Championship and in the 200 m. breaststroke at the Delhi State Senior Swimming Championship and the Delhi University Inter College Aquatic Meet.

Vandita Dhariyal won a gold medal in the 200 m. freestyle and a silver medal in the 100 m. butterfly at the Delhi University Inter College Aquatic Meet and a silver medal in the 400 m. freestyle and 400 m. individual medley at the Women's Festival Swimming Meet. Ruhaab Khan and Varsha Malik represented Delhi University at the All India Inter

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University Aquatic Championship held in Punjab University, Chandigarh. Ruhaab Khan, Vani Sahni and Varsha Malik were also selected for the Women's Nationals and Senior Nationals respectively.

Athletics

The Athletics team, comprised of talented sprinters, runners, jumpers and throwers and was led by Mallika Dang and included Ria Bhargava, Tanya Sharma, Tanushri Roy, Sandhya Chauhan, Uditi Murarka, Aastha Gupta, Aishwarya Seth, Tejaswi Nehata, Niti Chaudhary, Sahitya Poonacha, Deepanjali Sharma, Anjani Sahani, Pushpa Repaswal, Yogesh, Swati Yadav and Tamanna. The academic session started with the Delhi State Athletics Championship. Tanya bagged gold medals in both shot put and discus throw while Uditi won a bronze medal in the 400 m. and Anjali bagged a gold medal in the long jump event. Deepanjali won a silver medal in the 800 m. and a bronze in the 400 m. while Mallika won a bronze medal in the 100 m.

In the Inter College Athletics Meet Uditi, Deepanjali, Mallika and Anjali bagged the first position in the 4x100 m. relay. Mallika won a silver medal in the 100 m. and a bronze medal in the 200 m. while Sandhya won a bronze medal in javelin throw. Tanya won a silver medal in shot put and a bronze medal in discus throw while Deepanjali won a gold medal in the 800 m. and a bronze medal in the 400 m., Anjali won a silver medal in long jump and Pushpa won a bronze in the 800 m.

In the 27th North Zone Athletics Championship, Deepanjali won gold medals in the 4x100 m. relay, the 4x400 m. relay and the 800 m. while Anjali won gold medals in long jump and the 4x100 m. relay. In the Women's Festival Athletics Meet, Anjali won a gold medal in long jump while Mallika won a silver medal in the 100 m. and Deepanjali won a silver medal in the 800 m. and a bronze medal in the 100 m. At the Delhi Olympics, Anjali won a silver medal in long jump.

At the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet, Tanya won a gold medal in shot put and discus throw while Pushpa won a gold medal in 100 m. and Tamanna won a gold medal both in long jump and triple jump. Uditi won a silver medal in the 100 m. and

Pushpa won a silver medal in high jump. Sandhya Chauhan won a silver medal in javelin and discus throw while Yogesh won a silver medal in long jump. Renuka came third in shot put and Yogesh in high jump. Tanya and Sandhya jointly won the Best Player Award at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet. Pushpa came first in the LSR Annual Cross Country Run.

At the SRCC Sports Festival, Pushpa, Anjali, Tamanna and Priyanka won the silver medal in the 4x100 m. relay. Pushpa came third in the SRCC Cross Country Run while Sandhya came third in discus throw and Tamanna in long jump.

Lady Shri Ram College has some outstanding paraathletes who made the college proud this year. At the prestigious National Para-Athletics Sports Meet 2015-16, Pooja won a gold medal in shot put and a bronze medal in discus throw, while Suman won a silver medal in javelin throw and a silver medal in the 100 m. relay race. Yogita Pal won a gold medal in long jump and a bronze medal in javelin throw. At the Delhi State Para-Athlete Tournament, Pooja won a gold in B2 shot put and silver in discus throw and javelin throw while Yogita won a gold medal in B3 long jump and javelin throw and a bronze in B3 shot put and Sweta won bronze medals in B2 shot put and the 100 m. race. In the Delhi State Para-Athletes Tournament, Hema won a bronze medal in the B1 200 m. race while Aparna won a bronze medal in B1 shot put and B1 javelin throw. In the Delhi University Equal Opportunity Cell Sports Meet 2015-16, Suman won a gold medal in B1 200 m., Pooja won a gold in the B2 discus throw and silver



in shot put while Yogita won a gold in B3 javelin throw and a bronze in shot put and long jump.

Table Tennis

The Table Tennis team this year was led by Malvika Gupta with Anshul Thakran as Vice-captain and Rajeshwari Chaddha, Riti Shankar and Raktima Paul as members. Riti Shankar is currently ranked 6th in India in the Youth Girls category. An International Player of repute she won two silver medals at the World Cadet and Junior Circuit Indian Open Table Tennis Championship, 2015 held in Indore. She also won a gold medal at the Haryana Inter State Table Tennis Championship. Riti was selected to represent Delhi University at the North Zone and All India Inter University Table Tennis Championship and she was the part of the winning team. Raktima Paul won the gold medal at the Symbiosis Table Tennis Championship held at Noida.

At the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet, Riti won the gold medal while Raktima won the silver medal in the singles. Riti and Raktima won the gold in the doubles. Rajeshwari Chada won the mixed doubles while Raktima was placed second in the mixed doubles. Malvika and Anshul won the silver medal in the doubles. Rajeshwari came third in the singles event.

Badminton

The Badminton team consisted of Vaidika Kota (Captain), Noor Chhatwal, Rujuta Bhagwat, Kajol Ved and Sunaina Parvathi. Noor brought laurels to the College by winning gold medals in many



Badminton Championships including the Delhi State Women's Badminton Doubles, the Delhi State Mixed Doubles and the North Zone Mixed Doubles. Noor was chosen as part of the Delhi Team at the North Zone Badminton Championship and secured the first runners up position

At the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet, Noor won the gold medal in the singles and was declared as the Best Badminton Player. Noor and Vaidika bagged the gold in the doubles while Kajol and Sunaina came second in the doubles event. The Badminton Team secured the third position at the Delhi University Inter College Women's Badminton Tournament and participated in the IP College Invitation Badminton Tournament.

Lawn Tennis

The Lawn Tennis team included Diksha (captain), Bhavika, Shivya, Vineeta Singh and Tahira. The team reached the semi-finals in the Delhi University Inter College Lawn Tennis Tournament and secured the third position. Vineeta was a part of the Delhi Team which won the gold medal at the Inter University North Zone Meet and was part of the team which came third in the All India Inter University Lawn Tennis Tournament. Shivya won the silver medal at the IP College Invitational Lawn Tennis Tournament in which Bhavika won the bronze medal. Vineeta came second in the singles event in the Women's Festival Lawn Tennis Tournament

Wresting

Samiksha Malik, an international wrestler, represented LSR in the Delhi University Inter College Women's Wrestling Tournament and won the gold medal. She was chosen to represent Delhi University at the All India Inter University Wrestling held at Mysore, Karnataka.

Gymnastics

Prerna, an outstanding gymnast, secured the first position in the Delhi University Inter College Gymnastic Meet. In the Women's Festival Gymnastics Competition, she secured the third position in the balanced Beam event and the second position in the Floor execution, Uneven Bars and All round events. Prerna was placed

second in the Delhi Olympic in the Floor Exercise event and won a bronze medal in the Delhi State Gymnastics Competition.

Chess

The Lady Shri Ram College Chess team was led by Shivani and included Parvathy.S.L. Bhawna Garg, Preeti Verma, Sweety Yadav and Ankita Mondal. The team came second in the Kirori Mal College Invitational Chess Tournament and the Miranda House Sports Meet and participated in the Delhi University Inter College Chess Tournament. Parvathy won a gold medal in the individual event in the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet and the Ramjas Inter Hostel Sports Meet. She was the runner up at the Delhi State U-19 Chess Championship, 2015 and participated at the National 19 Chess Championship, 2015. Shivani came third in the individual event in the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet and in the Ramjas Inter Hostel Sports Meet.

Judo

The Judo team with Surbhi as captain and Divya, Khushboo, Shivangi, Samiksha, Priyanka, Priya and Antara as members participated in various competitions including the Delhi State Judo Championship and the Delhi University Inter College Judo Competition. Samiksha won the gold medal in the open category at the Delhi University Inter College Judo Competition and at the Delhi State Judo Championship. She represented the Delhi University at the All India Inter University Judo Championship. Samiksha won in the 70+kg. category at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet and also won the Best Judoka at the Meet. Shivangi got a silver medal in the 40 kg. category while Antara, Priya, Khushboo, Divya and Surbhi came third in the 40 kg., 44 kg., 48 kg., 57 kg. and 63 kg. category respectively at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet.

Volleyball

Harshita Joon (Captain), Divya, Pratibha, Kanishka, Ishita, Monika, Bernice, Sofia, Nikita, Shweta, Shagun, Krishna, Kajal, Ambika and Hannah were members of the college Volleyball team which participated in the YMCA Tournament and the Women's Festival Volleyball Tournament. Monika

made the college proud by participating in the Senior National Tournament. Hanna won the Best Player Award in the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet while the team stood second.

Archery

The Archery team included Atisha Gupta (Captain), Vinita Bharti, Tithi Chakroverty, Neha Buswal, Shravani and Diksha Singh. Neha won a gold medal in the individual recurve round at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports while Tithi won a silver medal and Shravni stood third in the event. The team won the bronze medal in the Indian team round at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet.

Takewondo

Syeda Sana won the gold medal in individual sparring and silver medal in individual self-defense in the 27th Delhi State ITF Taekwondo Championship. She also won gold medals in individual sparring and in team self defense and a bronze medal in individual self defense in the 26th North and East India ITF Taekwondo Championship. In addition, she bagged the gold medal in individual sparring and gold medal in team self defense in the 12th South and West India ITF Taekwondo Championship. Furthermore, she also won the gold medal in individual sparring, gold medal in team self defense and bronze medal in individual self defense in the 4th South Asian ITF Taekwondo Championship.

Roller Skating

Areesha Rana, an international roller skater won numerous accolades at the national as well as international level. She won a gold medal in the 53rd National Roller Sports Championship organized by the Roller Skating Federation of India.

Football

The College has an amateur Football team which meets regularly for practice and includes several promising players.

Yoga

The Yoga team, which included Vineeta, Vineeta Singh, Rashmi, Shreyanshi, Tanvir and Pooja, participated at the Delhi University Inter College Yoga Competition and gave a very informative

performance at the inauguration of Dr Bharat Ram Open Sports Meet 2015-16.

Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet 2016

The Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet, the annual LSR sports festival has become one of the most important events in the calendar of Inter College Sports engagements. This year it was held from 11 February 2016 to 13 February 2016 and more than 70 institutions and around 3000 athletes participated from both DU Colleges and other institutions in the NCR region. The various events at the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet included Athletics, Archery, Basketball, Badminton, Chess, Lawn Tennis, Table Tennis, Shooting and Volleyball in both men's and women's sections and Judo in women's section. An informal football event was also conducted. There were a few informal games for the teaching staff and a cricket match for the non-teaching staff in which the staff participated enthusiastically. Justice Gita Mittal, sitting Chief Justice Delhi High court and an alumna and former sports president of college was the chief guest for the inauguration ceremony while the prizes were



distributed by Mr. Krishna Sri Ram, executive chairman of Usha International Ltd. The overall championship in the men's category went to Deshbandhu College and in the women's category went to Lady Shri Ram College.

Annual Cross Country Run 2015

The Annual Cross Country Run was held on 18 September 2015 and saw a massive participation from college students. The run was organized for the cause of "Right to Education", to spread awareness about the importance of education. The Principal, Dr. Suman Sharma and teaching and the non-teaching staff participated in the event.

The Guests of Honor for the event were Dr. Kiran Walia, an alumna and former Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Delhi and Padmashri Sunil Dabbas, Coach of the Indian Kabaddi Team and recipient of the 2012 Dronacharya Award. The participants were enthused by the words of the distinguished guests. Pushpa Repaswal came first followed by Tanvi Prashar while Ankita Sherawat came third. The top 20 runners were acknowledged with a merit certificate.

Talk on Sports Nutrition and Diet

On 7 August 2015, the NSO organised a talk on sports nutrition and diet by Dr. Priti Rishi Lal who spoke on the types and quantity of nutrients that a sports person needs to have on a daily basis and provided an overview on the role of vitamins, minerals, supplements and organic substances such as carbohydrates, proteins and fats in the performance of a sports person.

