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REACH REPORT 2016-17

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1.	The Buddy Programme	-	-
2.	Formal Orientation	3 rd August 2016	Auditorium
3.	KPMG Orientation	23 rd August 2016	Swavlamban Resource Centre at Flat 10
4.	Mobility Training Workshop	27 th August 2016	New Common Room
5.	Visit to SRCC	8 th August 2016	
6.	Informal Meeting	9 th September 2016	Room 203
7.	Bookshare Presentation	22 nd September 2016	Room 8
8.	Visit to IP College	23 rd September 2016	Room 8
9.	Eye Check Up	24 th September 2016	Shroff Eye Care Hospital
10.	A Session with Abraham Score Foundation	29 th September 2016	New Conference Hall
11.	Celebration of World White Cane Day – <i>Session with Neha Arora</i>	27 th October 2016	Room 8

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12.	Chocolate Making Workshop	15 th February 2017	Staff Tea Area Activites
13.	One Day Trip	18 th February 2017	Pratapgarh Farms
14.	A Session on RPD Bill by P.K. Pincha	2 nd March 2017	Room 28
15.	Pre Parwaaz Week: a. Movie Screening b. Panel Discussion	7 th -9 th March 2017 7 th March 2017 9 th March 2017	Room 19 Room 9 Room 8
16.	Session with Javed Abidi to Declare Parwaaz 2017	23 rd March 2017	Room 9 + 9A
17.	Parwaaz 2017	25 th March 2017	Flat 10
18.	Lord Hastings Visit to LSR	13 th April 2019	Flat 10

1. The Buddy Programme

The buddy programme is a flagship initiative of REACH LSR. Under the buddy programme, two volunteers/ core team members are assigned as ‘buddies’ to students with disabilities. The buddies interact on a regular basis to solve any grievances or just for a chat.

2. Formal orientation

The formal orientation of REACH was held on 3rd August 2016. It aimed to familiarize the general student body of college with the vision, purpose and activities initiated by REACH.

3. KPMG Orientation

The representatives from KPMG had come to visit the visually impaired (VI) persons who use Swavlamban, Resource Centre, Flat no. 10 on the 23rd of August 2016. The agenda of this meeting was to make the newly admitted VIs acquainted with the state of art technology available at LSR for them. The representatives along with the already existing users of the resource centre, that is, the second and the third year VIs made the new ones comfortable around the resource centre.

4. Mobility Training Workshop

Mobility Training Workshop this year was held on 27th august 2016. We had Mr. Anil Kumar from National Association of the Blind to conduct this workshop on importance and use of the White Cane for the visually impaired. Sir had divided the workshop into two parts – a theory session on mobility and a practical session to acquaint the visually impaired students with the campus. All the buddies were present with their volunteers and carefully followed what Mr. Kumar said. In the end, however, Mr. Kumar mentioned that there have to be multiple sessions on mobility for the students to be able to move around independently.

5. Visit to SRCC and IP

REACH made a visit to Shri Ram College of Commerce and Indraprastha College for Women on 8th September 2016 and 23 rd September 2016, respectively. Both these colleges have a significant number of PwD candidates for which they have myriad of facilities available and we wanted to learn about the same. The visits were about an hour long, conducted by the convenors of their Equal Opportunity Cells. We learned about various technological and infrastructural differences between LSR and these colleges, and we are looking forward to implementing these for the betterment of students with disabilities at LSR.

6. Informal Meeting

An informal meeting was held on the 9th of September 2016 with the students with disabilities and their volunteer buddies. They were made to sit in teams of three where each team had to do an activity that resembled the spin-a-yarn competition. This was also a way to strengthen the flagship Buddy Programme. The results of this meeting were fruitful as many teams continued meeting outside the sphere of REACH to build new friendships.

7. Bookshare Presentation

The Bookshare Presentation, held on September 22nd, 2016, was a greatly anticipated event in college, and was the semester's first major event of REACH (Reaffirming Equity, Access, Capacity and Humanism), the Equal Opportunity Cell of Lady Shri Ram College. REACH invited two reputed members of the Bookshare India team for the panel: Dr. Homiyar Mobedji, who is the current country director of Bookshare, and Ms. Zainab Chinikamwala, who is the outreach and training consultant for North India.

The Panellists encouraged the volunteers to help make books accessible to their print disabled college-mates by participating in the process of scanning and editing, and also spoke of the possibility of holding a workshop focusing on converting eBooks in formats such as txt, docx, pdf etc into DAISY.



8. Eye Check Up

REACH in collaboration with KPMG conducted an Eye Check for students with visual disability at Shroff Hospital, old Delhi.

9. Sensitization Workshop with Mr. George Abraham (Score Foundation)

REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell of Lady Shri Ram College and Score Foundation organized a sensitization workshop on 29th September 2016. The guest speaker at the session was Mr George Abraham, Founder--Score Foundation. The interactive event aimed at not only the breaking myths and

barriers that exist about the disabled in our society but to also make the disabled more aware of how they can also actively engage themselves with others and enjoy fruitful relationships.

The workshop started with a short film titled 'Nazariya' which was about two disabled girls, who not only overcame the social stigmas attached to their disabilities but also worked hard and achieved all that they wished to achieve. This was followed by an interactive session where students expressed their views on people with disabilities and whether they would initiate friendships with them.

10. World White Cane Day with Planet Abled's Neha Arora

On the occasion of White Cane Day, REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell at Lady Shri Ram College for Women, conducted a talk with Neha Arora, the founder of Planet Abled. White Cane Day is celebrated all across the world on the 15th of October every year. Its aim is to convey the message that a person with disability can lead an independent life. Thus, on the 27th of October, 2016, the members of REACH gathered for an interactive session with the founder of Planet Abled.

11. Chocolate Making

An informal chocolate making session was conducted on 15th February 2017, by Ms. Neelam J. Malhotra, Staff Advisor, REACH for the visually impaired students. The aim of this activity was to instil a sense of Entrepreneurship in the students. The session started with ma'am introducing the ingredients and tools of chocolate making to students, followed by batches of chocolates made by the students themselves under her supervision.



12. One Day Trip to Pratapgarh Farms

REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell of LSR, in collaboration with KMPG organized a one-day trip to Pratapgarh Farms. The trip was for the students who use Resource Centre. This trip was long due as it was planned a few years back and was finally held this year. Pratapgarh Farms had a plethora of activities for the students with disabilities. Along with the activities it also provided a chance for all the students and teachers to catch-up and take time out from their hectic college schedules.



13. An RPD Session PK Pincha

2nd March 2017: As a part of pre-parwaaz festivities, a guest lecture by Mr P. K. Pincha, former Chief Commissioner for persons with disability under the social justice ministry, was organised on the newly passed Rights of Person with Disabilities Bill (RPDB). The lecture began with a basic explanation of the background of the act and how the current act is much more nuanced in terms of categorising people with disability. It further dwelled on the structure of the

act followed by some special provisions for people with benchmark disabilities. This act articulates the civil and political rights of PWD along with the social aspects.



Pre- Parwaaz

14. Movie Screening – The Theory of Everything

Pre-Parwaaz began on the 7th of March by screening the movie named *The Theory of Everything*. The purpose of screening the movie was again to increase

interaction among members of REACH by discussing the issues taken up in the movie. This particular movie was screened to make people more accepting of their disability. After the screening a short discussion by the coordinators and the audience took place which included the parallelism between the aim and vision of REACH and this movie.