This year LSR hosted the Delhi University Inter College Lawn Tennis Tournament in September 2015. This was followed by the Delhi University Inter College Basketball Tournament which started from 7 October 2015. Ms. Meenakshi Pahuja, faculty in charge of NSO was the convenor of both the tournaments.

With every coming year NSO has grown and expanded according to the needs of the college community. The year 2015-16 was a very eventful and a memorable one.

National Cadet Corps (NCC)

The NCC unit at LSR remained vibrant throughout the year. NCC cadets organised and participated in events both inside as well as outside the college under the capable leadership of the NCC Union with Ojaswita Shree as President, Damini Rathore as Vice President, Pallavi Meena as General Secretary and Deepakia as Treasurer.

The first event during the academic year 2015-16, was the celebration of Yoga day at Rajpath. LSR



had the highest number of cadets at this yoga demonstration. In addition, the cadets represented LSR at the yoga day celebration organised by 4DGB at Kamla Nehru College and put up an impressive demonstration at LSR too.

PROMISING DAY PARADE

The Promising Day parade, an occasion on which newly enrolled cadets take the oath to commit themselves to the NCC, the country and its citizens, was organised by the National Cadet Corps, Lady Shri Ram College on 14 August 2015 under the supervision of NCC In Charge Ms. Meenakshi Pahuja and was witnessed by a large number of students and staff. DGBn CO Colonel Sukhaman Singh graced the event with his presence. The programme begun with the arrival of Principal Dr. Suman Sharma escorted by pilots, SUO Debolena Dutta and SUO Pallavi Seth. SUO Ojaswita Shree greeted the Principal with a salute and offered her the oath. The commander of the parade was JUO Damini Rathore.

NCC ASSEMBLY FOR THE PATHANKOT MARTYRS

On 12 January 2016, NCC Cadets organised an assembly to remember and spend two minutes of silence for the courageous heroes who were killed due to the terrorist attack on the Pathankot base on 2 January 2016. The college had the privilege to hear insights about the terror attacks from Brigadier Chawla.

JNU SEMINAR

On 21 September 2015, NCC Cadets got the opportunity to participate in a national seminar on 'Exploring Social Sciences Tools in Teaching Disaster Research' at JNU. The main objective of the seminar was to develop awareness among people about the basic steps to be taken at the time of a disaster to minimise both physical damage and psychological trauma. This was followed by the launch ceremony of a Transdisciplinary Research Cluster named 'Centre for Excellence in Disaster Research'. Shri KIren Rijiju, Honourable Union Minister for Home Affairs was the chief guest at the event. Many executives from governmental organisations such as NDMA (National Disaster Management Authority) and NIDM (National Institute of Disaster Management) were also present.

LIMCA BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS EVENT

On 24 September, the NCC Cadets were invited to participate in a special event organised in Vigyan Bhawan where the Defence Minister, Shri Manohar Parrikar was the chief guest. He handed over a copy of the Limca Book of Records to the DG NCC as the cadets had created a world record of highest number of participants on International Yoga day.

CAMPS

NCC cadets took part in several camps throughout the year. These included the Combined Annual Training Camp (CATC) which was held from 15-24 June 2015 in Delhi Cantt, New Delhi in which 30 cadets participated. The camp senior was SUO

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Ojaswita Shree. During the CATC, the cadets got an opportunity to take part in various activities including Rifle Training and Self Defense Training. The cadets also got a chance to participate in the International Yoga Day on June 21st at Rajpath and found their ways to the Limca Book Of World Records. In addition, a Cancer awareness programme was also conducted for the cadets. During the last two days of the camp, cultural programmes were organised. SUO Ojaswita Shree and Cadet Monika Banerjee became the masters of ceremony and hosted the event.

Another CATC camp was organised from 8th August – 17 August 2015. 13 cadets from LSR participated in this camp. They were provided ample opportunities to explore their talents be it academic, practical or artistic. During the course of the 10 day camp, they participated in the patriotic singing completion, dance show, numerous debates and drill competitions.

Six LSR cadets Nidhi Singh,Priyanka Kaushik, Pratibha Arya, Vaishali Sharma, Deeksha Rahul and Rigzin Angmo participated in the national integration camp -1 held at AVC College, Mannampandal, Tamil Nadu from 14-25 October 2015. During the last 5 days of the camp competitions were organised between states for solo dance, group dance, solo song, group song and presentations. Cadet Rigzin Angmo won two gold medals in the debate competition and the quiz competition.

Another national integration camp was organised by 3-TN Naval Unit, Tamil Nadu in Kanyakumari district from November 19, 2015 to November 30, 2015. Three cadets from LSR, Surabhi Yadav, Jagriti Gandhi and Sarita Rathore participated in the camp. Cadet Surabhi Yadav of LSR became the

camp senior. The Delhi Directorate girls team won a gold medal in the throw ball competition.

Cadet Amita Yadav attended the Special National Integration Camp held in April at Lakshdweep which was a great fun and learning experience particularly regarding water adventure sports.

Cadets Monika Banerjee, Ananya Maheshwar, Deepakia and Priyanka Gehlot were selected for the Republic Day Camp 2016. JUO Deepakia had the honour of marching on Rajpath this year. Cadets Monika Banerjee and Ananya Mahishwar have been selected for the Youth Exchange Programme this year.

JUO Deepakia Meena cleared several rounds in the firing competition to make her way to the Malwankar Shooting Camp where she bagged a gold and a bronze medal.

Arunya, Priyanka Gahlot, Somi, Honey Kumari, Bhavya Gupta, Priya Verma participated in the Ajmer Trekking Camp organized by NCC Headquarters, Udaipur from 17 to 25 November 2015. Many games such as *kho kho* were conducted and the Delhi Directorate won the second position. A Blood donation camp was organised on the last day of the camp and two healthy cadets got the privilege to donate blood.

SUO Ojaswita Shree represented Delhi Directorate at the Officers' Training Academy, Chennai. The camp's main focus was to motivate prospective SSB examinees about life in the armed forces. The training programme included Drill practice, Physical Training, Uphill and downhill running, Obstacle training and Weapon training.

SUO Ojaswita Shree represented Delhi Directorate at the Officers' Training Academy, Gwalior. In the camp the cadets were familiarised with the 5 days of the SSB interview which is conducted by the Indian armed forces to shortlist candidates for the short service commission.

Monika Banerjee, Amita Yadav and Priya Roy Choudhary got the chance to brief important dignitaries like the Prime Minister, Defence Minister and many more during Shaurayanjli which was the commemoration of 50 years of the 1965 Indo-Pak war.

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SUO Surabhi Meena attended the Republic Day Camp 2015 and had the honour to be the pilot of the honourable PM Shri Narendra Modi apart from several dignitaries. She represented India in Russia as a youth ambassador, as part of the Youth Exchange Programme to Russia for the year 2015.

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME, SINGAPORE

SUO Damini Rathore did the Republic Day Camp 2015. She represented India at Singapore as youth ambassador, as a part of the Youth Exchange Programme to Singapore for the year 2015.

15 cadets appeared for the C certificate exam and around 40 cadets for the B certificate exam in NCC in February 2015.

VEERANGANA

NCC at Lady Shri Ram College For Women organized its first ever NCC Fest, 12 March 2016.

Dr. Puneet Kumar Goel (IAS MCD Commissioner), Mona Sreenivasan (IAS, Deputy Commissioner, south Delhi) CO Col. Sukhman Singh and CO Lt. Col. A K Dalal graced the occasion. Drill competition, quiz competition, section attack presentation, symposium competition and cultural presentation were the main events of the fest. Section Attack presentation was the first ever section attack presentation by cadets of LSR.

As observed throughout the year, the NCC cadets have set many benchmarks this year and have brought laurels to the college. They have made the college, Delhi as well as the country proud through their great zeal and enthusiasm, setting new standards of excellence and living up to the motto of 'Unity and Discipline'.



Office of International Programmes

The Office of International Programmes had a very eventful year 2015-2016. There were a good number of visits by Universities from abroad and student and faculty exchange programmes flourished. Even as LSR hosted a number of students from La- Trobe University, the National University of Singapore, Sciences Po, Paris and Middlebury, U.S.A. the college also nominated students to attend programmes at NUS, LTU, Sciences Po, and Fukuoka University, Japan. In addition, this year, LSR nominated two students to attend a leadership programme offered by the University of Seattle called the SUSI Programme.



The year began on a high note as the historic MoU between LSR-LTU on 20 years of student mobility was signed by Dr. Suman Sharma, Principal, LSR and Professor John Dewar, VC of LTU in the presence of the Australian Minister for Education and Training, Mr. Christopher Pyne and the Chairperson of the LSR Governing Body, Mr. Arun Bharat Ram. After the signing of the Faculty Exchange, Prof. John Dewar was interested in visiting LSR where an interaction with Faculty and students was arranged. This was followed by a short cultural programme put up by the LSR students.

An Orientation for the students of LSR was held in August - September. The co-ordinators had presentations to explain the programmes. The orientation was very well attended and the Principal of LSR, Dr. Suman Sharma also graced the occasion with her presence.

A high level delegation from King's College, London visited the college. It included Prof. Joanna Newman, Vice Principal (International), and Dr. Tayyeb Shah, Director of International Programmes, as well as Mr. Aditya Malkani, Mr. Sankalp Seksaria and Ms. Amrit Gill of the India Office and Operations of King's College, London. They were joined by a good number of students who had attended the earlier Summer Courses at LSR. The team interacted with students and faculty and all in all it was an enriching experience.

King's College hosted our faculty as 2 bursaries were sanctioned for two faculty members from LSR



to visit them and discuss further ideas on collaborative efforts.

The New Colombo Plan was initiated by the University of Queensland and 20 of their students came in September, 2015 to spend time with the LSR Journalism Department.

In October – November, 2015, the University of Western Sydney also availed of the New Colombo Plan and visited LSR for 4 days. They spent a considerable amount of time with the Psychology Department, with REACH and the Resource Centre

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for the differently-abled and with the NSS team. They enjoyed themselves also at the NSS Diwali Mela.

January, 2016 was a busy time. It began on the 5th with a visit from the students of Fairfield University, Connecticut under the guidance of Ms. Meera Khanna. They spent a day with the LSR Psychology Department and discussed issues of being young and a woman. On the 18th of January, a high level delegation from King's College visited LSR. The crowning event was on the 22nd of January, when the High Commissioner of Australia, His Excellency, Mr. Patrick Suckling visited LSR, together with members from the Australia–India Institute.

A large number of speakers from Trinity College, Dublin, Queen Mary University of London, Lynchburg College, U.S.A., Sciences Po, Paris, University of British Columbia, EDHEC, France, and other distinguished Universities visited LSR and addressed our students on various topics.

As in the previous two years, this year too, LSR has planned to host two Summer Courses with King's College, London from 30th May to 10th June,



2016. The college also hopes to sign quite a few new partnership and collaborative agreements with institutions from across the globe in the next academic year.



REACH

REACH, an acronym for Reaffirming Equity, Access, Capacity and Humanism, is an initiative that was created at LSR with support from the Foundation for Academic Excellence and Access (FAEA) in 2002. Reach acts as the equal opportunity Cell of the college. REACH organised various events throughout the year with the aim of providing an inclusive platform so that students could build capacity while being part of a community that celebrated difference and diversity.

A Ted Talk by Ms. Muniba Mazari was organized on 7 September 2015 in order to sensitise the student body towards the difficulties faced by individuals with physical disabilities followed by an informal orientation for its members and volunteers on 17 September 2015. The event aimed to facilitate interaction between the members and the buddies assigned to them. The multitalented team of REACH engaged in various activities such as singing, dancing, dramatics and even sharing a personal experience.

As a step towards breaking the "political correctness" associated with disability, REACH LSR organized an interactive session with Ms. Shivani Gupta on 29 September 2015. Ms. Gupta is the author of the book *No Looking Back* and founder of AccessAbility, India's first Access consultancy. Ms. Gupta engaged with the audience on various aspects of disability, facilitating a conversation by giving firsthand accounts of people associated with disability.

REACH also initiated a platform for helping visually impaired students to learn basic computer skills by initiating weekly computer classes conducted by Mr. Mahesh S. Panicker which started from 1 October 2015. In addition to this, Computer classes were organized by the National association for the Blind in summer. Ms. Prema, manager of the resource center was equipped to use all the special softwares and hardwares used by individuals with visual impairment.

In its quest to break social barriers, integrate communities and build an inclusive society, REACH celebrated the World White Cane Day on 15 October 2015. World White Cane day recognizes the role the white cane has played in enhancing



mobility and freedom of the visually impaired persons. It is a day that celebrates the achievements and triumphs of persons with disability. REACH took this opportunity to build a platform to understand, comprehend and sensitize the larger students' community about disability. Three Movies - The Commute which follows the arduous journey of a father confined to the wheelchair who tries to reach home using public transportation for his daughters birthday, Notes on Blindness which captures John Hull's journey of grief, acceptance and renewal after losing his vision and lastly Disabled Athletes or Super humans which celebrates the achievements of persons with physical disabilities in sports were screened. Apart from this, REACH organized Health and eye checkups for students with disabilities in collaboration with KPMG at Fortis hospital.

Members of REACH also had an interactive session with a group of students from Western Sydney University, Australia who visited Lady Shri Ram College for Women on 29th October 2015. They were introduced to the flagship programmes and facilities provided by REACH. The volunteers of the Society gave a first hand account of their contribution to the Buddy Programme. This interactive session was a testament to the fact that in spite of India and Australia being two different places, which are so diverse in their unique way, people come together when it comes to achieving the goal of creating an inclusive society.

In an attempt to make TARANG, the cultural fest of LSR more inclusive REACH organized an inclusive event, 'Test a Taste' in collaboration with the informal events team and NSS LSR on 5 Feburary 2016. Students were required to guess the ingredients that they tasted while they were blindfolded. The events saw participation of students with disabilities from different colleges and NGOs associated with LSR such as Muskaan & Foursteps. The participants from these NGOs aced the competition.

'Antarchakshu' is the annual Flagship Event of the Xaviers Resource Center for the visually impaired. St. Xaviers Mumbai. LSR has been associated with the event since it happened for the first time in Delhi in 2012. Antarchakshu 2016 focused on Accessible technology and employment for individuals with disabilities.In 2016, Members of REACH went to get a first hand experience of the event. The event was a great learning experience. The event emphasized on the fact that products, infrastructure, services are used by all, and need to be accessible for all. This includes persons with disabilities. The event included activities, which gave people the experience of not having vision and where they were made to do regular day activities but while being blindfolded. This not only helped them understand the challenges faced by visually challenged but also motivated them to create a more accessible society. The members were made aware of the various support and training initiatives which included assistive technology like screen readers, magnifiers, OCR systems, refreshable Braille systems, low vision aids, and other daily use appliances and much more. The event concluded with a session which involved spending personal time with a blind person who has achieved a lot in their career. Members shared their life struggle, talked about how accessibility is increasing but still a lot needs to be done and also about the little things we can do to make society more inclusive.

In an attempt to throw light on the multifaceted nature of social exclusion associated with disabilities, REACH organised an interactive session on 17 March 2016. The speakers were Ms Merry Barua, founder Action for Autism and Mr. Nipun Malhotra, co-founder Nipman Foundation. The session was moderated by Mr. Mahesh S. Panicker, Convenor, REACH. The event was organised as a lead up to Parwaaz, the annual cultural fest of REACH.

Mr. Nipun started the session by talking about how individuals talk about diversity being beautiful yet fail to accept and appreciate disability. Ms Barua explained the process of marginalization. She further spoke of the nature of social exclusion experienced by individuals with invisible disabilities such as autism and the need for inclusion to be present in all forms. Students put fourth a wide



range of questions ranging from disabilities in rural areas to the kind of efforts that individuals with disabilities can make to make things better. The session gave new insight into the nature of social exclusion associated with disabilities.

Women's Development Cell (WDC)

The members of the Women's Development Cell (WDC), Lady Shri Ram College are a group of passionate feminist stalwarts, who have embarked on a long journey of learning and unlearning about gender issues. Established in 1985, WDC has earned the reputation of being a liberal and empowering space encouraging its members to speak freely about their concerns.

In keeping with this tradition, WDC conducted a series of 'Let's Talk' sessions throughout the year. These sessions were aimed at building a greater sense of belongingness and sisterhood amongst the members and provided a space for meaningful discussions and frank self-expression. The issues discussed in the sessions included personal experiences of eve teasing followed by a discussion of actions/reactions thereof, body image issues faced by members and those around them, the relevance of feminism in intimate relationships etc. Besides, it was in these sessions that the group decided the plan of action for the academic year.

The Women's Development Cell created awareness about gender issues through a series of interesting initiatives throughout the year, which included workshops, talks, film screenings and poetry. A workshop on 'Rape Culture' was organised on 11 February 2016 to facilitate an incisive understanding about the prevalence of Rape Culture in India. It was hosted by WDC in collaboration with Womenite, an online forum heralding change the feminist way. Shaifila Ladhani, the field work head of the forum was the facilitator. Through documentaries, power-point presentations and an exhaustive Q&A session, this workshop encouraged participants to think critically and challenged many assumptions about rape.

WDC organized an interactive Round table discussion on 'Abortion Rights and Stigma', in association with CREA on 29 September 2015 to mark the Global Day of Action for Access to Safe and Legal Abortion. The campaign known as '#AbortTheStigma: Normalizing Conversations around Abortion', initiated by CREA (a feminist human rights organization) in collaboration with Youth Ki Awaaz, aimed to combat the stigma and myths surrounding women's rights and access to safe abortion services in India. WDC also started

an online campaign on its Facebook page to support the same.

In collaboration with the National Service Scheme, WDC organised a series of gender sensitivity workshops for children aged 7-10 years. Volunteers used the medium of dialogue, stories, pictures, paintings, videos etc. to engage with the children.

WDC had the privilege of hosting Ms. Kamla Bhasin, a pioneer of the feminist movement in India for a very interactive Talk on 'Men and Masculinity' on 13 October 2015. Ms. Bhasin talked about her extensive experience in



working with both men and women, especially in South Asia and sang some amusing but extremely meaningful songs related to the topic.

A Quiz was organised on 27 October 2015 by WDC, in collaboration with the Quiz society, which focussed on women's movements, literature, achievements etc.

The collaboration with the NGO One Billion Rising (OBR) provided a platform for members of WDC to showcase their creativity. At the launch of



Kajarya, a docu-drama film on abortion and female infanticide held at *Jantar Mantar* on 2 November 2015, WDC put up a photo exhibition of their work with NSS NGO children aged 7-10 years. Five WDC members were also invited to perform their slam

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pieces at the event. In addition, WDC members volunteered for various other events held as a part of the One Billion Rising Revolution to end violence and injustice against women throughout the year. A week before V-Day i.e. 14 February 2016, WDC hosted an art wall in college.



During Tarang'16 WDC put up two innovative events. *Anarchia*- Breaking Stereotypes was one of the highlights of Tarang 2016 and promoted the



use of performing arts like music, art, poetry and even fashion to challenge gender and other stereotypes. The event was judged by Ms. Kamla Bhasin, the renowned feminist and Vikramaditya Sahai, a queer activist, who teaches at Ambedkar University. *Lutallica*, a soliloquy competition, was organised on the theme of 'Reimagining Indian actors'. Participants were invited to represent iconic Bollywood characters in a colloquially poetic form so as to raise questions about terms like 'femininity' and 'masculinity'. The event was judged by Ms. Madhureeta Anand, a film director.

WDC and the Internal Complaints Committee on Sexual Harassment collaborated with the Delhi Legal Services Authority (DLSA) to organise a Workshop on 'Legal Literacy' which dealt with issues of Sexual Harassment at Workplaces and Domestic Violence. Held on 14 January 2016, it was hailed by the Principal, Dr. Suman Sharma, as a unique initiative towards enriching academic discussions on women's rights with legal knowledge and experience. The eminent speakers included Ms. Chetna Singh (Secretary, DLSA), Ms. Monika Saroha (Deputy, DLSA) and Ms. Shreya Arora Mehta (Metropolitan Magistrate, South District). The workshop was a preamble to the certificate course titled 'Women and Law' which was conducted by speakers from DLSA as well as practicing lawyers and included sessions on the Dowry Prohibition Act, Domestic Violence laws, Pre Natal Sex Determination laws etc. The course culminated successfully with a field visit to the Saket District Court, where the students were taken around and even had the opportunity of witnessing some hearings first hand. The students were also shown the mediation centre, vulnerable witness centre, and had a chance to participate in a round table discussion with the District Judge (South-East district)- Ms. Kiran Nath.

From this year onwards, WDC has started an online journal, hosted by *Campus Diaries*. The journal aims at providing a forum for different perspectives and nuanced discussions on gender and sexuality. It can be viewed at: https://campusdiaries.com/magazines/womens-development-cell-journal-lsr.

VOLUNTARY AGENCY PLACEMENT PROGRAMME (VAPP)

The Voluntary Agency Placement Programme (VAPP) at LSR was set up to provide a space for students to engage with socio-economic issues, to volunteer with NGOs working at the grassroots level and to actively participate in community development projects. Keeping these objectives in mind VAPP organised a series of events throughout the academic year.

One of the first events organised by the Voluntary Agency Placement Programme this year was a session on the theme "Walk Free: The Movement to end Slavery". Mr. Rishi Kant, Director of *Shakti Vahini* was invited on 1 September 2015, to discuss various social and political issues related to Human Rights. He also talked about the ongoing campaigns to promote awareness among communities and the volunteering opportunities available.



This was followed by the WEALLFITIN Campaign on 24 September 2015 by *Amrit* Foundation of India, an organisation working for children with intellectual and development challenges. Thereafter, students from LSR were placed with the organisation to work upon the creation of service banks for care seekers and other mentorship projects.

On 29 October 2015, VAPP conducted an interactive workshop on 'Social Surfing' with the Centre for Social Research, a NGO which works with the mission to empower women in India. The session created awareness about building a positive gender sensitive online environment.



Two visiting professors from Lynchburg College, Virginia, USA were invited by VAPP on 6 January 2016 to discuss the prospects of pursuing Masters in Non-Profit Leadership and to inform students about related job opportunities in the field.

VAPP also organised a three-day Handicraft Workshop, from 5-7 February, during TARANG 2016. A Cane and Bamboo Craft workshop was conducted on the first two days of the fest, and a Paper Craft workshop on the third day. The artisans taught students to make products such as baskets, greeting cards, covers and small artifacts. A stall



was also set up to sell the products made by the artisans, which witnessed a huge footfall.

On 24 February 2016, VAPP conducted a talk on "Entrepreneurship and Youth as Inspiration of Change" in association with the Gandhi Fellowship Programme. The session aimed to encourage students to take up entrepreneurial avenues and

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gave insights into the working of the programme and its course structure.

VAPP in collaboration with the Placement Cell organised another interactive session with the founders of the I Am A Teacher (IAAT) Fellowship Programme, on 4 March 2016. The session discussed the prospects of the fellowship programme and was followed by various fun activities.

On 3 April 2016, VAPP organized a Field Visit in collaboration with Pravah as a part of their 'Samjho Toh Express' Campaign. 24 students from LSR

visited 'Pahal', an organization based in Lakshmi Nagar in East Delhi which works for the rights of people from the Transgender community. During the community visit, students got an opportunity to challenge their own set notions and stereotypes by visiting areas which they had never visited before.

In addition, VAPP also provided students with information on volunteering opportunities with the Nizamuddin Mentor Project and the Prof. Jean Dreze and Ms. Reetika Khera led survey on National Food Security Act, among others.





Extra Curricular Activities – Highlights

The Students' Union

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" – Helen Keller

The Students' Union worked on the principles of teamwork and companionship throughout the academic year 2015-16. The Union organised the College Day and the Graduation dinner for the outgoing Batch in April 2015. The Students' Union worked in complete synchronisation with a dedicated team of volunteers. This was followed by the Orientation Function for the incoming batch of students. The function was graced by Ms. Vimala Mehta, an alumna of LSR and a distinguished IPS Officer.

The Students' Union organised a special performance by the students admitted in LSR under the Extracurricular Activity Category which was witnessed by the entire students' body. The Union also organised a special event celebrating 20 years of LSR's association with the La Trobe University. This was witnessed by a delegation from the university and the student community of LSR.