15. Panel Discussion

REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell of Lady Shri Ram College organized a panel discussion on ‘Discrimination through the lens of Gender and Disability’ on 9th March 2017. The panel discussion was held on the occasion of International Women’s Day which is celebrated worldwide on 8th March every year. Aimed at understanding and analysing the process of dual oppression, the panellists included famous disability rights activists Ms. Abhaketarpal Maurya and Ms. Japleen Pasricha. Ms. Khetarpal is the President at ‘Cross the Hurdles’. Ms. Pasricha on the other hand is the founder of ‘Feminism in India’—an award winning digital intersectional feminist platform that aims to develop a feminist consciousness and she is also associated with ‘Point of View’ which publishes articles for disabled females. The panel was moderated by Dr. Mahesh S Panicker, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Faculty Advisor for REACH.



16. Parwaaz Opening Lecture with Mr. Javed Abidi

23rd March, 2017: The opening guest lecture by Mr. Javed Abidi, director of the National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People (NCPEDP) took place on Thursday as a pre Parwaaz event. This “lecture” was interactive in nature, dealing with the topic of disability rights in India. It was attended by an attentive audience as well as our faculty advisor Dr. Mahesh S. Panicker, and was thoroughly informative and eye opening.



17. Parwaaz 2017

Parwaaz kick started with an eye-opening speech by Bhavya Shrivastava (Coordinator, REACH) wherein she talked about the importance of inclusion and greater interaction and how breaking barriers and stereotypes is what REACH stands for. This was followed by a Talent Hunt, a creative writing competition and a debating competition and a quiz. The two-day festival ended with the coordinators thanking the three outhouse judges for giving their valuable time.



18. Lord Michael Hastings Visit to College

On 13th April 2017, Lord Michael Hastings, Global CSR Head from KPMG was invited to Lady Shri Ram College for Women to observe the use of the state-of-art facilities that the college has in flat number 10, Resource Centre. He was greeted by the students with disabilities who are regular users of the facilities made available to them by KPMG. He understood how the assistive technology is being made a part of day to day lives of the students. Due to paucity of time, he was there with the students for a only short period of time. He was facilitated by Dr Sharma, Principal, Lady Shri Ram College with a token of appreciation. After observing the judicial use of the technology, Lord Hastings is eager on continuing the association of KPMG with LSR.

REACH REPORT 2017-18

S. No.	Event/Initiative	Date
1.	Society Orientation	8 th August 2017
2.	Computer Training Session Focusing on Kurzweil	22 nd August 2017
3.	Liberty Orientation	31 st August 2017
4.	Icebreaker Session for the Members	14 th September 2017
5.	Panel Discussion Organized in Collaboration with Interface on the Theme “Access to Public Space in the Context of disability”	28 th September 2017
6.	#HowISee Online Campaign for Awareness	14 th October 2017
7.	Movie Screening on White Cane Safety Day	15 th October 2017
8.	Mobility Workshops on White Cane Safety Day	January to February 2018
9.	Gender and Disability: Guest Lecture	13 th January 2018
10.	Access Audit	16 th January 2018

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11.	Satendra Singh: Pre-Parwaaz Guest Lecture	3 rd April 2018
12.	Origami Workshop	4 th April 2018
13.	Parwaaz 2018	7 th April 2018

1. Society Orientation:

The Orientation was organized on 8th August, 2017 in the Auditorium to introduce REACH to the general student body and encourage students to join the society. During the event, efforts were made to explain REACH's purpose and objectives as well as inform students of nuances of the application process and deadlines regarding the same. Our staff advisor, Mr. Mahesh Panicker also spoke on the occasion.

2. Computer training session focusing on Kurzweil:

Kurzweil is a multifaceted and hugely helpful assistive software that is a veritable Swiss army knife among accessible reading tools for people with print disabilities. With its ability to accommodate diverse reading, bookmarking and note-making preferences, coupled with its well-renowned OCR engine, Kurzweil was considered a useful piece of software to acquaint our visually-impaired population with right in the beginning. The session was held in the resource center i.e., flat no. 10 in the ECA period from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM on August 22nd, 2017. Dr. Mahesh S. Panicker, one of our faculty advisors, conducted the session, familiarizing the buddies with Kurzweil and its commonly used keyboard shortcuts to begin with.

3. Library Orientation

REACH also organized a library orientation in collaboration with the administrative staff of college library on 31st August'17, with a special focus on familiarizing the buddies with visual impairment with the services offered by the library and the University of Delhi.



4. Icebreaker Session for the Members:

As soon as the application process concluded, on the 14th September 2017, REACH held its first meeting with the volunteers and buddies to inform them about the events the society had planned for incoming few months and gather their feedback and suggestions for the same. But in addition to this, an ice breaker session was held so as to encourage the buddies and the volunteers to get to know each other.

5. Panel Discussion organised in collaboration with Interface on the theme “Access to Public Space in the context of Disability”:

On 28th September 2017, REACH and Interface collaboratively conducted a panel discussion on the topic “Access to public space in the context of disability”. Students were introduced to enlightening perspectives from two eminent panelists – Dr. Anita Ghai, professor of Disability Studies at Ambedkar University, and Mr. Prashant Verma, a wiz in assistive technology.

6. #HowISee Online Campaign for Awareness:

The #HowISeeOnline campaign was first introduced and popularized by the Royal National Institute for Blind People (RNIB) in the UK, and it aims to spread awareness about the completely different ways in which people with a variety of different eye conditions see the world. Our engagement with the campaign started

on October 14th 2017, a day before the White Cane Safety Day, with the sharing of RNIB's short film #HowISee on the REACH Facebook page. The film emphasizes the sheer diversity in the spectrum of blindness/visual impairment.

7. Movie Screening on White Cane Safety Day:

An audio-described version of the Award-winning movie The Great Gatsby was screened on the occasion of White Cane Safety Day, which is celebrated on October 15th. Audio description, just like the white cane, is one of those revolutionary aids that facilitated independence and self-sufficiency for the blind and partially-sighted population, and was therefore picked as a suitable avenue to explore on the occasion.

8. Mobility Workshops:

REACH has strived to hold mobility workshops for students with visual impairment for several years. With the assistance of KMPG, instructor Sandeep Garg was invited to teach the students about the “White Cane” and demonstrate to them its usage. The workshop was spread over 3 sessions on consecutive Saturdays, with a participation of around 10 students. Each student brought her cane along. Mr. Garg explained the technique of holding the cane, and using it to detect obstacles in the path.



9. Access Audit:

This year, the society coordinators along with our staff advisor, Karuna Rajeev, held an accessibility audit around the college campus. The objective of this activity was to identify areas in college which were an obstacle to easy mobility. Broken and damaged ramps were noted, along with some inaccessible areas which required the construction of new ramps. By the end of the year, ramps have been constructed at Nescafe and the admin gazebo; further, Tarang was made inclusive by creating a separate, accessible space for students with disability to bring their friends and enjoy the evenings!

10. Satendra Singh: Pre Parwaaz Guest Lecture

As a pre-Parwaaz event, a lecture was delivered by Dr. Satendra Singh on the topic “Bridging the Divide: Khwahish-e-Parwaaz”, on April 3, 2018. Dr. Singh teaches at the University College of Medical Science, Delhi and extensively worked during the 2014 general elections to make the voting process accessible to the disabled citizens.