The Students' Union democratically organised the order collection and distribution of merchandise. The designs for each merchandise were invited from the students' body and was open for votes. After a week long voting, the merchandise was printed and distributed to the student body. The merchandise included a round neck t-shirt, a polo shirt and a sweatshirt.

LSR Students' Union also organised a day long seminar on the topic 'Understanding Diversity: Focus on the North-East Region of India.' The seminar consisted of interesting and engaging sessions by eminent speakers like Mr. Sanjoy Hazarika, Director of the Centre of Northeast Studies and Policy Research at Jamia Millia Islamia and Mr. Angomcha Bimol Akoijam, Associate Professor at the School of Social Sciences, JNU. A lecture demonstration of Thang-Ta-a martial art form of Manipur was also held. Themes such as 'Conflict and/of Identity' and 'Narrating Difference: Literature, Identity and Orality,' were discussed in the seminar. Along with enriching discussions the seminar also witnessed cultural performances and

a day long exhibition by Hive, the Fine Arts Society and Projekt, the Film and Photography Society. The Chief Guest for the seminar was Mr. Kiren Rijiju, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs.



TARANG, the annual

cultural festival of LSR reached new heights in 2016. TARANG 2016 was organised at a National Level for the very first time in the history of LSR and saw participation from the University of Mumbai, Lucknow among others. TARANG reached its zenith in this academic year. The Union created an amalgamation of different ideas, cultures, designs, competitions and performances during TARANG. The fest saw associations with



established companies as well as start-up firms, thereby encouraging young entrepreneurs. 'Bon Appetit', the food festival at TARANG 2016 contained various local, national and international cuisines which was a testimony to the diversity of the fest. TARANG 2016 was a huge success as it saw a record breaking footfall of 25,000 students across the three days. Professional performances by East India Comedy comprising of Mr. Sorabh Pant and Mr. Sahil Shah, The Local Train, DJ Sameer, DJ Aerreo, an International artist, DJ Jochen Miller and the final performance by Agnee, a band which has established itself through the years, were highly appreciated.

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The Union 2015-16 established a Students' Council Team for the very first time which consisted of five divisions: Decor, Infrastructure and Logistics, Media and Coverage, Cafe Committee and Assembly Management. The Union worked in complete synchronization with the Students' Council and was duly credited for their efforts. Before handing over to the succeeding Union of 2016-17, the Union catalysed the setting-up of a new eating joint in the campus: a Mother Dairy Kiosk for the college community.

INTERFACE

Interface, the Academic Forum, is the medium through which students across disciplines share, discuss and debate their ideas and concepts. The issues discussed under Interface this year ranged from what are considered 'mundane' experiences of everyday life to those considered traditionally important. Ranging from talks and panel discussions by prominent academicians and journalists, students also hosted discussions which facilitated as much interaction and learning. Interface also organised movie screenings, workshops, slam poetry performances, heritage walks, installation exhibitions curated and created by students.

In an attempt to introduce the theme of 'Roti, Kapda, Makaan' to the students, Interface made a short video clipping in collaboration with Projekt, the film and photography society. This video explored the aspect of clothing and the politics that operates behind choice of clothes, judgements of fashion and the interaction clothing and handicrafts has with class, caste, religion and gender. Students

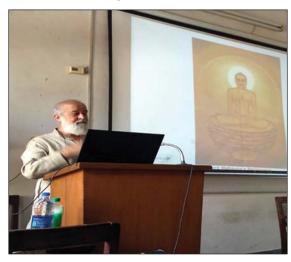
were asked a range of questions regarding their choice of clothing, their idea of fashion, what is considered as 'fashionable' and the politics of clothing as markers of our identity.

A talk titled, "Reimagining Sustenance: Field notes on activism from Australia" by Ms. Ruchira Talukdar was held on 8 September 2015, followed by a screening of the documentary *Kanyini* by Melanie Hogan on 15 September. The interface of the



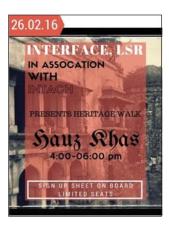
aboriginal tribes in Australia with their imperial rulers, their relationship with the Australian nation state and the onset of 'modernity' was explored through the discussion following the screening.

The talk titled, "The Deconstruction of Offence" by Mr. Jagat Sohail was based on the fieldwork conducted on Stand-Up comedy in the NCR region. He discussed that Stand-Up comedy creates its own social world within which it functions and that the construction of this world is essential to our understanding of offence.



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Interface conducted a Heritage and Food Walk in association with INTACH. Another heritage and food walk was conducted with Mr. Sohail Hashmi in Old Delhi. This was done with the objective that a heritage walk, allows an individual to interact directly with the structure in question.



A talk on "Lunch Boxes" by Dr. Anjali Bhatia was held in association with the Department of Sociology. Dr. Bhatia explored aspects of kinship, gender relations, structures of education at the primary level, aspects of caste, and notions of purity through the symbol of the 'Lunchbox'.

The talk on "700 years of Adaption, Assimilation, Absorption, and Appropriation seen through Architecture" by Mr. Sohail Hashmi explored the assimilation and co-option of symbols which functions signifiers of a particular culture and religion through an analysis of architecture and historical monuments and artefacts particularly in Delhi. The period examined, stretched from the Harappan period to the Mughal era.

A Barter Bazaar was organised which allowed students to experience the act of exchange as more than an impersonal economic one. It provided for an avenue that precipitates introspection with regard to one's relationship with items.

DHYÂNA

Dhyana--The Society for Consciousness and Awareness, is a society dedicated to revising the concept of education, focusing the mind into thought, and thought into awareness.

Dhyana began this session with an enriching guest lecture on "Conflicts and Rights: Abduction Cases" by Dr. Haragopal, human rights activist and an ICSSR National fellow at TISS, Hyderabad, on August 27, 2015. Prof. Haragopal initiated his lecture with an overview of how conflicts and rights fall within each other's domain and dealt with a



variety of topics like democracy, women empowerment, reservation, war and peace, all linked to the common thread of abduction. Quoting Einstein, he emphasized that 'understanding social theory is much more complex than studying physical sciences.' He explained the advent of the massive revolution of Naxalism and the associated agency of the government and media.

Dhyana organised a two-day workshop by Mr. Santosh More, an expert on Indian philosophy and Yoga on 13 and 15 October 2015. During the session on 'Mind matters: Layers of Personality', held on 13 October, the idea of stress and anxiety. a working mind and the significance of a peaceful mind, experiences, actions and thoughts were discussed. Mr. More delivered a talk on "Time Machine: Age Boxes and Milestones" on the second day of the workshop. The talk began with a chant invoking Lord Ganesha. Mr. More talked about how the timeline of our lives is heavily dependent on societal expectations and placed importance on living life to the fullest and never regretting one's actions. He mentioned five layers of personality, viz., bliss, intellect, mind, vital air and food as being fundamental to every individual.



Mr. Udhhav Sharma, a member of Sri Aurobindo Society conducted a session on "Vedanta School of Indian Philosophy" on 25 February 2016. The insightful session commenced with a minute of meditative silence. Mr. Sharma explained the meaning of Vedanta and its importance and stated that all entities in the universe have an intrinsic nature and a defined purpose and all entities, albeit distinct and different, are connected to each other by "Dharma", the law of the laws.



Mr. Shaunaka Rishi Das, Director of Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies (OCHS), delivered an insightful lecture on the "Relevance of Hinduism in the 21st Century" on 9 March 2016. Mr. Das began by explaining the meaning of Hinduism and mentioned that the notion of *sat* (reality) differs from one individual to other. He talked about the pluralism that exists within Hinduism and proceeded to talk about the concept of identity. In conclusion, Mr. Das mentioned that there was an increasing need to spread the Indian philosophical ideas to the world.

PRAKRITI

Prakriti- the Environment Society at LSR was very active during the academic year 2015-16. It began by the sapling plantation by the incoming batch of students which symbolised the start of a lifelong relationship with LSR and their companions at college. The event also signified the beginning of a connection with the greenery at LSR- inculcating a sense of pride and responsibility in the students for the diverse and rich greenery on the campus.

A project that started in 2014 to recycle the vast quantities of waste paper generated through both collective and individual usage, was expanded upon and pursued with much vigour. Through an active collaboration with the NSS unit of the College and an active campaign, the members of Prakriti were able to collect 550 kgs of waste paper. They collaborated with 'Dakshina', an NGO that assists educational institutions, offices in the efficient reutilization of waste paper. The waste paper collected was passed on to Green-o-Tech Management Services, an organisation that deals in paper recycling. The recycled sheets were then passed on to the NGO Prayaas Juvenile Aid Centre where 13-14 year old children punched and spiral bound the books which were then distributed among the underprivileged children by NSS volunteers.



Another project initiated this year was to identify the flora in the College. The first phase consisted of identifying the trees and greenery that line the drive way near the front gate and in the front lawns.



Sessions with guest speakers such as Mr. Vijay Dashmana and Mr. Peeyush Sekhsaria were also organised as part of the project. Dr. Sonali Mishra's guidance and contribution was extremely enlightening and helpful in spreading awareness.

Three students of Prakriti, LSR participated in competitions like Extempore and Quiz organised by the Department of Environment, Government of NCT of Delhi on the occasion of 'International Ozone Day', at Delhi Secretariat Auditorium. Prakriti in collaboration with the Quiz Society hosted an environmental quiz on 16 October 2015. The thought-provoking questions asked during the quiz ranged from environmental movements, important environmental conventions to identifying logos of famous organisations.

Mr. Hartman De Souza, a multitalented and accomplished scholar took a session on the "Mining crisis in Goa". He subsequently discussed the acute importance of such a crisis in students' lives from all perspectives. The lecture was concluded by an endearing performance by Mr. Hartman's theatre group, 'Creatures of the Earth'.



The volunteers of Prakriti collaborated with the NSS volunteers of the NGOs *Indradhanush* and Child Development Programme to create awareness about child labour. They discussed the harmful effects of firecrackers on the health of the environment as well as on the health of the children making these crackers.

Prakriti organised two intellectually stimulating competitions, 'Block and Tackle' and 'Sustainable

Sell' at TARANG 2016 which saw widespread participation from various colleges. The competitions were judged by experts adept in the field of environmental conservation and research.

Students and gardeners from LSR under Prakriti won 11 out of 12 competitions under the various categories at the Annual Delhi University Flower Show. The students participated in categories such as wild-flower entry, Eastern-style, Western-style arrangement and rangoli designs and were guided by the staff advisors. The College also bagged several awards including the prestigious Green Cup.



ENACTUS

Enactus which stands for **Entrepreneurship**, **Action and Us** is an international Non-Profit Organization working in more than 1700 universities across 36 countries. It is a community of students, academics and business leaders committed to using entrepreneurial action for



transforming lives and shaping a sustainable worldeconomically, environmentally and socially.

The vision of Enactus coincides with the vision of Lady Shri Ram College- Leadership with Social Responsibility. Within 4 years of its establishment, Enactus LSR has left an indelible mark on the society. The projects taken up by the members have focused on vital issues prominent in the underprivileged factions. Through these initiatives, opportunities have been transformed into real, sustainable progress, and have empowered the underprivileged sections socially and improved their economic standing.



Enactus LSR has been associated with two projects: Project *Kalakaashi* and Project Auric aimed at empowering two different communities and ushering hope into their lives.

Project *Kalakaashi* has helped to revive the dying art of Varanasi by promoting the Indian Handloom and Handicraft Industry and has empowered the weavers and artisans, socially and economically. The members focused on directly linking the artisans to the consumers; eliminating intermediaries and ensured that craftsmen get a fair price for their products. In addition, the students facilitated innovation and skill development in this field by training artisans, and helped to raise their standard of living by helping them avail beneficial Government schemes, installed solar lamps in their workplace free of cost, organised health camps etc.

Project Auric provided a tested and safe alternative to unhygienic products such as *raakh*, which was

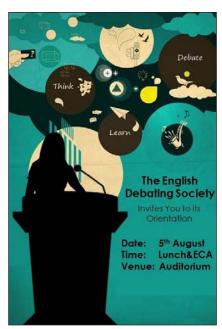
both economically and environmentally sustainable. The initiative targeted to achieve three objectives: making the females in underprivileged communities financially independent by teaching them how to manufacture Auric, inculcating the spirit of cleanliness and spreading awareness about the importance of health and sanitation and



encouraging environmental conservation by filling the liquid into recycled PET bottles.

PUBLIC SPEAKING SOCIETIES

The **English Debating** wing of the Public Speaking Society is an egalitarian society dedicated to intellectual growth, provocation of thought and public speaking.



The society consists of three groups- Parliamentary Debate, Conventional Debate and Group Discussion. At the beginning of the year, students who wished to join the society were auditioned and slotted into one of these three groups for their training on the basis of their basic acumen and skills.

The Debating Society of LSR hosted the LSR – TASHI Conventional Debate on 12 January 2016. 17 teams from colleges across India such as St. Stephen's, Hansraj, Ramjas, Faculty of Law and Jaypee Institute of Information Technology participated in this prestigious tournament and competed for the grand prize.

The event revived the fervour of the Marxist ideology and discussed its relevance in modern times with the motion 'This house believes that Marx was Right'. The aim of this motion was to not only explore the depths of Marx's ideology but to also push the debaters to explore his less popular strains of thought, widening the scope of the debate



to issues of politics, economics, religion, individualism or even feminism.

The event elicited thought provoking debate and discussion on topics that shape the social and political fabric we live in, including riveting debates on Marxist theories and its veracity in contemporary times.

The diverse panel of adjudicators comprised of Dr. Amir Ali, Centre for Political Studies, JNU,

Dr. V.C Bhutani, former lecturer in the Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, and Dr. Rityusha Tiwari, Department of Political Science, Shaheed Bhagat Singh College.

Cash prizes worth Rs. 30,000 were given to the winners. The event proved to be a fruitful one, as it promoted healthy discussion and deliberation and pushed individuals to think beyond conventional ideas.

Upholding it's tradition, the Debating Society of LSR hosted its annual inter-college debating competition which attracted national level participation from teams across 50 reputed colleges in India such Vellore Institute of Technology, St. Xaviers' College, Kolkata, Presidency College, Kolkata, Government Law College, Mumbai, St. Stephen's College, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi and Punjab University to name a few.

Following the standard Asian Style Parliamentary Debate format the event spanned across four days and five preliminary rounds from 16 - 19 March 2016.

Motions and topics from diverse themes such as Politics, Feminism, Philosophy, International Relations and Ethics etc. were presented and debated vociferously amongst the participants.

Keeping in mind the changing definition of citizenship in modern times and the refugee crisis, the motion set for the final debate was 'This House Believes that Citizenship should exclusively be based on place of Labour'. The total prize money for the tournament was worth a staggering 1, 21,000 rupees.

Vaktritva, the Hindi Debating society, organised various events throughout the year which aimed to develop students' critical and rational skills. A talk by Dr. Alpana Mishra was organised in October 2015 on the topic "Srijnatmakta ke Aayam" in collaboration with Abhivyakti, the Hindi Creative Writing Society. Dr. Mishra gave an enriching lecture on ways to develop and acknowledge the potential creativity embedded within each individual, with special reference to the creativity in literature writing.

An intra college debate was organised by the society in collaboration with the Punjab National Bank in October 2015 on the ongoing issue of 'Vigilance Awareness'. This was followed by Manthan -an Inter-department debate competition in collaboration with the Department of Elementary Education. The topic for the debate was 'Net Neutrality ki pranali free market ke sidhanton ka ullanghan karti hai'. The society also organised Tarkvyuh- an Inter-college Annual Parliamentary Debate Competition in February 2016. In March 2016, a book-reading session by Ms. Nasira Sharma was organised of the book Khuda Ki Wapsi.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

The **MUN Society** of LSR focused on providing specialised training to its members and conducted



regular mock sessions for members to practise and stay updated on current and international affairs. A mock session on "Addressing the impact of global terrorism, its forms and means" was organised on 26 August 2015 in order to familiarise students about the functioning of a MUN conference.

In order to give students a comprehensive understanding of Model United Nations and their functioning, the society organised different training sessions in the months of September and October 2015.

Five committee specific sessions were organised on Security Council, Human Rights Council and General Assembly. In addition sessions on Research, Lobbying, Rules of procedure, Diplomacy and Negotiation were organised for delegations to introduce MUN terminology and procedures to the first year students. Important procedures for debate such as the General Speakers List, Moderated Caucuses, Unmoderated Caucuses, Motions and voting on the same, Points of Enquiry among others were explained in detail during these sessions.

The MUN Society collaborated with the Placement Cell and organised a talk on "Public Policy" by *DU beat* on 3 March 2016 and another one by *Feministaa* on 10 March 2016.

The Lady Shri Ram College Model United Nations Conference 2016 of the society was organised from



12-13 February 2016. The conference hosted over 400 students from different schools and colleges around the country and saw participation of various delegations from IIT Delhi, DTU, JMC, Miranda House, Ramjas College, Jaypee, KIIT Orissa, SRM Chennai, Motilal Nehru College, Delhi College of Arts and Commerce, NSIT, Amity University, Ryan School, Shri Ram School among several others.

In addition, the society hosted the facilitators of various committees such as the Security Council, Peace Building Commission, National Security Council (Indian Committee), General Assembly and Commission on Status of Women who were invited as Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Rapporteur to moderate the discussion and debate. These committees discussed issues specific to their mandate such as 'The question of refugees in Mediterranean crisis', 'Effectiveness of peace enforcement', 'Situation from 1962 to 1980',

'Women in Development' and 'The effects of armed conflicts on International agreements, treaties and conventions'.

The International Press which consisted of 12 participants who were Journalists and Photographers from and outside LSR, covered the entire event and published newsletters on the content of debate going in the committees.



In this academic year, members of the society won over fifty five individual awards including Best Delegate, High Commendation and Special Mention prizes and thirty Executive Board positions. The students also received the best college delegation prize at two prestigious conferences- the JMC MUN and at Miranda House-ZENITH MUN and won two trophies for the same.



The members also represented the College at various conferences and won accolades.

ELOCUTION SOCIETY

This year, the **Elocution Society** focused on expanding its membership within the College and its range of performing styles. The society also organised a greater number of events as compared to last year.

The society organised a variety of in-house performances throughout the year, each distinct from the other, thereby redefining the Society's



contours. The members experimented with diverse styles of the spoken word, including Slam Poetry, Stand-Up Comedy, Monologues, Storytelling, Rhyme and Musicality, and tried to incorporate different languages into pieces which were mostly self-composed. Censorship, freedom of expression, subjectivity, and originality vs. imitation were some of the issues the members grappled with this year through the process of constructing the pieces as well as performing them before an audience.



The society also exposed the student community to different kinds of public speaking by organising diverse events, workshops and guest performances, some independently and some in collaboration with other Societies or Departments which were well received and witnessed enthusiastic participation. The Society members took an active part as comperes for the various inhouse cultural programmes both in Hindi and in English. In addition, the Society created platforms for free, uncensored self-expression in innovative ways on a range of issues through the organisation of one Open Mic poetry slam in each semester and three inter-college competitions during TARANG 2016 - 'SlamNation', the Annual Slam Poetry Competition, 'Satyrday', the Stand-Up Comedy Competition which was held for the first time and 'Turncoat', based on mimicry and voice variation.

QUIZ SOCIETY

The Quiz Society began the session with an orientation to the society on 1 September 2015, followed by a recruitment quiz to induct new members to the Quiz Society. Participants were tested on their knowledge of History, Current Affairs, Literature, Entertainment and the workings of our prestigious college.

A quizzing workshop was organised on 16 September 2015 to instill the passion of quizzing in LSR students. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Aryapriya Ganguly, founder of Cannot Place and Fundaes Liga. The workshop included a model quiz where Mr. Ganguly tested and enlightened the participants of the type of questions, format of questions and the tips and tricks to make them better quizzers.

The Quiz society collaborated with the other societies to organise the Super Quizzing Bowl which comprised of eight quizzes testing students' knowledge from the world of Literature, Arts, Environment, Women's, World Music, Cinema, Sports and Current Affairs. It was spread over the months of October and November. A Literature Quiz was organised on 6 October 2015 and was won by Tanvi Chowdhary, first year, Department of English. A Sports Quiz was organised 13 October 2015 to inculcate interest in the world of sports.

The guiz comprised of 30 questions from the fields of cricket, football, tennis, taekwondo among others and was won by Aastha Anupriya, first year, Department of Statistics. The Environment Quiz conducted on 16 October 2015, was greatly enjoyed by all Prakriti Society members. The winner of the Quiz was Sanjana Patro, second year, Department of Political Science. The Women's Quiz was organised on 27 October 2015 to instill an appreciation for the women's empowerment movements all over the world. The guiz was won by Kashish Thakur, second year, Department of Political Science. The World Music Quiz, organised on 29 October 2015, tested the participants on their music trivia, both Indian and western. Attended by all Music Society members, the winner of the quiz



was Anna Charenamei, third year, Department of History. The Fine Arts Quiz was conducted with Hive on 3 November 2015 to test participants on their knowledge from the arena of art. The quiz was well-attended by members of Hive and was won by Hindolee Datta, second year, Department of English. The Cinema Quiz was conducted with Projekt on 5 November 2015. Questions were asked from the realm of Bollywood and World. Zehra Kazmi, second year, Department of English won the quiz.

The Quiz Society conducted one of the most successful quiz festivals of Delhi during TARANG 2016. 'Al Hind', the College India Main Quiz, organised by the Society on 5 February 2016, saw the participation of around 100 teams from all over India. The quiz was conducted by Mr. Aryapriya



Ganguly. 'Quiztessential' the Open General Main Quiz was organised on 6 February 2016. It saw participation of 120 teams from all over India and was conducted by Mr. Balasubramanyam Pattath, Dias Education Initiative. 'Geopardy', the Food & Travel filler quiz organised by the Society on 6 February 2016 was a solo written quiz with one round, it was created and conducted by Mr. Balasubramanyam Pattath, Dias Education Initiative. 'Mr Sisters and Lannisters', the TV show filler quiz was organised by the Society on 7 February 2016.

'Women's Quiz'
organised by
Women's Development Cell
and
Quiz Society

27th October 2015
Room 29

Lunch + ECA



'Dailectic', the Political Science Quiz was conducted in collaboration with the Department of Political Science on 10 March 2016. It was set by Mr. Aryapriya Ganguly, members of the Quiz Society and Major Chandrakant Nair and saw active participation from colleges all over Delhi.

'Damn it! A Women's Quiz', a solo written quiz was organised in collaboration with the B.A. Programme Department on 17 March 2016. Conducted by Ms. Atishya Awasthi, the quiz was

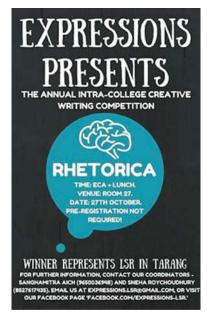
based on women's achievements in the world of sports, politics, business, entertainment, among others.

The Inter-department Quiz was organised on 5 April 2016 and was conducted by Mr. Sreshth Shah, one of the most sought-after quizmasters in the Delhi quizzing circuit. The Quiz was conducted to initiate a cross-department platform in quizzing and saw active participation from all departments.

'Umang – The Quiz' was organised by the society in collaboration with REACH on 16 April 2016. Conducted by Mr. Shvabh Chakarwarti, Mr. Gourav Jena and Mr. Shubhankar Bahl, Dais Education Initiative, the Quiz saw participation of people from all spectrum of life. The Quiz required participation in teams of two, where at least one participant had to be differently-abled. The quiz witnessed a huge participation.

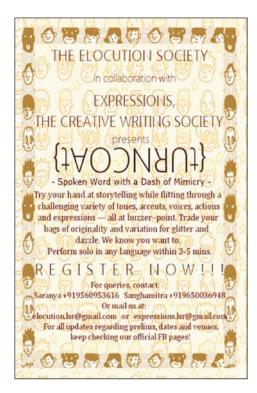
ENGLISH CREATIVE WRITING SOCIETY

Expressions, the English Creative Writing Society, kept its members busy with numerous events throughout the year. On 9 August 2015, Expressions organised an online completion on the theme of Independence Day. More than 25 students participated and the winning entries were



exhibited as part of an installation put up for Independence Day.