11. Origami Workshop

The second pre-Parwaaz event this year, an Origami Workshop, was organized for the student body in association with HIVE on 4th April, 2018. The aim was to promote the idea of creativity, inclusion, integration as well as independence. Everything else aside, the Origami Workshop turned out to be one of the most fun-filled activities organized by REACH this year and saw an active involvement of the disabled, non-disabled as well as the faculty members. The HIVE coordinator, Kanishka, took lead and the students were guided step-by-step on how to make movable puppet lips as well as a wind-driven paper fan.

12. PARWAAZ 2018: APRIL 2018

Opening Ceremony

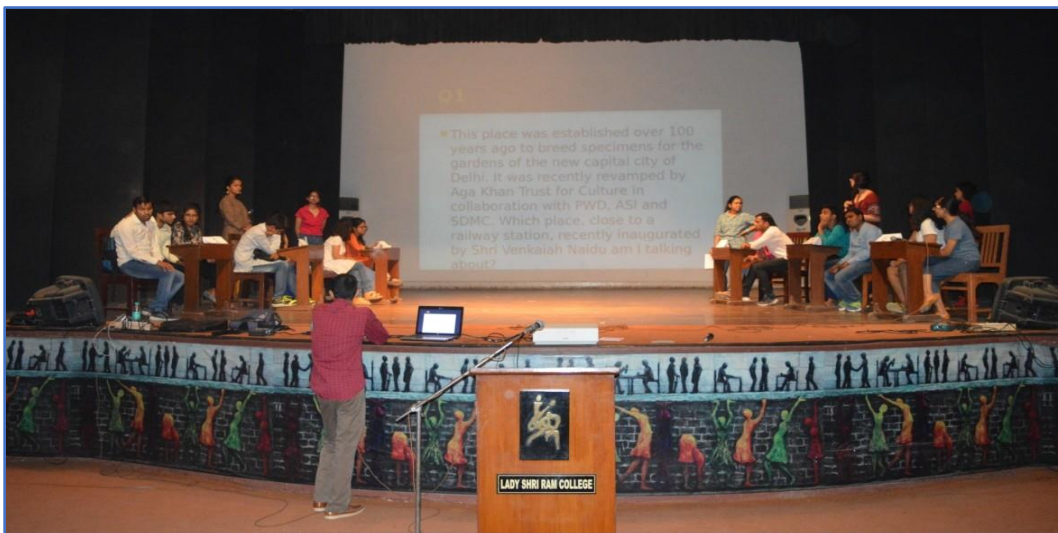
The opening ceremony of the annual inclusive fest of REACH- Parwaaz '18, commenced with the lighting of the lamp by the staff advisors. Parwaaz, a treasure trove of possibilities, next, saw a welcoming note by the coordinators Aparna and Sumi, on behalf of the entire REACH family. Ms. Karuna Rajeev, our staff advisor welcomed the audience next- participants and judges alike and emphasized the importance of conversations in achieving the goals of the community.

This was followed by the following events:

- Talent Hunt
- Creative writing: what's your story?
- Debate
- Quizzard

Closing Ceremony

After a very energetic and vibrant day, the closing ceremony of Parwaaz, the annual fest of REACH, Lady Shri Ram College for Women, began at 4:30PM. Parwaaz 2018 was the last event to be supervised by Ms. Neelam J. Malhotra, one of the senior staff advisors to REACH who has been associated with it since its very inception. Ms. Priti Prajapati, Mahesh S. Panicker Sir, Karuna Ma'am, along with one of the coordinators of REACH 2016-17, Bhavya (through a video), expressed their sadness over her leaving the society.





REACH REPORT 2018-19

S. No.	Event/Initiative	Date
1.	Society Orientation	31 st July 2018
2.	Campus Walk	7 th August 2018
3.	Session with Mr. Ankur Warikoo	7 th September 2018
4.	Session with Ms. Dorodi Sharma	27 th September 2018
5.	Session by KPMG	29 th September 2018
6.	Session by Srishti Pandey	5 th October 2018
7.	Session with Mr. Nipun Malhotra	9 th October 2018
8.	Pre- Parwaaz	7 th March 2019
9.	<i>Parwaaz</i>	9 th March 2019

1. Campus Walk

A walk was organized by the coordinators of REACH society in order to assist the students get better acquainted with the college. All the buddies were taken on a tour of the college to help them navigate their way through the infrastructure and facilities in a better manner. The walk has enabled efficient mobility around the campus.

2. Session with Mr.Ankur Warikoo

On 7th September 2018, REACH, the equal opportunity cell of Lady Shri Ram College, kickstarted their activities for this academic year with a fun session with Mr. Ankur Warikoo, founder and CEO of Nearby.com in the LSR College Auditorium.

3. Session with Ms.Dorodi Sharma

REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell and Global Youth-LSR jointly organized a talk by Ms. Dorodi Sharma on the topic, 'Evolution of Disability as a Human Right' on 27th September, 2018. Ms. Dorodi Sharma is a United Nations Disability Rights specialist at UN Resident's Coordinator Office and a Monitoring Evaluation Accountability and Learning (MEAL) officer at International Disability Alliance. The talk opened up wide avenues of discourse beginning with a little trivia such as the first International Day of Sign Language having been celebrated on 23rd September, and Robert Martin being the first person with intellectual disability to chair a United Nations Session.

4. An interaction with KPMG representative

A session was taken by Ms. Pritika, the representative of KPMG for the functioning of resource center. KPMG has been supporting LSR for its accessibility objectives since past several years. It established a resource center named Swavlamban on August 2013 to assist students with visual impairment by providing technological support. Currently, the center has 40 laptops, 17 recorders and 7 magnifiers. Several resources such as reading material, digital books, braille books and audio books are available there.

5. Session by Srishti Pandey

A second year student of LSR, Srishti Pandey from Psychology Department delivered an intriguing talk about Inspiration Porn on 5th October 2018 wherein she talked about how people with disabilities are depicted as heroes and used as objects of inspiration. She articulated her thoughts around objectification of PWDs in an eloquent manner and let the audience ponder over it.

6. Session with Mr.Nipun Malhotra

Nipun Malhotra, the founder of Nipman Foundation presented a talk on “How Can Public Policy Aim for Smart, Sustainable and Inclusive Growth?” on 9th October, 2018. It was organized by REACH, the Equal Opportunity Cell along with Voluntary Agency Placement Programme.

Nipun Malhotra, who graduated from St. Stephens with a degree in Economics and completed his Masters in Delhi School of Economics. He is an entrepreneur who has published many articles that reflect his inspirational ideas.

7. Parwaaz 2019

Parwaaz is the annual cultural fest of REACH organized every year since 2012. 'Parwaaz' stands for taking flight beyond the challenges of life. It provides a platform for students with disabilities to showcase their talents and skills. Parwaaz 2019 was organized on the 9th of March. This year's Parwaaz promoted the idea of inclusivity by allowing participation of non PWD students in a team paired up with PWD student

8. Aagaaz-E-Parwaaz (Pre-Parwaaz)

As a beginning to Parwaaz, Pre Parwaaz was organized on the theme to draw inspiration from the lives of eminent persons with disabilities doing exemplary work in their respective fields. The session started on a highly zealous note by introducing the guests of honor, Padma Shri awardee Mr. Jawahar Lal Kaul, the director general and founding member of All India confederation of the Blind (AICB), which is a pioneer organization working for the rights and upliftment of persons with visual impairment, Ms. Preeti Singh, Miss wheelchair India pageant winner and a graduate from SRCC and our very own ELSA Ms. Lalita Baghel, presently a researcher and assistant professor at a college of Delhi University. All of them are champions in their respective fields.