The first book club session of the academic year was held on 21 August 2015 on the Harry Potter novels. Much of the discussion focused on the genre of the fantasy novel and its appeal to readers. Mr. Anurag Garg, an author of two best -selling novels, was invited by the society on 8 September 2015 to share his experiences as a writer and to discuss the significance of research while working on fiction. Following his talk, on 17 September, Expressions organised a discussion on popular fiction and what distinguishes literary from popular fiction.



This year the annual in-house writing competition, 'Rhetorica' was held on 27 October 2015 and had enthusiastic participation. As a run-up to this event, the society organised a literature quiz in collaboration with the Quiz society.

Numerous competitions were organised during TARANG 2016. These included the 'Breakneck Bloggers' Club, an online writing competition and 'Lord of the Words' an on the spot writing competition. 'Extremely Fast and Incredibly Prose' was a first of its kind writing extempore event held on 6 February 2016 with twenty eager participants. In collaboration with the Elocution Society a 'Turncoat' spoken word competition was held on 7 February 2016.

Expressions put up installations of its work at various College events such as the Independence Day and Teachers' Day celebrations as well as during the National Seminar 'Understanding Diversity: Focus on the North-East. The society also collaborated with the *Campus Diaries* 25 Under 25 initiative to provide a platform to showcase the creative talent of its members.

HINDI CREATIVE WRITING SOCIETY

Abhivyakti, the Hindi Creative Writing Society began its activities this year with an orientation in the month of August introducing the functioning of the society. This was followed by the recitation of poetry composed by the members of the society in previous years and the new members of the society were encouraged to recite the poems they wrote in the auditions.



On the occasion of 'Hindi *Divas*' on 14 September 2015, Abhivyakti organised a talk session titled '*Ek Dhaage Se Bandhe Hain, Naam Hai Hindi*'. The discussions centred on the need to promote writings in Hindi in popular culture. Students were encouraged to submit self-composed poems on the theme which were then displayed on the society notice board.

On 29 October 2015, Dr. Alpana Mishra, an eminent writer was invited to speak on creativity in language. In her very engaging lecture titled "Rachnatmakta Ke Aayaam", she discussed the various practices to be adopted while writing in Hindi. She also emphasised the ways in which literature has been able to critique society and subvert norms.

As part of TARANG 2016, the society organised two competitions. On 5 February 2016, a poetry-writing and recitation competition, 'Kavyanjali' titled



'Utkristata Ke Sang, Rachnatmakta Ke Rang' was organised. The competition was followed by an interactive session on poetry which witnessed massive participation. The other event conducted during TARANG was a story-writing competition 'Kahani Buno' held on 6 February 2016. Ms. Suneeta Shanu, the eminent Hindi writer, addressed the participants and spoke both about the difficulties of being a woman writer and the power of story-telling as an agent for change in society.

As part of the Book Club events, Ms. Nashira Sharma was invited on 31 March 2016 to speak about her book *Khuda Ki Wapsi*. The discussants at the event included Dr. Sarika Kalra and Dr. Renu Gautam.

Apart from organising events in the college, the members of the society actively participated in events outside the college. Vaishali Pandey was awarded the *Protsahan Puruskar* in the 'Kavi Hoon'



Mai' and 'Kalam Se' competitions organised by the Hindi Sahitya Sabha in 2016. In addition, students represented the society in inter-college competitions held at Gargi College, PGDAV College, IIT Delhi and Hansraj College.

WESTERN MUSIC SOCIETY

The Western Music Society of Lady Shri Ram is recognised as one of the best college vocal groups in Delhi. Specializing in Acapella music, the group is known for performing complex jazz pieces, gospel, R&B, among other genres on competitive and non-competitive levels. The society is known for taking up challenging songs, arranging complex pieces and experimenting with different genres and styles.

On Independence Day over 35 students (both inhouse and core members) sang 'Bottom of your soul' by Toto, accompanied on the djembe by



Devanshi from the Instrumentalists' group. The performance was widely appreciated.

The Teacher's Day celebrations saw the society collaborating with the Elocution society. A medley of a couple of popular songs were interspersed and connected by the Elocution society to express love and gratitude to the faculty.

The society participated with total enthusiasm for the North-East Festival. Two Naga songs of different dialects and a Mizo song were arranged in an acapella style by the team. Some of the students of the society also collaborated with the Dramatics society in their 'body installation' depicting the various nuances of oppression and freedom and gave the background score to these installations adding to the impact of the whole piece.

The society collaborated with the Quiz Society to organise a Quiz based on World Music. The questions had audio-visual cues and ranged from old classical pieces to the very latest of music. Anna Charenamei from the History Department stood first in the Quiz. The society performed for the Australian Delegation and gave an energetic performance for the opening ceremony of the Dr. Bharat Ram Sports Meet.

'River', a Delhi based Trio was invited to perform at the pre-TARANG Acoustic Night organised in the New Common Room. The Trio consisted of Abhilasha Sinha, Kamakshi Khanna and Tarana Marwah. Utkarsh Verma accompanied the trio on the guitar. Both Abhilasha Sinha and Kamakshi Khanna were former Presidents of the Music Society of LSR whereas Tarana Marwah was the former President of the Music Society of Sri Venkateswara College. Their music captivated the audience who thoroughly enjoyed their covers and originals. Their cover of *Saathiya* as an acapella was memorable.

The society organised a Solo and Trio Singing Competition on the first day of TARANG. Entries for the online prelim round saw students from across India participating along with students from Delhi University and other colleges of the NCR.

The WMS organised the 'Battle of Bands' competition. Seven bands were shortlisted for the event which was covered by various media representatives, such as *Hindustan Times*, *DU Beat* etc.

The WMS organised an acapella event 'Pitch Please' on the last day of 'Hysteria'. Twenty colleges in and around Delhi participated in the same. A special performance by our judges, 'Nouveau' a Delhi-based Acapella group was also held at the end of the event.



INDIAN MUSIC SOCIETY

Dhwani, the Indian Music Society saw another eventful and fulfilling year with Poorva Joshi (President) and Apoorva Tiwari (Secretary) at the helm.

The year 2015-16 started with the Fresher's competition and auditions. During the Independence Day celebrations members of *Dhwani* impressed the audience with their enthusiasm and patriotism. A new musical piece in Raag Bihag was composed for the occasion.



In addition, *Dhwani* was at the forefront for most important College events whether it was a performance for Teachers' Day or College Day. The society was also called upon to welcome dignitaries to the College including Pt. Hariprasad Chaurasia and the delegation from La Trobe University, Australia.

At the National Seminar titled 'Understanding Diversity: Focus on the North-East' organised by LSR which included cultural performances of the region, the society put up an impressive show by performing songs of all the 8 north eastern states. Members of the society also enthusiastically



participated in the Cultural Programme put up for the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) peer team visit to the College and their performance was highly appreciated.

Regular voice training sessions were held by the union and Raag Bhupaali and Dhani were taught to the members. These training sessions helped the society win laurels at the inter-college level. The Dhwani team consisting of Aditi Joshi, Nanki Bedi, Rishika Roy, Anshul Prakash, Ananta Gaur, Apoorva Tiwari, Isha Roy, Rajasee Bhattacharya, Kanika Kalra, Aishwarya Chaturvedi, Manmeet Kaur, Ishita Bajpai and Poorva Joshi won the first position both at IIT Kanpur and IIT Delhi and the second position at AIIMS. Rajasee Bhattacharya and Poorva Joshi won the third prize in classical solo at AIIMS. In addition the *Dhwani* team was placed first at Hansraj College, Lady Irwin College and at NSIT and third at Hindu College.

During TARANG, the Annual Cultural Festival, the society organised six different events under ANAAHAD, the Indian music festival. The events were a big success.

In the month of April, elections were held to elect the new union and the baton passed to Rishika Roy (President), Aishwarya Tiwari (Treasurer) and Rajasee Bhattacharya (Secretary).

DRAMATICS SOCIETY

The Dramatics society (Dramsoc) played an active role in all the cultural events in College, besides winning accolades for their street play and stage play performances outside College. An



unusual orientation programme was planned to facilitate interaction with the new members of the society by organising different theatre games across various venues in College. Auditions were regularly conducted for all the productions of the society so that there could be maximum participation.

The members of the society put up well received performances on Independence Day and Teachers' Day. Mr. Anirudh Nair, a renowned actor and director with the Tadpole Repertory was invited to conduct a Physical Theatre Workshop from 8-10



October 2015 in which 27 Dramsoc members participated.

The society organised *Yavnika* and *Nukkad* as a part of Tarang'16 and made the *Nukkad* event non-competitive for the first time. More than 50 Colleges from across the country participated in these two events.

The first performance of the annual Street Production, *Sun! Tu rehene de* was held at Central Market, Lajpat Nagar on 19 December 2015. This production won prizes at several inter-college competitions and due to its powerful social message was invited to perform at a variety of fora by NGOs. The Street Play group was requested to perform as a part of the *Beti Bacahao*, *beti Padhao Aandolan* in Panipat on 27 January 2016, as part of the One Billion Rising Campaign, New Delhi on 14 February 2016 as well as at the National School of Drama as part of the *Bharat Rang Mahaotsav*. The team also performed at *Sapera Basti*, Najafgargh on 24 February 2016, at St Marks Senior



Secondary School as a part of the Ateliers Theatre Festival, at DLF Promenade Mall, Vasant Kunj in association with 'SHE' NGO and at *Laal Gumbad Basti*, Nizammudin *Basti* and Connaught Place on International Womens' Day in association with Swalambhan NGO, Save The Children Foundation and SEWA respectively. The group also performed at *Dilli Haat* as a part of the 'Music for Harmony' fest on 6 March 2016.

Sun! Tu rehene de was placed first at Symbiosis Law School on 14 February 2016 and at SGND KHALSA College's annual fest. Shraiya Singh won the best actor at Jesus and Mary College. The Street Play won the second prize at Dyal Singh (Morning) College on 4 February, at ZAKLIT, the annual fest of Zakir Hussain College on 5 February 2016, at Zakir Hussain Evening College on 10 February 2016, at Jamia Millia Islamia's annual cultural fest on 17 February and at the Shri Guru Gobind Singh College of Commerce on 18 March 2016. It was placed third at Amity Law School on

SMELL OF LEMONS

Akshara Theatre
30th March
5:30 pm

18 February and at Jesus and Mary College on 16 March and won a Special Mention at the College of Vocational Studies. The piece reached the finals at MOOD INDIGO, the IIT, Mumbai fest on 20 December 2015 and was chosen to perform at *PEHECHAN*, the Delhi University Youth Festival.

9 Parts of Desire, the Annual Stage Production for the year 2015-16, won many laurels for the society. It made it to the finals of the prestigious Atelier's Campus Theatre Festival and was invited to perform at Akshara Theatre.on 6 March 2016. It won the Best Team/Play award at STAGECRAFT, the Jesus and Mary College Theatre competition and got selected for several stage play events such as ENGIFEST at Delhi Technical University, CONCOCTION at Kamala Nehru College and GOONJ'16 at Bhagat Singh Evening College. It was also performed at Miranda House.

Dramsoc also participated in the National Inter-College Shakespeare Theatre Competition organised by the Shakespeare Society of India with an adaptation of *Macbeth* titled *The Tragedy of Lady Macbeth*. This piece was later performed at Akshara Theatre.

DANCE SOCIETY

The LSR Dance Society encompasses various forms of dance within three main segments-Classical dance- which comprises all Indian classical dance forms, wherein synergised dance renditions are prepared, retaining the essence of each classical form, Western dance which



amalgamates major western dance styles such as hip hop, Bollywood, jazz, wacking and fuses them into western dance productions and Choreography which uses different dance forms such as contemporary, lyrical jazz, ballet creating a thematic representation, and is choreographed into a dance ballet.

On Orientation Day, 20 July 2015, all the three wings of the Dance Society put up an amalgamation of many dance forms on stage namely- Bharatnatyam, Odissi, Kathak, Chhau, Whacking, Contemporary etc.