9. Opening Ceremony

Parwaaz' 19, dated 9 March, started on a highly zealous note. 2015 UPSC topper Ms. Ira Singhal gave an absolutely remarkable opening speech.

This was followed by the following events:

- Talent Hunt
- Creative writing
- Debate
- Quizzard

10. Closing Ceremony

The closing ceremony of Parwaaz was a memorable end to the enriching day. It started with a musical melody performed by members of Dhvani, the Indian Music society of LSR, followed by the prize distribution ceremony for the winners.



REACH REPORT 2019-20

S. No.	Event/Initiative	Date
1.	Guest Lecture – in collaboration with the Department of Sociology	19 th August 2019
2.	Workshop on Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication with the Blind Graduates Forum of India	28 th August 2019
3.	Chocolate Making Workshop	22 nd October 2019
4.	Informal Discussion on the Intersection of Disability and Sexuality	5 th November 2019
5.	Guest Lecture on Intersection of Gender, Sexuality and Disability	7 th November 2019
6.	Informal Discussion on Descent and Disability	30 th January 2020
7.	Pre- Parwaaz Series	25 th tp 27 th February 2020
	a. Accessibility Sculpture Workshop in Collaboration with Hive	25 th February 2020
	b. Movie Screening	26 th February 2020

	c. Guest Lecture on Learning Disabilities	27 th February 2020
8.	Disability sensitization Workshops for Children from Lower Socio-economic Strata in Collaboration with NSS	Organized within the months of September to February

1. Guest Lecture on Developmental Disabilities within the Indian Family in Collaboration with the Department of Sociology

Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya has researched and written in the areas of disability and gender and is the author of two books: *Autism and the Family in Urban India: Looking back, Looking Forward* (Springer, 2016) and *Embodying Motherhood: Perspectives from Contemporary India* (Sage- Yoda Press 2016) co-authored with Anu Aneja. Her latest publication is 'Disorder, Disability Difference: (Re)presenting Autism in India' in *Disability Studies in India: Interdisciplinary Perspectives* edited by Nilika Mehrotra (Springer, 2020). She spoke to us about disability, its intersection with the social and the personal and how developmental disabilities were impacted upon within the Indian Family.

Number of Participants: 60

2. Workshop on Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication with the Blind Graduates Forum of India

The above workshop was a success, with 50 students participating. It was open to students outside college as well. It lasted for 4 hours and gave students the opportunity to work on their verbal and non-verbal communication skills.

Number of Participants: 50

3. Chocolate Making Workshop

The Chocolate Making Workshop has become a REACH tradition. The students absolutely enjoy the event. It is an opportunity to learn and an excellent lesson for the future entrepreneurs.

Number of Participants: 30

4. Guest Lecture on Intersection of Gender, Sexuality and Disability

The lecture was conducted in collaboration with the Women's Development Cell. Dr. Anita Ghazi was invited to about Gender, Sexuality and Disability how these three identity markers are dynamically related to each other and one needs to untangle the complexities to get a better understanding of how society encounters disability.

Number of Participants: 50

5. Informal Discussion on Descent and Disability

The Discussion was conducted in collaboration with the BDR Club of the Department of Political Science.

Number of Participants: 60

6. Informal Discussion on Difference and Diversity

The session was a great success with students actively discussing about their experiences and how there is an eminent need to create sensitization about difference and sensitivity in society today.

Number of Participants: 20

7. Pre- Parwaaz Series

a. Accessible Sculpture Workshop in Collaboration with Hive

Number of Participants: 50

Duration: 1.5 Hours

b. Movie Screening

Audio descriptive movie screening of The Interviewer was conducted.

Number of Participants: 20

Duration: 1.5 Hours

c. Guest Lecture on Learning Disabilities

Dr. Geet Oberoi, the founder of Orkids, was invited to speak on the topic of Learning Disabilities. Her company is a chain of multidisciplinary clinics which provides remedial intervention to children with special needs, especially those with learning disabilities, ADD/ADHD, autism, Asperger's syndrome. She is a special educator who advocates inclusive learning to create a supportive system for those with learning disabilities.

8. Disability Sensitization Workshops for Children from Lower Socio-economic Strata in Collaboration with NSS:

We organized a series of 12 workshops in collaboration with NSS affiliated NGOs for children from lower socio-economic strata on disability. These workshops were organized in the months of September, October, January and February. The idea was to sensitize children about disability, the proper terminology to refer to people with disabilities, accessible modes of communication and proper etiquettes.

The REACH Newsletter:

We initiated the Newsletter of REACH titled The Purple Post- a platform for students with disabilities and non-disabled students to engage with various facets of disabilities and share their experiences.

Online Awareness Campaigns:

We ran various online campaigns to raise awareness and sensitize people about disability. This included a weekly series called “Fun Fact Friday”, weekly series on various types of disabilities like dyslexia and deafness, posts on disability days like Down syndrome day, White Cane Safety Day and so on. We also provided a platform for students with disabilities to share their experiences around issues like mental health and independence. This helped us create a sustained online presence and enhance the engagement of students with the topic of disability and the discourses around it.





REACH REPORT 2020-21

March 2020 - November 2021:

REACH started functioning via the online mode due to the pandemic. The team was involved in ensuring availability of accessible study materials for the virtual semester and ensuring the smooth conduct of the OBE exams for the final semester students.

S. No.	Event/Initiative	Date
1.	Video Screening: “What’s So Special: Disability and Inclusive Language?”	-
2.	Documentary Screening: “Picture This”	25 th February 2021
3.	Spot the Stigma Event	March 2021
4.	Social Campaign: Department REACHout	April 2021
5.	“Navigating an Ableist Education System”	April 2021
6.	Open Mic for Students with Disabilities	April 2021

1. Video Screening: “What’s so Special: Disability and Inclusive Language”

A video screening was conducted, followed by discussion within student body on the topic “Inclusive Language and How to Address People with Disabilities.” The students were encouraged to look at the ways in which language normalizes a certain kind a perception about disability as a negative experience and how there is a need create awareness in this regard.

2. Documentary Screening: “Picture This”

On 25th February 2021, REACH, LSR organized a documentary screening. The documentary titled "Picture This" explored themes and issues around disability, queerness, and sexuality. It addressed the lack of conversation around the topic which translates into lack of representation and acceptance. It even highlighted how people with disabilities are often seen as asexual or their sexual desires are seen as taboo. The documentary was followed by a free-flowing discussion among the attendees.

3. Spot the Stigma

REACH collaborated with MUN society to collect pads for free of cost distribution to the sections of the society that need them. This was accompanied by educational campaigns by REACH and MUN where we sought to remove the stigma around menstrual hygiene and also explored the intersection between disability and menstrual hygiene management.

4. REACHing the Departments

A social media campaign started by REACH in collaboration with 10 departments of LSR (Sociology, Hindi, English, Commerce, History, Philosophy, Economics, B.El.Ed, Psychology, and Sanskrit) to put up posts regarding various topics falling at the intersection of Disability and the respective departments’ subject of concern.

5. Navigating an Ableist Education System

A guest discussion inviting members of the Revival Disability Magazine in collaboration with Dhyana Society. The discussion focused on the intricacies of navigation through the education system while dealing with its inherent ableism.

6. Open Mic for Students with Disabilities

Open Mic for students with disabilities was conducted in collaboration with the College Magazine. Students with disabilities presented their articles, poems, songs and art. College Magazine has decided to publish some of them in the College Magazine.

Social Media Campaigns

1. Awareness Series:

We followed the international disability calendar (<https://disabilityin.org/resource/2021-calendar-of-disability-related-dates/>) and curated posts dedicated to a disability, chronic illness or other disability related topics. The topics taken up from in this series during March 2020 - April 2021 are as follows:

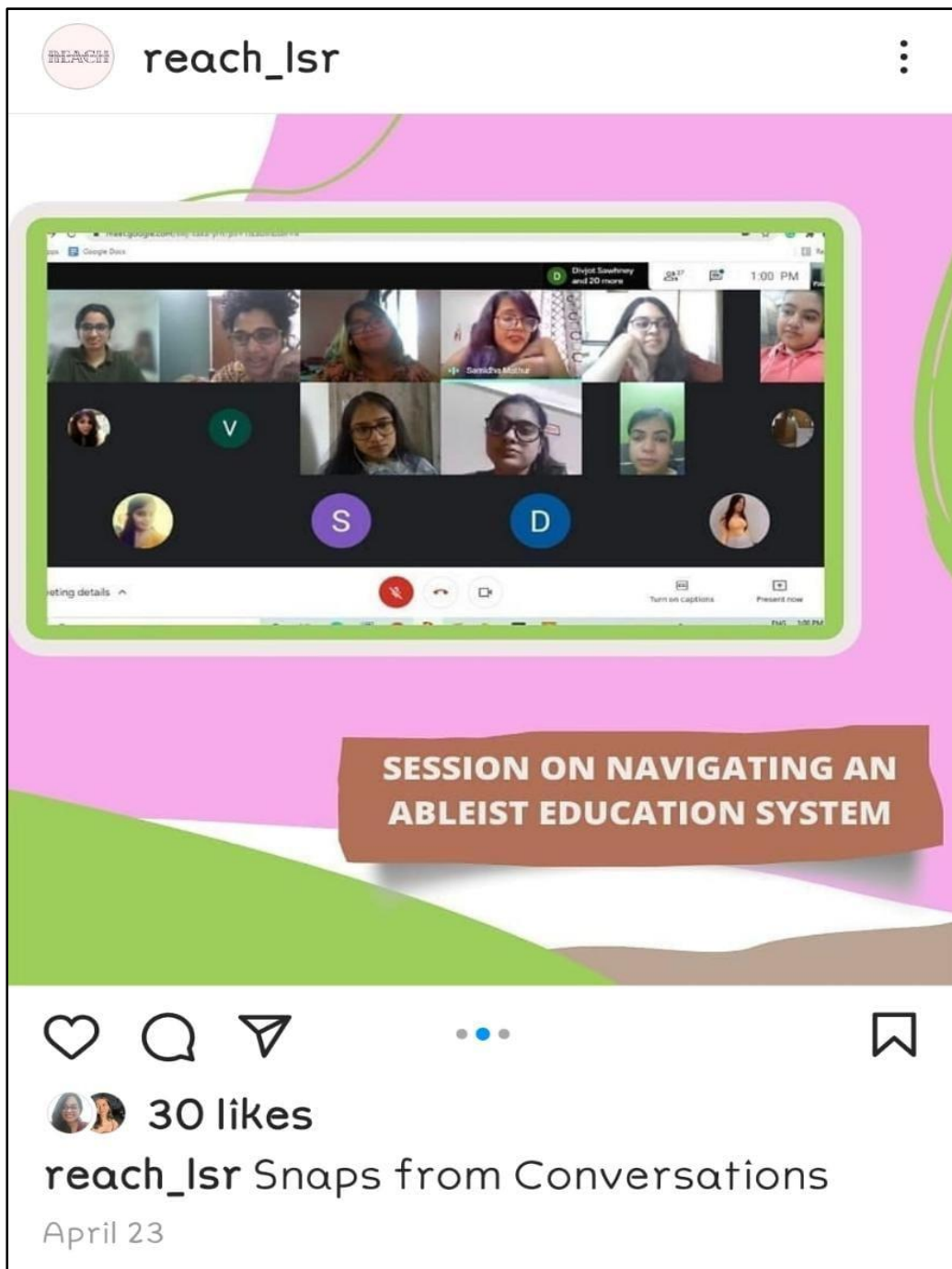
- a. Down Syndrome Day
- b. Purple Day
- c. Cerebral Palsy