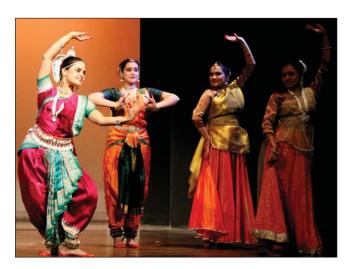
The Independence Day celebration saw a fusion of four major Indian Classical Dance Forms namely-Bharatnatyam, Odissi, Kathak and Mohiniyattam. The objective of this event was to celebrate the diversity and rich heritage of India. The Classical Dance Society also performed for the delegation that came from La Trobe University, Australia.

To honour the contribution of teachers in shaping and inspiring students, the dance society presented an interactive and entertaining performance on the Teachers' Day.

For the North Eastern Festival in October 2015 the classical wing of the Dance Society performed a folk dance form of Assam, the *Jhumur*, traditionally performed by the womenfolk working at the tea plantations.



All the three wings of the Dancesoc competed in the BITS Pilani Fest in October 2015 and won awards for it as well. A series of training workshops were organised in November 2015 by Ms. Prachi Saxena for Choreography, and Mr. Ryan Martyr for Western Dance. The senior dancers of the Classical Dance



Society took workshops on expressions with the members.

In December 2015, at the IIT Mumbai Fest, MOOD INDIGO, the Choreography wing of the Dance Society won the 3rd position for the Best Thematic Presentation.

In February 2016, the Classical Dance Society performed at the opening ceremony of TARANG, the Annual Cultural Festival of LSR and the Western Dance and Choreography groups showcased their Annual Productions on the College stage.

March 2016 was the time for Fests in all colleges across DU. All the three wings of the Dance Society went for several fests across Delhi University and also won accolades and awards for the same.

On 7 April 2016, the Classical Dance Society showcased its Annual Production, *Nrityagana* in the College auditorium. The production was an amalgamation of dance forms, a marriage of souls, a synthesis of emotions, and a union of spirits.

In April 2016, the Classical Dance Society performed at the prestigious conference, 10th SPIE Asia Pacific Remote Sensing Symposium which was organised by ISRO in collaboration with the Ministry of Earth Sciences. This symposium was supported by NASA and the performance was highly appreciated by the dignitaries present.

PROJEKT

It has been a constant endeavour at **Projekt- the Film and Photography Society** to learn, understand, and express through the means of film and photography. Through exhibitions, workshops and screenings, members in Projekt provided new insights and perspectives and contributed to the ever-evolving arena of art.

Projekt collaborated with the Kriti Film Club and the Department of Journalism, hosted the Usurp Art Gallery, London for the screening of awardwinning, experimental, short films by international



filmmakers on 10 March 2016. The films were a selection from the Usurp Zone Film Festival that was supported by Film London and the British Film Institute, most of which were screened in India for the first time. Films such as *Taklif* by Maryam Tafakory, *Within* by Natália Azevedo Andrade, *Screen Memory* by Laura Fletcher, *FU377* by Neelu Bhuman, *A Partial History of the Natural World, 1965* by Sasha Waters Freyer, *Fragments of a letter to a child unborn* by Maryam Tafakory, *Dogged* by Jo Shaw, *The 400 Breathless Blows of Jules and Jim* by Molly Brown, *We Are Not Amused* by Vicki Bennett were screened. The screening was followed by an interactive session with the curators Ms. Pauloma Desai and Mr. Simon Underwood.

A talk by Mr. Agneya Singh, independent film maker was organised on 11 February 2016. Mr. Singh talked about the transformative effect of cinema, and the language of cinema by discussing six films that revolutionised the cinematic landscape as we know it today.

Projekt collaborated with Hive, the Fine Arts society of LSR and organised an exhibition titled, *Nazariya* on 14 August 2015 which involved the digital superimposition of paintings with photographs to create images that capture the essence of freedom and empowerment in India on the occasion of Independence Day. The exhibition was highly appreciated. A video compilation of the artists transforming the photographs was created and played during the Independence Day celebrations.

The screening of *Offside* by Jafar Panahi and a lecture on "Creative Limitations in Iranian Cinema" by Ms. Salma Siddique, doctoral candidate at the University of Westminister was organised on 20 August 2015. Ms. Siddique highlighted the creative limitations that are faced by Iranian filmmakers because of the restrictions imposed on them by the sociolegal structures of Iranian society.

An interactive session was organised on 15 October 2015 with Mr. Ajay Jain, owner of Kunzum Travel Cafe, Hauz Khas Village. The session focused on the technical aspects of travel photography. Mr. Jain also shared with the students several personal incidents and lessons that he had learnt travelling all across the world.



Members of the society created a film imagining fictional figures as teachers to mark Teacher's Day 2015.

For the seminar on 'Understanding Diversity: Focus on the North East Region of India' on 30 November 2015, a photo and film exhibition was held in the College. The society members worked in groups of 3-4 and came up with photo manipulations that played around with representations and misrepresentations, while questioning identities under the larger theme of the festival.

Projekt in collaboration with the Quiz Society held the Cinema Quiz as part of the Super Quizzing Bowl on 5 November 2015.

Projekt organised several events and competitions such as 'Kairos' - a photography exhibition at TARANG 2016. The exhibition presented works of the members of the society as well as entries from other colleges.

Competitions held included a three day photography competition 'Emakimono' was organised which saw the participation of many photography enthusiasts. Ms. Amber Kidner, an acclaimed American photographer and Mr. Jonathan Koshy, Department of English, Lady Shri Ram College were the judges for different levels of the competition.

An on the spot photography competition titled 'Spot-On' was held where the participants were given a theme and were required to shoot in the LSR campus within a given time. Mr. Vibhushan Subba, a documentary filmmaker, judged the competition.

An online photography competition 'Keep it Reel' was also organised. The competition was held on Instagram, a popular photo blogging site.

A campaign video making competition 'Projektions' with the theme 'Dust in my veins' was also held. The participants made a 60 second campaign video on the theme. Mr. Anugyan Nag, Department of Journalism, Lady Shri Ram College judged the competition.

A silent film making competition titled 'Musidora' was organised. The competition saw participation

of diverse entries on a variety of themes. Dr. Bindu Menon, Department of Journalism, Lady Shri Ram College was the judge for the competition.

In addition, a screenplay writing competition 'Chalchitra ka Maanchitra' was held where participants presented their screenplays. The competition saw a range of story ideas being



brought forward. Mr. Shankjeet De, an independent film maker was the judge of the competition.

HIVE

Hive -the Fine Arts Society collaborated with Projekt, the film and photography society for an exhibition, titled '*Nazariya*', wherein teams of artists and photographers described their idea of freedom



Because Earth without Art is just Eh.

and liberty through the combination of art and photography. A video showcasing the creation of the artworks of the members of Hive was screened during the Independence Day assembly. Hive organised a bottle painting workshop, where new members got a chance to demonstrate their skills, share ideas and get acquainted with other fellow members. A variety of media and crafts were used in the workshop.

As a part of the seminar on North-east, Hive put up an exhibition named 'Untitled', which covered different aspects of the diversity of the aesthetics



and culture of north-east India. A part of the Super Quiz Bowl organised by the Quiz society, the Fine Arts Quiz covered Indian and world art traditions. across different periods of time. The questions were multimedia, that is, in the form of video clips, audio clips, and image clues. The guiz saw huge participation and was won by Hindolee Dutta, Department of English. 'Rhizomata', an exhibition of installations was put up by Hive during TARANG 2016. The four elements, fire, water, earth, and air, were depicted by the society. The exhibition was a beautiful arrangement of lights, shadows and colours. Different things such as jellyfishes, firebirds, dragon flies and mushrooms were created to give a resemblance of a fairy tale. Hive held different types of art competitions such as the Tote Bag Painting Competition, Online Digital Art Competition, Best out of Waste Competition and Story Illustration Competition during TARANG, and

saw a wide range of participation from different colleges and universities in and outside Delhi.

WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE

World University Service Society organised numerous events with the aim of promoting self-reliance and overall development of students. A talk on "Health and Hygiene Awareness" was held by Dr. Kiran, a well-known gynaecologist from Max Healthcare Institute on 17 March 2016. Dr. Kiran discussed the concept of Wellness, its various dimensions and major causes of women's deaths in India. She also discussed more specific diseases such as Cancer, Heart disease etc. along with their preventive measures. She focused on Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS), which today, has become a major issue of concern among young women and discussed various diet tips to deal with the same.

The 'Rise against Cancer Campaign' was organised in collaboration with the Indian Cancer Society on 16 March 2016. The Campaign consisted of three short workshops for all the members of the College including the teaching and non- teaching staff and students. It focused on creating general awareness about cancer such as importance of early detection, signs and symptoms of cancer, etc., harmful effects of tobacco and creating awareness about Breast Cancer. This was followed by a poster and slogan making competition. The theme selected was 'Early Detection helps in the Prevention of Cancer'. On 10 March 2016, a Free Health Check- up Camp was set up in collaboration with the Max Healthcare Institute Ltd for both staff members and Students. A Workshop with the college counselor Ms. Huma Hussain on 'Women Empowerment, Mental Health and Coping with Adult Life' was organised on 3 March 2016. She talked about a number of issues students face in daily life ranging from mental health, women empowerment and coping with adult life.

On 28 January 2016, an awareness session highlighting the importance of Blood Donation was held in collaboration with BloodConnect as a preevent to a Blood Donation Camp. The talk focused on the importance of Blood Donation, the various

measures that should be taken before and after donating Blood, eligibility criteria for blood donation etc. A Blood Donation Camp was organised on 25 February 2016 in Collaboration with BloodConnect and National Service Scheme. Doctors were invited from AIIMS to conduct the camp.

With the aim to increase sensitivity toward the issue of child sexual abuse, a workshop was conducted by an alumna of LSR, Ms. Suchismita Bose, Director, The Foundation along with Ms. Janavi Doshi, Program Manager of the project 'R.E.A.C.H.' at 'The Foundation' which specifically focuses on issues related to Child Sexual Abuse. The event focused on understanding Child Sexual Abuse, what constitutes the same, ways of recognising that a child is going through the same, its effects on the child, prevention, concept of grooming and ways of handling disclosures.

Asmita Theatre Group, a leading Hindi theatre group in the country performed Dastak- one of their most famous plays, directed by Mr. Arvind Gaur on 29 September 2015. The play attempted to create awareness about the increasing incidence of atrocities against women. The film My Sister's Keeper was screened on 17 September 2015 in collaboration with the Psychology Department as part of the Mental Health Awareness Week. The movie highlighted the importance of resilience and hope. The acclaimed documentary film, Born into Brothels, written and directed by Zana Briski and Ross Kauffman which revolves around the lives of Children of sex workers in Sonagachi, Kolkata's red light district was screened on 10 September 2015. The film



SPIC MACAY

LSR has been an active member of the SPIC MACAY family since its inception. The society seeks to conserve and promote an awareness of the rich and heterogeneous cultural tapestry amongst the youth of India and abroad through focus on the classical arts, with their attendant legends, rituals, mythology and philosophy and to facilitate an awareness of their deeper and subtler values. Throughout the academic year, LSR organised a series of events such as Lecture



Demonstrations, Informative talks, Yoga/Holistic camps, conventions, Cinema classics, heritage walks, Folk Arts and Crafts workshops and Performances by eminent artists.

On the 19 August 2015, SPIC MACAY, Lady Shri Ram College invited Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia for a recital. The programme began with the traditional lamp-lighting by the Chairperson Mr. Arun Bharat Ram, Principal Dr. Suman Sharma, Vice Principal Dr. Sanjay Roy Choudhury and Chairperson of Spic Macay, Delhi, Mr. Arun. LSR's Indian Music Society presented an invocation and the College song. Panditji, before beginning the recital, talked about the continuity of his musical journey, claiming to still be a disciple with an endless thirst for knowledge.

Accompanied by Ms. Debopriya Ranadive on the flute and Mr. Subhankar Banerjee on the tabla, Panditji began with a soulful rendition of the *Raag Sarang*, a noontime raag, then played *Raga Bhimpalasi* and *Mia ke Malhar*, and concluded with a fusion of the *Pahadi Dhun*, all of which were equally well received.