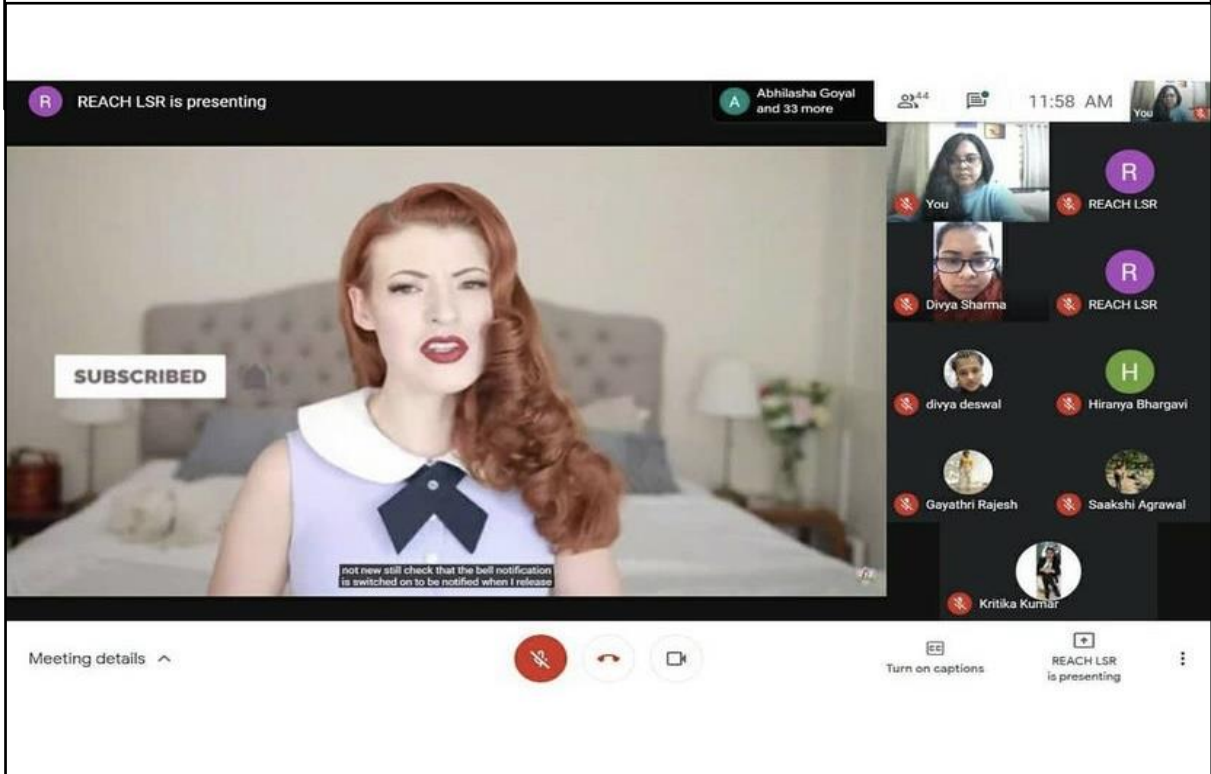
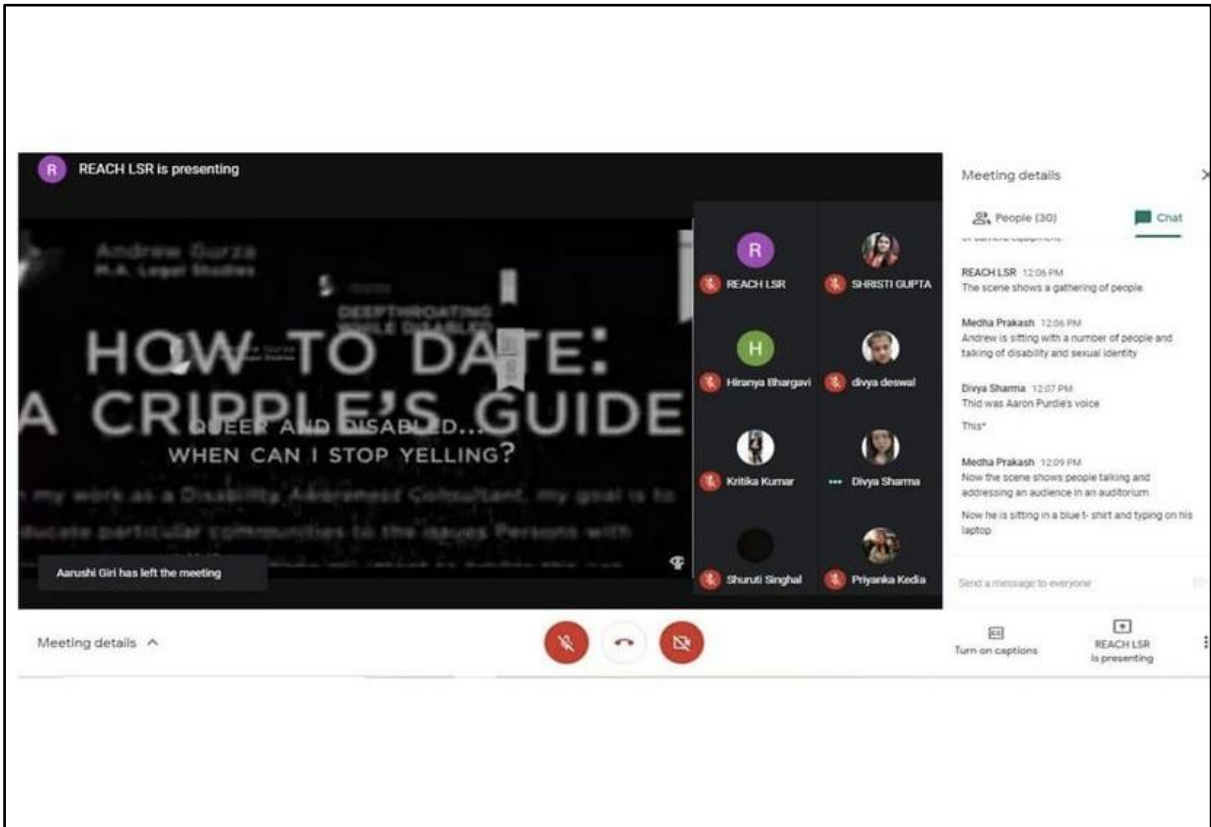
2. Fun Fact Friday:

Another social media series that took up small topics with the aim to generate sensitivity and awareness regarding disability related concerns. The topics taken up from in this series during March 2020 - April 2021 are as follows:

- a. Covid and Disability
- b. Mythology and Disability
- c. Ostomies

- d. Ambulatory wheelchair users
- e. Audio Descriptions and Alt Text





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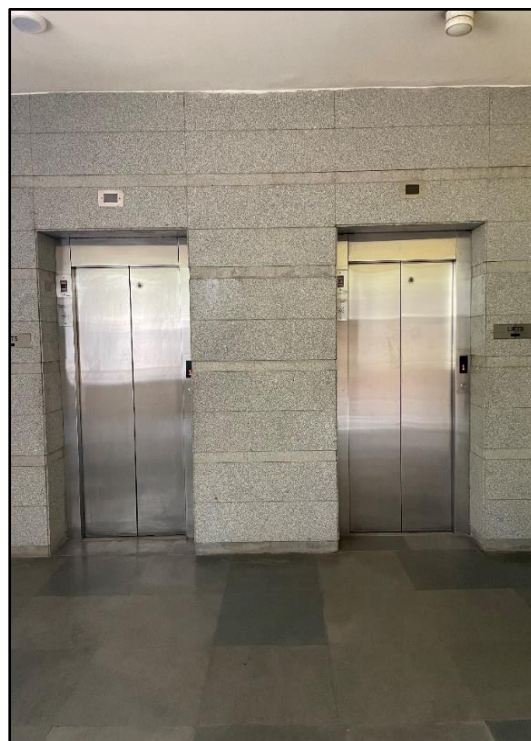
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OIP REPORT 2016-17

LSR has organized and hosted prestigious international seminars and short courses for faculty and students from varied countries.

1. The OIN-LSR MOU

OIN – the Ontario in India Programme is a conglomerate of 10 Canadian Universities who offer our students a one-year non-degree programme in exchange for one of their students doing a semester at LSR.

2. Macquarie University-LSR MOU

A large contingent from Macquarie University, Australia visited LSR and a MOU between the two institutions was signed. Macquarie University in Australia has offered to engage with two undergraduate students for one year with a scholarship and have also offered them a 50% fee reduction on their Masters programme in International Relations.

3. Two Summer Courses Conducted by King's College

King's College, London conducted two Summer Courses at LSR College in May 2017 for the 5th year in succession since 2013. It is a matter of great pride for us that LSR College is the only academic institution that King's College, London is collaborating with. The Summer School held from 29th May, 2017 to 9th June, 2017 were on the courses of International Relations and Marketing Management.

4. Details of the Different Collaborative Programmes

The Office of International Programmes has expanded its base in collaboration and this year we have the largest number of students being sent from LSR College to collaborative programmes in universities abroad.

Students have been nominated for the SUSI programme on Leadership in USA, La Trobe University in Australia, Sciences Po in France, Fukuoka in Japan, Ontario in India programme in Canada, Macquarie University in Australia, National University of Singapore, Singapore and King's College, London.

The Middlebury College in USA hosted one of our faculty members for an Annual Lecture in March 2017. A proposal was sent by Prof. Martina Mollering of Macquarie University of having about 20 students on a visit to 3 cities/campuses (LSR in Delhi, St. Xavier's, Kolkata and TISS,

Mumbai) in India in September 2017. Since LSR has already hosted such activities (with Ohio Wesleyan University, Winston Salem University, University of Florida, University of Queensland and Western Sydney University) a week-long session was organized LSR College also has hosted in 2017, January to April semester, 5 exchange students from Middlebury, one from the OIN Programme and one student from La Trobe University.

In addition to all these major activities, OIP has organized talks by distinguished faculty from universities abroad, lectures and presentations from collaborators and other universities.

EVENT OF KING'S COLLEGE, LONDON AT LSR





AUSTRALIA GOVERNOR GENERAL VISIT TO LSR



DIGNITARIES FROM MONASH UNIVERSITY



OIP REPORT 2017-18

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1. Discussion with Vibha Sharma about Indian Education

On 3rd November, 2017, Vibha Sharma, an ELSA from 1985 working with Dr. Robert Monson of Columbia University organized a discussion in LSR by bringing his group of education policy fellows (EPFP) to India to help them learn more about the Indian education.

The visiting faculty from various Universities in USA had an invigorating discussion on the training of teachers and pedagogic techniques coupled with Education policy and guidelines with the Principal, Dr. Sharma, OIP Advisors and some faculty from the B.El.Ed Department.

2. Global Symposium on “Innovative Approaches to Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability”

LSR has collaborated with Barnard College, Columbia University, NYC, USA, on a global symposium to be held in New Delhi in March 2018 to discuss “Innovative Approaches to Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability.”



MACQUARIE STUDY TOUR



OIP REPORT 2018-19

List of Programmes, Lectures, Events conducted in the Academic Year 2018-19 are as follows:

1. Short Term Course on Sustainable Environmental Practices

A group of students from the Faculty of Arts at Macquarie University, Australia along with Professor Andrew Alter visited Lady Shri Ram College for a short-term course which was conceptualized and transacted by LSR faculty members. This week-long course, held in September 2018, provided an overview on diverse aspects of Indian History, Geopolitics, Sociology, Gandhi and his relevance and Sustainable Environmental Practices in India.

2. Lecture on Climate Change by Dr. Kirstin Davies

Dr. Kirsten Davies from Macquarie's Department of Law visited LSR on October 03,2018 to deliver a lecture titled “The Warming War: How Climate Change is Creating Threats to International Peace and Security”. This lecture highlighted the impact of greenhouse emissions in accelerating climate change, insidiously threatening the security of human life on earth.

3. Lecture on Global Responsibility from the Market to the Individual

On 4th October, 2018 Dr. Peter Postle, HOD of Economics at the University of Bath gave a lecture on “Global responsibilities from the market to the individual”. This talk was an introduction to the theme of the Winter School that the University of Bath was planning to hold in LSR in December 2018.

4. Visit from Sciences Po

A delegation from Sciences Po visited the College in December 2018. It was led by Dr. Vanessa Scherrer, Vice-President, Sciences Po and included Mr. Enrico Letta, Dean of the Paris School of International Affairs and former Prime Minister of Italy and the representatives of Sciences Po in India, Ms. Sophie Collet and Ms. Neha Khanna.

5. Lecture on Nation Building in Europe, a Comparison with Asia

Mr. Enrico Letta gave an extremely thought-provoking lecture on “Nation Building in Europe, a Comparison with Asia” which was followed by a stimulating discussion with students. The Sciences Po representatives engaged with the students on application processes, deadlines and post-graduation prospects at Sciences Po, and cleared doubts regarding the same.

6. 8 Day Course on Global Responsibilities from the Market to the Individual

Lady Shri Ram College for Women hosted an eight-day long Winter School, organized by the University of Bath in December 2018. Titled 'Global Responsibilities from the Market to the Individual' the course was open to all undergraduate students and was inter-disciplinary in nature. Taught by faculty from the University of Bath, it included specialists from the disciplines of Economics, Philosophy, History and Political Science.

7. Orientation to Inform Students about Summer Courses at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge

Mr. Danny Pan, Associate Manager, Academic Partnerships, the Summer Institute at Oriel College, Oxford and the Cambridge Summer Institute visited the campus on 16th January, 2019 to inform students about summer courses at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. He explained about the enrolment process, scholarships and fee discounts offered at the Summer Institutes.

8. Advisory Session for Admission to EDHEC Business School, Paris

Mr. Nilesh Gaikwad from the EDHEC Business School, Paris conducted a session in Lady Shri Ram College on 4th April, 2019. He explained about the process of admission to EDHEC, the fee concessions available to students from LSR and discussed possible help with accommodation for students from LSR who would like to study at the EDHEC Business School.

9. Selection of 2 Students of Schwarzmann Scholars Programme

It is a matter of great pride for the College, that two students from LSR, were selected as Schwarzman Scholars from India for 2019-20. This is a prestigious international global scholar's programme located at Beijing with faculty from all over the world.

10. MoU with Monash University

Monash University signed an MoU with LSR for a special scholarship called the “Meenakshi Gopinath and Ann Tickner Scholarship”. This scholarship, is primarily meant for students from LSR wanting to do their PhD at Monash University, Faculty of Arts.

11. Discussion with Dr. Lia Roberts about further Collaboration

Dr. Lia Roberts, Academic Director, Centre for Global Initiatives, Mount Saint Mary's University also discussed possible areas of collaboration.

12. Discussion about Summer Courses for LSR in International Schools

Ms. Amanda Stuart and Ms. Cindy Chen from the Summer Institutes of Oxford and Cambridge visited LSR to discuss the possibilities for students from LSR participating in summer courses at these Universities.

13. Visits from Eminent Faculty Members from La Trobe and Macquarie University

A number of visitors from La Trobe and Macquarie visited campus. These included Dr. Jacqueline Millner, Deputy Head of School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Prof. Kerry Krause, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics and Mr. Kelly Smith Pro Vice Chancellor.

14. Week long Course conducted by LSR Faculty Members for Visiting Students from Macquarie University

A group of students from the Faculty of Arts at Macquarie University, Australia along with Professor Andrew Alter visited Lady Shri Ram College for a short-term course which was conceptualized and transacted by LSR faculty members. This week-long course, held in September 2018, provided an overview on diverse aspects of Indian History, Geopolitics, Sociology, Gandhi and his relevance and Sustainable Environmental Practices in India.

15. College Hosted an Exchange Programme

LSR College hosted a number of exchange students in the academic year 2018-19. These included six students from Middlebury College, Maya Norbu, Stephanie Castaneda, Miyo McGinn, Abbey Knight, Gabriella Willingham and Lucy Weiss, Margaret Elizabeth Kyle from the Ontario in India Programme and two students from the National University of Singapore (NUS), Kaushalya Vijayan Kumaran and Vandhana Jeyaran. While some of the exchange students came for one semester others came on a year-long exchange. A number of students from LSR have been nominated for collaborative programmes in universities abroad.

OIP ORIENTATION 2018-19



WINTER SCHOOL AT UNIVERSITY OF BATH,2018



OIP REPORT 2019-2020

List of Programmes, Sessions, Events Conducted in the year 2019-2020 are as follows:

1. Lecture on India-Australia Strategic Partnership

Prof. Julian Droogan, Senior Lecturer, Department of Security Studies and Criminology, Macquarie University, and part of the delegation from Macquarie University, gave a lecture on the India-Australia Strategic Partnership to a group of 60 students on 10th September 2019.