After the conclusion of the recital, Panditji opened the floor for questions and interaction. The flurry of questions prompted Panditji to recall his childhood days and relate poignant anecdotes from his childhood days. With a twinkle in his eyes, he playfully confessed how, despite severe insistence from his father, he could never develop a penchant for wrestling. When asked about the role of the *Guru* and the relevance of the *Guru-Shishya Parampara*, Panditji said that the primary manifestation of *Guru* is the parent. It is essential to surrender oneself at one's parents' feet and to have complete faith in them.

On 10 October 2015 a heritage walk was organised to Qutub Minar at Mehrauli, New Delhi by SPICACAY, LSR Chapter to learn the historical significance and myths associated with this monument and understand India's rich culture and history. Students were accompanied by the well known historian, Ms. Sapna Liddle, who explained the minute details about the Qutub Minar, the mosque close to Qutub minar and the Iron Pillar.

As part of the inauguration ceremony of the Annual College fest TARANG on the 4 of February 2016, SPIC MACAY-LSR Chapter in association with Punjab National Bank organised an Odissi dance recital by Ms. Kavita Dwibedi. Accompanied by a team of highly skilled musicians and vocalists with Prafulla Kumar Mangaraj on the Mardal, Suresh Kumar Sethi provided the vocals, Yar Mohamad on the Sitar was supported by Kalyani Behera with the manjeera. The dignitaries present for the event were the Principal, Dr. Suman Sharma; SPIC MACAY official, Shri. K Vaidyanathan and Branch Manager PNB, Ms. Vandana. The programme began with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by

the honourable dignitaries. This was followed by the felicitation of the guests by the Principal. In typical SPIC MACAY fashion, the performance was conducted as a lecture-demonstration. Ms. Dwibedi and explained the technical intricacies and themes involved in Odissi and its evolution over the centuries. She started her performance with a powerful rendition of Shivaradhna. This performance was followed by an insight into the technical aspects of the dance form. She performed the Pure Dance form or Pallavi- a harmony of Taal, Laya and Swar. With an audience rapt in attention, Ms. Dwibedi performed her last act which was based on the third level of the dance form-Abhinaya or Expression. She gave a mesmerising performance on Vatsalya Rasa.

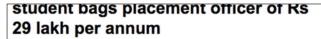
THE INFORMATION CELL

The Information Cell with its three divisions consisting of the Placement Cell, the Alumna Cell and the Website Division remained active throughout the year.

PLACEMENT CELL

The Placement Cell serves as an interface between the students and the recruiters. In addition, skill building workshops such as workshops for Resumes, Case Study, Personal Interviews were organised which helped streamline the Placement Cell as a 'Career Services Unit'. Many of these workshops were conducted by





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Last year, the highest package offered was Rs 18 lakh.

"Rhea Grover has been hired by Parthenon-EY a strategy consultancy at a package of Rs 29 lakh which is this year's highest," a senior college official said.

The average compensation amount is also high this year at Rs 7 lakh with 94 students being placed so far.

professionals from reputed organisations like BCG, EY, KPMG, Talerang to name a few.

The Placement Cell had an unprecedented year in placements as the highest package, in the University of Delhi, of INR 29 lakhs was secured by Rhea Grover who was recruited by the management consulting firm, Parthenon EY. The Cell hosted a plethora of first-time recruiters such as BCG, Samsung, Reckitt Benckiser as well as previous associates such as McKinsey, Citi and the Big 4 Audit firms among many others and facilitated placements resulting in 125 offers. The Placement Cell also collaborated with *Swavalamban* and helped to seek employment for the differently-abled and the underprivileged.

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The Placement Cell helped in organising 280 offers of internships and social engagement opportunities for students across all years and departments from the College, at least 60% of which were paid. The highest stipend amount of INR 1,40,000 for two months was offered to a student by first-time recruiter, Bank of America. Another student bagged a 2-month internship opportunity with Ernst and Young along with a prize of INR 1,00,000.

The Alumna Cell organises the Annual Reunion NOSTALGIA, the interactive sessions with distinguished alumni, Alumna Bazaars, interaction with different societies to organise different events like Global Mentoring Walk, ELSA association registrations and conducting various interviews with alumni and celebrating the Alumna of the Month. The design, editorial and organising team implemented these activities effectively. A career workshop was conducted by the cell for the



students in the month of March 2016. Two distinguished alumnae of the College who are in the Civil Services, Ms. Archana Nigam, Joint Secretary of India and Ms. Mona Sreenivas, Deputy Commissioner for Urban Development, Municipal Corporation were invited for a workshop by the Alumna Cell. The workshop aimed to inform students about ways to prepare for the Civil Services Examination. Ms. Sreenivas explained the difference between a corporate job and a Government one. She covered every aspect of the preparation for civil services examination including the interview. Ms. Archana Nigam used a presentation to explain the process thoroughly to the students. The workshop was a success and witnessed enthusiastic participation from the students.

Extra Curricular Activities The Residence Hall

The LSR Residence Hall has always been replete with stories of the aspirations and triumphs of young women who venture from all corners of the country and abroad in search for dreams that would give them access to education of quality. It has always been the epicentre of initiative and energy. Through all the functions and events, the residents are integral to the melange of colour, zest and festivity that are central to college life.

The session of 2015-16 began with the election of the Student's Union on 8 April 2015, followed by the selection of new conveners for all 12 student committees and the recruiting of new members for the same.

The Farewell for the Batch of 2015 was organised on 20 April 2015. The sleepless nights spent in preparing for the function were forgotten when the juniors saw the happy faces of their seniors in the morning. As per convention, the day began with bed tea being served to all third years followed by a special breakfast, an entertaining evening in the Auditorium and a dinner to be remembered for days to come.

The Residence Hall saw a steady influx of first years in the month of July. The traditional orientation ceremony was skipped in favour of an informal icebreaking session in the Visitors' Room, where the



Students' Union met all the first years corridor-wise, as and when they came, and explained the rules, answered their questions and explained the nitty-gritties of the hostel to them.

A colourful celebration ensued on 19 August, titled 'Musical Night', where the residents exhibited an array of performing arts including dance, music and recitation.

The Hostel Freshers was organised on 11 September, with the theme being *Chahe koi mujhe jungle kahe!* The month also brought with it the 'Delhi Darshan', a sightseeing tour with the Hop On Hop Off government bus service, which toured



a number of tourist places including Red Fort, Purana Quila and Humayun's Tomb and Feroz Shah Kotla. Pizzas for lunch made for a great rejuvenation just when people were starting to get drowsy with the heat.

The most memorable event, however, was the 'Dandiya Night' in October, when the Inner Quad lit up like a candelabra and a plethora of colours burst on the green lawns, as residents from all corners of the country spilled over to dance their hearts out.

A GBM with the Hostel Committee was held twice, once each in the odd and even semester, for residents to put forward their grievances and suggestions to the decision-takers of the Residence Hall. Two new electric kettles, a microwave, extension of late nights to 10 p.m., introduction of ID cards for the second years (in addition to the third years) and the exemption of the LG's signature for third years on leave cards were a few of the things agreed upon.

Eher Residence HAll tivities



An emergency evacuation drill was successfully conducted, to make sure that residents were aware of what exits to use and how to behave in case of a fire, earthquake, etc. Setting up of two emergency exit doors in replacement of the normal doors was also decided upon by the Hostel Committee.

The Hostel merchandise, which included t-shirts as well as sweatshirts, arrived in early January. Plans for a day trip to Agra and a weekend getaway to Dhanaulti were planned, but could not materialise due to time constraints. Post the winter break, the Residence Hall celebrated Secret Santa with an exchange of gifts with randomly allotted residents. A bonfire was also lit on the night of *Lohri*, where people roasted groundnuts in the fire for good luck and sang songs in the chilly January night.

The even semester also saw the residents on their toes for the inspection by the (then due) NAAC Peer Team, which paid off as the Residence Hall won accolades for the standards maintained. The election of the new Students' Union for 2016-17 followed.

The year was, hence, a fruitful one, with certain major policy changes and additions to the Residence Hall.



Distinguished Visitors to the College 2015-16

Dr. Shankar Acharya : Academician, Indian Council for Research on International

Economic Relations (ICRIER)

Dr. Pradeep Agarwal : Academician, Institute of Economic Growth

Prof. Hilal Ahmed : Academician, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies

Dr. Bimol Akoijam : Academician, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)

Dr. Arpita Anand : Psychologist

Dr. Pulapre Balakrishnan : Academician, Ashoka University

Mr. Arnab Banerjee : Creative Director and Graphic Designer

Ms. Sarita Barara : Senior broadcaster, All India Radio

Dr. Manjeet Baruah : Academician, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Mr. Aamir Bashir : Actor and Film Maker

Dr. Rumki Basu : Academician, Jamia Millia Islamia

Prof. Navnita Chadha Behera : Academician, University of Delhi

Ms. Kamla Bhasin : Academician and Gender Rights Activist

Ms. Ela Bhatt : Founder, Self Employed Women's Association of India

Ms. Anannya Bhattacharjee : Society of Labour and Development

Dr. Gautam Bhan : Academician, Indian Institute of Human Settlements,

Bangalore

Ms. Neeru Bhatia : Academician, University of Delhi

Mr. Ashok Bhowmick : Painter

Dr. Nilanjan Bhowmick : Academician, University of Delhi

Dr. Priya Bir : Vice-President, Indian Association of Positive Psychology

Dr. Jayani Bonnerjee : Academician, O.P. Jindal Global University

Craig Brandist : Academician, The University of Sheffield, England

Prof. Rita Brara : Academician. Delhi School of Economics

Mr. Pankaj Butalia : Documentary Film Maker

Mr. Douglas Butler : Mathematics Educator, Autograph's chief designer, UK

Prof. Neera Chandhoke : Academician, University of Delhi

Ms. Shoma Chaudhary : Media Person, Catch News

Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia : Padma Vibhushan Indian Classical Flutist

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Dr. Anannya Dasgupta : Academician, Shiv Nadar University

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Research and Training

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Ms. Ananyaa Gaur : Film Maker, Caste on the Menu Card

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Ms. Shohini Ghosh : Academician, AJK Mass Communication Research Center

Dr. Subir Gokarn : Director of Research, Brookings India

Mr. Chandan Gomes : Shri Aurobindo Center for Arts and Communications, Delhi

Ms. Shruti Goel : Academician, Indraprastha College for Women

Ms. Vineetha Raghavan Grover : Ad-Designer

Ms. Nidhi Gulati : Academician, Institute of Home Economics

Ms. Shikha Gulati : Academician, Bluebells School

Ms. Harmala Gupta : Founder, CanSupport

Mr. Vineet Gupta : Managing Director, Jamboree

Mr. Sanjay Muttoo : Academician, Kamala Nehru College

Dr. N. Hamsa : Executive Director, Women Power Connect

Prof. Rajen Harshe : Academician, South Asian University (SAU)

Ms. Moloyshree Hashmi : Theatre Person and Academician

Mr. Sohail Hashmi : Historian

Dr. Aman Hingorani : Advocate and Mediator, Supreme Court of India

Mr. Adil Hussain : Actor

Ms. Nitasha Islam : USI Audit Senior Manager

Dr. Bharati Jagannathan : Academician, University of Delhi

Mr. Rajesh Jala : Film Maker, Children of the Pyre

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Mrs. Jasjiwan Kaur : President, War Widows Association

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Max Health Care

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Mr. Abhishek Majumdar : Theatre Person, Indian Ensemble Theatre Group, Bangalore

Dr. Rupendra Guha Majumdar : Academician, University of Delhi

Ms. Vimala Mehta : IPS Officer

Prof. Nivedita Menon : Academician, JNU

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Ms Samina Mishra : Film Maker

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Dr. Shubhra Nagalia : Academician, Ambedkar University Delhi

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Prof. Janaki Nair : Academician, JNU

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Dr. Rekha Navneet : Academician, Gargi College

Mr. Venkatesh Nayak : Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative
Dr. Rohit Negi : Academician, Ambedkar University Delhi

Dr. Pandey : Head of Biostatistics, AIIMS

Mr. Asheesh Pandya : Sound Practitioner, Film and Television Institute of India, Pune

Prof. Pushpesh Pant : Academician

Mr. Sorabh Pant : Performer (Comedian)

Prof. Avijit Pathak : Academician, JNU

Dr. Raman Deep Pattanayak : Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist

Mr. Balasubramanyam Pattath : Quiz Master, The Dais

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Dr. Malti Raghav : Academician, University of Delhi

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