2. Advisory Session on Admission to EDHEC Business School Paris

Mr. Nilesh Gaikwad, India Representative of the EDHEC Business School, Paris conducted a session in Lady Shri Ram College on 13th September 2019. He explained about the process of admission to EDHEC, the fee concessions available to students from LSR and discussed possible help with accommodation for students from LSR who would like to study at the EDHEC Business School.

The session was interactive in nature and the 50 students present had many queries. Mr. Gaikwad also organized a CV and SOP writing workshop for a small group of 10 students on 29th January 2020.

3. Advisory Session to Help Students Apply to Universities in the US

Ms. Aastha Virk Singh, Senior Advisor, Education USA, United States India Education Foundation addressed a group of 60 students on 24 October 2019. She explained the process of application and admission to Universities in USA and answered queries regarding the same.

4. Advisory Session to Apply to the Cargill Global Scholars Programme

Ms. Akta Sawhney visited LSR on 9th January 2020 and addressed a group of 40 students on the Cargill Global Scholars Programme. She encouraged LSR students to apply for this prestigious Programme, which not only provided a generous scholarship for two years, but also provided leadership development opportunities through seminars and mentoring programmes, both within India and globally.

5. Advisory Session for Applying to Oxford and Cambridge for their Summer Programmes

Mr. Danny Pan, Associate Manager, Academic Partnerships, the Summer Institute at Oriel College, Oxford and the Cambridge Summer Institute visited the campus on 21st January, 2020 to inform students about summer courses at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. He explained about the enrolment process, scholarships and fee discounts offered at the Summer Institutes. The talk was attended by 75 students.

6. Lecture on “Communicating Emotions through Languages and Cultures”

Dr. Jalena Havelka, Associate Professor, School of Psychology, University of Leeds gave a lecture to about 60 students and 6 faculty of the Psychology Department on “Communicating Emotions through Languages and Cultures” on 28th January 2020.

7. Workshop on “Innovation and International Business

Prof. Tom Buckley, Lecturer in International Business Strategies, University of Sheffield conducted a workshop on “Innovation and International Business” for a group of about 50 students on 7th February 2020.

8. International Visits

A number of visitors, both from partner institutions and from institutions looking for partners in India, visited the college and met the Principal. These included Prof. Martina Mollering, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Macquarie University who visited the College on 12 December 2019 and Prof. Laurie Patton, President, Middlebury College, Vermont USA who met Dr. Sharma on 10 January 2020.

A delegation from the Cornell Law School, USA consisting of Prof. Monica Ingram, Associate Dean, Admissions, Prof. Markeisha Miner, Dean of Students, and Prof. Sital Kalantry, Professor of Law, Cornell Law School visited LSR on 6th February 2020 and discussed the opportunities available for Indian students to study law in USA.

A group from Lehigh University, USA led by Prof. Whitney P. Witt, College of Health, Lehigh University discussed possibilities of collaboration with Dr. Suman Sharma.

Prof. Raymond J. La Raja, Associate Dean, College of Social and Behavioural Sciences, University of Massachusetts, Amherst and Kanika Parwal, Programme Manager, LakshmiPat Singhania Education Foundation visited the college on 14th February 2020 to discuss international scholarship opportunities for LSR students to pursue a Master's degree from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst through the LSEF-UMass Scholarship 2020.

9. Student Exchanges and Opportunities

Simran Rawat, a final year Journalism student, was chosen as part of a 25 member Indian Youth Delegation to South Korea from 13th to 22nd November 2019, under the International Youth Exchange Programme of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.

Pravina Khuraija, a first-year student of the B.A. Programme Department, was selected as one of 10 Cargill Global Scholars 2020 from across the country.

Juliet Flan Ross and Rebecca Brown who had been Exchange students from Middlebury at LSR in 2017, were awarded the Fulbright Research Award for India in 2019-20.

LSR College hosted a number of exchange students in the academic year 2019-20 from institutions such as Middlebury College, USA and LaTrobe University, Australia. These students had to leave India as they were recalled by their home institution due to the pandemic. However, they continued online academic work and finished their course-work by 30th April 2020.

A number of students from LSR were nominated for collaborative programmes in universities abroad such as Fukuoka Women's University, Japan, Sciences Po, Paris France, National University of Singapore, Singapore and Macquarie University, Australia.

OIP REPORT 2020-21

From March 2020 till June 2020, due to the pandemic, the campus was totally shut for faculty and students. All teaching shifted online as did all meetings and most administrative work. The students who had come on Exchange fortunately returned to their home Universities just before the lockdown was announced. They too continued their classes and assignments in an online mode and completed the credit requirements.

1. Student Selections for SUSI Programme, Fukuoka Programme, La Trobe and Macquarie Programme

S. No.	Programme	Name of the Student
1.	SUSI Programme	Astha Bamba Aanya Wig
2.	Fukuoka Programme	Chahak Agrawal Aarti
3.	La Trobe	Tayyaba Rizwan
4.	Macquarie Programme	Riya Mohan Akanksha
5.	Macquarie Masters Programme	Anusha

The Australian Universities cancelled all the programmes with the understanding that if the situation improved by the end of the year, the Exchange students could join the programme for the January semester. However, later in the year this too was cancelled. The Summer Programme in the US too was cancelled.

Fukuoka University conducted the programme online and sent the girls their visa letters in March 2021 with the hope that the last three months of the programme could be conducted in Japan from May to August 2021. However, with the outbreak of the second wave of the pandemic, this part too was conducted online.

OIP remained in touch with our partner Universities throughout 2020 to work out possibilities for online cooperation.

1. Online Winter School by Sciences Po for all Students at LSR

Sciences Po offered an online Winter School which was open to all students of LSR. Students were encouraged to join the course as the timings were such that the course would not clash with their class timing.

2. Renewal of NUS-LSR Exchange Programme

As the NUS-LSR Exchange Programme agreement was due for renewal, a new agreement was signed with NUS (National University of Singapore) in September 2020. This would enable LSR to send students either for a year-long exchange or a one semester exchange in lieu of the earlier arrangement of sending LSR students for a summer course at NUS.

3. Simran Keshwani: Winner of Macquarie University Student Excellence Award

LSR student, Simran Keshwani, who had joined Macquarie University for her post-graduate studies, was awarded the Macquarie University Student Excellence Award for Leadership and the Post Graduate Excellence Award by the Global Leadership Programme of Macquarie University.

4. Applications Invite for Cargill Global Scholar Programme

Students of LSR were once again given the opportunity to apply for the Cargill Global Scholars Programme, a 2-year Leadership development programme which was open to only 10 select Colleges and Universities across India.

5. Students Selected for Exchange in February 2021

In February 2021, OIP opened applications for the NUS, Sciences Po, Fukuoka Exchanges and the Macquarie Masters Programme. There was an overwhelming response from LSR students.

- a. Surbhi Gupta, 2nd Year Journalism, was selected for the year- long exchange programme with NUS
- b. Vedika Pillai, 3rd year Sociology Honours was selected for Sciences Po
- c. Pragya Mishra, 3rd year Philosophy Honours was selected for Fukuoka Women's University.

6. LSR as Co-host for International Asian Undergraduate Summit

In April 2021, LSR was invited to be a co-host for an international Asian Undergraduate Summit, organized by NUS. The event, which was held in early June and conducted by the IQAC of LSR was a great success.